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Every Moment Singing



Sponsors Needed for New CD

Dear Friend -

Have you ever had the feeling something was meant to be? Have you ever realized that no matter what you did, God was going to break down every barrier that kept you from doing something you knew you should do but had every excuse not to?

Well, since 2002, God has made it clear that I am to follow His lead, I am to stop asking "how" and "why," and I am to share the music He has given to me with everyone I can.

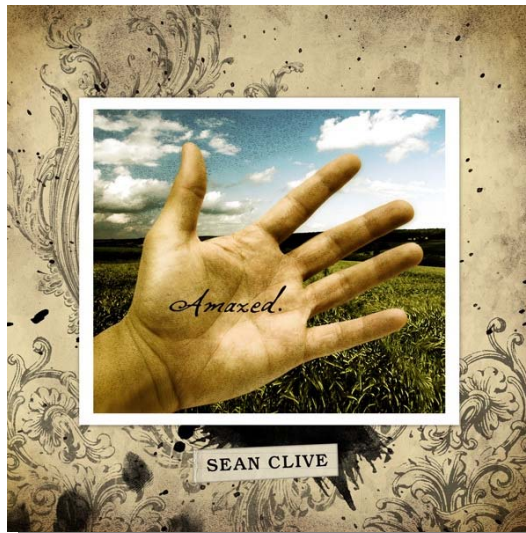
Inspired by my mother's love for God, music, and others, I have felt her presence each time I have performed and each time a song is written or a story is shared how this music has touched someone's heart. As she has since I was a child, Mom, even now, has been pushing me on and encouraging me to share God's love with the world. And so, this music ministry was born. Through the generosity of a family member, the financial barriers preventing me from stepping up and out were shattered. *Tuning Up* was recorded and my own heartache from the loss of my mom began to heal. This recording has also touched the hearts of many people around the country (and world). The stories that have been shared with me have demonstrated how God truly is present in these things we do.

So, finally, after four years of "being a

professional," I have been blessed to begin a new CD project of all original songs. After much prayer, I decided to contact David C. Smith of Crossed Hearts and ICON Music Studio (Indiana) to produce my next project. I contacted Dave in the summer of 2005 and we have been working tirelessly to make this next project a great one. Again, through the intervention of every saint in heaven and brothers and sisters here on earth, God answered our prayers by sending me to Dave. Dave has truly "loved these songs into coolness." He has spent innumerable hours making these songs fantastic. I do not like to boast about anything that I do, but I can say, God has made this project awesome! In fact, He has even sent me to a local graphic artist / illustrator for all the artwork. Jacob Souva is truly amazing at his craft. He has taken an audio recording (CD) and made it a work of art with the presentation of the cover and booklet.

Now, for the first time, I am inviting my special friends to "do something beautiful for God" with me as a co-executive producer / sponsor of this new CD. As a co-executive producer / sponsor, you will be given the opportunity to dedicate one of the songs to someone special. The dedication or memorial that you write will appear in the liner notes of each CD under the title of the song you select. Not only will your dedication live on, but you will be

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participating in a ministry of providing healing and encouraging music to thousands of people. I have listed the songs below for your consideration.

Please prayerfully consider this opportunity. And if you know of anyone who would be interested in being a part of this project, please send this information along. We are always looking to expand our circle of friends and family.

What are the details?

The recording budget is approximately \$14,000, and there are four levels of sponsorship:

Patron "saint": \$5000

Of course, you get the coveted "get out of hell free" card - just kidding ☺ Actually, you receive my unending gratitude and extra special prayers of thanksgiving for your generosity from our family. Your intentions will be remembered by our family daily (this is a good one especially when my babies are praying for you). You will get to pick and dedicate your song of first choice. I will hold a private concert for you with as many guests as you would like at a location of your choosing (provided it is accessible - I can't yet sing on the moon or underwater ☺). You will also receive a box of 30 AMAZED CDs (hopefully) before Christmas.

Archangel: \$1,500

As my gift to you, you will be remembered in all our prayers. You will also get to dedicate your song of first choice (unless the Patron "saint" has the same choice). An invitation for you and five guests to attend a private concert for Archangels and Guardian Angels at a time and location to be announced. You will also receive fifteen (15) AMAZED CDs (hopefully) before Christmas.

Guardian angels: \$700

As with the Patron "saint" and Archangels, we will be praying for you. You will also get to dedicate one of the 11 remaining songs (I'll do my best to accommodate your first choice); an invitation for you and three guests to attend a private concert for the Archangels and Guardian Angels at a time and location TBA; and ten (10) AMAZED CDs (hopefully) before Christmas.

Cherubs: \$100 - \$699

All friends who donate between \$100 and \$700 will receive our prayers of thanksgiving, a special recognition in the liner notes of the CD and five (5) AMAZED CDs (hopefully) before Christmas.

While I do not have 501(c)(3) status as a non-profit, 100% of the money you donate will go to the production of this new recording. Additionally, all CD sales will continue to support this music ministry and the charities we support (many of these are listed on my website on the "links" page).

Tell me more...

TITLE of the new CD: Amazed

SONGS (12 original songs written by me with some lyrical help from my Jenny):

PRODUCTION: Talented producer and musician David Smith of ICON Music Studio (www.iconmusicstudio.com) and Crossed Hearts fame.

DESIGN: Amazing artist Jacob Souva (www.twofishillustration.com)

REPRODUCTION: Oasis CD Manufacturing (www.oasiscd.com)

So here's what I need from you:

1) Your prayers. We undergo many difficulties and trials with the creation of each new CD, so I beg for your intercessory prayer that all who participate will be protected and that this project will be successful according to God's perfect plan.

2) If you can after prayerful consideration, please complete the sponsor form if you wish to join me as a co-executive producer or just make a donation, and mail it with your contribution as soon as possible to **40 Hartford Terrace, New Hartford, NY 13413**. **The deadline to submit your co-executive producer dedication (all applicable levels of sponsorship) is November 1, 2006**. We will gladly accept donations at any time, but the November 1, 2006 deadline will allow me time to include the dedication in the CD liner notes.

Please know that we appreciate and are forever grateful for all the different ways you support and encourage us. Though financial support helps our music continue, we are encouraged and strengthened when you...pray for us - our family and our music, share your stories with us, and share our music with others... In all these ways, you can help make this project and this

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Kindergarten Orientation (Am I getting older?)

So, #2 is on her way... the beginning of the next era of our lives. Mag was very excited about this day in a different way than her big sister. Em had to fill us in with every detail of her experience, all that she remembered, all that she thought. Mag, she likes to keep it in and "ponder it all in her heart." She was funny about 2 things though - besides being unable to physically lift the latch and open her locker:



After the discussion of allergies and how many kids have severe peanut allergies, and that we should avoid sending peanut butter or peanut containing snacks for the kids at lunch or snack time, as we waited in the cafeteria to hear the lunch lady's presentation, a fellow kindergartner walked by our table. Maggie pointed and said, "that's the boy who can't eat peanuts." We

have no idea why she picked him, or why she even cared. But I guess we all have to blame someone or something for our little inconveniences...

The PTA president told us a summary of a story about the little girl who found a cocoon and waited for so long to see the butterfly, but once it emerged, felt the need to help it along and pulled out the wings to make them straight. Of course, the butterfly never flew. The moral, parents let your kids spread their wings on their own. Maggie's point - "I'll never pull the butterfly's wings!" Of course she wouldn't as she is the bug and slug lover of the family.

Anyway, our little girlie moves one step closer to the days of leaving my side to find another who will mean everything to her. I pity the fool... Actually, I pity my heart as it will break the day my baby moves on to be what God has created her to be - wife, mom, nun, vet, professional slug catcher, whatever. But I am so honored to have been chosen to be her daddy, the one who gets to wake her with kisses and snuggles, the one who gets to pick her up and fix her scraped knee, the one who gets to enjoy her imagination and giggles. I am so blessed. I am so blessed. †SC

New Music News and Notes

Well, the first "single" from the upcoming CD, "Amazed" has been selected to be on the Praise CD of the Spirit Wing Records Compilation 2007 CD (A 2 CD package of 32 Catholic Artists). We hope people are just as excited about the song as we are when they hear it on this project!

Spirit Wing Records announces Catholic Music 2007

Spirit Wing Records proudly announces an upcoming two CD compilation project entitled Catholic Music 2007. Catholic Music 2007 will feature 32 Catholic recording artists and will resemble the popular Christian project, WOW, which is released every year.

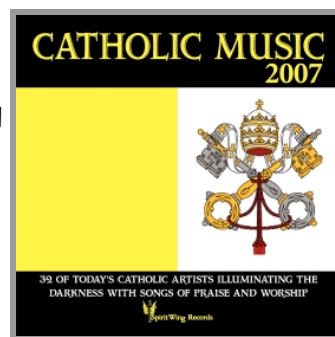
The creators of Catholic Music 2007, Gary Gersin from Cleveland, Ohio and Mike Beloud from Los Angeles, California hope to bring awareness to Catholic music ministries.

Gersin, of Sacred Heart Radio, said, "My goal with Sacred Heart Radio has always been to highlight the wonderful Catholic music ministries out there. Catholic Mu-

sic 2007 is just another way we are trying to get these artists heard and to help people celebrate their Faith through the Lord's great gift of music."

"There are many talented Catholic artists out there who are filled with the Spirit, serving God and the Church through their music ministries," said Beloud, member of the Catholic-rock group Rise. "Catholic Music 2007 gives them the opportunity to showcase their work."

Copies of Catholic Music 2007 can be pre-ordered by visiting the Spirit Wing Records website at <http://www.spiritwingrecords.com> for \$15.99. For a limited time, all pre-orders will receive free shipping and a special gift. For more information, contact Mike Beloud at Mike@SpiritWingRecords.com or Gary Gersin at



Lemonade and Combos[®] Saved Our Lives

Jen and the girls were in the Welcome Hall. I was in the vestibule of the church in Pittsburgh, PA, having just stood up as "best man" at the wedding of my best friend from high school.

Brigid had been a handful, and Jen, in her frustration, easily would have waited for me outside despite the rain. But, the rain had started and the lemonade and iced tea had been relocated to the Welcome Hall. As we waited for the other wedding attendees to take their trolley ride, and the bride and groom to get a few more pictures in the church, Jen sat the girls down for a break with a lemonade apiece and a bag of Combos to split.

As the rain began to subside a bit, and things were wrapping up inside the church, several people were in the vestibule of the church ready to head out with umbrellas open.

Then it hit. Lightning struck the church and knocked all the power out (except for the alarm system that had a back-up battery). What a clap of thunder - it made your teeth chatter. As the dust cleared, it was obvious that a small miracle had occurred. On the steps and

front walk of the church, typically the area where everyone gathers to throw rice or birdseed at the happy couple, were several large pieces of stone from the steeple of the church that had just been hit. Like a small explosion, these rocks were thrown all over the front walk area.

The trolley driver was in his trolley with eyes wide.

People began to evaluate the situation and were amazed at what had just happened. Immediately I went to the Welcome Hall with my little ones, who I was sure, would be rather frightened by the sound and the blackout. They were fine - with those Combos and lemonade, any kid would be fine.

Later, the minister let us know that at the precise moment the lightning struck, he was signing the register for the wedding. So it was, and is, God's mark upon



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It is a great time to order your Christmas gifts. *Peace on Earth - Songs for Advent and Christmas CDs* are still available for only \$12. Limited numbers of *Tuning Up* are also available for \$12. Visit www.seanclive.com to order your copies today!

Special Prayer Request - On November 20, 2006, Seamus Michael Clive (#4) is scheduled (scheduled C-section) to arrive in the afternoon. We ask you to remember him and his mommy, his big sisters and daddy, the doctors and nurses in your prayers. The next newsletter (whenever that comes out) should have lots of fun stuff about life in the Clive household...