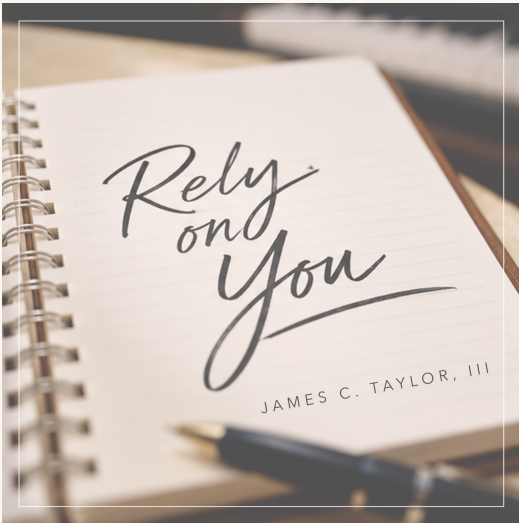




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RELY ON YOU

James C. Taylor, III

Released October 10, 2026

Piano + voice | Acoustic soul / singer-songwriter

Atlanta, Georgia

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THE STORY BEHIND THE SONG

After the sudden passing of a friend he knew through church and college, Atlanta pianist, singer and composer James C. Taylor, III reflected on a relationship he valued but wished had grown deeper. They saw each other often and shared community, yet losing the chance for that friendship to develop confronted him with a difficult truth: proximity is not the same as intimacy.

That reflection also turned inward. Taylor realized he already has loving, trustworthy friends who make vulnerability safe for him, but he can still struggle to say, "I'm not doing well." "Rely on You" explores both sides: becoming a friend who makes it safe to ask for support, and allowing ourselves to receive support when that safety exists.

"We need relationships where it is safe to ask—and relationships deep enough to notice when asking is hard."

THE MUSIC & WHY IT MATTERS

An intimate, stripped-back piano-and-vocal acoustic-soul ballad with subtle faith-inspired undertones, "Rely on You" is Taylor's first professionally released single featuring him as vocalist. Its message invites listeners to build friendships that see beneath the surface and to normalize asking for help.

COMMUNITY CONNECTION

The October 10 release coincided with world mental health day, which promoted a theme of those with lived experience being heard, ultimately resulting in relational change in our communities.

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