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LEELAND RECEIVES ITS FOURTH CAREER GRAMMY NOMINATION

Band's *The Great Awakening* Recognized In Best Contemporary Christian Music Album Category

54th Annual GRAMMY Awards® Air Feb. 12, 2012, Live on CBS

(NASHVILLE, Tenn.) Dec. 1, 2011- Three-time GRAMMY® and eight-time GMA Dove Award nominated band **Leeland** garnered a **GRAMMY Award® nomination** during last night's hour-long special broadcast, "The **GRAMMY**® **Nominations Concert Live!!** — **Countdown To Music's Biggest Night**®," which aired live on CBS from Nokia Theatre at L.A. LIVE.

Leeland received its fourth career nod for *The Great Awakening* (Sept. 20, 2011) in the **Best** Contemporary Christian Music Album Category. The 11-track "worship revival experience" was produced by Paul Moak (Third Day, Matt Maher). **Leeland** is: lead singer Leeland Mooring; brother, Jack Mooring on keys, and drummer Mike Smith – along with new member (and Moorings' younger sister and bassist) Shelly Mooring.

Since **Leeland** debuted its acclaimed *Sound of Melodies* in 2006, this progressive worship band has become one of the most respected and influential voices in worship music and has earned the respect of its peers in the music community -- demonstrated by receiving a GRAMMY[®] nomination for each album it's put out since its debut.

The 54th Annual **GRAMMY Awards**® ceremony will be held at the Staples Center in Los Angeles, Calif. on Sunday, February 12, 2012.

About Leeland:

Hailing from Houston, GRAMMY-nominated progressive rock act **Leeland** comprises Leeland Mooring (lead vocals, guitar); Jack Mooring (keyboard, background vocals); Shelly Mooring (bass); and Mike Smith (drums). The group has been known to deliver songwriting beyond its years and worshipful rock so genuine it disarms the honest cynic. Often quoted as one of Christian music's most gripping live bands, Leeland's 2006 debut *Sound of Melodies* as well as follow up projects *Opposite Way* (2008) and *Love Is On The Move* (2010) have established **Leeland** as a leader in the worship community and beyond. All three albums were GRAMMY nominated and drew a combined eight GMA Dove Award nominations.

In February, Leeland and Jack Mooring were selected by the White House to participate in the Compassion in Action Roundtable spotlighting the innovative leadership of an emerging generation of social entrepreneurs in America. On top of non-stop touring across the U.S. and Japan, the band also partners with Christian relief organization Food for the Hungry. **Leeland** has recently taken outreach trips to Africa, Asia, and attended Hillsong Church's 2008 Conference in Australia.

For more information on **Leeland** and *The Great Awakening*, please visit: www.leelandonline.com, www.facebook.com/leeland or www.providentpress.com.

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