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Artist: **Graham Kendrick**
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The Cathedral Tour: 'Do Something Beautiful'

The month preceding the release of Do Something Beautiful saw a superb opportunity for Graham and the band to trial a number of the new songs alongside many of his classics from his latest studio album "Do Something Beautiful."

Graham appeared in 11 of England's finest Cathedrals with more than 10,000 people turning up over the tour.

Many town centre ministries gathered to share in what was a non-denominational evening comprising performance, corporate praise and ministry with an evangelistic edge. These great worship centres were also filled with prayer each night as Graham led the crowds in singing 'O Lord The Clouds Are Gathering' as an act of lament, confession and intercession over the Iraq situation.

It was clear early on in the tour that the title track 'Do Something Beautiful', adopted as Spring Harvest's 25th anniversary song, was one of those 'instant successes', with its catchy melody and scriptural bedrock.

The song fires faith and motivation to go out and realise the possibilities that lie within us all through the power of the Holy Spirit. Here's Graham's reflection on the song;

"It is great to have a song with which to send each other out as salt and light into the world. 'Do Something Beautiful' very quickly became the finale song, and everywhere we went the people learned it almost instantly and took up the spirit and message of it with great enthusiasm."

One satisfied customer wrote:

"It was a truly inspirational and Spirit-filled evening the likes of which I have not personally experienced before, certainly enforcing my belief that a 'certain dynamic' is achieved when large numbers of Christians come together to pray and worship. Thank you so much for setting new exciting Christian standards."

With the album out on April 5th, those looking for fresh opportunity to catch Graham live will find themselves at the 'Do Something Beautiful' tour. A UK affair, the tour runs from 29th May to the 16th June, with more information coming soon on www.grahamkendrick.co.uk.

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Featuring duets with Darlene Zschech and Tim Hughes, the album follows on perfectly from 2001's bestseller 'What Grace?'. 'Do Something Beautiful' continues Graham's tradition of writing songs that spark instant connections with people, and as ever, Graham has managed to articulate through song what Christians all over the world are feeling. If the anthem 'How Long' was poignant before – being adopted as a theme song by Christian Solidarity Worldwide and Release International – then the current war with Iraq lends the song even greater significance.

The song also sat firmly in its context when Graham recently joined demonstrators from Christian Solidarity Worldwide and Release International outside the Chinese Embassy in London to protest against China's forced and cruel repatriation of North Korean refugees, many of whom are believers. The song reflects the cry of the martyrs in Revelation 12 and brings into sharp focus many of the struggles faced by today's persecuted church.

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