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JARS OF CLAY RECEIVES EIGHTH CAREER GRAMMY NOMINATION

(Nashville, Tenn.) December 4, 2009 – Multi-platinum, GRAMMY and Dove Award winning band **Jars of Clay** secured its eighth career GRAMMY nomination for the upcoming 52nd Annual GRAMMY Awards this week during "The GRAMMY Nominations Concert Live!! — Countdown To Music's Biggest Night." The one-hour special was broadcast live on CBS from Club Nokia at L.A. Live in Los Angeles.

Jars of Clay received a nod in the **Best Pop/Contemporary Gospel Album** category for its April 21 release, ***The Long Fall Back To Earth***. Jars of Clay has claimed GRAMMYs for *The Eleventh Hour* (3/05/2002), *If I Left The Zoo* (11/09/1999) and *Much Afraid* (9/16/1997) from its prior seven nominations.

The 52nd Annual GRAMMY Awards will be held on "GRAMMY Sunday," Jan. 31, 2010, at Staples Center in Los Angeles and once again will be broadcast live in high definition TV and 5.1 surround sound on CBS from 8–11:30 p.m. (ET/PT). For a complete list of 52nd GRAMMY Awards nominees, please visit www.grammy.com

About Jars of Clay
Jars of Clay launched its breakout career with the multi-format hit "Flood" in 1995. Since then, it's amassed more than six million in career sales (5 Gold, 2 Platinum and 1 double Platinum certification), 3 GRAMMY Awards (from 8 nominations), an American Music Award nod, 17 No. 1 radio hits, and numerous film credits and BMI honors for songwriting and performing. Its recent **GRAMMY** nominated tenth album, ***The Long Fall Back to Earth*** (April 21), debuted at No. 1 on SoundScan. Earlier this year, Jars of Clay headlined its "Two Hands Tour," impacting 23 cities coast-to-coast and recently led "Creation Festival: The Tour" on a 25+ city tour. See www.jarsofclay.com for more information.

While celebrated for its music and writing, Jars of Clay is most concerned with the needs in Africa. Compelled to make a difference, members Dan Haseltine, Stephen Mason, Matt Odmark and Charlie Lowell founded the Blood:Water Mission in early 2002. The first effort of this non-profit was the "1000 Wells Project" with a goal of raising funds to build, rebuild and repair 1,000 wells in urban and rural areas of sub-Saharan Africa. This year Jars of Clay will celebrate the building of the 1,000th well which will bring clean water to more than 150,000 people. (www.bloodwatermission.com)

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