

WALK A MILE IN MY SHOES... TO EASTERFEST

If newsboys ever record Joe South's *Walk A Mile In My Shoes* or Nancy Sinatra's *These Boots Are Made For Walking* - you'll know why!

Newsboys has inked a deal to launch its own brand of Converse Chuck Taylor All Star shoes - the first of its kind for Christian music.

Chuck Taylors are probably to be the most successful shoes of all time with legendary bands such The Doors, Grateful Dead, The Who, Ozzy Osbourne - and now newsboys - branding the shoes.

According to Wikipedia, the tenth Doctor of the British Sci-Fi TV show *Doctor Who* played by David Tennant wears Converse All Star high tops. He owns three pairs: a white pair, a red pair and a black pair which he wears with his tux.

BJ Hunnicutt often wore Chuck Taylors in *M*A*S*H* instead of his army supplied shoes, Will Smith wore them in *I Robot*, and John Travolta wore a pair in *Grease*.

Newsboys branded Converse Chuck Taylor All Stars will be available in red, black, blue, and pink, in either low or hi tops.

But the big news this is that the legendary band is heading down under for Easterfest next year.

Michael Tait, formerly of dc Talk, will be fronting the band.

Superchick, Article One, Rez Band, and a host of yet to be announced acts join newsboys to perform at Australia's largest Easter event next year.

Easterfest is a three-day event that takes place in Toowoomba April 2-4.

NEW RECORD FOR MARYMARY

According to Billboard Magazine, MaryMary currently holds the record for the longest climb to the top 10 in the chart's 67-year history with its smash single, *God In Me*.

After 42 weeks on the chart, the song has finally slid into the Top 10 on the Hot R&B/Hip-Hop Songs chart.

MaryMary is the only gospel act to have two top 10s this decade on the Hot R&B/Hip-Hop chart. The duo's debut hit *Shackles (Praise You)* peaked at #9 in 2000.

God In Me is a song from the group's latest album *The Sound* which also includes *Dirt* and *Get Up*.

Erika and Trina are also up for American Music Awards next month. They've been nominated as Favorite Band, Duo Or Group in the Soul/R&B category along with The Black Eyed Peas and Day 26 and in the Contemporary Inspirational category with Jeremy Camp and Brandon Heath.

The 2009 American Music Awards take place November 22.