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## **Roy & Chris Cochran's Sept./Oct./Nov. 2011 Newsletter Preparations, Celebrations and The Road That Lies Before Us.**

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Hello and a belated Happy Thanksgiving and even an early Merry Christmas to you, our friends & family. We are so thankful to God for the work He has called us to join Him in and for you, our community of support.

**Preparations:** In November I flew out to Colorado to secure a location of our **2012 Worship Mentor Gathering**. I believe I covered most of the state hunting for that perfect location where God would spend some quality time with His Worship Leaders, His Musicians and His Creative Artists who will be in attendance at our next Gathering. The environment is so important to these annual Gatherings. God does so much in the lives, hearts and minds of these men & women who faithfully



Venue for our 2012 Worship Mentor Gathering will be the  
Castle Glenn Eyrie in Colorado Springs.

serve in Worship Ministry at churches all over the country. Equally important is the fact that these are the ones who are mentoring the next generation of Worship Leaders, Musicians and Artists. Investing into their life-giving walk with Jesus needs to be their preeminent attribute they are pouring into those they mentor.

I called on you to pray for me while I was out on this trip and the Lord answered your prayers! We will be holding our 2012 Worship Mentor Gathering at **Castle Glenn Eyrie** in Colorado Springs. This facility is owned and operated by the Navigators as a spiritual retreat center and is breathtaking. It will be the perfect location.



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The front part of my week there in Colorado was to spend some time with **Scott Leggett, Worship Foundations International new in-term President**. We had a couple days to talk and pray about where we've been as a ministry and what we believe the Lord is calling us to join Him in this next year. Scott and the board asked if he could say a few words to you about the faith filled season that is before us. Here's Scott:

*Greetings!*

*I wanted to take a moment today to say thank you to each of you for your support of Roy in his ministry with Worship Foundations International. Last month Roy and I met in Denver to dream about the future and how we can equip, mentor and inspire the next generation of Artists and Worship leaders all around the world. I am so honored to have someone like Roy serving in our organization. Roy is truly a pastor and coach to so many Artists and Worship leaders. I have asked Roy to think and pray about how he might be able to give more time and energy to our efforts in the days to come. What we have the opportunity to be part of, is so needed and Roy's leadership is exactly what is needed in this next season. So again I want to say thanks for your support and belief in Roy and I would encourage you to pray about how God might use you to allow Roy to minister to more people around the world this next year. It's because of you that we are able to raise up a new generation of Artists and Worship leaders that will in turn make a huge difference for the kingdom!*



*In His service,*

*Scott Leggett*

*In-term President Worship Foundations International*



Tim Foot, Worship Pastor at LifeBridge Christian Church in Colorado.

While I was on this trip, I also spent time making and building relationships with mentors and ministries. I was able to spend a day with **Tim Foot**, the worship pastor at LifeBridge Christian Church in Colorado. God is using Tim in huge ways to communicate His love through the arts. I was so encouraged by our time together. Tim will be helping us with hosting this next Gathering in his home state. I also got to spend some amazing time with one of my favorite people in the world,



**Robert Brenner**, a humble, powerful man of God who has served with **Integrity Music** through the years. Robert allowed me to stay part of my

week at his home and also introduced me to some of his colleagues at Integrity's new offices there at **David C. Cook** in Colorado Springs as well as to some local worship leaders, some of whom we hope to see at the Gathering. It was an amazing trip. Thank you for praying for me.

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**Celebrations:** I love to celebrate! My wife Christine can take the concept of celebration to a **WHOLE NEW LEVEL!** She loves to make much of everything in life so when it came time to celebrate her 50th Birthday, I knew I had to step up to give her a fraction of the celebration she deserved...I also knew I was in **WAY OVER MY HEAD!** So, I called on many of you to help me express our love to Chris and man, did you step up! We had a Breakfast Pajama Party for about 80 people. The surprise that morning came when she drove up to the house – the front yard (which was just dirt the night before) was **FULL** of trees and plants that family and friends purchased for her **AND** 80 friends and family singing Happy Birthday! She then walked into a breakfast buffet in the backyard and to top it all off, Artist Tom Clark painted for her during breakfast.

The great thing about Celebrating is that you take the time to stop. You take the time to look and recognize and make much of where you are in life and be thankful. When Tom painted for Chris' 50th Birthday, that painting represents many things, one of which is that this season she is entering is one in which she is blooming! This painting now hangs in our living room as an inspiration and reminder of this amazing new season she has stepped into. The front yard, which is now known as Christine's Friendship Garden is full of life that came from friends. As she sits and walks through the garden, each tree and plant represents her friends and family who gave them to her and reminds her of God's great extravagant love for her. Her response is to give thanks and pray for them. So cool how Christine faithfully prays for them upon every trip through our front door.



Trevor, Christine and Roy at Christine's early morning Surprise Breakfast Pajama Party.



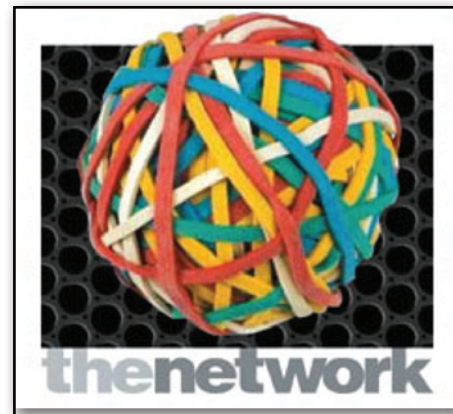
Painting by artist Tom Clark. Tom paint this during Christine's early morning Suprise Breakfast Pajama Party.

**The Road that lies ahead:** For Christine, the boys and I, you know that the road that lies ahead for us is simply walking with Jesus wherever He leads. That direction can be a bit of a mystery, right? Do I take this direction or go that way? I believe He will continue to walk with us on **WHEREVER** path we choose to go. He loves us so much. I do think that there are some roads He calls us down that require more faith than others. Faith that He wants to impart to us as we take that first step and faith that He wants to impart to those watching and walking with us. **"Faith is the confidence that what we hope for will actually happen; it gives us assurance about things we cannot see."** – **New Living Translation**

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We have faith that the Lord is calling us to invest even MORE time into the work of strengthening & encouraging worship leaders, musicians and artists through the ministry of Worship Foundations International and the Worship Mentor Network. I was having coffee with an artist who also serves as a worship leader this last week. He was explaining to me the situation he was facing in this season he is in. My response to him was that **he simply needed to ask for help from his friends.** They love him, respect him and support him. He just didn't want to be a burden to them when the fact of the matter was he needed their help and they wanted to be part of his ministry. Easy advise to give – harder to live out. And that is where I find myself today – in the same place this friend is in. I need your help to be able to invest more time into this ministry. I have spend much time in prayer considering this next season before I asked you, my friends for your support. I am confident of the path the Lord has asked me to join Him on but I cannot go there without your support. Will you consider a monthly financial commitment into the spiritual walks of worship leaders, musicians and artists, mine included. Scott and the Worship Foundations International board are also at work on this as well. Thank you for being good enough friends for me to share this humble request with. It goes without saying, but it needs saying, THANK YOU to those of you who already support us regularly. God is doing great things in us and through us thanks to your support.



We hope you feel included in all these happenings and we pray this newsletter will strengthen & encourage you with what the Lord is doing in and through this ministry. We believe your prayers ARE opening all these doors. And remember, you are welcome to visit our website at [www.roycochran.com](http://www.roycochran.com). Visit us on **FACEBOOK** or **TWITTER** every week or so for weekly updates and encouragements. Please keep in touch. We love hearing from each of you and love seeing you even more. We'd love to have you over for dinner and catch up with what He is doing in your life. Your prayers and donations have increased our faith and His kingdom and are particularly valuable to us in the times in which we live. Thank you for sacrificially supporting us!

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Thank you all for allowing God to love us, to encourage us, to support us through your lives, through your words, through your gifts. In 2011, may you see more and more of Who God is and more and more of what He has done. And may your response to that be WORSHIP!

We love you and are thankful for each one of you!

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