

Favorite Resources

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* Choristers Guild

Source of older children's anthems, musicals, and many age-group teaching products. For younger children, ask for "Rote to Note" anthems or anthems recommended for grades 1-3. (*Best-selling "Bethlehem Night" is a Rote to Note anthem for younger children.*)

A one-year membership fee of \$65 provides you with six issues of The Chorister (published bi-monthly) and two complete choral packets per year.

Customer service: **1.800.246.7478**. Order from distributor Lorenz Corp: **1.800.444.1144, ext. 1**

www.choristersguild.org/catalog

membership@mailcg.org AND customer service@mailcg.org

* **The Houston Children's Chorus Choral Series** (Most music is for older children; however, a few are "doable" for younger children.) Available through Fred Bock Publishers. View complete review scores online. www.FredBock.com

* Dot Music Resources/Celebrating Grace, Inc.

An Internet-based company begun by Terry Taylor and Dora Ann Purdy. Has downloadable PDF files. Offers Older Children's anthems/resources; Grades 1-6 anthems/resources; Hymn Discovery resources, and some free downloads.

Anthem resources contain: a director's page, a singer's page and guide; visuals; activity plans; full length demo recording; full length accompaniment track. In addition, downloadable anthems are sold individually.

Hymn Discovery, Volume 1, and Hymn Discovery, Volume 2, each contain teaching resources for eight hymns that are in public domain.

Current website is: www.dotmusicresources.com

All DOT inventory has been purchased recently by Celebrating Grace, Inc. All DOT products will soon be available at www.celebrating-grace.com. Or, direct questions to inquiries@celebrating-grace.com. The new Hymn Discovery, Volume 3, will be available. Hymn Discovery, Volumes 4, 5, and 6 are being written and will contain hymns primarily from Celebrating Grace Hymnal.

* LifeWay

1) **'Specially Special Songs**. 93 preschool songs. Product no.: 001052529. Price = \$ 19.95. Listening CD also available as companion product.

2) **Children's Music Series (CMS)**: Offers four age-group series: age 4-5 preschool (*Music Time*); grades 1-3 (*Music Makers*); and, grades 4-6 (*Young Musicians*). Also, *Music Time for 3's* is available as FREE downloadable teacher's resource that adapts *Music Time* lesson plans to fit the needs of 3's.

Each leader kit is \$69.95 per semester. Leader kits include teacher's guide; DVD with leader helps; accompaniment/listening CD; posters and teaching aids. A *Music Time* songbook for the teacher is \$9.95; *Music Time* activity books for children are \$2.45 each. Individual songbooks for *Music Makers* and *Young Musicians* are \$4.65 each.

3) **Plans & Pluses** is published yearly as an accompaniment to Children's Music Series (CMS) – contains year-long theme ideas, programs, and MANY "helps" and teaching aids on the CD-ROM. Theme for 2010-11 is *Saddle Ridge Ranch: Saddle Up! Partner Up! Hit the Trail!* Based on Colossians 3:23-24. Price = \$ 24.95.

1.800.436.3869

www.lifeway.com/cms

4) Additional free resources may be downloaded at www.lifeway.com. Click on Ministry Downloads,

Music, Product Title.

5) More training resources may be purchased as *Demand Print Products*. To order, call **1.800.436.3869**.

6) **Made for Praise, Volumes 1-13**. Volumes 1-8 have separate issues for younger and older children. Volumes 9-13 are for grades 1-6. **Play & Praise, Volumes 1-5**, are for preschoolers. Order at www.lifeway.com/madeforpraise.

* **Vision Publications** (Pamela Vandewalker). Produces music education resources for church and school.

Order: www.visionpublications.net Info: dvandewalker@earthlink.net
1.800.862.5264 or 1.770.973.4564

See video blog introducing "music 2 outreach-inreach"/Tiny Tots & Tunes Video Intro at <http://vimeo.com/8573474>

* **Allen House Productions** (Dennis and Nan Allen). A Christian music and drama self-publishing company.

Offers musicals and downloadable children's songs. Listen to demos online. *Makin' Room* is a 35-40 minute musical for children/middle school that "teaches kids to give as God has given to them."

1.615.395.4999. www.allenhouseproductions.com (Info: www.dennisnan.com)

* **John Rutter's** children's music. For complete listing of Rutter's children's anthems and adult anthems with children's voices, use computer search engine/Google. Also check www.FredBock.com.

* **Shawnee Press "Worship Songs Jr." series** (Mostly for older children; however, some items are "doable" for younger children.) **1.800.962.8584** sales@shawneepress.com

* **Cokesbury/Abingdon** (United Methodist Publishing House) See their children's music resources.

Call Center: **1.800.672.1789**. Or, **1.800.409.5346**

www.cokesbury.com/Supplies and Songbooks/Children's Music

* **High/Scope Educational Research Foundation** (includes *Rhythmically Moving* recordings in their Movement & Music section) **1.800.407.7377** www.highscope.org OR PressStaff@highscope.org

* **Rhythm Band Instruments** (wide variety of music education instruments & other products)
1.800.424.4724 www@rhythmband.com

* **West Music** (music education instruments, especially Orff instruments by Sonor and Studio 49))
1.800.397.9378 www.westmusic.com

* **Music In Motion** (music education and gift products)
1.800.807.3520 www.musicmotion.com

* **Music Treasures Co.** (music & dance educational resources for awards, trophies gifts)
Orders: **1.800.798.8613**. Or, Customer Service: **1.804.730.8800**
www.musictreasures.com

* **Oriental Trading Company** (all kinds of non-musical "stuff")
1.800.875.8480 www.OrientalTrading.com

* **Kimbo Educational: The Children's Music Company** (music & movement CD's and DVD's for children)
1.800.631.2187 www.Kimboed.com

* **Kazoobie Kazoos** (Kazoos & other Americana Musical Instruments) Source for inexpensive plastic slide whistles, model PSW @ \$3.99. Wooden musical spoons, code WMS @ \$9.99.
1.800.326.0358 or www.kazoos.com

* **Mel Bay** (Source for Baritone Uke Chords book. Order product no. 93265 @ \$5.95.)
1.800.863.5229 www.melbay.com

* **Center for Church Music** (Listen or download. Read hymn histories and devotionals.)
www.songsandhymns.org

* **Preschool Praise'ntations** by Darlene Abbott. Presentation-based songs for 3's, 4's, 5's. Works for weekday education programs who want to "share" with parents in circle format, room to room format, or in more formal presentations.
www.kathiehillmusic.com