



# Notes From Nancy

## Christmas Concert, December 15, 2006: Count Basie Theatre, Red Bank, NJ

Nancy Scharff will give a Christmas concert at the **Count Basie Theatre**, Red Bank, NJ, on **Friday, December 15, 2006, at 8:00 PM**. An exquisite and touching Christmas Cantata, **"Make Room In Your Heart,"** written by Nancy Scharff and John Jurgensen, will be performed. Take this journey of the story of Christ's birth, along with Nancy Scharff, The Ecumenical Choir and Children's Choir. It has the right mixture of traditional and contemporary music that will please everyone. You will hear Christmas favorites, as well as original songs composed by Nancy Scharff and John Jurgensen.

In addition, Nancy will offer her inspiring solo renditions of "O Holy Night," and Gesu Bambino."

A 14 piece orchestra and full band will accompany the cantata. A portion of the ticket sales will benefit LOVE, INC — Love in the Name of Christ, the Red Bank-based organization that helps the homeless and the needy in our community. Those attending the concert are also asked to bring a non-perishable food item for immediate assistance to the needy. In 1998, Nancy gave a Christian concert at Count Basie, for the benefit of LOVE, INC. She had always wanted to return to Count Basie, and give a

Christmas concert. When Nancy and the Ecumenical Choir presented "Make Room in Your Heart" at Nancy's home church,



King of Kings Lutheran Church, last Christmas, a woman who at-

*"Prepare the way of the Lord".*

tended the cantata, said to Nancy afterwards: "This is what Christmas is all about". It's about the birth of Jesus. "This woman's reaction and heartfelt words touched me deeply — I wanted to share the true meaning of Christmas, help LOVE, INC, and also promote the food drive", Nancy said. With recent attacks on Christmas, Nancy is praying that this concert will reach out to unbelievers, as well as believers, so that all will share the true meaning of Christmas. Senior discounts, students rates, and group sales are available at the box office.

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### Special points of interest:

- **"Make Room in Your Heart": Christmas at Count Basie Theatre, December 15, 2006.**
- **Singers needed for Ecumenical Choir**
- **Tony Campolo, Clifton Heights, PA**
- **God & Country Concert**
- **Send Nancy your E mail address for future mailings on line**
- **New Recordings**

## Singers needed for God & Country Concert and Count Basie

Rehearsals have already begun for Nancy's annual **"God & Country Concert"**. The patriotic concert will be held at **King of Kings Lutheran Church**, 250 Harmony Road, Middletown, NJ, on June 30, 2006, at 7:30 PM. It will benefit The Emmanuel Can-

cer Foundation. If you, your church choir, or members of your church choir are interested in singing with the Ecumenical Choir, and live in the Middletown area, please contact NScharff@aol.com. Rehearsals are held at King of Kings Lutheran Church every

Tuesday at 7:30 PM, or Thursdays at 8:00 PM. Singers for the Ecumenical Choir are also needed for the Count Basie concert. Two organizational rehearsals will be held over the summer: July 18th and August 15th. Please call 732-671-3314 for information.

## Florida Tour: The Church on the Square Concert, recorded live, Living Waters Lutheran Church, and St. Paul's Presbyterian Church

Nancy writes: "This past year, I had the opportunity to record my concert live at The Church on the Square, the Villages, FL, on February 19, 2006. It was announced that the audience could order a copy of the CD. I am still mailing out copies to those who signed my mailing list. Since it was President's Day weekend, I included some patriotic songs, as well as "There Are No Words", the song I had written for Phillip Frank's family, after Phillip, a Marine, was killed in action in

Iraq, serving our country. People who have suffered any kind of loss, have also found the song comforting. I also sang at the "Celebration Worship Service", which draws record crowds. It was inspiring to see so many people worship our Lord. At Living Waters Lutheran Church, in North Port, FL, I gave a workshop on Contemporary Worship. New worship songs were introduced, as well as ideas to help improve the Power Point presentations. Pastor Wendell Shiell gave en-

couragement to all who attended. He asked me to return annually, and present the workshop for other churches, as well. At St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, I gave a concert and also helped lead the morning worship service. During the concert, a reporter had come, and I found out later, that she was searching spiritually for comfort and meaning. Pastor Wayne Chaplin felt the concert ministered to her, as he saw tears in her eyes.



**"I will praise You with my whole heart".  
Psalm 138:1**

## More Ministry Highlights: Clifton Heights, PA, Orange City, FL,

Marjorie Miller, from St. Mark Lutheran Church, Clifton Heights, PA, writes: "Thank you so very much for the wonderful worship last night. Again, I enjoyed your leadership Sunday night, more than words can really express. You are so blessed and gifted and it is a blessing

to be part of worship when you are there. I truly mean it when I say that I hate for it to end...God's blessings on your work and your incredible talent." Several times a year, Nancy and her musicians play and lead the Contemporary Worship service at St. Mark Lutheran Church. Nancy is

grateful to Pastor Chris Franz for his support of her ministry. In Orange City, FL, Nancy led the Contemporary worship service at Emmaus Lutheran Church. She also gave a concert. Nancy helped the congregation learn more new Praise & Worship songs.

**"Again, I enjoyed your leadership Sunday night, more than words can express." Marjorie Miller, Administrative Assistant, St. Mark Lutheran Church, Clifton Heights, PA**

## Tony Campolo, Metuchen, NJ, Cherokee Village, Arkansas

Nancy will sing at an "Affordable Housing Conference", to be held at Saint Robert Bellarmine Parish, Freehold, NJ, on September 26, 2006, at 7:00 PM. Renowned Christian speaker, Tony Campolo, will be the key note speaker. Local churches will be invited to the

event. Nancy is honored to be a part of the conference. In March of 2006, Nancy gave a workshop on Contemporary Worship as well as concert, at the Metuchen Reformed Church, NJ. The enthusiasm and dedication of the volunteer musicians was evident. In April of 2006, Nancy gave

a joint concert at Cherokee Village United Methodist Church, Arkansas, with Laura Petry, Music Director at St. James UMC, Bellevue, Nebraska. Flying in from NJ and Nebraska, Laura and Nancy gave this benefit concert for Fountain Lakes, an Assisted Living Residency.

**"Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."  
Mark 16:15**

**A NEWSLETTER FROM  
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**THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP!!!**

**Nancy Scharff Ministries, 2006 Concert Calendar**

6/30/06 King of Kings Lutheran Church, Middletown, NJ  
7:30 PM God & Country Concert 732-671-3348

7/16/06 Espresso Joe's, Keyport, NJ Songwriter's Sunday  
5:00 PM-7:00 PM 732-203-9499

9/26/06 Saint Robert Bellarmine Parish, Freehold, NJ,  
7:00 PM With Tony Campolo speaker 732-462-7429

10/4/06 Family Life Center of First UMC, Toms River, NJ,  
6:30 PM The UMW N. Shore District Dinner 732-349-8155

10/21/06 First Presbyterian Church, Atlantic Highlands, NJ,  
7:00 PM Sixth Annual Concert

11/5/06 St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Clifton Heights, PA,  
5:30 PM Worship service

12/15/06 Count Basie Theatre, Red Bank, NJ, 8:00 PM  
Christmas Concert Box Office: 732-842-9000

Count Basie web site: [www.countbasietheatre.org](http://www.countbasietheatre.org)

**New CD's—Projected Release Date is the Fall of  
2006**



**Ephesians 5:19 “...sing  
and make music in your  
heart to the Lord.”**

Balancing travel with a busy recording schedule has been a challenge for Nancy. The projected release date of her two new CD's is the fall of 2006. The first CD is Nancy's own Praise & Worship songs. The second CD is a solo project, similar to Covenant Love, although many of the songs could be used during worship services. Nancy is also making her concert at The Church on Square available, which can be ordered now. The price is \$15.00, plus \$2.00 for shipping and handling. She sings Christian music, as well as opera, show tunes, and patriotic songs.

To order, please send an E mail to [NScharff@aol.com](mailto:NScharff@aol.com)—”Church on the Square, Live Concert”. Please include your name, address, phone number, and E mail address. After you receive the CD, send your check payment to Nancy Scharff Ministries, PO Box 4052, Middletown, NJ, 07748. Thank you!!

Nancy writes: “I am excited about my two upcoming CD releases. Working with my arranger Jimmy Mac, who lives in California, has been a joy. Jimmy also provides me with background vocalists in the Los Angeles area, who add

their special blend of voices for the project. Working with recording engineer, Joe DeMaio of Shore Fire Recording Studio, Long Branch, has also been a blessing. I also want to thank my musicians, Bobby Boyd, drummer, and Bob Marriner, bass, for their faithful dedication to my music.”

“In closing, please pray that my concerts, tours, and recordings continue to help people draw closer to God, and help them on their spiritual journey. Thank you all, for your continued prayers and support of my music ministry.” *Nancy Scharff*