

# DR. FRANCES FONZA

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**Frances Fonza** is the Director of Worship and Arts at Mt. Ennon Baptist Church in Clinton, Maryland. She earned a bachelor's degree in music education at the University of Missouri-Columbia and master's and doctoral degrees in music education and choral conducting at Florida State University.

Fonza taught choral music at the middle school and high school levels in Kentucky for several years. Most recently, Dr. Fonza was the Assistant Professor of Music Education and Director of Choral Activities at Wittenberg University in Springfield, Ohio. Her responsibilities included teaching music education courses, aural skills, choral conducting, supervising music education interns, and directing the Wittenberg choirs. Choirs under her direction have participated in state, regional, and national music festivals. Dr. Fonza is an active singer, clinician, and adjudicator. A frequent guest conductor, she has conducted several honor, public school, and church choirs. Her research interests are community partnerships, healthy singing in Gospel music, and tone building strategies used in the choral classroom.



Fonza holds professional memberships in the National Association for Music Education, the College Music Society, and the American Choral Directors Association.