

For Immediate Release

Theater Released - Wesley- Now Available On DVD

Based on the lives of John and Charles Wesley

The movie, Wesley, which opened in select theaters across the country, can now be purchased on DVD at www.visionvideo.com.

This true and powerful story is based on the actual diaries of John Wesley, the founder of the Methodist movement and his brother, prolific and beloved hymn writer, Charles Wesley. It is a feature film filled with adventure, romance and spiritual struggle; things most would not believe of these Christian heroes were it not written in their own personal journals.

The Story

The movie opens with John Wesley, an irritatingly self-righteous young Oxford cleric who does all the right things but lacks true inner peace. When he is appointed to serve as chaplain of the newly settled English colony in Savannah, Georgia, he is thrilled for the opportunity to earn his salvation and evangelize the natives. John convinces his brother it is God's calling for both their lives and a reluctant Charles joins the voyage across the ocean to the new world.

During the voyage we see a critical moment which will lead to John's eventual salvation. When the ship encounters a turbulent storm, John notices a group of Moravians praying and continuing their Bible study without panicking. It is then that he realizes something is missing in his relationship with God.

Once in Georgia, John becomes involved in a tempestuous love affair that ends in tragedy and results in a bounty on his life. The brothers also fail in their chaplain positions because of the burdensome rules they attempt to inflict upon the colony residents.

After returning to England in disgrace, a Moravian missionary helps them understand God's salvation is by grace, not works. They offer this grace to the poor and downtrodden who are not allowed to worship in the established churches. This upsets the religious order but changes the face of Christianity in England and still affects our lives today as we still sing many of Charles Wesley's hymns.

Director John Jackman- *"What I found interesting is this is not the stereotypical story – bad person finds religion, gets converted, becomes good person. Instead, we find a very religious person who outwardly does everything that the world and the church regard as good – he visits prisons, he studies the Bible, he feeds the poor. But he is really driven by fear, and hasn't experienced the grace of God for himself. He's trying to earn his way into heaven. Like a lot of us, it isn't until his life falls apart that he finds what he's really looking for. And that spiritual experience frees him to start some of the most radical ministries to the poor of England that ever happened".*

The all star cast includes Burgess Jenkins as John Wesley, R. Keith Harris as Charles Wesley, June Lockhart as their mother, Susannah, Carrie Anne Hunt as Sophy as John's love interest, and Kevin McCarthy as Bishop Ryder.

Wesley, the DVD, can be purchased at www.visionvideo.com or by calling 800-523-0226 beginning July 15, 2010. The MSRP is \$24.95. As a special release sale, Vision Video will have the DVD available for \$19.99 on their web site.

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