Apologet iX



DEFINITION

ApologetiX (That Christian Parody Band) specializes in Biblical parodies of rock hits from yesterday and today, including everything from Elvis to Eminem. It's kind of like "Weird Al" Yankovic meets Billy Graham. In fact, Weird Al's drummer, Jon "Bermuda" Schwartz, plays on one of the band's CDs.

MISSION

ApologetiX has a simple, two-fold mission: to reach the lost and teach the rest. The band takes its name from the word "apologetics," meaning the defense of the Christian faith (1 Peter 3:15). World-renowned author and apologetics expert Josh McDowell said this about them: "What a thrill to work with 'that Christian parody band' ApologetiX ... The band distinguished themselves from other Christian musicians by including Bible Scripture in all of their lyrics, high-energy evangelism, and humor that was enjoyed by all ages. I can wholeheartedly recommend them to anyone."

LISTEN

ApologetiX released its 18th CD "Soundproof" in November 2010, followed by an 11-CD compilation series titled "ApologetiX Classics" in December 2010. ApologetiX CDs are available at Christian bookstores throughout the United States, plus stores in Canada, Australia, Africa, Europe, and Asia. They can also be purchased online at apologetix.com and christianbook.com. Stores can order them through Wesscott Marketing (1-800-375-3702) and all major Christian distributors. ApologetiX songs are also available on iTunes and all other major download services.

RECOGNITION

In September 2004, ApologetiX received the American Christian Music awards for Alternative Artist of the Year and Alternative Song of the Year. In February 2005, ApologetiX was named Favorite Indie Artist in the CCM Magazine Readers' Choice Awards. In December 2005, ApologetiX won the Best Album award in Christianity Today's 2005 Readers' Choice Christian Music Awards. The band also has a fast-growing online fan club with about 70,000 members of all ages.

TRANSMISSION

Parodies by ApologetiX have been heard on thousands of radio stations worldwide, including the Monumental Airshow (500 stations), K-LOVE network (150-plus stations), and the Salem Broadcasting Network (100-plus stations). ApologetiX has been interviewed many times on the top drive-time Christian radio audience in the country, KKLA's afternoon-drive show in Los Angeles. They've also been featured on radio programs as diverse as The Howard Stern Show, Billy Graham's "Decision Today," and "The Dr. Demento Show."

TELEVISION

ApologetiX has appeared on many national television programs, including The 700 Club, JC-TV (Trinity Broadcasting Network), 100 Huntley Street, The Rick & Bubba Show, Janet Parshall's America, His Place, and Getting Together (Cornerstone Broadcasting Network).

IN ADDITION

ApologetiX has been the subject of many articles in Focus on the Family's "Plugged In" magazine and has also been written about in Christianity Today, Campus Life, CCM, Charisma, HM, Christian Musician, The American Family Association Journal, The L.A. Times, Wireless Age, and USA Today.

EXPEDITIONS

ApologetiX tours extensively and has played over 1300 concerts in all 50 U.S. states plus Canada, including 37 states in 2010 alone. ApologetiX has played most major U.S. Christian music festivals, including Alive, Atlantafest, Creation, Cornerstone, Downpour, God-Stock, Grace, Kingdom Bound, LiFest, Lifelight, Powerfest, Rise Above, Shout, Sonshine, SoulFest, SoulStock, Spiritfest Midwest, Spirit West Coast, etc. They've also played at numerous large secular events, including NBA and Major League Baseball games, plus many city/county-sponsored events around the country.

MUSICIANS

ApologetiX has six touring members: lead singer/lyricist J. Jackson, lead guitarists Tom Milnes and Tom Tincha, bassist Keith Haynie, drummer Jimmy "Vegas" Tanner, and keyboardist Todd Waites. Producer Bill Hubauer also occasionally fills in on keyboards/guitars. They are all fathers and family men, with 20 children among them. All of the band members are from the Pittsburgh PA area, except Todd, who lives in Cleveland OH.

REQUISITION

To schedule an interview, please send email to publicity@apologetix.com or call 724-454-5822. For booking information, please send email to booking@apologetix.com.