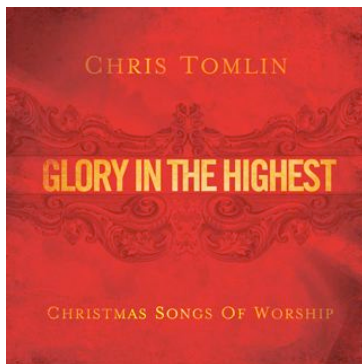


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CHRIS TOMLIN CHRISTMAS ALBUM AVAILABLE TODAY

**WORSHIP LEADER EMBARKS ON FIRST CHRISTMAS TOUR: GLORY IN THE HIGHEST
FEATURING COMMUNICATOR/PASTOR LOUIE GIGLIO, CHRISTY NOCKELS AND
NEW ARTIST AUDREY ASSAD**

October 6, 2009...Nashville, TN... With the release of his first Christmas album, *Glory In The Highest*, available nationwide today, GRAMMY® nominee and Dove Award winner Chris Tomlin will embark on his first Christmas tour this December.

The *Glory In The Highest* Christmas tour will also feature Louie Giglio, Passion Conferences visionary, leader and Passion City Church pastor, along with the vocals of fellow sixstepsrecords' artist Christy Nockels and new Sparrow Records recording artist Audrey Assad, who are both featured on the new album.

The *Glory In The Highest* Tour sets in motion on December 2nd in Orlando, FL making its way across the U.S through December 19th in Houston, TX. For more information on the tour please visit <http://www.ChrisTomlin.com> and for tour dates, please see listing below.

Tour Dates for Chris Tomlin's "Glory In the Highest Tour"
(dates subject to change)

- 12/2 - Orlando, FL / Northland Church
- 12/4 - Birmingham, AL / Church of the Highlands
- 12/6 - Milwaukee, WI / Oak Creek Assembly
- 12/7 - Minneapolis, MN / Grace Church
- 12/8 - Chicago, IL / Life Changers International Church

12/10 - Washington DC / Hylton Memorial Church
12/11 - Virginia Beach, VA / Rock Church International
12/15 - Westlake Village, CA (Los Angeles) / Calvary Community Church
12/17 - Amarillo, TX/Hillside Christian Church
12/18 - Rogers (Bentonville), AR / Pinnacle Hills
12/19 - Houston, TX / Grace Church

About Chris Tomlin:

With six records, seven No. 1 radio singles, three GRAMMY nominations, 16 Dove Awards, one platinum and one gold album to his credit, Chris Tomlin is among the most well-known and influential artists in contemporary Christian music. Referred to by Time Magazine as "the most often sung artist anywhere," Tomlin additionally has 10 Top 100 CCLI songs with 6 in the top 25. ASCAP's 2007 Songwriter of the Year, Tomlin's "How Great Is Our God" was his first No. 1 on the CCLI Top 25. The award-winning song moved to No. 1 after becoming one of the fastest rising modern day hymns in CCLI chart history. Tomlin continues to tour many dates every year and plays regularly at Passion Conferences in the States and worldwide.

About Christy Nockels:

*Former member of celebrated vocal duo Watermark and perennial Female Vocalist of the Year Dove Award nominee, Oklahoma native Christy Nockels began writing and leading worship music with her husband, Nathan, in 1995. In 1996, Passion founder Louie Giglio got a hold of their independent release and invited them to attend the very first Passion Conference in Austin, Texas. They've continued leading worship with the Passion movement the past 12 years and recently moved to Atlanta, Ga. to be a founding family within the Passion City Church. Also recently joining the sixstepsrecords family of artists, Nockels was invited to sing vocals with friend and labelmate Chris Tomlin on his spring 2009 headlining tour. The tour performed in front of 150,000 people in markets including Los Angeles, Houston, Dallas, Seattle, Baltimore, Philadelphia, and Atlanta. Earlier this year Nockels released her first solo debut album *Life Light Up*, for which she received critical acclaim.*

About Louie Giglio:

A passionate communicator and leader, Louie Giglio is the Visionary Architect and Director of the Passion Movement, which includes the collegiate gatherings of Passion Conferences, Atlanta based Passion City Church and EMI CMG label partner sixstepsrecords. Louie is the Pastor of Passion City Church, a local community of faith with the DNA of the Passion Movement. He also is the founder of sixstepsrecords, a label partner with EMI CMG, and home to artist Chris Tomlin, David Crowder*Band, Charlie Hall, Matt Redman, Passion, Kristian Stanfill and Christy Nockels. Louie has been a part of multiple Grammy nominated projects and has been awarded Dove Awards for songwriting and Passion Event recordings.

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About sixstepsrecords:

Founded in 2000 by Louie Giglio, sixstepsrecords (www.sixstepsrecords.com) is a worship label and a division of Passion Conferences. sixstepsrecords' artists include **Chris Tomlin** (*HELLO LOVE*), **David Crowder* Band** (*Church Music*), **Charlie Hall** (*The Bright Sadness*), **Matt Redman** (*We Shall Not Be Shaken*), and **Passion** (*Passion: God of This City*). The label partners with Sparrow Records/EMI CMG Label Group for A&R, marketing, sales and distribution operations.

About EMI CMG Label Group:

Brentwood, Tennessee-based EMI CMG Label Group is comprised of Sparrow Records, Forefront Records, and Credential Recordings, in addition to providing A&R and marketing support for sixstepsrecords via a joint venture and licensing partnership. Balancing freedom, discipline, creativity, profitability and ministry, EMI CMG Label Group strives for excellence in artist development. The Label Group is a division of EMI Christian Music Group. For further information, please visit WWW.EMICMG.COM.

