

MercyMe Album Lands Highest 'Billboard 200' Debut of Week

MercyMe's *Welcome to the New* nabs the highest debut of the week on *Billboard's* charts, landing at No. 4 on the Billboard 200 and No. 1 on the Christian Albums chart. The eighth album from the Grammy-winning band also performed well on iTunes' charts, peaking at No. 3 on the Overall Albums chart and No. 1 on the Christian Albums chart.

Following two weeks of promotional appearances, MercyMe is set to perform the group's top-five single, "Shake," April 22 on NBC's *Today Show*. The "Shake" music video has garnered nearly 2 million views on several video platforms. Fans of the band have been using the hashtag #MMShake to share their own videos and responses via Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

MercyMe will launch its headlining *Welcome to the New* tour featuring Jamie Grace and Citizen Way on April 24. The tour will make 15 stops in select cities across the country through May 17.