

CREATIVE BRIEF + SERVICE ORDER

# CONSUMED PRAYER

March 8-9, 2008

**GREEDY LITTLE HANDS** – When the countdown loop hits zero, the band will start playing this song. It was written by a Crossroads volunteer. It's a bit of a tongue-in-cheek look at prayer. For the purpose of the experience of the service, the song sets up the idea that we're awkward prayers; we don't often understand prayer and what it is we should be praying about.

**INTERVIEW VIDEO - SHARON** – In her interview about dealing with debt, Sharon talks about listening to God, and going in the direction she heard Him. Her story sets up that prayer is communication.

**HOST** – After Sharon's video, the service host will come on stage and concretely setup the days topic of prayer. He or she will talk about how prayer is not always the most natural thing, that sometimes it's just strange or awkward, and he/she will point out how a big part of Sharon's story was listening to God - hearing from Him in prayer. The last thing the host says will be something like, "Most of us hear something like that - about 'hearing from God' - and we think, I have no idea what that means. Most of the time when I talk to God, I wonder if anyone's really listening..."

**CLEARLY** – This is a song by Andrea VonAllman, a worship leader at Crossroads. It's an honest and frustrated narrative about wanting to hear from God, but getting nothing back. The key lyrics are "Clearly You're not easy to find."

**BRIAN WELLS** – After the song, Brian Wells who's really spear-headed Crossroads involvement with International Justice Mission will come on stage and introduce Gary Haugen, founder of IJM. Gary will talk about what prayer has looked like in his life and in the life of IJM.

**BRIAN TOME** – As Gary is finishing talking, Brian Tome will come on stage, maybe ask Gary a question or two, and then thank him. After Gary leaves stage, Brian will lead into a prayer experience.

**TEACH ME HOW TO PRAY** - This is a song by Jason Upton. It asks God to teach us to pray. While the band plays we'll show imagery of our friends in South Africa who are praying for us.

**BRIAN TOME** – After the song, Brian will pray the Lord's Prayer. After a bit He'll give a few closing thoughts and announcements and then send everyone out.

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NOTE: Outline subject to change