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GRAMMY-WINNING ROCKERS THIRD DAY ANNOUNCE "THE MIRACLE TOUR," SLATED TO HIT 45 CITIES THIS COMING SPRING

Tour Kicks Off Feb. 21st With American Idol's Colton Dixon and Singer-Songwriter Josh Wilson As Special Guests

(Nashville, Tenn.) – Nov. 2, 2012 – Four-time GRAMMY® Award-winning band **Third Day** will hit the road again this spring to headline "**The Miracle Tour**," a 45-city trek featuring "American Idol" finalist **Colton Dixon** and singer-songwriter **Josh Wilson** as special guests. **"The Miracle Tour"** will launch Feb. 21, in Fairfax, Va., and will hit major markets like Memphis, Dallas, Birmingham, Atlanta, Nashville, Indianapolis, Grand Rapids, Chicago and many more before wrapping up in mid-May.

"The Miracle Tour" takes its name from Third Day's brand new studio project, ***Miracle***, releasing Nov. 6. With veteran producer Brendan O'Brien (Bruce Springsteen, Pearl Jam, Train, The Killers) at the helm, ***Miracle*** is a 12-track simmering brew of potent rock anthems infused with the substantive, life-affirming lyrics that have always been the bedrock of Third Day's music. At the same time, the band explores new sonic and lyrical territory on ***Miracle***, with layered guitars and harmonies, sing-along gang vocals, and so on – not heard from the band previously. The band's signature rock foundations remain; they've just been infused with a modern-day flair.

"We have toured for so many years and feel like we owe any success we have to the fans that built Third Day," says drummer David Carr. "These songs are engaging musically and lyrically; we worked hard to stretch ourselves for the people who come to our shows and buy our music. We poured so much into this record because we wanted to bring our fans our very best. We are proud of ***Miracle*** and can't wait for people to hear it."

A special VIP package will be available for The Miracle Tour ticket buyers, including a premium-seat concert ticket, an exclusive Third Day tour poster, a ***Miracle*** CD and entry to a special pre-show event. A group ticket package will be offered, along with Fan Club pre-sale dates.

"The Miracle Tour" is sponsored in part by Christian humanitarian organization **World Vision** (www.worldvision.org) and **Grand Canyon University** (www.gcu.edu). World Vision provides assistance to approximately 100 million people in nearly 100 countries by tackling the causes of poverty and injustice.

About Third Day:

During the last decade, Atlanta-based, multi-Platinum rock band **Third Day** (comprising members Mac Powell, Tai Anderson, David Carr and Mark Lee) has racked up 27 No. 1 radio singles and sold more than seven million albums, including two RIAA Platinum as well as eight Gold certifications. A Georgia Music Hall of Fame inductee (2009), **Third Day** has garnered 24 career GMA Dove Awards from 42 nominations, four GRAMMY Awards (with 11 career nominations), an American Music Award (with four American Music Award nominations) and multiple ASCAP honors, including its coveted Vanguard Award, for songwriting. Long known as Christian music's premier live band, **Third Day** has played for audiences reaching into the millions all around the world. **Third Day** has been featured by top media outlets including "The Tonight Show with Jay Leno" (NBC), "The Late Late Show with Craig Ferguson" (CBS), "60 Minutes" (CBS), ABC's "Nightline," *USA Today*, the *New York Times* and even graced the cover of *Billboard* magazine, which called **Third Day** "one of the best rock bands." **Third Day** will release its 12th Studio album titled ***Miracle*** on Nov. 6, 2012.

For more information on **Third Day**, please visit: www.ThirdDay.com, www.facebook.com/ThirdDay or www.providentpress.com.

About Colton Dixon:

American Idol Season 11 top-10 finalist **Colton Dixon** recently signed a major recording deal with EMI CMG Label Group/Sparrow Records, with plans to release his anticipated debut album in January of 2013. The album's first single, titled "You Are," is currently impacting radio stations across the country. A Tennessee native, Dixon participated in the *American Idol* LIVE! Tour and debuted "Never Gone," an original song which will appear on his upcoming album, marking the first time an *Idol* contestant has performed an original song, which he or she has co-written, on any *American Idol* tour. Dixon's past television performances include "The Tonight Show," "The Ellen DeGeneres Show," "The Today Show," "Live! With Kelly" and "Access Hollywood." For more information, visit www.coltondixon.com or www.facebook.com/coltondixonmusic.

About Josh Wilson:

Pop singer/songwriter and multi-instrumentalist **Josh Wilson** releases his highly anticipated brand new studio album this coming Spring 2013. The Sparrow Records artist's major-label debut, *Trying to Fit the Ocean in a Cup,* was met with critical acclaim, hailed by Christian Retailing as "the future of Christian pop" and named among the Top Ten Best Albums that year by GospelMusicChannel.com. Additionally, *Billboard* has named Wilson one of the most played artists at Christian radio. He has released numerous No. 1 hits, including "Savior Please," "I Refuse" and the powerful track "Before the Morning," which landed the No. 4 spot on *Billboard*'s Year-End Christian Songs chart. He has had four consecutive Top 10 AC singles, and his songs have appeared on the past three WOW compilation CD's. Wilson also attracted national media attention and a breakout viral video when he had travelers at the Newark airport breakout in "Hey Jude" during a 6-hour security lockdown. For more information, visit www.JoshWilsonMusic.com.

THIRD DAY – THE MIRACLE TOUR – SPRING 2013

**Additional dates to be added. Dates, markets and venues subject to change without notice.*

FEBRUARY

2/21 – Patriot Center – Fairfax, Va.
2/22 – Vine Center – Lynchburg, Va.
2/28 – Wicomico Civic Center – Salisbury, Md.

MARCH

3/1 – Glenn Falls Civic Center – Green Falls, N.Y.
3/2 – Tsongas Center – Lowell (Boston), Mass.
3/3 – Bangor Auditorium – Bangor, Maine
3/7 – Akron Baptist – Akron, Ohio
3/8 – St. Francis University – Ft. Wayne, Ind.
3/9 – Freedom Hall – Johnson City, Tenn.
3/14 – John Paul Jones – Charlottesville, Va.
3/15 – Bi-Lo Center – Greenville, S.C.
3/16 – Mobile Civic Center – Mobile, Ala.
3/17 – Abbot House – Chattanooga, Tenn.
3/21 – Charleston Civic Center – Charleseton, W.V.
3/22 – Sovereign Center – Readying, Pa.
3/23 – War Memorial Arena – Johnstown, Pa.
3/24 – Grove City Church – Columbus, Ohio

APRIL

4/4 – Broadmoor Baptist (can rig) – Jackson, Miss.
4/5 – Hope Church – Memphis, Tenn
4/6 – Verizon Theater – Grand Prairie, Texas

4/11 – Verizon Arena – Little Rock, Ark.
4/12 – BCJJ – Birmingham, Ala.
4/13 – Fox Theater – Atlanta, Ga.
4/14 – St. Augustine Amphitheatre – St. Augustine, Fla.
4/19 – Allen Arena – Nashville, Tenn.
4/20 – GSO Special Events Center – Greensboro, N.C.
4/21 – Abba's House – Chattanooga, Tenn.
4/24 – Tulsa Convention Center – Tulsa, Okla.
4/25 – Heartland Events Center – Grand Island, Neb.
4/26 – Cheyenne Civic Center – Cheyenne, Wyo.
4/27 – Union Coliseum Civic Center – Greeley, Colo.

MAY
5/1 – Northview Church – Indianapolis, Ind.
5/2 – Northview Church – Indianapolis, Ind.
5/3 – Elm Brook Church – Brookfield, Wis.
5/4 – Kentwood Community Church – Grand Rapids, Mich.
5/7 – ASU Convention Center – Jonesboro, Ark.
5/9 – All Nations Community Church– Chicago, Ill.
5/10 – SE Christian Church – Louisville, Ky.

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