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Newsboys to perform at Swiftel Center in November



Brookings, S.D. (10/20/2015) – Four-time GRAMMY® nominees and platinum-selling chart-toppers Newsboys will perform at the Swiftel Center on November 15. The Christian rock band is touring this fall on the “We Believe... God’s Not Dead” tour joined by special guests Hawk Nelson and Ryan Stevenson. This extensive tour, which had more than 30 sold-out shows last spring, will hit approximately 40 markets this fall including Brookings, SD.

Tickets are on-sale now. Reserved tickets are \$38.00. General admission adult tickets are \$28.00; general admission tickets for ages 3-18 are \$23.00. Tickets available at the Swiftel Center Box Office, charge by phone at 800.745.3000 or online at Ticketmaster.com.

For groups of 10 or more, group sales tickets are offered at a discounted rate of \$18.00. Call the Swiftel Center Box Office at 605-692-7539 to place a group sales order.

Known for their electrifying live shows, Newsboys is one of Christian music’s most successful touring acts. The tour is named for the band’s hits: “We Believe,” the group’s longest-running No. 1 single to date, and “God’s Not Dead (Like A Lion),” which has been certified Platinum by the Recording Industry Association of America, signifying single sales in excess of 1 million units. This success followed the band’s appearance in the spring’s hit motion picture GOD’S NOT DEAD, which showcased the Newsboys performing their hit song “God’s Not Dead (Like A Lion).” The film’s success catapulted the band’s God’s Not Dead album to RIAA Gold status last year. The single also appeared on God’s Not Dead – The Motion Picture Soundtrack.

As an exclusive treat for the ultimate Newsboys fans, most We Believe... God’s Not Dead Tour dates will offer a “VIP Pre-- -Show Experience” add-- -on ticket option, giving fans an opportunity to get up close and personal at each show. This add-- -on package includes early entrance into the venue, an exclusive VIP laminate and collectible, early seating and an exclusive Q&A session with the band. VIP tickets are an additional \$35.

The We Believe: God's Not Dead Tour will benefit Food For The Hungry. Founded in 1971, Food for the Hungry provides emergency relief and long-term development programs with operations in more than 20 countries to help the world's most vulnerable people. Learn more by visiting www.fh.org.

About Newsboys

Comprised of lead vocalist Michael Tait, Jody Davis (guitar), Jeff Frankenstein (keys) and Duncan Phillips (drums), Newsboys are one of the most influential bands in Christian music today with more than 8 million units sold, eight Gold certifications, 33 No. 1 radio hits, four GRAMMY nominations and multiple Dove Awards. The group's latest recording and debut collection of hymns, Hallelujah For The Cross, released last fall and features the legendary group's take on nine classics and one new selection.

About Hawk Nelson

Powerhouse pop rock band Hawk Nelson has won the hearts of thousands since its debut release in 2004. Hawk Nelson released their new studio album Diamonds (FairTrade Services) in March to much media praise and acclaim. The album's first radio single, "Drops In The Ocean," is currently No.1 on the Billboard Christian AC Indicator chart--the band's first time atop any Christian adult contemporary chart. In addition, the song spent four weeks at No.1 on the Billboard Christian Hot AC/CHR chart. Hawk Nelson has released seven studio projects and has been awarded two Canadian GMA awards and multiple GMA Dove Award nominations, as well as a JUNO nomination. The band's music has been featured on NBC, MTV, WB, WGN, KTLA, Nickelodeon and the NFL Network. Hawk Nelson is Jonathan Steingard (vocals, guitar), Daniel Biro (bass), Micah Kuiper (guitar) and David Niacaris (drums).

About Ryan Stevenson

Ryan Stevenson's latest single, "Not Forgotten" (feat. TobyMac), topped Billboard's Christian Hot AC/CHR chart for two consecutive weeks earlier this year, marking his first #1 as an artist and second as a writer. He co-penned TobyMac's "Speak Life" and was nominated for a 2014 GRAMMY® Award for the multi-week chart-topper, a song Stevenson also recorded on his Gotee debut, Holding Nothing Back EP. He has toured with TobyMac and Audio Adrenaline, among other artists, and was featured on Air1 Radio's Positive Hits Tour last year. Stevenson's first full-length Gotee recording is slated to bow this fall.

About the Swiftel Center

The Swiftel Center is a gathering place for cultural, recreational and educational events. With a 30,000 square foot arena, state-of-the-art banquet rooms, conference rooms and in-house catering, the Swiftel Center is an international award-winning venue of excellence and one of South Dakota's premiere event centers.

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