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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### Country Musician Josh Turner Shares His Story on [iamsecond.com](#)

Multi-platinum artist offers encouragement to follow dreams in the  
face of adversity

**DALLAS, Jan. 11, 2012** – Multi-platinum country music artist [Josh Turner](#) is the newest musician to share his story on [iamsecond.com](#), a website featuring video testimonies of personal struggle, transformation and hope of celebrities and everyday people.

The Hannah, S.C., native has always dreamt of a career in music, and growing up in the church, he often sang in the choir. Once he bought his first album – Randy Travis’ “Storms of Life” – a dream was born. As Turner continued to cultivate his talent, he had to overcome a lot of negativity in the small farming community and get past the idea that it was out of the ordinary to dream of such a career.



“I never wanted to believe that dreams couldn’t really come true,” Turner said.

In 1998, Turner moved to Nashville to attend college at Belmont University and to pursue a record deal. He admits that although he didn’t quite know what he was doing, everything turned around when God inspired him to write his first hit single “Long Black Train.” He describes the song as a physical metaphor for temptation, one that came to him in a vision of people waiting to board a train that leads to destruction, emptiness and ultimately nowhere.

“There’s a long black train coming down the line,” Turner sang. “Feeding off the souls that are lost and crying.”

In 2003, “Long Black Train” became Turner’s first hit single and the title track on his first record, reaching the Top 20 of the Billboard country singles chart. It was also the song he played the first time he was on the “Grand Ole Opry,” for which he received two standing ovations and an encore.

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“That was the moment that I realized it’s not about the money, the fame or the glory,” Turner said. “It’s about changing people, touching people and influencing them in a positive way.”

Turner’s new single, “[Time Is Love](#)” was officially released yesterday from his upcoming yet-to-be titled fifth studio album. The debut single from his latest album Haywire, “Why Don’t We Just Dance,” a four-week No. 1 hit was the most-played song at country radio in 2010, according to Mediabase. It also won an American Country Award for Single of the Year-Male. His fourth No. 1 single, “All Over Me,” was named BMI’s 2011 Song of the Year and by garnering No. 1, made him one of only seven country artists to have two No. 1 hits in 2010.



“I’m thankful to have Jesus as my Savior,” Turner said. “Ultimately I get my joy from Him, and I put Him first.”

[I am Second](#) is designed to help individuals discover hope. The [iamsecond.com](#) website includes authentic film testimonies of “everyday” people and celebrities related to a variety of personal struggles, including abuse, addictions, pride, eating disorders, broken families and the search for success and meaning in life. Celebrities featured include 2010 American League MVP and Texas Rangers outfielder Josh Hamilton; former Korn band member Brian “Head” Welch; surfer Bethany Hamilton; and football stars Bradie James, Colt McCoy and Sam Bradford.

Launched in Dallas-Fort Worth in December 2008, [iamsecond.com](#) quickly spread virally across the globe. To date, the website has seen more than 5.5 million visitors from 217 countries/regions who have viewed over 20 million pages and films on the site. The site has since officially launched in Orlando, Fla., Evansville, Ind., and Kansas City, Mo., with several other cities planned for the future. In addition, Thomas Nelson Publishers released the “I am Second” book this month.

For more information about I am Second, visit <http://www.iamsecond.com>.

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