"God's Not Dead"

Dr. Ming Wang’s life story inspired a movie role in “God’s Not Dead”

The movie “God’s Not Dead” soared to close to 5th place among the all-time highest box-office Christian movie hits with close to $40 million in just 3 weeks since its opening!

The movie “God’s Not Dead” was inspired by a documentary book of the same title, written by Dr. Rice Broocks. It chronicles the lives of 6 individuals who searched and found God.

The cast of the movie includes a Chinese student whose character was inspired by the real life story in the book about Dr. Ming Wang, Harvard & MIT (MD, magna cum laude); PhD (laser physics) (www.WangCataractLASIK.com).

Growing up during China’s Cultural Revolution (1966-1976), Ming, like millions of other Chinese youth, faced the devastating fate of deportation to the poorest parts of China where he would be condemned to a life of poverty and hard labor. He attempted to avoid this miserable destiny by learning to dance and play the Chinese violin er-hu, since the communist propaganda troops were hiring musicians and dancers at that time. A chance meeting with a visiting American professor helped Ming to come to America, so in February, 1982 he arrived in this country with nothing but $50 and a Chinese-English dictionary in his pocket, and a big American dream in his heart.
Scene from "God's Not Dead," Martin Yip, the role inspired by Dr. Wang, played by Paul Kwo.

Though Ming was an atheist and his beliefs were based solely on science, he struggled with this in schools because science did not provide the answers to the questions in life that he was searching for. Influenced by a professor who showed him evidence of the existence of God, Ming became a Christian, and from that point on, his medical and charity work—and his entire life—have all been inspired by his faith, and by the appreciation for the opportunities and the freedom in this country. Today, Dr. Wang is an internationally known cataract & LASIK surgeon. He founded Wang Foundation for Christian Outreach to China and Wang Foundation for Sight Restoration which has helped patients from over 40 states and 55 countries with all sight restoration surgeries performed free-of-charge.

Dr. Ming Wang, Harvard & MIT (MD, magna cum laude); PhD (laser physics)

After Dr. Broocks’ book God’s Not Dead was published, it caught the attention of a Hollywood movie producer. The movie was inspired by the book and the screenwriter retained the Chinese student character in the original book!