## **Foreword**

There is a world of ideas out "there" in both church and school settings: good, solid ideas that offer opportunities for creative thinking, personal challenge, and inspiration; suggestions to make things happier in rehearsal and performance; and ways to do things better and easier and to help you work smarter.

With over 45 years of practical experience in the local church, as a college professor, and as the Director of the Church Music Department of the Florida Baptist Convention, most of the ideas in this volume have come through practical, hands-on experience. It has been my desire for some time to pass along these workable and usable ideas to a new generation of music ministers or college professors, as well as to seasoned men and women in places of music ministry who may be in need of a fresh, new idea or two. Many of these ideas come from three and a half years of the Monday Morning Email program, which relies on Florida Baptist musicians each week.

As you read through these ideas, mark those that might be helpful to you. You'll be glad you did!

From my heart to yours, these ideas will work!

— Bob Burroughs



There is a world of ideas "out there" in church and school settings - good, solid ideas - offering opportunities for creative thinking, personal challenge, inspiration, and suggestions to make things happier in rehearsal and performance. In other words, ideas to help you work smarter.

With some 45-plus years of practical combined experience in the local church, as a college professor, and the Director of the Church Music Department of the Florida Baptist Convention, Burroughs' ideas have evolved through practical, hands-on experience. For some time, it has been his desire to pass along these creative solutions to a new generation of music ministers to help simplify their path toward a more efficient and effective ministry.

If you're in need of a fresh, new idea or two, then this book is for you. You'll find help in the following areas:

- < Rehearsals
- < Choir Officer Responsibilities ■
- ≺ Choir Members
- ✓ Worship and Worship Planning
- < Technology

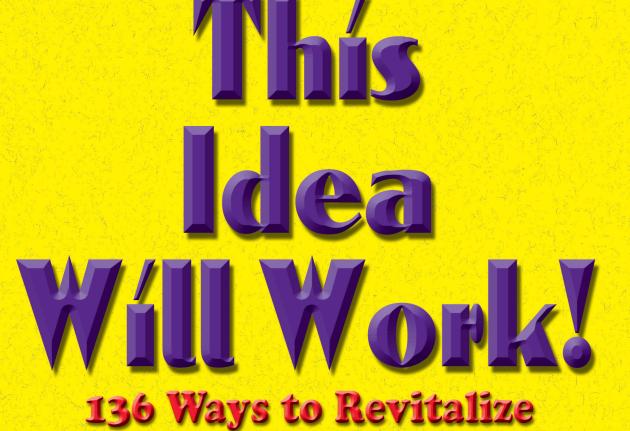






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Inspire and challenge your choir!

Invigorate your choral program!

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