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Phantom's Flame Views the Dark Side of Life

London's West End actress Tabitha Webb spends some of her time playing the object of The Phantom's affection in the alternate lead role of Christine in "Phantom of the Opera". However, she has recently also become the spokesperson for the charity Interserve's "Love Changes Everything" campaign. Interserve is a Christian mission agency which aims to "see lives and communities transformed through encounters with Jesus Christ." Tabitha recently visited some of the most poverty stricken areas in Mumbai, India in her role with Interserve. Her main brief is to highlight the plight of the disenfranchised, the disabled and the trafficked. Of her trip she said "It was a fantastic opportunity. I've always wanted to give time or money to a charity. Interserve got a hold of me when they saw me on BBC's "Songs of Praise", giving my testimony and singing." The singer continued, "They sent me out there to see three of the projects, to get some video footage of what goes on out there. As a result I came back from a week in Mumbai completely changed. I think I can be a good advocate because I've seen it firsthand. I was particularly involved in looking at the slum project and the poverty that's in there. The other one was the trafficking project - women and children working in the red light district. These women were broken, absolutely broken. To see the transformation from these shells of people is remarkable. We then went out to the halfway house where they rehabilitate them and put them into society. They give them jobs and love. The transformation from the red light district to the half way house was something so special and so amazing and so worthwhile. We've got a job to support these things.

Tabitha Webb's own life's journey has had some very interesting twists and turns. She always felt that she would go into opera. However, while attending St. Lawrence College in Ramsgate, Kent, U. K. she was also head chorister. The singer then auditioned for the "BBC Choir Girl of the Year" competition. That year, 1995, was the turning point of her professional life as she won the competition. She sees that time, at the age of 16, as a period when she gained much of her experience as a singer. She was even offered a recording contract with Sony. Since that time her career has moved into London's West End where she has moved "up the ladder" from a member of the chorus in "Les Misreables" and "Phantom" to being the alternate lead in the latter. Tabitha feels that God has led her each step of the way and prepared it beforehand.

Tabitha was recently the guest on a new international TV series "Stars in His Crown". This unique series is planned to be broadcast across a network of independent and Christian television networks stretching from Russia and the Middle East to Asia and North America. "Stars" features a series of interviews with well known Christian actors, actresses, directors, producers, musicians and singers who work in TV and film. Future planned guests also include "The Bill"'s Graham Cole and Hollywood's Mickey Rooney.

The team behind "Stars" also produce a number of other unique TV series including "Principles of Leadership". That series features well known Christian leaders including TV veteran Andrew Wommack, Anne Graham Lotz (daughter of evangelist Billy Graham), New York Times Best Selling author Joyce Meyer, the former Archbishop of Canterbury George Carey, "Brother Yun" author of the Best Selling book "The Heavenly Man" and "Brother Andrew" author of the Best Selling book "God's Smuggler".

"Stars in His Crown" is being produced by OLI Productions - the media arm of a British leadership training charity HFC International. Previous series produced by them are currently being aired on more than twenty independent TV networks worldwide including SAT 7, Shine TV, CNL and The Miracle Channel. Harvest Fields Commissioning International is a U. K. Registered Charity with the purpose of assisting in raising up and encouraging churches and leaders in over 45 countries and on all 5 continents for work in churches, charities and other humanitarian assistance groups. Its website is at www.principles.tv.