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Steven Curtis Chapman's Roots Run Deep at Cracker Barrel Old Country Store®

Brand New Exclusive Album Release, Deep Roots, Now Available

LEBANON, Tenn.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Five-time GRAMMY® Award-winning singer/songwriter Steven Curtis Chapman shows his roots in faith and family run deep on the latest exclusive CD release from Cracker Barrel Old Country Store®. **Deep Roots**, a 12-track collection of newly recorded hymns and Chapman's fan-favorite hits, was recorded in Chapman's hometown of Lexington, Ky., and features guest vocal appearances from his father, Herb Chapman Sr., brother Herb Chapman Jr., son Caleb Chapman and daughter-in-law, Jillian Edwards Chapman. Bluegrass legend Ricky Skaggs also contributed his stand-out talent on the song "What A Friend We Have In Jesus." **Deep Roots** can be purchased now in all Cracker Barrel Old Country Store® locations, as well as crackerbarrel.com, iTunes and Amazon.

Having won 57 Dove Awards and achieved 47 No. 1 hits on Christian radio, Chapman remains one of the most respected and relevant inspirational artists of his time. On **Deep Roots**, fans have the chance get newly-recorded versions of some of his most renowned music. "Not only does Chapman's highly-recognized talent and devotion to making a positive impact make for a wonderful partnership with Cracker Barrel, but the music he's been able to produce sounds outstanding and makes for a fantastic collection of songs we hope folks will enjoy," says Cracker Barrel Marketing Manager Julie Craig.

"I'm so honored to have three generations of Chapmans and my 'bluegrass big brother' Rick Skaggs sing along with me on this recording," says Chapman. "I had the privilege of playing music with some of the best 'pickers' in the world while making the record I've always wanted to make, thanks to a collaboration with my friends at Cracker Barrel and plenty of biscuits on hand. As folks listen, I hope they will be inspired by the messages in each song."

Deep Roots is the latest release from Cracker Barrel Old Country Store®. Since 2005, Cracker Barrel has released albums with a wide variety of artists, some of which have debuted in the top three spots on a range of *Billboard* magazine's charts including Top DVD Music Videos, Top Country Albums, Top Christian Albums and Top Bluegrass Albums. In addition, **An Evening With ... Dolly** earned a Recording Industry Association of America (RIAA) Gold award, **Dailey & Vincent Sing The Statler Brothers** won Album of the Year from the International Bluegrass Music Association (IBMA) — off of which the track "Elizabeth" was nominated for a Grammy award — and Smokey Robinson's **Now & Then** was nominated for an NAACP Image Award. Cracker Barrel's exclusive music program includes projects with Alabama, Rodney Atkins, Jason Michael Carroll, The Charlie Daniels Band, Ronnie Dunn, Edens Edge, Sara Evans, Bill Gaither, Montgomery Gentry, Amy Grant, The Grascals, Merle Haggard, Alan Jackson, George Jones, Alison Krauss & Union Station, Russell Moore & Illrd Tyme Out, Craig Morgan, The Oak Ridge Boys, Kenny Rogers, Ricky Skaggs, Aaron Tippin, Randy Travis, Wynonna, and the Zac Brown Band. For details visit crackerbarrel.com/music.

Deep Roots Track Listing:

1. "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus"
2. "How Great Thou Art" (featuring Jillian Edwards Chapman)
3. "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" (featuring Ricky Skaggs)
4. "Blessed Assurance"
5. "Life is Like a Mountain Railroad (Life's Railway to Heaven)" (featuring Herb Chapman Sr. and Herb Chapman Jr.)
6. "He Touched Me" (featuring Herb Chapman Sr. and Herb Chapman Jr.)
7. "Hiding Place"
8. "Rock of Ages"
9. "Be Still and Know" (featuring Caleb Chapman)
10. "His Eyes"
11. "My Redeemer is Faithful and True"
12. "Cinderella"

About Cracker Barrel Old Country Store

Cracker Barrel Old Country Store, Inc. provides a friendly home-away-from-home in its old country stores and restaurants. Guests are cared for like family while relaxing and enjoying real home-style food and shopping that's surprisingly unique, genuinely fun and reminiscent of America's country heritage...all at a fair price. The restaurant serves up delicious, home-style country food such as meatloaf and homemade chicken n' dumplings as well as its made-from-scratch biscuits using an old family recipe. The authentic old country retail store is fun to shop and offers unique gifts and self-indulgences.

Cracker Barrel Old Country Store, Inc. (Nasdaq: CBRL) was established in 1969 in Lebanon, Tenn. and operates 622 company-owned locations in 42 states. Every Cracker Barrel Old Country Store® location is open seven days a week with hours Sunday through Thursday, 6 a.m. — 10 p.m., and Friday and Saturday, 6 a.m. - 11 p.m. For more information, visit crackerbarrel.com.

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