

Dear Friend,

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Summer is a change of schedule, activities, projects, and pace. That does not always mean that the pace is slower. For many, time flies by so quickly that an ordered, more even-paced schedule sounds very appealing. However life finds you, the fact that Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever is a huge comfort and encouragement.

At Intermountain Baptist Church Pastor Alvin has been preaching through the book of Ephesians. Currently he is on Ephesians 5:19-20,

“Speaking to yourselves in **psalms** and **hymns** and **spiritual songs**, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord; **Giving thanks** always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.”

Meditating on these verses has given me a renewed gratitude for KIBC. It reminded me of several songs that I really enjoy listening to and they fit that scriptural admonition.

West Coast Baptist College has a couple of musical groups that sing a song titled “God’s Been Good”. It puts to music the truths from Psalm 103. The most recent addition to the playlist is sung by the Harven sisters. They sing this song with such feeling because of the circumstances that they have been through. They sing another song entitled “Grace” which they sang at their mother’s funeral. Music like this causes us to pause and reflect, to marvel at God’s goodness to us and his help for our day to day living. **Psalms** like this give praise to God for who He is and for the wonder of his designs.*

Typically KIBC is known for the sound of the traditional **hymns**. Sound Forth Singers and Orchestra produce high quality sound and music. Their CD [A Strong Tower](#) has the new hymn “How Deep The Father’s Love for Us”. This hymn is a favorite for many Christians. Whether new or old, hymns should be theologically correct and musically wholesome, reflecting the order and beauty of God

The Joybelles are a ladies singing group from Reformer’s Unanimous, a nationwide Biblically based addictions recovery program. They sing a **spiritual song** titled “The Courtroom”. This song testifies to the New Testament truth that Christ is our intercessor before God the Father when Satan, the accuser of the brethren, brings charges against us. The minor key mood of the music as Satan lists our sins to God, the Judge, breaks into joyful relief as Christ stands in our place and says, “That’s my child. He is forgiven. With my blood I bought his pardon. That’s my child and he is free.”

Take time to sit, relax, cool down, and listen to your radio station. It will give you renewed spiritual strength. Encourage your friends, children, and grandchildren to listen as well. Make it your goal to instill a love for wholesome Christian music in the next generation. Many songs on KIBC are new. But even the old songs are as new as God’s love for you. Scripture says, “His compassions fail not. They are new every morning: great is thy faithfulness.”

Sincerely,

Cynthia Hennessey and everyone at KIBC