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FEATURING JIM LANDRY SUSAN BUTTRICK ROB MERRILL AND DAMON MCNEESE

INTRODUCING CHRISTIAN FAHERTY ALEXA CAHILL EMMA LANCASTER-HUGGINS DEVAN MELLO AND SALVATORE COSTANTINO III

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PRESENTS

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ANGELS ARE REAL. SOME EVEN HAVE FUR.

A story of hope and the power of love.

Directed By

Jim Huggins

Written and Produced By

Jim Huggins /Russ Dougherty

Starring

Chris Faherty

Carole Geagon

Featuring

Elizabeth Stricklin

Jim Landry

Doug Stricklin

Susan Buttrick

Damon McNeese

David Sinclair

and

Introducing

Rocket as "Cadie"

STORY OVERVIEW

Desperate to put the past behind him, David struggles with the everyday task of simply living. Facing what would become his greatest challenge, accepting the love and forgiveness for his past, he searches for ways to earn acceptance from those around him. Finally, losing his closest companion and friend—a German Shepherd named Smokey, became too much. His dog had been the one friend who had never left his side and had always accepted him for who and what he was. Devastated, David found himself in the one place he feared most. Alone. A place God never intends any of us to be.

Abused and neglected since birth, Cadie grew up alone. Rescued several years later, but still lost in a world she didn't understand, Cadie became an "award-winning" dog. She received the Boomerang Award at the rescue she was in. An award of dubious distinction, it was given to the dog who is adopted and brought back the most number of times. She won the award because no one wanted her. Which was fine by her—she didn't want anyone either. She wanted to be left alone. And that's not normal for a German Shepherd. It's a place God never wants for any of His creatures.

Feeling unwanted. Feeling unloved. Embraced by loneliness. This is when God does His greatest work.

FOOTPRINTS is based on the true story of a man who finds the healing power of love only after he lost everything he had valued and given up. It is a true story of a dog who learned to trust and serve only after she'd been abused and then discarded as worthless. It is the true story of a journey the two of them took that neither knew would bring them together.

But God did.

Through His guidance, a man and a dog experience the transformation of being unwanted to becoming cherished. And in the process, they impact lives around them in ways only God could have imagined.

Based on the true story "Memoirs of an Angel" by Jim Huggins

A special word from German Shepherd Rescue of New England

FOOTPRINTS is a compelling true story of the rescue of both people and animals. The lead K9 actor in this movie is an adopted GSRNE (German Shepherd Rescue of New England) dog, Rocket, whose canine personality comes shining through. In fact, most of the German Shepherds appearing in the film are rescued animals, reflecting the ideals of the producers. This is a Christian-produced movie; and Jim and Cadie's stories showing the profound effects each had on the other.

WHAT CHURCH LEADERS ARE SAYING

Can you imagine the impact on our communities of a film company dedicated to developing and producing real-life Christian-based movies that glorify God? Through “New Shepherd Films” and their first full-length, feature film “Footprints”, we have just that! Jim Huggins, Founder/CEO of the film company and Director/co-Writer of the production “Footprints” has exhibited impressive dedication, vision, and integrity. If you’re interested as I am in spreading the Love of God through creative means, then you’ll agree this vision is worth investing in!

Dr. Ronald L. Bernier, Pastor
Master Builder Ministries
Fall River, MA

Jim Huggins is a gifted storyteller who makes real life events accessible through the visual arts. His passion for communicating the power and love of Jesus Christ in a heartwarming yet poignant way is like a breath of fresh air. I believe *FOOTPRINTS* will glorify God while broadening one’s perception of ministry. Everyone should “paws” and see this movie!

Randall Ward, Vice President
Boston Baptist College
Boston, MA

Jim Huggins has brightened up a relevant area of ministry by thinking “out of the box”. His skill at weaving a heartwarming story of man and animal presents evangelism in a refreshing and challenging venue that is both edifying and entertaining.

Archie P. Emerson, Senior Pastor
Ocean State Baptist Church
Smithfield, RI

I highly recommend viewing *FOOTPRINTS*. We have long been waiting for a movie that teaches, gives hope, reveals faith and entertains. *FOOTPRINTS* is a true story that will certainly touch the heart. Hats off to Jim Huggins for filling the void in movie entertainment! This is a movie no one will want to miss.

David Therrien, Pastor
New Hope Christian Church
Swansea, MA

REVIEWS

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AUDIENCE REACTIONS

“Wow! The movie surpassed my expectations...In the screening stage, the movie is smooth and the story compelling. In it's final debut, I imagine it will be nothing short of fabulous.”

“This movie will change your life.”

“A friend of mine just saw the film the other night and told me how amazing it was...she was RIGHT!”

“Loved seeing Rocket jump up in the air and open the door. It was like watching Rin Tin Tin..! So excited... it brought tears to my eyes!”

“Dawn and I went to the screening last night in Vermont. It was worth the two hour drive. They have done a fabulous job at telling a great story. It demonstrates that God can work though any channel.”

“Jim has unbelievable instincts. He has been a source of inspiration, comfort, guidance and light for me in my new discovery and appreciation of God.”

“This movie has a very powerful message to send...It is a message which we should all be paying attention to and the type of thing this world needs to help turn it around. KUDOS to you for attempting and for the sake of all of us I hope you succeed. God Bless!”

“It was really good and my children really enjoyed it also :) ”

“WOW!!! Absolutely AMAZING!! That dog is so beautiful. Brought tears to my eyes! “

“On behalf of myself, the Fall River Police Dept. K9s and the Vested Interest in K9s group, we extend our sincere thanks for including us during your screening on Feb. 27th. We so enjoyed your film and wish you much success. Special thanks to the Calvary Temple for accommodating us and the police dogs. It was truly a special evening!”

Sandy Marcal, President
Vested in K9's



SCREENING DATA

Locations

• Plymouth, MA	Total Number of viewers:	2,350 (e)
• Woonsocket, RI	Total Number of Responses:	1,116
• New Bedford, MA	Invalid Survey Cards	75
• Fall River, MA	Validated Responses	1,041
• Brattleboro, VT		
• Gainesville, FL		
• Dartmouth, MA		

Basic demographics

- 34% of viewers were male.
(Of those, 31% were between the ages of 35-50 and 33% were between 51-70.)
- 57% of viewers were female.
(Of those, 30% were between the ages of 35-50 and 18% were between 51-70.)

For viewers over the age of 18:

- 66% were married
- 83% had children
- 66% owned pets
- 13% were involved in animal rescue work
- 84% considered themselves religious

Overall results for ALL viewers over age 18:

- Film was rated a 7.9 on a scale of 1 being poor and 10 being the best.
- 87% stated they would see this film again.
- 91% would either bring a friend or would recommend it to a friend.

Of those who CONSIDERED themselves as RELIGIOUS and over age 18:

- Film was rated an 8.0 on a scale of 1 being poor and 10 being the best.
- 88% stated they would see this film again.
- 91% would either bring a friend or would recommend it to a friend.

Of those who DID NOT consider themselves as RELIGIOUS but were over age 18:

- Film was rated an 7.6 on a scale of 1 being poor and 10 being the best.
- 83% stated they would see this film again.
- 88% would either bring a friend or would recommend it to a friend.



PRODUCTION DATA

Filming Locations include

Massachusetts

- Assonet
- Boston
- New Bedford
- Somerset
- Westport

Rhode Island

- Middletown
- Smithfield
- Tiverton

Cast (principal, supporting, day players, and extras)	507
Crew	25
Total Miles Travelled (during production)	100,000+
German Shepherds featured	11 (7 were rescues incl. the lead K9))
Meals served on set	1,000+
Footage	60+ hours

FOOTPRINTS was produced almost entirely on donated time, talent, and services. During the course of production, New Shepherd Films generated approximately \$14,000 through fundraising and merchandise sales. Additional donations of almost \$10,000 allowed New Shepherd Films to fund the remaining production needs.

Production Cost	\$24,000 (e)
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The production of *FOOTPRINTS* is a testament to walking by faith in His service.

ABOUT THE COMPANY

THE CHALLENGE:

People love stories. And we're visual creatures. That's why stories told with pictures—motion pictures to be more precise—are so effective at communicating a message. The only question then becomes "What message do you want to communicate?"

WHO WE ARE and WHY WE EXIST:

New Shepherd Films is an independent (non-union), Christian film production company focused on producing family-oriented, Christian-based entertainment; specifically films based on true stories from everyday life. Stories that highlight God at work in everyday lives. Everyday.

OUR MISSION:

To provide a viable and enjoyable alternative to the current mainstream entertainment industry by offering family-friendly motion pictures which provide an uplifting and inspiring view of the world around us.

WHERE WE ARE:

We have filmed our first full-length, feature film and have completed post-production for our theatrical release. We have completed a series of extremely successful screenings which provided valuable feedback to help us further improve the quality and effectiveness of the story.

OUR GOALS:

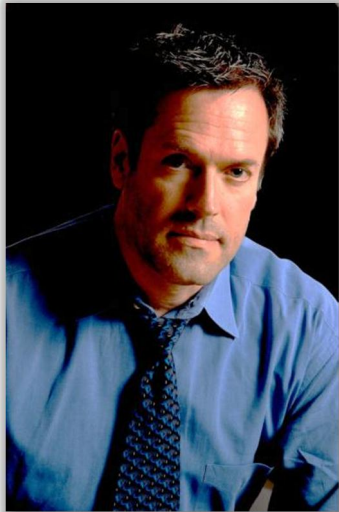
Our **immediate** goal is to generate awareness and interest in various communities via church presentations, fundraisers, and our initial efforts at merchandising. Beyond the critical, day-to-day expenses, we are also hoping to find investors to help with our broader needs.

Our **intermediate** goals are focused on distribution of this film—getting this story out to as many people as possible! We will need help from a grassroots movement, starting with churches, all demanding this movie be shown! Again, church events and local presentations will be key to building the demand. Creating a successful letter-writing campaign to distributors will be one method.

Our **long-range** goals involve ministry programs based on FOOTPRINTS, books, and, ultimately, more films (we have 2 more stories awaiting development right now). We expect these will be funded by the proceeds of FOOTPRINTS and, as such, allow us to move forward on a solid financial footing.

ABOUT THE FILMMAKERS

Jim Huggins Director and Writer



Leadership. Vision. Dedication. Ability. These are some of Jim's key attributes. But the attribute he enjoys the most is storyteller.

A decorated Air Force officer, leadership and management are not strange concepts to Jim. They are hallmarks that, along with his faith, define him. With over 27 years of experience developing new technologies at all levels, both in the civilian community as well as the military, Jim possesses the rare combination of vision and the ability to "make it happen".

Recognizing the need for family-oriented films in today's world, Jim has focused these abilities on the world of entertainment. His experiences include theater, commercial campaigns, voiceovers, printwork, and even feature film. An award-winning stage actor, experienced director, and professionally trained TV/Film actor, Jim understands the entire spectrum of how to tell stories and tell them well. Couple that with a genuine desire to be a storyteller that glorifies God and you have an unbeatable (and unstoppable) combination!

Jim began his career in the Air Force after graduating from college with a B.S. in mathematics and an emphasis in a then-new field: Computer Science. As the Executive Officer (XO) for the largest directorate in Space Command, he was responsible for 350 military and civilian employees and over 56 million lines of code controlling our nation's missile warning and space defense systems. A newly promoted First Lieutenant, he was also the youngest ever selected for this job; a position normally held by a more senior officer.

Following a string of successes that ultimately took him to the Pentagon, Jim then moved from the Active Duty forces to the Reserves. But service to his country was still paramount. He volunteered to serve in a selectively manned position at HQ US Central Command in support of Operations Desert Storm and Southern Watch in Iraq and Restore Hope in Somalia.

Believing that lessons from the past are vital to our success in the future, Jim then volunteered to share his experiences from the Middle East with the next generation of Air Force leaders training in ROTC. An accomplished public speaker, Jim brought topics such as "Islamic Fundamentalism" and "The Laws of Armed Conflict" to life for these 3rd and 4th year cadets.

In parallel with his military career, Jim's newfound civilian career moved upward with ever-increasing responsibilities and challenges as well. He met the challenges of developing new technologies and managing a global startup company with huge parents (AMR and CSX). Upon leaving these corporate giants, Jim helped start a new company specializing in custom software business solutions. In less than a year, the company became a national success with award-winning recognition for customer service.

Along the way, Jim earned his M.S. in Engineering and a Ph.D. in Engineering Management focused on software engineering. He's a graduate of Squadron Officer School and Air Command and Staff College. He's earned the Master Space Operations badge and his numerous personal awards include the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, two Joint Service Commendation Medals, and the Air Force Commendation Medal, just to mention a few.

A dedicated father with three children, Emma, David, and Samuel, Jim and his wife, Leslee (along with two rescued German Shepherds) make Somerset, MA their home. Always engaged on the forefront of new initiatives, whether the battlefield is on foreign soil, encapsulated within the American economy, or represented by the entertainment industry, Jim understands what it means to face problems, create solutions, and think "outside the box". Jim is a problem-solver who enjoys challenges!

ABOUT THE FILMMAKERS

Russ Dougherty Director of Photography and Writer

Russ knew at the age of seven he wanted to produce motion pictures and television programs. So, it was no surprise that forty years later in 2009, Russ partnered with Jim Huggins to form New Shepherd Films, an independent feature film production company dedicated to telling true stories that highlight God at work in everyday lives. Their first feature, "Footprints," is based on a true story of hope and how the power of love can change lives.

An award-winning professional behind the camera and in the studio, Russ has developed and produced shows for a variety of outlets, most notably television. He has had the pleasure of working with such talents as Martha Stewart, Jeff Dunham, Jack Palance, Lee Remick, Tony Orlando, Chuck Neron, and Anthony Bourdain.

In addition to his television work for broadcast stations in the Boston and Providence markets, Russ has had his productions on the ABC, FOX, and TLC networks. Recognized for excellence, Russ has been honored with numerous awards for video productions including two grand prize awards from Videomaker™ Magazine, two platinum awards from The National

Professional Videographers' Association, the Director's Award, and an Award of Excellence from the MarCom Marketing and Communications Agency.

His journey to becoming a film producer began back in 1974. At the young age of 15, he was already designing logos and advertising materials for local businesses. Shortly thereafter, his passion for photography expanded his business to include portrait, event, and product photography. Ten years later, in 1984, when video production started to become popular, Russ quickly adapted his business and focused on this emerging media outlet. By 1986, Russ had founded Video Excellence, a video production company located in southern Massachusetts, specializing in documentary, commercial, training, event, and promotional video production. His talents for graphic design, photography, and writing were added benefits to the creative services offered by Video Excellence.

But Russ has not limited himself to staying behind the camera. In 1987, Russ spent time in Newport, RI working on the motion picture *Mr. North*, directed by Danny Huston, the son of legendary actor and director, John Huston. *Mr. North* starred Anthony Edwards, Robert Mitchum, Lauren Bacall, Angelica Huston, and David Warner. The experience further reinforced Russ' desire to pursue feature film production.

In 1991, Russ, along with David Sinclair and Larry Lechan, co-produced and co-wrote, *Doctor Mongo's Midnight Movie*, an original weekly comedy program for WNAC-TV in Providence, RI. In 1993, Russ, along with Jon Doughtie, co-produced a documentary, *Go the Extra Mile*, the story of Richard Droabaugh, a man who rode his bicycle around the world to raise money and awareness for cancer research.

In addition to developing television, Russ has produced internet programming for businesses, training, and promotional materials for national companies and institutions such as Sears, Coors Brewery, BellSouth, K-Mart, Bloomingdales, Joselin Diabetes Center, The Dana Farber Cancer Institute, N.O.A.A. as well as Brandeis University, Johnson and Wales University, Fairfield University, Providence College, and Roger Williams University.

Russ along with Gail, his wife of 24 years, and his son, Sean, continue the legacy of producing superb video projects. Among their current productions is "The UnReal Deal," a weekly television series for NBC 10 in Providence.

ABOUT THE FILMMAKERS **Leslee Huggins Music Supervisor and Associate Producer**

Dr. Leslee Huggins, a southerner by birth and a New Englander by choice, brings a unique and insightful balance of intellect, art, and compassion to the team at New Shepherd Films.

Talented, intelligent, gifted, and a leader, Dr. Leslee can best be described as passionate. She is absolutely passionate about sharing God with others. And she does this at every opportunity.

Leslee received her degree as a Doctor of Dental Surgery from Baylor College of Dentistry. During her first residency, she went on to earn her Master of Science degree in Orthodontics from St. Louis University. She then began private practice in Raleigh, NC where she quickly became aware of the needs of pediatric dental patients in the underserved community—an experience which became the driving force for all her future endeavors. As a result, Dr. Leslee returned to school and completed a second residency in Pediatric Dentistry at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill—while maintaining her private practice at the same time!

A dual-specialist in the field of dentistry, Dr. Leslee relocated to her home state of Texas after enjoying 11 successful years in private practice. Shortly thereafter, she was presented with an opportunity to practice the dentistry she's always wanted to do. But, it required another move—this time to a cooler climate far away from the Texas heat! In July 2007, Dr. Huggins and her family now called New England home.

Dr. Leslee specializes in serving children with special needs and working in the underserved communities throughout much of New England. Whether she's performing surgery or seeing patients in the clinic, she's able to do the job she loves for the children about which she cares deeply. She's also a Diplomate of the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry and a reviewer for their professional journal, [Pediatric Dentistry](#).

But her service to others doesn't stop here. Dr. Leslee is deeply committed to service at all levels. This is what led her to serving our country in the US Navy Reserves. A decorated officer, she holds the rank of Lieutenant Commander and is part of the vital Naval Health Clinic of New England (NHCNE) medical team stationed at Naval Station Newport in Rhode Island.

With all this as part of her normal life, it would be easy to overlook the artistic side of Leslee. And you would be missing a lot! An accomplished musician on several instruments, most notably the flute, Leslee is completely at home performing in front of an audience. Whether in church, at halftime in a crowded football stadium, or simply entertaining at home, the lofty and gentle strains of her music always help remind us that God is near. Her talents extend beyond music and onto the stage as well as into the studio in front of the camera. An award-nominated stage actress, Leslee was the spokesperson on a national advertising campaign for Hasbro!

These are among the many gifts she provides to the team at New Shepherd Films. Perhaps most importantly, she brings a love for God and the heart of a servant.