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**KEY POINTS**

* **3 GRAMMY Awards**
* **15 GMA Dove Awards**
* **2 American Music Awards (2011 and 2007)**
* **2011 American Music Award Winner**
* **6 American Music Award Nominations (2011 Nomination is most current)**
* **2 *Billboard* Music Awards (2012- Top Christian Artist and Christian Album)**
* **4 *Billboard* Music Award Nominations (2012-Top Christian Artist, Christian Song, Christian Album)**
* **1 RIAA Double Platinum Album**
* **3 RIAA Platinum Albums**
* **2 RIAA Platinum DVDs**
* **6 RIAA Gold Albums**
* **2 RIAA Gold DVDs**
* **3 RIAA certified Gold digital singles, “Who Am I” and “Praise You in this Storm” and “East to West”**
* **RIAA Gold Longform Music Video *Until the Whole World Hears Live***
* **8.2 Million Album Sales to Date**
* ***Come To The Well* Debuted at #2 on *Billboard* Top 200**
* **“Courageous” Showcased in Sherwood Pictures film “Courageous” (Sept. 30)**
* **No. 1 New Movie, No. 4 Overall Box Office release week**

**DISCOGRAPHY**

## Casting Crowns – The Acoustic Sessions: Volume 1 • Beach Street/ Reunion Records • January 22, 2013

## Come To The Well • Beach Street/ Reunion Records • October 18, 2011 • RIAA Gold

## Until the Whole World Hears Live • Beach Street/ Reunion Records • September 9, 2010 • RIAA Gold

## Until the Whole World Hears • Beach Street/Reunion Records • November 17, 2009 • RIAA Gold

## Peace on Earth • Beach Street/Reunion Records • October 7, 2008 • RIAA Gold

## The Altar and the Door Live • Beach Street/ Reunion Records • 2008 • RIAA Gold

## The Altar and the Door • Beach Street/Reunion Records • August 28, 2007 • RIAA Platinum

## Lifesong Live • Beach Street/Reunion Records • 2006 • RIAA Platinum

## Lifesong • Beach Street/Reunion Records • August 30, 2005 • RIAA Platinum

## Live From Atlanta • Beach Street • 2004 • RIAA Platinum

## Casting Crowns • Beach Street • September 30, 2003 • RIAA Double Platinum

## What if the Whole World Prayed • Independent • 2002

## Casting Crowns • Independent • 2001

## ALBUM CHARTS/SALES

## *Come To The Well*

* + **No. 2** on the ***Billboard***  Top 200 Charts
	+ **No. 1** on the ***Billboard***  Contemporary Christian Albums Chart
	+ **Week 2 – No. 10** on the ***Billboard*** Top 200 Charts
	+ **Week 3 – No. 22** on the ***Billboard*** Top 200 Charts
	+ **Week 4 – No. 31** on the ***Billboard*** Top 200 Charts

## No. 1 selling act of 2007 and 2008 on *Billboard*’s Christian/Gospel year-end chart

* ***Until the Whole World Hears Live***
	+ **No. 9** on the ***Billboard*** US Christian Albums Chart
* ***Until the Whole World Hears***
	+ **No. 1** on the ***Billboard*** US Christian Albums Chart
	+ **No. 4** on ***Billboard 200***
	+ **No. 12** on the ***Billboard*** US Digital Albums chart
* ***Peace on Earth***
	+ **No 1 *Billboard*** US Top Pop Catalog Chart
	+ **No. 1** on the ***Billboard*** US Christian Albums Chart
	+ **No. 2** on the ***Billboard*** US Holiday Albums Chart
	+ **No. 15** on ***Billboard 200***
* ***The Altar and the Door Live***
	+ **No. 6** on the ***Billboard*** US Christian Albums Chart
* ***The Altar and The Door***
	+ **No. 1** on the ***Billboard*** US Top Pop Catalog Chart
	+ **No. 1** on the ***Billboard*** US Christian Albums Chart
	+ **No. 2** on the ***Billboard* 200** with **130,000** first-week sales. Highest debut week for a Christian music artist in chart history.
	+ **No. 2** on the ***Billboard*** US Digital Albums chart
* ***Lifesong Live***
	+ **No. 16** on the ***Billboard*** US Christian Albums Chart
* ***Lifesong***
	+ **No. 1** on the ***Billboard*** US Christian Albums Chart
	+ **No.9** on ***Billboard 200***
* ***Live from Atlanta***
	+ **No. 16** on the ***Billboard*** US Christian Albums Chart
* ***Casting Crowns***
	+ **No. 1** on the ***Billboard*** US Heat Chart
	+ **No. 2** on the ***Billboard*** US Christian Albums Chart
	+ **No. 7** on the ***Billboard*** US Top Pop Catalog Chart

**Certifications**

Digital Gold Singles

* **“East To West”** – (Certification Date) March 14, 2012
* **“Praise You In This Storm”** – (Certification Date) Sept. 26, 2011
* **“Who Am I”** - (Certification Date) 7/26/2011

Gold Longform Videos:

* ***Until The Whole World Hears Live*** – (Certification Date) Aug. 18, 2011
* ***The Altar and the Door Live*** – (Certification Date) Dec. 8, 2008
* ***Lifesong Live*** – Jan. 12, 2007
* ***Live from Atlanta*** – Oct. 22, 2004

Platinum Longform Videos:

* ***Lifesong Live*** – May 25, 2007
* ***Live from Atlanta*** – Oct. 22, 2004

Double Platinum Albums:

* ***Casting Crowns*** – Aug. 30, 2012

Platinum Albums:

* ***The Altar and the Door*** – Aug. 20, 2010
* ***Lifesong*** – Feb. 14, 2007
* ***Casting Crowns*** – Feb. 10, 2005

Gold Albums:

* ***Come to the Well* –** October 18, 2012
* ***Until The Whole World Hears*** – Dec. 17, 2009
* ***Peace On Earth*** – Nov. 4, 2009
* ***The Altar and the Door*** – Nov. 13 2007
* ***Lifesong*** – Dec. 2, 2005
* ***Casting Crowns*** – June 4, 2004

**AWARDS**

* **Won two 2012 *Billboard* Music Award Nominations** for Top Christian Artist and Top Christian Album for *Come To The Well*
* **2012 *Billboard* Music Award Nominations** for Top Christian Artist, Christian Song, Christian Album (2)
* **Won 43rd Annual GMA Dove Award** for Special Event Album of the Year
* **43rd Annual GMA Dove Award Nominated** forSong, Group, Artist, Worship Song, Children’s Music Album and Special Event Album of the Year **(6 total)**
* **2011 AMA Award Winner** for **“Favorite Artist” in Contemporary Inspirational Category**
* **2011 AMA Award Nomination** for “Favorite Artist” in the Contemporary Inspirational category
* **RIAA Gold Digital Single** for “East to West” from *The Altar and the Door*
* **RIAA Gold Digital Single** for “Praise You in this Storm” from *Until the Whole World Hears*
* **RIAA Gold Digital Single** for “Who Am I” from *Casting Crowns*
* **RIAA Gold Longform Music Video** *Until the Whole World Hears Live*
* **42nd Annual GMA Dove Awards** Nominated for Pop/Contemporary Album of the Year*Until the Whole World Hears* (2011)
* **42nd Annual GMA Dove Awards** Winner for Long Form Music Video of the Year *Until the Whole World Hears Live* (2011)
* **Won 41st Annual GMA Dove Award for Artist of the year** (2010)
* **41st Annual GMA Dove Awards** Nominated for Group of the Year (2010)
* **41st annual GMA Dove Awards** Nominated for Pop/Contemporary Album of the Year ***Until the Whole World Hears*** (2010)
* **40th Annual GMA Dove Awards** Nominated for Artist of the Year (2009)
* **Won 40th Annual GMA Dove Awards for Group of the Year** (2009)
* **Won 40th Annual GMA Dove Award** forChristmas Album of Year for ***Peace on Earth*** (2009)
* **Won 40th Annual GMA Dove Award** for Short Form Music Video of the Year for the single **“Slow Fade” from** *The Altar and the Door*(2009)
* **40th Annual GMA Dove Awards** Nominated for Long Form Music Video of the Year for ***The Altar and the Door Live*** (2009)
* **GRAMMY Award** nominationfor **Best Gospel Performance** (2009)
* **23** Gospel Music **Dove Awards** collectively for band and frontman Mark Hall
* Named Gospel Music’s **Group of the Year** for **fifth** year in a row (2009)
* Featured performer at 2009 National Prayer Breakfast in Washington, D.C., for President Obama, Tony Blair and 3,000 dignitaries on February 5, 2009
* **39th Annual GMA Dove Awards** Nominated for Artist of the Year (2008)
* **Won 39th Annual GMA Dove Award for Group of the year** (2008)
* **Won 39th Annual GMA Dove Award** forSong of the Year **for “East to West”** from the Album *The Altar and the Door* (2008)
* **Won 39th Annual GMA Dove Award** for Pop/Contemporary Album of the Year for ***The Altar and The Door*** (2008)
* **Won 39th Annual GMA Dove Award** for Pop/Contemporary Recorded Song of the Year **“East to West”** from the Album *The Altar and The Door* (2008)
* **39th Annual GMA Dove Awards** Nominated for Praise and Worship song of the year for **“Praise you in this Storm”** from the Album *Lifesong* (2008)
* Lead singer Mark Hall named **BMI Songwriter of the Year** in 2008 and 2005
* **38th Annual GMA Dove Awards** Nominated for Artist of the Year (2007)
* **Won 38th Annual GMA Dove Award for Group of the Year** (2007)
* **38th Annual GMA Dove Awards** nominated for Song of the Year for **“Praise you in This Storm”** from the Album*Lifesong* (2007)
* **Won 38th Annual GMA Dove Award** for Pop/Contemporary recorded song of the year for **“Praise you in this Storm”** from the album*Lifesong* (2007)
* **American Music Award** winner for “Favorite Artist,” Inspirational category (2007)
* **37th Annual GMA Dove Awards** Nominated for Artist of the year (2006)
* **Won 37th Annual GMA Dove Award for Group of the Year** (2006)
* **37th Annual GMA Dove Awards** Nominated for Song of the year for **“Lifesong”** from the Album *Lifesong* and **“Voice of Truth”** from the Album *Casting Crowns* (2006)
* **37th Annual GMA Dove Awards** Nominated for Pop/Contemporary recorded song of the Year **“Lifesong”** from the album *Lifesong* (2006)
* **Won 37th Annual GMA Dove Award** for Pop/Contemporary Album of the year for ***Lifesong* (2006)**
* **GRAMMY Award winner** (2006)
* **36th Annual GMA Dove Awards** Nominated for Artist of the Year (2005)
* **Won 36th Annual Dove Award for Group of the Year** (2005)
* **Won 36th Annual Dove Award** for Song of the Year for **“Who am I”** from the album *Casting Crowns* (2005)
* **36th Annual Dove Awards** nominated for Pop/Contemprary Recorded song of the Year for **“American Dream”** from the album *Casting Crowns* (2005)
* **Won 36th Annual Dove Award** for Inspirational Recorded song of the Year for **“Voice of Truth”** from the Album *Casting Crowns* (2005)
* **36th Annual Dove Awards** Nominated for Worship song of the year for **“Who am I”** from the album *Casting Crowns* (2005)
* **GRAMMY Award Winner** Best Pop/Contemporary Gospel Album of the Year ***Lifesong* (**2005)

**TOURING**

* 2012 “Come to the Well” Spring Tour (42-cities) with Matthew West, Royal Tailor and Lindsay McCaul
* 2011 “Come to the Well” Fall Tour (40-cities) with Sanctus Real, the Afters and Lindsay McCaul
* 2010 Until The Whole World Hears Tour with Kutless and Tenth Avenue North
* 2010 Fan Appreciation Tour
* 2009 The Altar & the Door Tour Headlining Tour
* Headlining **41 cities** on “Until The Whole World Hears Tour,” Sept – Dec. 2009

## “The Altar and The Door Tour” (Sept. ‘07 – May ’08) set attendance records with 450,000 tickets sold in 83 markets. Ranked as the top-grossing Christian music tour of 2007/2008 season (*Pollstar*)

## NORTH KOREA: Two career performances in Pyongyang, D.P.R.K at nationally-televised Spring Art Festival. First trip: April 2007 as only U.S. band invited; Performed again April 2009

**RADIO**

* **“Jesus, Friend Of Sinners”** from *Come to the Well* (AC/CHR/INSPO)
	+ **No. 1** on the INSPO Radio chart
	+ **No. 2** on the AC-Indicator chart
	+ **No. 6** on the AC-Monitored chart
	+ **No. 7** on the *Billboard* National Christian Audience chart
* **“Just Another Birthday”** from *Come to the Well* (AC)
	+ **No. 21** on the *Billboard* National Christian Audience chart
* **“Courageous”** from *Come to the Well*
	+ **No. 1** on the *Billboard* National Christian Audience chart
	+ **No. 1** on the Canadian Contemporary Christian Radio chart
	+ **No. 2** on the AC Indicator chart and AC Monitored
* **“Glorious Day (Living He Loved Me)”** from *Until the Whole World Hears* 2011
	+ **No. 1** on the ***Billboard*** US Christian Singles Chart (9 weeks)
	+ Has seen over 292 million impressions
* **“Joyful, Joyful”** from *Until the Whole World Hears* 2010
	+ **No. 3** on the ***Billboard*** US Christian Singles Chart
* **“To Know You”** from *Until the Whole World Hears* 2010
	+ **No. 27** on the ***Billboard*** US Christian Singles Chart
* **“If We’ve Ever Needed You”** from *Until the Whole World Hears* 2010
	+ **No. 5** on the ***Billboard*** US Christian Singles Chart
* **“Until the Whole Worlds Hears”** from *Until the Whole World Hears* 2009
	+ **No. 1** on the ***Billboard*** US Christian Singles Chart
* **“Slow Fade”** from *The Altar and the Door* 2008
	+ **No. 5** on the ***Billboard*** US Christian Singles Chart
	+ **No. 7** on the ***Billboard*** US Christian AC Singles Chart
* **“Every Man”** from *The Altar and the Door* 2007
	+ **No. 2** on the ***Billboard*** US Christian Singles Chart
	+ **No. 3** on the ***Billboard*** US Christian AC Singles Chart
* **“East to West”** from *The Altar and the Door* 2007
	+ **No. 1** on the ***Billboard*** US Christian Singles Chart
	+ **No. 1** on the ***Billboard*** US Christian AC Singles Chart
* **“Does anybody hear her?”** from *Lifesong* 2006
	+ **No. 1** on the ***Billboard*** US Christian Singles Chart
	+ **No. 1** on the ***Billboard*** US Christian AC Singles Chart
* **“Praise You in this Storm”** from *Lifesong* 2005
	+ **No. 1** on the ***Billboard*** US Christian Singles Chart
	+ **No. 1** on the ***Billboard*** US Christian AC Singles Chart
* **“Voice of Truth”** from *Casting Crowns* 2004
	+ **No. 1** on the ***Billboard*** US Christian Singles Chart
	+ **No. 1** on the ***Billboard*** US Christian AC Singles Chart
* **“Who am I”** from *Casting Crowns* 2003
	+ **No. 1** on the ***Billboard*** US Christian Singles Chart
	+ **No. 1** on the ***Billboard*** US Christian AC Singles Chart
* **“If We are the Body”** from *Casting Crowns* 2003
	+ **No. 3** on the ***Billboard*** US Christian Singles Chart
	+ **No. 3** on the ***Billboard*** US Christian AC Singles Chart
* Career high of **78** stations playing new single **“Until The Whole World Hears”** by 8/25 add date
* **“East to West”** the debut single from *The Altar and The Door*, topped Christian AC radio for 14 weeks, with a total of **735 million** audience impressions

**RELIEF WORK**

* Casting Crowns is responsible for uniting **50,000** World Vision children with sponsorships (to date)
* Casting Crowns worked with World Vision to distribute first aid kits to survivors, along with
basic materials such as soap, blankets, clothes and bottles of water to survivors after the earthquake in Haiti (January 2010)
* Casting Crowns remained focused on its passion for student ministry in Africa by reaching out to local youth leaders in the countries and introducing them to the band's Global Youth Ministry resource. **175 youth workers** in Cape Town representing **80 churches**, **125 leaders** in Kisumu and **100 workers** in Nairobi (2006)

## MAJOR MEDIA COVERAGE

## Cover and feature stories in *Billboard, Associated Press, Reuters, Atlanta-Journal Constitution* (page 1A), *Pollstar*, *FAITHTALK, Charisma, CCM Magazine,* and more.

* Appeared in segments on “Good Morning America,” NBC’s “Today,” CNN, MSNBC “The Rachel Maddow Show,” FOX News’ “FOX & Friends”and “Huckabee” shows, & more

**PRIMETIME TV**

* Performed “ Glorious Day” on the Fox News Channel’s “Huckabee” show January 2011
* Performed on **TNT**’s 2008 annual music concert ***CHRISTMAS IN WASHINGTON***, hosted by Dr. Phil and Robin McGraw, and also featured Kristin Chenoweth, Julianne Hough, Darius Rucker and Straight No Chaser

**MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS**

* *Associate Press* Feature Story/Article (Also covered by Yahoo! News, *Huffington Post*, Daily Herald)
* Add October release week media news. (Perez Hilton, *Variety Magazine*, MTV News, *Hollywood Reporter,* *Billboard.com*, *Billboard.biz*, SONY Music Buzz, HitFix, *New York Times*, *Entertainment Weekly*, Reuters, *SPIN Magazine* and *New York Daily News*)
* October 22, 2011 *Billboard* Magazine Cover Mention and Music Feature Story
* *Billboard* Article “ Casting Crowns Tops Christian Recap for Fourth Year” December 18, 2010
* *Worship Leader* featured in Article December 1, 2010
* *HM Magazine* Featured in Article August 29, 2010
* *Billboard* Christian Chart August 21, 2010
* *Charisma and Christian Life* Article on Mark Hall August 1, 2010
* *Billboard* Casting Crowns Claims biggest increase 2.5 million in audience, up 70% May 8, 2010
* *Pollstar* Dove awards May 3, 2010
* *Associated Press* print and radio
	+ *USA Today*
	+ *Atlanta-Journal Constitution* (Pg.1A)
	+ CNN “Measure to Measure”
	+ FOX News “FOX & Friends” morning show performance
	+ NBC, “Today” show
	+ *AOL Music Blog – “Who Am I”* highest rated Christian song of all time by AOL Radio listeners (2009)
	+ FOX News “HUCKABEE” weekend show, performance airing Aug. 29-30
	+ *Billboard* feature (Aug. 2008) profiling band’s dual careers as recording artist and full-time staffers at their local church
	+ *Billboard* Year-End 2007 issue- highlights band in “Top Christian Artists” rankings
	+ MSNBC, *“***The Rachel Maddow Show”**
	+ *Charisma* cover story – June 2008
	+ *FAITHTALK* 2007 cover story
	+ *Billboard* Year-End 2006 issue- highlights band in “Top Christian Artists” rankings
	+ *Pollstar* May 2005 cover story
	+ *Rolling Stone*, Sept. 2005
	+ *CCM Magazine* September 2005 cover story
	+ *Billboard*’s “Power Players” for 2005
	+ *HomeLife* July 2007 cover story
	+ *CCM Magazine* February 2005 cover feature (Readers’ Choice) issue
	+ *More to Life* Nov. 2006 cover story
	+ ABC, “Good Morning America”
	+ *Billboard* upfront feature, Sept.2005
	+ *R&R* feature*,* Sept.2005
	+ *Focus on the Family Weekend Radio*
	+ *Janet Parshall’s America*
	+ Weekly Sales chart news*: LA Times*, *NY* Times, Yahoo *News!*, EOnline, MTV*.com*

**About Casting Crowns:**All of **Casting Crowns**’ projects are RIAA certified, with a tally of one RIAA 2x multi-Platinum record, three RIAA Platinum Albums, two RIAA Platinum DVDs, six RIAA Gold Albums, two Gold DVDs and three Gold digital singles (“Who Am I,” “Praise You In This Storm,” “East to West”). The band currently holds the position as Billboard’s top-selling act in Christian music, since 2007. The group has also been honored with two American Music Awards, with six total nominations, three GRAMMY Awards, 14 GMA Dove Awards, two 2012 Billboard Music Awards and four total Billboard Music Award nominations.

 **Casting Crowns**’ seven band members all remain active in student ministry in the Atlanta area and tour according to their local church commitments. Serving his 18th year in youth ministry, lead singer/songwriter Mark Hall maintains his role as 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; the band continues to forge invaluable relationships with the people in the D.P.R.K. (Democratic People’s Republic of Korea).

**Casting Crowns** recently concluded its 42-city “Come to the Well” spring tour, which saw 40 arena sellouts, more than 370,000 in attendance (across the 40-city fall leg and spring dates combined) and has generated more than 13,000 child sponsorships through its partnership with Christian humanitarian organization, World Vision.

For more information on **Casting Crowns** visit: [www.castingcrowns.com](http://e2ma.net/go/12768728280/214101519/229359297/23771/goto%3Ahttp%3A/www.castingcrowns.com), [www.facebook.com/castingcrowns](http://e2ma.net/go/12768728280/214101519/229359298/23771/goto%3Ahttp%3A/www.facebook.com/castingcrowns) , [www.twitter.com/castingcrowns](http://e2ma.net/go/12768728280/214101519/229359299/23771/goto%3Ahttp%3A/www.twitter.com/castingcrowns) or follow Mark Hall’s Twitter at twitter.com/markhallCC.

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