



**New Single Released on 2/2/3024 - “He Rescued Me” Available NOW!**

"He Rescued Me" is my testimony of salvation. It speaks to the darkness and struggles faced in life and the call to come to Jesus for a new life. It's a reflection of my own journey, when things were at their worst, facing ending it all, I surrendered my life to Jesus and was born again. This song shows how someone can go from being lost in the world to being more alive than ever, and I hope that this wonderful message can help others find the light as I did.

**The Journey – How I got here**

When I got started on this journey in the fall of 2023, I found John Chism with [Nashville Christian Songwriters](#), a Christian based song writing development company. I took his first 8-week course, NCS Pro Song Mastery Coaching Sessions (I did the group class) and learned how to better craft the lyrics in the songs I was writing. This led me to record my first 2 singles in November in Nashville, and I thought that was going to be it. I met John when I went to Nashville to record and he told me about his Artist Development program (90 days) and I signed up for that as well, starting that in December of 2023.

It has been a great experience for me, and the knowledge I am gaining from it is priceless. I also work with Kevin McNeese with [New Release Today](#) in his CAP program for all the marketing side of things. This is teaching me the business side of music, which we all need as independent artists. John is opening a new recording studio in Nashville in another month or so and I will be one of the first artists to record there. Super excited about that!

Through this course I have also had the pleasure to work with Rob Frazier (formerly of Petra) on some of my songs for the EP as well as co-writing with him. I haven't done a whole lot of co-writing sessions with people before, but Rob and I just seem to click. Can't wait to get the song done and recorded!

## Music Updates

"When I Pray" is doing fantastic so far (way beyond my expectations). Thank you to everyone who has supported me in this journey and has streamed, downloaded, shared, and everything else with this song. It has reached **over 15 thousand streams** since its release on 11/22/23. I am hoping "He Rescued Me" will have an even bigger impact and reach people that need help through difficult times, that will always be my goal.



## Upcoming News:

I have made it to the first round of the [You God Music](#) showcase with my song "He Rescued Me". Voting will start on Friday April 19 at 9pm CST and go on until Sunday May 5 at 9pm CST. I am hoping to make it in the top 50 to move on to round 2. The top contestants will perform live in San Antonio, TX in July, so that is my goal. Please keep this in mind as we move closer to voting time in April. There is a small fee for each vote but that goes towards transportation and everything else for the final contestants to get to San Antonio.

**You, GOD'S Music SHOWCASE**  
I'VE MADE IT INTO ROUND 1 OF THE 2024 YGM SHOWCASE!  
HERE'S HOW TO VOTE FOR ME:

1. VISIT: [YOUTODSMUSIC.ORG](http://YOUTODSMUSIC.ORG)
2. CLICK ON THE "VOTE NOW" BUTTON, ON TOP OF THE PAGE.
3. SEARCH FOR MY NAME OR THUMBNAIL COVER IMAGE.
4. CLICK ON THE BLUE "VOTE NOW" BUTTON. THIS WILL TAKE YOU TO MY PAGE PAGE.  
ONCE AGAIN, CLICK ON THE "VOTE NOW" BUTTON, MAKE A SELECTION ON HOW MANY VOTES YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHOW SUPPORT (THERE IS A MINIMUM OF \$5).
5. REMEMBER, IN THIS ROUND 20% WILL GO TO MY CHRISTIAN CHARITY AND 20% WILL SUPPORT ME AS AN ARTIST!

ROUND 1 VOTING WILL TAKE PLACE:  
FRIDAY APRIL 19, 2024 AT 9PM CST - SUNDAY MAY 5, 2024 AT 9PM CST  
PLEASE COME BACK AND KEEP CHECKING THE CONTESTANTS RANKING!  
DON'T LET YOUR FAVORITES SLIP BELOW THE TOP 50 AS ONLY THE TOP 50 WILL MOVE ONTO ROUND 2!  
THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

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*Ephesians 2:6-9 - For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith – and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God – not by works, so that no one can boast.*