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WORSHIP & MUSIC NEWSLETTER OF THE BCM/D

Tune My Heart To Sing Thy Grace

New Christmas Music for a Small Choir

— Free CD —

Chris Small from Word Music is making a special offer to music ministers in the BCM/D. Check out their newest product line called *WORSHIP NOW*. This is designed with the small church choir in mind. Chris will send you a **free demo CD** of the Christmas musical from this line just by calling him and letting him know you serve in a BCM/D church. ***Christ is Come*** by Dave Williamson is 23 minutes in length, sounds very full and strong but does not need the horses of the usual David Clydesdale or Brooklyn Tabernacle music. The voicing is very accessible. Choirs of 8-28 or more will sound great with this music. Call Chris at 1 888 324 9673 x 76732. He will also give you a 20% discount on any Christmas Music orders. Check it out online at <http://www.wordmusic.com/item/080689439179>.

Save The Dates!!

1. Saturday, October 16, 2010. Instrumental Festival sponsored by BCM/D and LifeWay. For high school and adult band and orchestra players. Individual players or full ensembles may participate. Schedule and location to follow.
2. Sunday, November 14, 2010 Mass Choir to sing with Denver and the Mile High Orchestra at the BCM/D Annual Meeting in Towson MD. Watch for upcoming details on how your choir can be a part of this great experience.

Summertime Rehearsals

Praise Teams and Choirs will thoroughly enjoy it if you bring ice cream novelties to one of your summertime rehearsals for an after rehearsal treat and informal fellowship. After all of the equipment is packed up and/or music folders put away, folks can relax with catch-up conversations while enjoying a summertime favorite.

Children's Music

Don't forget that the fall Children's Music Series curriculum from LifeWay continues the Saddle Ridge Ranch VBS theme from this summer. The theme development and music resources are outstanding. Check out online at www.lifeway.com/cms.

Just A Thought...

Headline: June Hottest in History – 12 Straight Days of 90 Plus Temperatures A New Record. Who knew the 50 inches of snow we complained about just six months ago would look so refreshing right about now. Serious weather can have serious consequences. We have all heard the stories of tragedy that follow some severe weather events. But for most of us extreme weather is more of an annoyance than a burden. It may restrict some things we do or it may impact our basic comfort. But what weather teaches us all is that some things in life are just out of our control. As much as we would always love to have a beautiful day for planned outside activities, this is not always the case. As much as we would like for all of the planning and run up to our Christmas presentations to be smooth and non-stressed, often this also is not the case. People get sick, sets break, and micro-phones stop working. Very often, much of this is completely out of our control.

Two words to live by when the uncontrollable happens in weather or ministry are...be grateful and be flexible. Grateful that when our surroundings are out of control, we worship a God who is always in control and welcomes our frustration, fear, and, anxiety. *Cast all your anxiety on Him because He cares for you* (1 Pet. 5:7) Flexible to see other solutions to a need and flexible to how the Holy Spirit wants to work in us in the midst of a difficult and possibly unexpected situation. *May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. ~ Romans 5:13*

~ Just a thought ~

How Hot Is It?

- You discover that it takes only 2 fingers to drive your car.
- You can make instant sun tea.
- You learn that a seat belt makes a pretty good branding iron.
- When the temperature drops below 95, you feel a bit chilly.
- Hot water now comes out of both taps.

Quotable Quote

Summer is shining. Weather is sweet. Make you wanna to move your dancing feet

~Bob Marley~



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