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Dexter, Missouri - Kristin Stevens sings for God! When Kristin's father died in 2009 she was devastated. She was only 17 and she decided it was time to get her life right with God. Writing and playing music helps her heal her heart. "Hold Me", a song written by her played an important role in getting her life back together after such a tragic loss.

Kristin produced her first CD in 2010 with the help of the Walker Brothers in Bernie, Missouri where she grew up and attended school. "JUMP" was released and has done remarkably well locally with Christian songs such as Reign in Me, Hold Me, Breathe Into Me, Everything, Jesus in the House, A New Melody, and More Than Enough. She credits Coty and Clinton Walker for all their efforts to help her cut her first CD and making the songs available on iTunes.

"Jump" is my fast song and a constant reminder of what God has done for me. The chorus, "make me wanna jump" is motivational and makes me think about everything that I have gone through and what God had done for me," stated a very bubbly young and talented lady. "I get excited about this song and God inspired me to write it to excite others."

Kristin is not looking to be famous and rich, but to sing for God and whatever God's plans are for her and what

He wants me to do. "When people hear my voice and listen to the words they can praise God and enter into worship."

Not long after the death of her father, she was invited by a friend to attend the Lighthouse Church. She started helping in the youth program, "The Called" and really started putting her life together with the help of many friends and family and God's hand. "I work at the Lighthouse Church in Dexter presently as an Assistant Office Manager," stated Kristin. "And that allows me to praise the Lord at work and at home. When not helping at church or working, I spend all my free time writing music or singing to do God's work."

"God has never failed me," continued Kristin. Her song, "More Than Enough" is the last song on the album and "no matter what you are going through, God will be there for you and for me."

Producers of Arrow Records have been in contact with her and would like her to travel to Atlanta, Georgia and record. "It's the right opportunity at the right time and I have been praying for this door to open for me." stated Kristin. She plans to travel to Atlanta on May 13th.

/images/Kristin Stevens First CD.gif As we all know, getting started is a costly affair. Her Church, family and friends are so supportive and realize the money required to travel, pay for the studio, food and hotel expense. Kristin has been so compassionate with the church, the community and to those who have needed her help that the the Lighthouse Church is returning that support and having two fundraisers to help her on her journey.

"The Church and its members have been awesome and so supportive of me, I can't thank them enough," said Kristin. "I am so grateful to have such a caring family within the church that encourages me to fulfill my dream of singing for the Lord."

Kristin's family, younger sister, Ashlyn, who is a freshman at Bernie High School and her best friend, Heather, are very special to her and she is so very appreciative of all their support. She said she would be lost without her best friend Heather who also sings, designed Kristin's T-shirts and helps with the fundraising. "God put us together and we will always be best friends."

They are hosting a Salad Luncheon fundraiser at the Lighthouse Church for her on

Friday, April 26th from 11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Cost is \$7.00 and includes a drink. Delivery is available and tickets can also be purchased in advance by calling Kristin at 625-3954, Patty Musgrave at 421-0911 or by calling the Church at 624-2500. There will be many choices of salads like a spaghetti salad, taco salad, three-bean salad, and cornbread salad. Sounds absolutely delicious!

Then on May 4th there will be a Bake Sale at the Dollar General Store behind Family Video from 10 a.m. until all the yummy treats are gone. If you would like to donate items for the bake sale please contact Kristin, Patty or the church at the phone numbers listed above.

Her CD, "Jump", t-shirts and other items will also be available to purchase at these two events. Stop by and support this very talented, rising Christian singer who is living her dream of singing for the Lord.

We wish Kristin the best on her journey and your music is very emotional and inspiring. If you haven't had the chance to hear her sing, pick up a CD at the Guiding Light Bookstore or tune in to 90.3. She also has a Facebook page, Kristin Stevens Music.

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