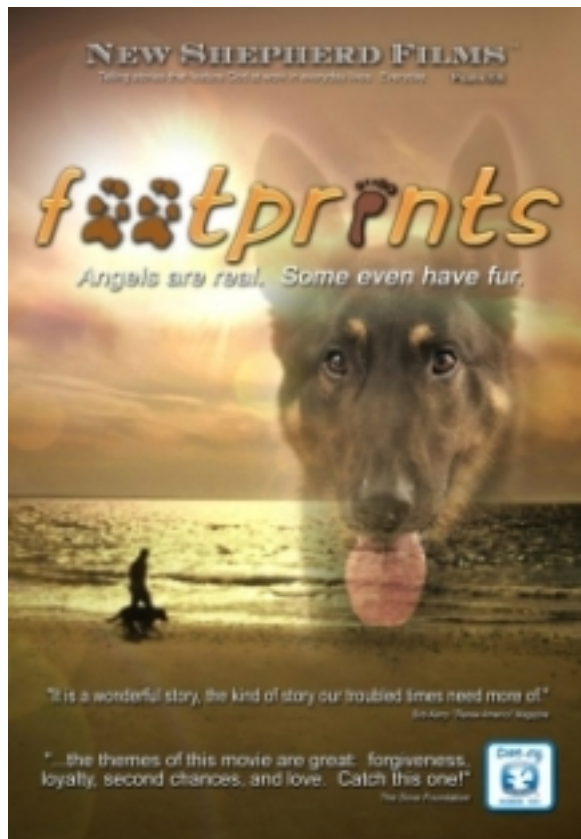


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Footprints is a touching story about how God can use even a broken man and an unwanted dog to help others. This film is based on a true story and the novel "Memoirs of an Angel" by Jim Huggins. Huggins is the director of this film and founder of New Shepherd Films, a Christian film production company. New Shepherd Films exists to share stories that highlight God at work in everyday lives. The story also illustrates the importance of animal rescue organizations and in fact, most of the dogs in the film are from the German Shepherd Rescue of New England. Humans and dogs are part of God's creation and have a need to feel loved and wanted.

Footprints is the story of David who has had a rough childhood to say the least. He was put down, lonely, and felt unloved. David seemed to lose everything he held dear to him, including his mother. As an adult David seemed to find companionship and love from a German Shepherd named Smokey, but when the dog passes away David's past hurt and feelings of loss are overwhelming. He struggles to regain trust that he will ever feel loved and needed like he did with Smokey. He hears of another German Shepherd, Cadie, who has had a life much

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like his own. She had been neglected and abused. After being rescued, she had been adopted several times only to be returned to the rescue for various reasons and found herself unwanted. From the first moment David saw Cadie he knew she was different, but they connected. The two, would not only help each other, but their friendship would change lives.

Footprints is a moving story and demonstrates that the work done by animal rescues is very important. Without these rescues many animals would be killed. Rescue organizations save numerous animals each day because of abuse, neglect, divorce, death of the owner or the owner just cannot take care of them anymore. Many of the dogs in the movie are from the German Shepherd Rescue of New England (G.S.R.NE). This is an all volunteer rescue in Wayland, Massachusetts that provides vet care and tries to find each dog a home. Each dog in their program is treated by a vet for any needed care, spayed/neutered, vaccinated, and then evaluated for needs and personality to find the perfect match for a permanent home. They hold fundraising events like the Buddy Program to help financially support the rescue. The rescue also has training and workshops for those volunteers who would like to become foster homes for the dogs until they can be adopted. To find out more about GSRNE visit their website at www.gsrne.org

. Every major city has animal rescues for most breeds of animals you could ever want. If you are looking for a pet please check out your local rescues to give a home to a pet that for some reason has found themselves unwanted.

Footprints is a great story and proves we cannot limit what or who God uses to accomplish His work. This film shows that it does not matter where you came from or how you grew up, God can use you if you will trust and follow Him. The dogs in the film are outstanding and will win your heart. I must say I am partial to the German Shepherd breed because I have one, Sheba and have found her to be a great addition to our family. Please consider finding an animal rescue in your area to help either financially or by adopting one of the animals. Who knows what these angels may do for you in return when they finally feel wanted and loved?

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