

# Labyrinth

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## Family Matters

- ◆ My brothers have not been in my home since we left for Europe in 1990, but this past weekend they came for a most wonderful five days of family celebrations. It is the *final* celebration of my BIG birthday in April! Here we are at the Billy Graham Library.
- ◆ My husband, Glenn, is scheduled for bilateral knee replacements 30 June. Your prayers are appreciated.
- ◆ We are having to sell our very special retreat in the North Carolina mountains. Check out the [video](#) and contact me if you are interested.
- ◆ The expanded version of *I Choose to Forgive* is being considered for publication by InterVarsity Press. Prayers appreciated.

## ★ArtsCharlotte

I frequently host a “Coffee & Conversation” time at a coffee shop somewhere in Charlotte to discuss the nexus between the arts and faith. If you are interested in being informed about when/where they will be, or for other events, sign up at [www.artscharlotte.org](http://www.artscharlotte.org).

## ★ Partnership

Partners in ministry are needed as prayer support, financial support and for encouragement. To give a tax-deductible gift, click [here](#). Or send a check to: A.C.T. Intl; P.O. Box 1649; Brentwood, TN 37024

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Thank-you!

## ★Schedule

30 May-03 June: Hosting Paul Nethercott, the director of the film about our story.

14-18 June: CIVA Conference at Azuza Pacific University

30 June: Glenn's surgery

30 August-04 September: Arts+Europe Round Table Meetings, Madrid, Spain

## ★Steve Turner, *Imagine* Quote

The arts can act on God's side by preserving beauty and drawing out the highest achievements capable by humans. The arts can help preserve and renew cultures and this is a good thing in itself. This must bring God pleasure. The arts can sharpen the vision, quicken the intellect, preserve the memory, activate the conscience enhance the understanding and refresh the language. . . The visual arts help us to see with greater clarity. . . they restore our sense of amazement. Dance desensitizes us to the grace of movement. . . Music supplies us with hints of the transcendent. . . arts suffer when cultures decline.

## Update on Film

We are learning that making an independent film is a LONG process. The director is perfecting the "film treatment," the "short" is being completed (it looks *really* good!) by Windrider Productions; and the fund raising campaign is being planned. It is such a privilege to work with such qualified people!

## ArtsCharlotte's Planning

I'm very excited about the plans that are in the works in our goal of "nurturing the soul of our city through the arts." Here are just a few that we're working on:

- ◆ Helping underprivileged children learn how to creatively write their life stories and illustrate them.
- ◆ Celebrating the creative gifts of developmentally disabled children & adults through a community arts' activity.
- ◆ Contributing to racial reconciliation through a community-based arts' project.
- ◆ Gatherings and seminars in our "artistic affinity" communities which encourage and challenge artists to be involved in meeting the needs of the city.
- ◆ Continue hosting the discussions regarding the nexus of the arts and faith.
- ◆ Develop a "speaker's connection" on our website.
- ◆ Partnership with community groups and churches in making beauty and contributing to the health of our city.
- ◆ Supporting local galleries, and arts' initiatives in our city.
- ◆ Offer a "book signing" event for one of our Core Team members.

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