

"Rejoice"

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On what were its footings set, or who laid its cornerstone –

While the morning stars sang together, and all the angels shouted for joy?

Job 38:6-7

As the cornerstones of the Earth were being laid, and its footings set, the angels of God were celebrating in the heavens. When Moses appealed to Pharaoh, it was for the purpose of a great celebration in the Wilderness. To commemorate God's miracles in Egypt, Israel was to celebrate the Passover. One of the greatest galas of all time was held in the Judean countryside in the presence of a handful of shaking shepherds, as the glorious birth of the Messiah was heralded by a euphoric multitude of the heavenly host. And in Revelation's glorious glimpse into the Heavens, we are privy to a great celebration around the throne of the Almighty, as Cherubim, Seraphim, Elders and the Redeemed circle the throne and ecstatically sing a new song.

It is no surprise that as God's people, recipients of his magnificent and magnanimous mercy, we are called to celebrate, to rejoice always. When we gather with God's people to commemorate the redemption that is ours in Jesus, we ought to give and receive a supertanker full of joy. For those gifted and privileged to participate in leading Worship, it is our responsibility to pray, plan, and then escort our people into the presence of the Holy One, to take them to the fount of every blessing, that they may be encouraged to "go on their way rejoicing."

So mark your calendars for August 28-30, as hundreds of worship leaders, singers, technologists, instrumentalists, dancers, actors, songwriters, and other praise lovers gather in Providence, Rhode Island to worship, to learn, to celebrate, to grow, and to develop a laser focus on helping our churches to a new level of rejoicing. Come, REJOICE with us!

In view of current financial challenges, we are excited that we have been able to keep our registration fees to \$65 per person. Housing is available at lower rates that have been negotiated at numerous hotels in the area. Go to the "Hotel Information" tab for further information.