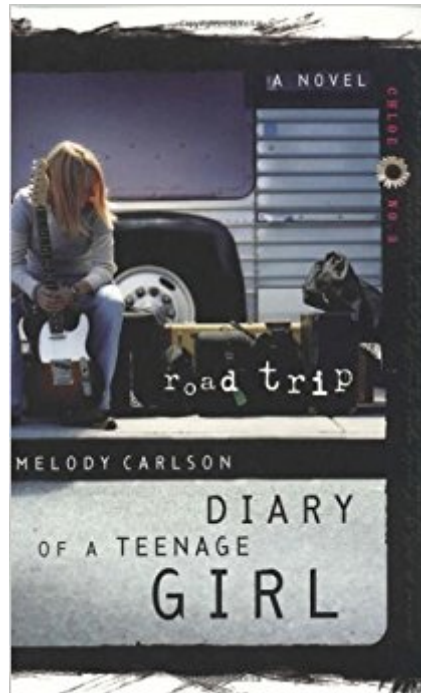




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Synopsis

After signing a contract with a major recording company, Redemption's dreams are coming true. Chloe, Allie, and Laura begin their concert tour with the good-looking guys in the popular band Iron Cross. Allie's mom and her brother with Down's syndrome add a little variety to their entourage. But as soon as the glitz and glamour wear off, the girls find life on the road a little overwhelming. Even solid, well-balanced Laura appears to be feeling the stress - and Chloe isn't quite sure how to confront her about the growing signs of drug addiction...we want it all, or so we say / but what gets lost along the way? / along the road to riches, fame / we know weâ™I'll never be the same The guys in Iron Cross occupy Chloeâ™s thoughts a little more than she cares to admit. Still, life on the road gets less and less glamorous and more and more overwhelmingâ€“especially when solid, well-balanced Laura begins acting strange. Her hostility toward Chloeâ™s concern makes the girls wonder how much longer they can keep their act together... Story Behind the Book Over the years, I have worn many hats, from pre-school teacher to Young Life leader to political activist to senior editor. But most of all I love to write! In the past few years, I have published more than ninety books for children, teens, and adults. I hope the Diary of a Teenage Girl series will impact the lives of teens through an honest and gutsy approach of a "diary style" book.

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Customer Reviews

"My Name is Chloe should be read by every teenager."

Melody Carlson is the bestselling, award-winning author of more than ninety books for teens, women, and children, with total sales over 2 million. Several of her books have been finalists for, and winners of, various writing awards, including an award this last May for children's literature from CSLA in Wisconsin. She has two grown sons and enjoys an active lifestyle of hiking, skiing, and biking. Melody and her husband live in the beautiful Oregon Cascade Mountains with their Labrador retriever.

The Christian rock group Redemption is a go!!! They are on their way to fame and glory. They have signed major contracts and they are set to tour and are going too. Their first gig will be opening up for Iron Cross a very popular male Christian group. As the trio travel they soon find themselves going through trials and tribulation. Chloe and Allie and Laura soon find the nitty gritty truth of touring. And it has taken its toll on each of them. Laura seems off balance. She gets moodier by the minute. Chloe is very homesick. And ready to bolt every time to bus stops. Allie has her mom and her younger brother who has down syndrome. Chloe finds comfort and solace in them. One of the most scariest and deepest struggles in Allie's dependence on drugs. This could destroy all of them. This book is engaging and suspenseful and definitely not cookie cutter. This book will have turning page after page to find out what happens to these three. Will they go on or will they quit???

This book was about Chloe, Laura, and Allie. These 3 teenage girls have formed a band called Redemption and in this book they are on tour after being discovered by a Christian music industry called Omega and it was a success! Well, this book is in first person view and told by Chloe. Chloe loves being on tour but feels uncomfortable singing autographs and being praised so much. Sooner or later she comes around and gets used to it. Well they have constant practice and have concerts that normally turn out great. But Laura starts getting grumpy by the loss of sleep but normally gets pepped up in time for the concert. Then Chloe discovers Allie's Ritalin bottle is empty. Allie doesn't take her Ritalin because it makes her too groggy. Chloe gets suspicious and discovers Laura's got hooked on drugs including Allie's Ritalin. Laura uses her weak strength to get out this mess but of course, uses God's help. Laura comes through and gets off drugs. She tells Omega and they just make her go to a rehab program and Allie and Chloe have to attend Al-Anon classes which are classes for somebody's close friends, family, etc. that are trying to help that person get off of alcohol problems, drugs, etc. During this tour Redemption tours with Iron Cross, a big-hit Christian guy

band. Laura confesses her problem to them and national TV. You have to read the book to find out the ending with the band, the romance, the drugs, and what God has in store for them next! I liked the idea of Redemption touring with Iron Cross because since Redemption is a girl band and Iron Cross is a guy band so it gives a romantic twist. I also liked the idea that the angelic girl, Laura, got hooked on drugs even though drugs are awful and I despise them, but it thickened the plot and proved anyone could get hooked on it. It also added suspense and thrills to the story. I disliked the part when Cesar "kisses dating goodbye" because it took away a relationship and like a part of the book which made it interesting. I also disliked that the book ended without a real ending and that you have to find out the ending in the next book when it's just starting. People who enjoy music and want to take a career up in music might like it because it talks about an average group of friends who make it into fame. Girls might like it also because it is told by a girl who falls in love with a guy but the girl admits a silly little crush. So people interested in music and girls might enjoy it the best.

Through this book you can enter the world of a first time band on their first tour. Three girls, Chloe, Allie, and Laura, are faced with many problems and tough situations along the tour. The only way they are able to deal with these problems is by talking to each other and leaving everything to the glory of God. When Laura is faced with a tough situation in her life, and denies the whole thing, she has to decide what the best choice for her is. She is ultimately won over by the devil until she realizes what she has actually done. Will Laura be able to face the rest of her band members and confess to God what she has done wrong? This was one of the best books I've read in the series. All of the books, including this one, are great because you can take the situations that happen to these three girls and relate them to your own life. I also liked this book because you see how normal girls can go from a rural country life to big time music industry in a matter of months. This would be a great book choice for you if you're into reading about how teenage girls lead a Christian based life while still doing what they love, playing music. Before reading this book I would recommend reading the first four books in the Chloe series; the story would make much better since if you did. However you do not need to read the Caitlin series before the Chloe series. Again, this is a great book choice for anyone who is interested in reading about three teenage girls going through similar situations that you are.

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