



The Tennessee Ladies Chorus is a performing choir of the Tennessee Baptist Church Music Conference

TLC 101

Everything You Need to Know About Singing in the Tennessee Ladies Chorus

Heather Beard and I have created this document as an easy go-to source for information related to singing in the TN Ladies Chorus. We hope it is helpful for new members as well as seasoned veterans. Enjoy!

Membership Fees

- Cost for annual dues is \$25 and payable to TBCMC (Tennessee Baptist Church Music Conference).
- Dues may be paid via our website at www.tbcmc.org/dues, at the annual TLC Summit event in November, early at the annual TLC retreat in August/September; or mailed to current TBCMC treasurer.
- Checks are payable to TN Baptist Church Music Conference.

Required Attire

- Casual attire is a *special-order* button-down shirt, worn unbuttoned as a jacket over a white top, with khaki or black pants. (\$20)
- Formal attire is a *special-order* black knit top from Praise Hymn Fashions worn with black dress pants. (\$35)
- Concert attire is required and is casual or formal depending on the concert environment.
- Small, discreet earrings are acceptable. No necklaces are worn. Please do not wear perfume for any rehearsals or performances.
- Please contact Heather Beard regarding your orders for casual or formal attire. (Her number is 800.558.2090 x2061.)

Rehearsals/Performances:

- TLC Presents 2-3 Concerts per Year, in addition to our annual retreat.
- Rehearsals, for the most part, are the day of the concert; thus, the purpose and importance of the annual retreat.

Meals:

- Meals are included in your registration fees for most events and concerts.

Lodging:

- Lodging is not provided for TLC concerts and events, but lodging options at discounted rates are provided, when available.

Scheduling for Concerts and Retreat

- Scheduling, costs, and other details for TLC events will be communicated with as much notice as possible.

Music

- All music is made available to TLC members via internet downloads. Printed music will also be available at all events.

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Officers

- The group has elected officers including a President, President-elect, a Secretary-treasurer and Area representatives.

Conductor

- Scott Shepherd, Worship and Music Specialist, with the Tennessee Baptist Mission Board, has served as conductor of TLC since June, 2017.
- Heather Beard serves as his ministry assistant.

TLC Details

- Prior to each TLC event, Heather and I will provide a document with details related to a particular event. The TLC Details documents typically include Location, Lodging Options, Schedule, Attire, Music (with PDF downloads), etc.

Communication

- We communicate details regarding the Tennessee Ladies Chorus in four primary ways.
 - Website – www.tbcmc.org is updated often with information pertinent to TLC and other state worship and music related news.
 - TN Baptist Worship and Music Newsletter – e-mailed monthly.
 - TLC E-mail – for information regarding events specific to TLC we will send direct e-mails.
 - Facebook – We have a closed group on Facebook called “Tennessee Ladies Chorus.”

I hope TLC 101 is helpful. If, however, you still have questions, please do not hesitate to call or email Heather or me. We are always happy to serve.

Sincerely,

Scott Shepherd
Worship and Music Specialist
Tennessee Baptist Mission Board