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**RE: KRISTAAL "WORLD PEACE TOUR" LAUNCH**

**On Friday September 22, 2006 at 7:00pm**, Krystaal, the dynamic Canadian-Congolese music group, will launch their ambitious "World Peace Tour" with a special gala concert at Peoples Church in Toronto. And when Krystaal hosts an event, they go big! The evening will feature special guests **The Toronto Mass Choir** (JUNO, Covenant, Vibe, MAJA & Urban Music Association of Canada award-winners), **Brad Tucker** (2003 Nominee for East Coast Music Awards Best Gospel Artist), along with other special music guests.

The "World Peace Tour" is the result of Krystaal's personal calling to a ministry of "peace and reconciliation" that will see the group travel around the world advocating for peace – politically, interpersonally and spiritually. After the tour's official launch on September 22, 2006, the tour will visit Montreal (Oct 7), Toronto again (Oct 14) and Ottawa (Oct 21). Later plans involve stops in Waterloo, Sudbury, Quebec City, Calgary, Edmonton, Saskatoon, Regina, Winnipeg and Vancouver. Into 2007, the tour will be going into England, Belgium, Germany, France and the United States, climaxing with multiple peace rallies in Krystaal's native Africa.

The Lwamba brothers – Michel, Fabian and Aliston – who make up the group Krystaal, have a remarkable testimony of finding peace in the midst of chaos and hopelessness. In 1989, their peaceful existence in Zaire (now the Democratic Republic of Congo) was disrupted by violence that caused them to flee the country and resulted in the deaths of many close relatives and friends, including their own parents. Their remarkable journey of healing over the years has included the public forgiveness of the very people who murdered their parents. "After forgiving the people who killed my father, my mother, and many more, personally I felt a relief, like the burden that we were carrying in our hearts was lifted and we felt peace" says Michel Lwamba, oldest of the three brothers.

One of Krystaal's goals, and a large reason for this tour, is to take the message of "Forgiveness, Peace and Reconciliation" to their African homeland where they plan to hold large peace rallies, bringing people from all walks of life together for the purpose of achieving peace and unity at a grassroots level. "We came from the Congo originally and when we left, there was a lot of hatred. We want to go back and affect that country in a positive way. We want to preach peace through our life experience and we want the churches that have been divided to come back together in unity". There is also interest in taking these peace rallies to Rwanda, Uganda, Tanzania, Nigeria and South Africa.

The concerts in North America and Europe will not only help raise the support needed to hold the African rallies, but they will also bring the message of "Forgiveness, Peace and Reconciliation" to each audience along the tour. The need for peace and reconciliation isn't just a message for those who are overseas; it is also a much-needed message for those who are here in Canada.

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**Krystaal** is the Canadian music group founded by brothers Michel, Fabian and Aliston Lwamba. Their award-winning music encompasses the styles of R&B, Urban, Gospel, Jazz, Worship and World (African). Their captivating stage presence has won enthusiastic fans throughout Canada, United States, Europe and Africa. Recently Krystaal released their fourth recording project – a praise and worship album entitled "Speak To Me".

**Concert tickets** for the tour's launch are available at: Mitchell's Family Books (Etobicoke, Willowdale & Pickering), Peoples Church (Toronto) and online at [www.yourticketzone.com](http://www.yourticketzone.com).

For more information about Krystaal, please visit [www.krystaal.com](http://www.krystaal.com) or [www.myspace.com/krystaalmusic](http://www.myspace.com/krystaalmusic)

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