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Hi There!

It's time for us to celebrate 20 years of Guitar Aid! Who would have believed that from the first guitar given in 1990, that so many years later we would have given over 2250 instruments. Our desire is to empower worship leaders, by giving them what they need to raise the levels of worship, across the continents and around the globe.

CLIFF STRUMMING UP SUPPORT FOR GUITAR AID



Guitar Aid Celebrates 20th Anniversary

Guitar Aid, the evangelical missionary charity, founded in 1991 by Dave Sumner has reached it's 20th Anniversary.

Dave Sumner's mission, to provide much-welcomed musical and spiritual relief to some of the most poverty-stricken regions in the world, has been hailed as a major success. To date, Guitar Aid has given, through the generosity of its sponsors, over 2000 guitars to those hungry to make music in worship in more than 90 countries.

JHS & Co. Ltd., are delighted to have been able to continually support the Charity and be the provider of the specially created 'Guitar Aid' guitars, based upon popular models from its Vintage range.



To commemorate their collaboration John H. Skewes, chairman of JHS & Co. Ltd., presented a special edition 20th Anniversary 'Guitar Aid' branded Vintage VRS100 electric guitar to founder and Director Dave Sumner.



It is also been announced that Guitar Aid will now benefit from Sir Cliff Richard agreeing to become the charity's Honorary Patron.

Whilst Sir Cliff's patronage will be non-participatory, both Dave Sumner, and JHS's Managing Director, Dennis Drumm, are very grateful for the consideration given by Sir Cliff to the charity's objectives, and his understanding that lending his name as patron will only strengthen the effectiveness of the

Guitar Aid's efforts to empower others to worship, by providing instruments for those unable to obtain or afford them.

Information on Guitar Aid, including how to become a sponsor, can be found at www.guitar-aid.com www.cliffrichard.org



Left: Dave Sumner receives his special edition VRS100 from John H. Skewes.
Above: Guitar Aid's Honorary Patron: Sir Cliff Richard.
Right: Dave Sumner meets JHS M.D Dennis Drumm.

The news that Sir Cliff has become patron for Guitar Aid has received much media attention. (above feature from Gear mag) Everywhere it is reported, the common reaction is, "What a brilliant person to have as patron!" For 20 years we have been giving guitars. I feel so much of God's favour on the work of Guitar Aid. We are absolutely delighted that Sir Cliff Richard OBE, has agreed to become our Patron. This has come at a time when he is turning down many requests. We consider it a privilege that someone of his standing has been willing to put his name to the work of filling the World with the sound of praise!

STARTING THEM YOUNG



Who knows the future of these young people? One thing is for sure, we'll do everything we can, to encourage them to worship God, and lead others to do the same. On the left, David & Darius from Romania,



right, some young people from the Philippines just can't hold back their praises

SPONSORING WORSHIP LEADERS



For the last 10 years, our major sponsorship has come from Guitar Aid supporters giving £39 to cover the price of a guitar. Due to increase in cost and our desire to give better instruments, it's now only possible to buy an electro acoustic guitar, suitable for life groups and small churches for this price.

Our desire is to provide a worship leader with the equipment needed to fulfill the desire to praise God.

We are now encouraging individuals to be part of what we are doing, by sponsoring a worship leader each year.

£7 a month will allow us to empower an individual to receive a top quality guitar, gig bag, strap, lead, all they need to raise the level of worship in their community.

These instruments are ideal for large Churches or national events. They come with a built in electronic tuner!



GUITAR AID CELEBRATION DAY



To celebrate Guitar Aid's 20th birthday, we have invited Marian Lipovsky, to come to Riverside Christian Centre Exeter. Our celebration day is Sunday 5th December. Marian is the National Director of Youth for Christ, Slovakia. He heads up Campfest, which is their equivalent of Soul Survivor.

In the time we've known him, Marian has helped set up and encourage many worship leaders & bands, seeing hundreds of young people come to Christ through the Campfest events.

Thank you for your continued support and encouragement given to Guitar Aid, let's keep moving forward, one step at a time, as God leads us!

Dave Sumner.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Dave Sumner".