

Come Alive

 By Mark Schultz | Word Records

Platinum-selling, Dove Award-winning Mark Schultz releases his long-awaited *Come Alive*. His first new studio album in nearly three years is perhaps his most personal to date, with songs of hope, loss, joy and redemption.

Many of the songs were inspired when Schultz rode his bicycle from coast to coast to raise more than \$250,000 to benefit the James Fund, which provides assistance for widows and orphans. “He Is,” the first radio single from the recording, was inspired by stories of families battling cancer.

“He is, He was and always will be. It’s a pretty important message—no matter what kind of rough road you are riding through,” said Schultz, recalling time he spent with a cancer-stricken girl who came to one of his concerts with her father. “When the cancer started to get bad, I flew up and spent a day with her, and prayed with her and her family. She was never going to blame God for her cancer. She just always knew there was a bigger purpose in it.”

The CD was produced by multiple-Grammy winner Brown Bannister (Amy Grant, CeCe Winans), Shaun Shankel (Beyoncé, Hilary Duff), Bernie Herms (Natalie Grant, Avalon) and Paul Mills (Third Day, Bluetree). It includes collaborations with such songwriters as Bart Millard and Barry Graul of MercyMe, Matthew West, Joy Williams and Herms.

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