

# I Dreamed a Dream

✖ By Susan Boyle | Sony/Integrity Music

Susan Boyle's life radically changed when she auditioned for the TV show *Britain's Got Talent*. She went from the choir in her hometown of Blackburn, Scotland, to the world stage with her humble tryout. She grabbed not only everyone's attention but also their hearts. Now Boyle, with her unmistakable voice, offers her debut album, *I Dreamed a Dream*.

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# Give Yourself Away

✖ By NewSong | His Honor Music

*Give Yourself Away*, the 16th recording from Grammy-nominated NewSong, signals a new era of music and ministry for the legendary group. After 28 years together, the November release is NewSong's debut on its new imprint, His Honor Music. The project represents a series of firsts for the band, including an innovative marketing campaign in keeping with the album's theme.

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# In the Blink of an Eye

✖ Pure Flix Entertainment | Starring David A.R. White, Eric Roberts, Andrea Logan White, Lonnie Colon, Jessica Magnuson | \$19.95

Mix *Groundhog Day* with the *Left Behind* series and you might end up with *In the Blink of an Eye*. The 85-minute end-times drama stars David A.R. White as a detective plunged into a recurring nightmare when his wife and friends disappear during a dream vacation. Unraveling links with the crime underworld, the cop is also forced to investigate his personal beliefs and recognize that earthly paradise is only temporary.

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## The Christmas Clause

❌ MTI Home Video | Starring Lea Thompson, Andrew Airlie, Laura Mennell | \$24.98

*The Christmas Clause* tells the story of Sophie Kelly (Lea Thompson: *Back to the Future*, TV's *Caroline in the City*), a top-rated lawyer with three kids and a husband (Andrew Airlie: *Fantastic Four*) who take up all of her time.

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## Birdie & Bogey

❌ Pure Flix Entertainment | Starring Janine Turner, Mike Norris, Amanda Alch | \$19.99

Birdie O'Connor dreams that her dad, Danny, will play the PGA tour again. His choice of caddy, his 12-year-old daughter, stuns the golfing world. But when he starts to win with his young coach's help, people take notice. Just when it looks like Danny will get a chance to play the PGA, Birdie is

diagnosed with a life-threatening disease.

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## Thousands Flock to IHOP Student 'Awakening'

✘ Thousands of Christians from across the U.S. have been flocking to Kansas City, Mo., where a Bible college class at the International House of Prayer (IHOP) has sparked nightly revival services.

More than 1,600 people have been packing into IHOP's ministry school auditorium to pray, worship and experience what many are describing as spiritual renewal.

(Photo: Scott Townsley, courtesy of the IHOP-KC Missions Base)

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# Islamic Extremists Execute Young Convert in Somalia

✘ Islamic extremists controlling part of the Somali capital of Mogadishu

this month executed a young Christian they accused of trying to convert a 15-year-old Muslim to Christianity.

Members of the

Islamic extremist group al Shabaab had taken 23-year-old Mumin Abdikarim

Yusuf into custody on Oct. 28 after the 15-year-old boy reported him to the

militants, an area source told Compass Direct News. Yusuf's body was found on Nov. 14 on an

empty residential street in Mogadishu, with sources saying the convert from

Islam was shot to death, probably some hours before dawn.

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## Trusting God During Turbulent Transitions

*In this stormy economic season, trust the Lord to transport you to the other side.*

I despise airplane turbulence. Even though I enjoy high-speed roller coasters, there is something about hurling through stormy skies in a commercial jetliner at 37,000 feet that turns my knuckles white. This is why I always ask for a window seat. Whenever we hit rough air and the seat belt sign flashes on, I feel safer if I can look outside.

But that didn't help me last week when I was flying into Canada. I was not aware that rough weather was raging below and that parts of Vancouver were flooding. All I knew was that our journey through Canadian airspace reminded me of Doctor Doom's Fearfall—a theme park ride I have enjoyed many times with my daughters. (That ride lasts only a few seconds, and it is firmly bolted to the ground. The turbulence over British Columbia lasted half an hour.)