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## **PRAY21 National Prayer Movement for Teens and Adults Endorsed by Top Christian Musicians**

**Colorado Springs, CO - Pray21**, a national youth initiative to encourage teens and adults to pray together during 21 days in September while empowering youth ministry in their church and community, is being endorsed by a cast of top Christian musicians including Mercy Me, Sonic Flood, Building 429, Geoff Moore, Tammy Trent and many more.

“Hey, we’re Building 429!” says the band. “If anyone knows the power of prayer it’s us! We’ve seen it work in our families and we’ve seen lives changed forever by the power of prayer. We encourage you guys to pray for your teens and the teens in your life. To learn more about it go to **Pray21.org** right now!”

Timothy Eldred, Executive Director of Christian Endeavor International, launched **Pray21** earlier this year and has already garnered glowing endorsements for this ministry that proclaims, “Don’t just pray FOR me... pray WITH me.” National leaders such as Congressman J. Randy Forbes (Chairman of The National Congressional Prayer Committee), Josh McDowell, Tony Campolo, Jim Daly, Dr. Jack Hayford, Dr. John Ankerberg and many others have joined together in support of **Pray21**.

As this movement grows, a wide variety of Christian musicians are joining the effort to encourage teens, adults and churches to participate in **Pray21**. At the Gospel Music Awards in Nashville this year, artist Tammy Trent asked, “Have you taken the time to pray for a teen in your church? I’d encourage you to do that today. God has honestly done amazing things in my life through prayer and encouragement, especially in the adults in my life in church growing up. They not only cared enough to pray for me, but with me. And I think that’s a pretty amazing thing. That’s what **Pray21** is all about, and I am thrilled to be a part of it!”

National ministry organizations like the Salvation Army, the Evangelical Free Church and the National Network of Youth Ministries are spreading the word about **Pray21** to their members. Geoff Moore, a longtime Salvation Army advocate says, “Like many of you I look around at student culture sometimes and it’s a little discouraging. It’s discouraging to see all the battles and struggles and the hard times some of the students have.

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“I hope, and I would ask you to consider, that you could really begin praying WITH the students in your life and the students around you. This is a movement that we invite you to become a part of. You can find out more about it at **Pray21.org**.”

On Sunday, September 9, **Pray21** will launch a 21-day campaign in thousands of churches across the nation. “You can join in, too,” says Eldred. “Log on to **pray21.org** and find out about how you can join your hearts and minds with others who believe in the power of God in the lives of young people.”

For more on this story, statements from other Christian musicians, free **Pray21** materials or a media kit, please go to **www.Pray21.org**.

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