



the Creator

BRIAN D. MCLAREN is an author, speaker, pastor, and networker among innovative Christian leaders, thinkers, and activists. His books have been translated into many languages, including Korean, Chinese, French, Swedish, Norwegian, and Spanish. He has written for or contributed interviews to many periodicals, including *Leadership*, *Sojourners*, *Worship Leader*, and *Conversations*. What people might not know is that Brian is also a musician and song-writer and very passionate about worship. In his most recent book, *Everything Must Change: Jesus, Global Crises and a Revolution of Hope* (Thomas Nelson, 2007), he asks two essential questions: What are the world's top crises, and what do the life and message of Jesus say to those global crises? It is by far his most ambitious project and Brian has said, "I can't imagine ever writing anything that is more important and urgent." In the same manner, he desires for worshippers around the world to raise voices of hope in the light of these crises, and not be afraid to express lament or anger where injustice runs rampant.

In the nature of the Psalmist, Brian wrote this collection of songs over the course of several years, seeking the heart of Jesus as he traveled around the world and interacted with the Global community of believers. He desires always to help and resource emerging communities of faith and discover the fullness of the heart of God.



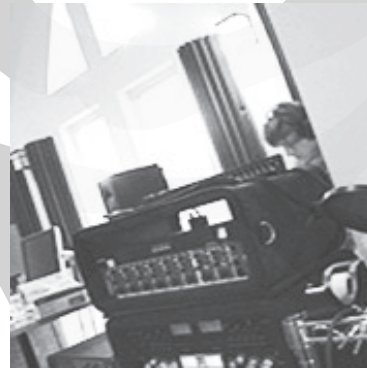
the Collaborator

TRACY HOWE, creator of **THE RESTORATION PROJECT**, has been a full time independent artist for over 7 years. She was classically trained on the piano from the age of five and began writing music by the time she was 12. Her style ranges from classic folk to world fusion electronica. Since 2001, she has traveled under the radar of industry and without the attention of media, played on over 100 university campuses in 40 different states relying on relationships and new listeners to continue. While maintaining an active tour schedule in general market venues, Tracy went on to start touring in Central and South America and in her current season she has been focused on deepening relationships with a handful of communities, developing and sharing international resources (she speaks and leads worship in Spanish and Portuguese as well) and exploring alternative and sustainable models of touring and artistry that release people into their work, regardless of socioeconomic situations or community size.

The Restoration Project is not really a band, though groups of people often gather and create music. It is more a vision of musical and artistic partnership. It is founded upon the eternal hope of a loving creator and a belief that artists able to express anything about this hope and creator become a vehicle for spiritual and relational restoration.

THE STORY IS SIMPLE

Brian and Tracy met only a couple of times in passing as they traveled but they formed and maintained a friendship. Brian became a Restoration Project fan and Tracy continued to support Brian's work as well. They were encouraged both by their differences and places where vision and hope overlapped. And so a collaboration began, the method itself being part of the project, to labor and worship together.



THE ARTISTS GATHERED

Brian has continued to enjoy and support musicians from his local fellowship outside of Washington DC and so invited his friends from Harp 46, a jazz trio, to join in the recording. Tracy is part of a large network of artist missionaries and invited her close friends as well. Everyone gathered in Woodland Park, CO where Tracy currently resides, for a week of recording and being together in the mountains.

WE HOPE FOR CHANGE

We hope people are encouraged

To express themselves

To build relationships

And be agents of change

Thank you for your time and attention. Both Brian and Tracy are available for interviews and article contributions. Please contact Tracy Howe at 303-881-0985 or tracy@restorationvillage.com to make arrangements!

You can also visit www.SongsForaRevolutionofHope.com
and www.RestorationVillage.com for more info.



ABOUT THE TOUR:

EVERYTHING MUST CHANGE

WITH BRIAN MCLAREN AND FRIENDS

www.deepshift.org

Best-selling author Brian McLaren and Deepshift.org will launch an eleven-city tour from February to May, 2008. The tour supports the release of his new book, "Everything Must Change: Jesus, Global Crises, and a Revolution of Hope." The book seeks to address what McLaren calls "two questions that have shaped my life": What are our world's top global crises? What does the message of Jesus say to those crises?

"This tour represents a chance to bring this important message to key cities around the country," McLaren explains. "It will be a highly interactive, multi-media, participatory experience of teaching, visual art, prayer, music, conversation, reflection, and more."

Tracy Howe, full time touring artist of The Restoration Project will be joining the national team leading worship and sharing songs from the recently released collaboration, "Songs For a Revolution of Hope, vol. 1" as well as other original music. Tracy has been touring the United States, Central and South America for years and brings a passion to see the fullness of the heart of God, and the uniqueness of different people and communities brought into expressions of corporate worship.