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WORSHIP & MUSIC NEWSLETTER OF THE BCM/D

Tune My Heart To Sing Thy Grace

Clean Out Choir Music —Make A Profit—

The web-site, "The Music Library", offers a place to sell your old choir music that is taking up valuable space in your church. Visit their web-site to see how to sell those anthems and collections you will never use again. Invest that money back into your ministry or give it to a special mission cause. The site also offers a store for used music from all major publishers. All items octavos, collections, cantatas, orchestrations, (including trax) are in good condition and sold at 50%. Check it out at: www.themusiclibrary.com

Instrumental Festival —October 16, 2010—

Instrumental Festival- sponsored by BCM/D and LifeWay - On Saturday, October 16th, from 9:00am-5:00pm at Friendship Baptist Church, Sykesville MD (I70 & Rt.32). For high school and adult band and orchestra players. Individual players or full ensembles may participate. Cost is \$10 per person (includes lunch) with a \$100 church maximum. BCM/D will provide all music sent two weeks before event. Guest Clinician: Billy Orton, Huntsville AL. Details and registration at: <http://bcmd.org/instrumental-festival>

Save The Date!!

Sunday, November 14, 2010 Mass Choir is to sing with Denver and the Mile High Orchestra at the evening session of the BCM/D Annual Meeting in Towson MD. Watch for upcoming details on how your choir can be a part of this great experience.

Children's Music -Free Samples

The BCM/D has a few samples left of the fall Children's Music Series curriculum from LifeWay that continues the Saddle Ridge Ranch VBS theme from this summer. We will give away on first come first serve basis. Contact Bill Archer at barcher@bcmd.org

Your Next Rehearsal

It is always good to remind our singers of the importance of hydration for a healthy voice. From the Texas Voice Center:

"The vocal folds need to be lubricated with a thin layer of mucus in order to vibrate efficiently. The best lubrication can be achieved by drinking plenty of water. To hydrate the vocal cords you must hydrate the body. A good rule of thumb (if you have normal kidneys and heart function) is to drink at least two quarts of water daily. Dr. Van Lawrence, world renowned Laryngologist, often said, "Drink until you pee pale."

Caffeine and alcohol pull water out of your system and deplete the vocal folds of needed lubrication. Caffeinated drinks include coffee, tea, and soft drinks. Small amounts of these beverages are acceptable but must be counterbalanced by drinking more water.

Another factor that can affect lubrication is a dry air environment. The cause can be from gas furnaces, air conditioners, and climates with a low amount of moisture in the air. Using a humidifier at night can compensate for the dryness."

Providing water at rehearsals is great option and we need to encourage our singers to drink throughout the day for a healthy and high performing voice.

Christmas Survey and Free Download

Praisecharts.com would like your input on what praise band arrangements you would like to have for this Christmas season. Many of us do not have the time or expertise to write out arrangements of the song we just listened to on our latest Natalie Grant CD but would love to be able to use her stuff in worship. Praisecharts.com is that solution.

Check out all of their resources at www.praisecharts.com

Take the Christmas input survey at <https://praisecharts.wufoo.com/forms/q7x0z9/>

Free download of *Christmas Carols for Acoustic Guitar*
www.praisecharts.com/christmascarols

Chord Charts for 33 beloved Christmas carols.

Quotable Quote

I like a teacher who gives you something to take home to think about besides homework.
~Lily Tomlin as "Edith Ann" ~

The best teachers teach from the heart, not from the book. ~Author Unknown ~

If there were no schools to take the children away from home part of the time, the insane asylums would be filled with mothers.
~Edgar W. Howe ~

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