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SINGER/SONGWRITER LESA HUDSON RELEASES FIRST SINGLE TO NATIONAL RADIO

FLORENCE, SC, September 20, 2006—On the heels of her May 2006 solo CD release, *"Not Me,"* Lesa Hudson (www.lesahudson.com) released her first radio single *"Step Out In Faith"* to over 1,000 Christian Country radio stations nationwide in August. HMG Nashville, (www.hmgnashville.com) a top voted radio promotions company in the industry, is handling her radio promotion.

"We're excited to be working with Lesa on the release of *'Step Out In Faith.'* When I first heard this song, I knew that I needed to do what I could to help Lesa get the song out to Christian Country Radio. Lesa's voice is like a 'breath of fresh air' in the Christian Country genre. She is wonderfully blessed" says Lynne Turner Connolly of HMG Nashville / Christian Country Music Association.

Currently airing on over 117 radio stations across the country in 34 states, *"Step Out In Faith"* debuted at #94 on the PowerSource Christian Country Top 100 radio chart for September. "For this to be my first radio release and have it find a spot on a well respected industry chart is beyond anything I imagined! I'm praying that folks who hear it will be as encouraged as I have been by the simple truths in this song," says Lesa.

And the simple truth of *"Step Out In Faith"* is that through all of life's uncertainties, God is always with us - we just have to have faith to take that first step. This song and its simple truth ministers to Lesa every time she hears it. "The words from this song that keep running thru my head are 'if He takes you there, He'll be there to see you through it.' As I've continued to take those often scary, tentative steps of faith in my music ministry as well as in every aspect of my life, God has always been there to ease every doubt and remind me that He'll take care of everything. And that gives me courage to keep moving forward."

Lesa co-wrote *"Step Out In Faith"* with local songwriter friends, Joanna Baker of Darlington & Scott Shelley of Florence. Joanna recalls, "We were trying to write some songs that would go along with a sermon series our Pastor was doing on growing your faith. At the time, our schedules were a bit chaotic, making it difficult for us to get together to write. So we literally wrote the song by email! Each of us had our own color for edits. It became quite a colorful song!"

The release of Lesa's solo CD *"Not Me"* and the radio single *"Step Out In Faith"* is supported with a local & national promotional campaign. Also in November, Lesa & Joanna will travel to Nashville to participate in the Christian Country Music Association's ICM Week. While there, Lesa will perform in a "by invitation only" showcase event which will feature Lesa and 19 other Christian Country artists. The event will be headlined by a national artist (to be announced). Lesa will be in concert at several area events including the SC Sweet Potato Festival in Darlington on 10/14 and at the Eastern Carolina Agricultural Fair in Florence on 10/18 & 10/19.

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