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### **Creed Lead Singer Scott Stapp Partners with ChildFund International on Proof of Life Tour**

**RICHMOND, Va. (Jan. 27, 2016)** – Grammy Award-winning artist Scott Stapp wears many hats: musician, songwriter, author, husband and father. He recently added one more as a ChildFund International sponsor.

Stapp, the co-founder and lead singer of Creed, along with his wife Jaclyn, children's book author, philanthropist and founder of the Children Are Magical Foundation, are partnering with ChildFund on the U.S. leg of Stapp's Proof of Life tour to raise awareness about child sponsorship.

Stapp penned Creed's biggest hits, including "With Arms Wide Open" and "Higher." The band has sold more than 53 million albums worldwide.

Proof of Life concertgoers will hear songs from Stapp's last two albums, while also learning about how they can help children and families living in poverty by sponsoring through ChildFund. The tour includes cities across the U.S., including Boston, Pittsburgh and Dallas.

Stapp struggled with addiction and mental illness in the past before receiving medical treatment in 2014. He views philanthropy as an important part of his recovery process.

"Each of my three children have been such a blessing, and while I can provide them with everything they need, I know there are others out there who don't have the basics like food, shoes, clothes or clean water," said Scott Stapp. "I have always been passionate about helping others, and as a father I am proud to support ChildFund's efforts to make a better life for children across the globe."

Stapp and his wife sponsor a few children in the Philippines, and he is focusing his awareness efforts on supporting the Zamboanga del Norte province. He was inspired to support a community in the Philippines after visiting the country on a Creed tour several years ago.

In addition to his work with ChildFund, Stapp has a long history of giving back. He created the With Arms Wide Open Foundation in 2000 to help vulnerable children and families around the world. He also sits on the board of his wife's foundation, CHARM (Children Are Magical), which his wife, Jaclyn, a working model and motivational



speaker, founded to heighten the awareness of children's issues and provide underprivileged youth with the tools to enrich their lives.

To learn more about ChildFund's work, sponsorship opportunities and Proof of Life tour dates, visit [www.childfund.org](http://www.childfund.org).

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