

Christian Counselor Endorsements for Music for the Soul

General:

Music can tap quickly into what it can take traditional left brain talk therapy weeks, or months, to get to. I use Music for the Soul in both individual and group therapy sessions with abuse/trauma survivors with astounding results especially with dissociative clients.

I highly encourage those in the counseling profession to try Music for the Soul and the power of right brain therapy techniques. It will change your practice and the way you conduct therapy. Most importantly it will change your clients.

Victoria Kepler Didato MA, LPC,LSW, DAPA Director, Child Sexual Abuse Institute of Ohio, Wooster, Ohio

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Music is one of God's greatest creations, and it has the ability to penetrate our natural defenses to pain, grief, loss, trauma, and more. When it incorporates God's Word and has been humbly crafted through His servants, the result is a gift that can speak deeply to our spirit and bring a timely message of grace and hope. This is the essence of Music for the Soul, a longtime ministry partner that has developed a wonderful set of resources for those who counsel, coach, and mentor.

These projects should be a 'must have' in your toolbox.

Dr. Eric Scalise President, Hope for the Heart

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A beautiful ministry that brings music, therapy and Jesus all to the table of healing. An impressive collection!

Lisa Saruga, LPC, EMDT Therapist

Your ministry is incredibly important to counselors and clients alike. I quite often choose a song to begin to introduce the process of addressing specific issues. I work with a client to find every scripture connected to your lyrics so that when they listen it is reinforced.

I find it truly eye-opening for my clients. Once they can see God's truth in the music, they are more receptive to the healing it can bring to them. Then they can relax and trust it will be helpful and not harmful. Please keep up the great work. We need the tools you give us!

Rev. Carol Walker, Biblical Counselor Holly Lake Ranch, TX

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EMDR Clinicians, Music for the Soul CD's are an excellent tool to use if you have the correct EMDR audio set! Healing is amplified. Thanks for the great work all of you guys at Music for the Soul do - excellent resources.

Lisa Underdown Carter, MA, NCC Athens, TN

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Music for the Soul uses songs to invite people in to their own story so they can begin the healing process.

Michael Cusick, LPC Founder, Restoring the Soul, Littleton, CO

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This music is touching people every day. I love your work and your mission and have been using it with clients for years. You have no way of knowing how many people have been impacted by this music.

Greg Hasek, LMHC

Southwest Florida Christian Counseling, Bonita Springs, FL

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Your *Music for the Soul* collection is the best I have ever heard. The quality of writing and production is exceptional. You have a gift that reaches where most of us cannot go. It is a ministry of unique presence ...that enhances one's ability to remember the message and promote movement beyond intellectualizing and into the emotions where so much healing is needed.

Dr. David Walley Ph.D. Nashville, TN

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It's so important now to pay attention to body, mind, and spirit. We need to engage all parts of a person. One of the resources that we haven't used to the fullest is music. Music for the Soul is very unique. Their songs use lyrics that deal directly with specific life problems. When people listen to those words, they're like, "that's exactly what I'm feeling! That's exactly the struggle that I've had"

Dr. Linda Mintle, Ph.D. Tulsa, Oklahoma

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Not only does Music for the Soul provide companionship for hurting people, it also provides partnership to those who have the privilege of caring for others.

Sharon Hersh, M.A., LPC Denver, CO

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Project Specific:

MERCY GREAT ENOUGH / ABORTION REMORSE

Musically mesmerizing as each note and lyric tenderly touches upon the heart, awakening complex feelings with hope and solid direction. This is a beautifully crafted project that reveals that there is *Mercy Great Enough* to accompany us through the unexpected challenges, difficult and painful choices and the despair so commonly felt in the regrettable aftermath of an abortion loss.

Dr. Theresa Burke, MA, PhD, DAPA, NCP, LPC Founder, Rachel's Vineyard Ministries

SOMEBODY'S DAUGHTER / PORNOGRAPHY

Tears stream down my cheeks and a chills rush down my spine as the last strains of "Free" fade at the end of *Somebody's Daughter*. I've worked with sex addicts for over a dozen years, and this album tells their collective story in the most powerful way I've ever seen. I didn't expect to be so touched......and I'm grateful.

Somebody's Daughter goes beyond offering hope to men struggling with pornography. It speaks also to the devastated wives who love them.

Raw and realistic, griping, tender, and convicting - *Somebody's Daughter* stands in the gap between Satan's promotion of sexual sin and God's redeeming hope for a free future. I recommend it highly. In fact, I'll insist that anyone touched by this issue gets a copy.

Marnie C. Ferree, M.A., LMFT Founder, Bethesda Workshops, Nashville, TN A Christian based clinical workshop program for sexual addiction recovery

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TELL ME WHAT YOU SEE / EATING DISORDERS, BODY IMAGE

We have been treating eating disorders for 30 years... Tell me what you See is so encouraging and such a Blessing to our clients that it plays in our lobby and we use it in some of our groups. It was our staff's idea that we provide a copy to each of our eating disorder clients. It is a powerful healing touch!

Dr. Gregory Jantz –

Author of 'Hope, Help, & Healing for Eating Disorders' & Director of The Center for Healing, Edmonds, Washington

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DRINK DEEP / GRIEF

Drink Deep is amazing. I truly love the lyrics. They speak to grieving hearts just as music speaks so deeply to the soul.

Linda Gill, LPC

Joy in the Mourning Center for Life Losses, Lexington, South Carolina

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DIGNITY / CAREGIVERS

The words and melodies are profoundly rich and powerful. You covered all of the bases in care-giver impact...hospice needs this, Senior Centers, parents of disabled children......the list goes on.

I gave the words to Precious Lord, Take My Hand to my daughter-in-law (Mom of two young ones, works full time and FT MBA program...exhausted. She started reading and began crying.

Dr. Doris Sanford Milwaukee, OR

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UNDER MY SKIN / ADOPTION

I finally sat down to watch Under My Skin tonight, in anticipation of sharing it with my client who is wanting to adopt. My face is tear-stained. I'm a woman in my mid-50's with grandchildren, now single. Yet, if the opportunity arose, I'd adopt in a heartbeat after seeing this video and hearing the song. It's under my skin alright.

Thank you for taking such a powerful project from seed to fruit in a most tender and compassionate way. As a counselor and a musician, I am completely enamored with the blend of healing thru story and song that this video embodies. May you always use the talents you've been given to engage in the truly important conversations.

Kathleen Curzon, LMHC Christian counselor, Pembroke Pines, FL

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CHAOS OF THE HEART / SUICIDE GRIEF

I've been working with a 16-year-old girl whose father killed himself. She had not talked about it or cried in ten years. Yesterday I played *Chaos of the Heart* for her and the dam broke. So painful and yet so necessary for her healing to begin.

Victoria Kepler Didato MA, LPC,LSW, DAPA Director, Child Sexual Abuse Institute of Ohio, Wooster, Ohio

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MORE BEAUTIFUL / BREAST CANCER

Eighteen years ago, I had a bone marrow transplant for the recurrence of breast cancer and was given a 2 percent chance to be alive in ten years. Today as an author and professional speaker to cancer survivors and oncology caregivers, I'm always searching for outstanding resources and Music for the Soul's *More Beautiful* is one of those.

As I previewed the music video - *Widest Ride on Earth* - I was touched so profoundly I just sobbed. Although my tears were rooted in the painful experience of battling cancer for years, the result was a healing deep in my soul. In my opinion, this DVD comes from the hand of God.

Georgia Shaffer

Pennsylvania Licensed Psychologist

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INNOCENT CHILD / SEXUAL ABUSE

The music speaks beneath the adult to the child within, making it safe to remember.

Mary Leigh Polster, MFCC Toluca Lake, CA

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FIFTY YEARS FROM NOW / MARRIAGE

We've found that after hearing *Fifty Years from Now*, it moves couples to a point of brokenness and a desire to reconcile hurts. A very gifted contribution.

Dr. Gary Rosberg, Ed.D America's Family Coaches, Waukee, IA

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WHOLE IN THE SIGHT OF GOD / FOR FAMILIES LOVING A CHILD WITH A DISABILITY

This is comforting deep in my gut. Not in a hand patting sort of way.

Dr. Mary Sharp, Author of An Unexpected Joy East Lansing, MI