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God's Not Dead 2 Will Premier at World Congress of Families IX in Salt Lake City on October 28

SALT LAKE CITY—The World Congress of Families announced today that the movie God's Not Dead 2 will premier at the World Congress of Families IX in Salt Lake City on October 28 at 8 p.m. This is the sequel to God's Not Dead, one of the top grossing Christian films earning more than \$63 million at the box office and \$27 million in DVD/Blu-ray sales.

"The World Congress of Families is the perfect venue to premier God's Not Dead 2," said Ted Baehr, publisher and Editor-in-Chief of *Movieguide*. "As we watch the decline of families, it is important to have the freedom to express our beliefs without being ridiculed or silenced. There has never been a more pressing need to talk openly about the impact that the Gospel of Jesus Christ can have in raising happy and well-adjusted children—those who will enter adulthood with strong moral character and values that make our communities strong."

God's Not Dead focuses on a student who is faced with an antagonistic atheist professor and challenges the professor to examine his lack of faith. The sequel addresses the issue of freedom of religion and the right to speak openly about Jesus Christ and religious beliefs publicly.

The movie features several well-known actors including Melissa Joan Hart, Jesse Metcalf and stars from the original film including Trisha LaFache, Benjamin Onyango, Paul Kwo, and David A.R. White. It also has cameos from Hayley Orrantia, Ernie Hudson, and Pat Boone.

"We were excited to learn that the producers of God's Not Dead 2 chose World Congress of Families IX as the venue to premier the movie. I'm certain it will be well-received by our attendees and is a great addition to the full lineup of remarkable speakers and world-class entertainment that we will host over the four days of the Congress," Janice Shaw Crouse, a member of the Board of Directors



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The World Congress of Families (WCF) is the largest gathering of pro-family advocates in the world. WCF IX will seek to provide sound scholarship and effective strategies, and it will mobilize intellectual and advocacy resources to affirm and defend the natural family as the fundamental and only sustainable unit of a free society.

World Congress of Families IX will be held from October 27-30, 2015 in Salt Lake City. For more information, please visit <u>wcf9.org</u> or follow WCF on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u>, and <u>Instagram</u>.