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GRAMMY AWARD-WINNING CASTING CROWNS ANNOUNCES 40-CITY 'COME TO THE WELL' TOUR

Fall 2011 Tour Kicks Off September 22nd
Featuring Sanctus Real, The Afters and Introducing Lindsay McCaul

NASHVILLE, TN – June 15, 2011 –GRAMMY®, AMA and 2010 Dove Award-winning Artist of the Year **Casting Crowns** is announcing plans for a massive 40-city fall concert tour, titled the **"Come To The Well" Tour**, taking its name from the bands highly-anticipated new studio project, ***Come To The Well***, releasing Oct. 18. The tour kicks off Sept. 22, in El Paso, Texas, featuring premier modern rock bands **Sanctus Real** and **The Afters**, and introducing Christian music newcomer **Lindsay McCaul**.

The tour will coincide with the release of ***Come To The Well*** (the band's first new studio album in two years), featuring the hit single "Courageous," which will also be showcased in the upcoming Sherwood Pictures film by the same title, in theaters on Sept. 30. The "Come To The Well" Tour also follows the band's recent Dove Award win in the Long Form Music Video category for the hugely successful *Until The Whole World Hears Live* DVD/CD release, which captured the unforgettable 2009/2010 "Until The Whole World Hears" national concert tour, which saw more than 350,000 fans in 82 cities.

The "Come To The Well" Tour is partnering with Christian humanitarian organization **World Vision** (www.worldvision.org). World Vision provides assistance to approximately 100 million people in nearly 100 countries by tackling the causes of poverty and injustice. Casting Crowns has helped to generate a total of 52,000 child sponsorships for World Vision to date.

About Casting Crowns

All of Atlanta-based **Casting Crowns'** projects are RIAA certified, with a tally of three RIAA Platinum Albums, two RIAA Platinum DVDs, two RIAA Gold Albums and a Gold DVD, holding position as Billboard's top-selling act in Christian music since 2007. Despite an unprecedented six-year career with **Casting Crowns**, the seven band members remain active in student ministry in the Atlanta area and tour part-time around their local church duties. Serving his 18th year in youth ministry, lead singer/songwriter Mark Hall is the student pastor at Eagle's Landing First Baptist Church in Atlanta. As a testament to the band's impact, Casting Crowns performed for a second time in North Korea in April 2009, in partnership with Global Resource Services, as the band continues to forge invaluable relationships with the people in the D.P.R.K. For more information, visit www.castingcrowns.com or follow the band on Mark Hall's Twitter at twitter.com/markhallCC**.**

About Sanctus Real

Sanctus Real's fastest-selling GRAMMY and Dove-nominated, fifth studio album ***Pieces Of A Real Heart*** continues to sell over 130% ahead of the band's last GRAMMY-nominated album.

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The album has also sparked two No. 1 songs, "Forgiven" and "Lead Me," the latter having been heard by well over 100,000,000 people at radio and receiving the first-ever song endorsements from Focus on the Family and FamilyLife, as well as gathering two "Song of the Year" Dove nominations.
The success of the singles helped pave the way for the band to become *Billboard*'s No. 4 most played Christian band of 2010 at radio. In all, Sanctus Real has gathered 14 No. 1 and Top 5 radio hits so far. For more information, visit www.sanctusreal.com.

About The Afters

Texas-based band **The Afters** were propelled into the national spotlight with their INO/Sony Music Label Group debut *I Wish We All Could Win*. The project spawned the swirling, melodic hit "Beautiful Love," earning the band an enthusiastic following when the song was selected as the theme track for MTV's "8th and Ocean." "Beautiful Love" was also the most downloaded track of 2006 on the iTunes® Inspirational charts and garnered the band an mtvU award as well. The Afters' sophomore release *Never Going Back To OK* (INO/Columbia Records) debuted in the Top 50 on the Billboard Top 200, and proved to be sensation on the silver screen with "Grey's Anatomy" (ABC), "Dr. Phil," "Army Wives" (Lifetime) and "Rachael Ray." The band's third record *Light Up the Sky* bolstered the No. 1 hit "Light Up the Sky." A slew of media including *Rolling Stone*, Seventeen.com, E! News Live, *TV Guide*, Premiere Radio and more also picked up on covering The Afters. For more information, visit www.theafters.com.

About Lindsay McCaul

There's a phrase often heard in music industry circles: "It all begins with a song." That motto carries extra weight in Christian music where a great lyric transcends entertainment and becomes a vehicle to share the gospel. **Lindsay McCaul** is an artist keenly aware of words and their value. From her teen years pouring over the lyrics of her favorite music to her college days majoring in linguistics at Moody Bible Institute, McCaul's gifts manifest themselves in vibrant, insightful songs crafted with thoughtful precision reflecting a compassionate heart and deep intellect. McCaul's 11-track debut *If It Leads Me Back* (Aug. 23), produced by Jason Ingram (Tenth Avenue North, Meredith Andrews), reveals considerable depth and pathos; keen songwriting paired with her shimmering voice only compels the listener deeper into the album's overall experience. *If It Leads Me Back* is an auspicious beginning from a talented newcomer whose music will leave a lasting impression. Audiences nationwide will get to experience Lindsay at radio this summer, and live on the fall leg of the Casting Crowns tour. For more information on Lindsay McCaul, please visit www.lindsaymccaul.com.

CASTING CROWNS "COME TO THE WELL" FALL TOUR 2011

**Dates, markets and venues subject to change without notice*

SEPTEMBER

9/22	Thurs	El Paso, TX	Abundant Living Faith Center
9/23	Fri	Phoenix, AZ	Grand Canyon University
9/24	Sat	Corona, CA	Crossroads Christian Church
9/25	Sun	Henderson, NV	Henderson Pavilion
9/27	Tues	Universal City, CA	Gibson Amphitheatre
9/29	Thurs	Roseville, CA	Adventure Christian Church
9/30	Fri	Salem, OR	OSF Pavilion

OCTOBER

10/1	Sat	Redmond, WA	Overlake Christian Church
10/2	Sun	Langley, BC	Langley Events Centre
10/4	Tues	Kennewick, WA	Toyota Center

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10/6	Thurs	Salt Lake City, UT	Abravanel Hall
10/7	Fri	Rio Rancho, NM	Santa Ana Star Center
10/8	Sat	Amarillo, TX	Amarillo Civic Center
10/13	Thurs	Cordova, TN	Bellevue Baptist Church
10/14	Fri	Nashville, TN	Bridgestone Arena
10/15	Sat	Savannah, GA	Savannah Civic Center Arena
10/20	Thurs	Auburn, AL	Auburn University Arena
10/21	Fri	Lexington, KY	Rupp Arena
10/22	Sat	Greensboro, NC	Greensboro Coliseum
10/23	Sun	Macon, GA	Macon Coliseum
10/27	Thurs	Madison, WI	Alliant Energy Center
10/28	Fri	Hoffman Estates, IL	Life Changers International Church
10/29	Sat	Peoria, IL	Peoria Civic Center

NOVEMBER

11/3	Thurs	Grove City, OH	Grove City Church of the Nazarene
11/4	Fri	Akron, OH	Akron Baptist Temple
11/5	Sat	Highland Heights, KY	Bank of Kentucky Center
11/10	Thurs	Murray, KY	CFSB @ Murray State University
11/11	Fri	Tupelo, MS	BancorpSouth Arena
11/12	Sat	Dothan, AL	Dothan Civic Center
11/15	Tues	Asheville, NC	Kimmel Center
11/17	Thurs	Jacksonville, FL	First Baptist Church
11/18	Fri	TBA	TBA
11/19	Sat	West Palm Beach, FL	Cruzan Amphitheatre
11/20	Sun	Estero, FL	Germain Arena
11/25	Fri	Aiken, SC	USC Aiken Convocation Center
11/26	Sat	Knoxville, TN	Knoxville Coliseum

DECEMBER

12/1	Thurs	San Antonio, TX	Freeman Coliseum
12/2	Fri	Belton, TX	Bell County Expo
12/3	Sat	Bossier City, LA	CenturyTel Center Arena
12/4	Sun	Jackson, MS	Mississippi Coliseum

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