

# MIDNIGHT CLEAR

*This season, hope is found in unexpected places.*

## **SYNOPSIS:**

Christmas Eve is bleak for two residents of a small Arizona town. Eva (*K Callan*) is feeling unbearably hopeless, while across town a middle-aged man named Lefty (*Stephen Baldwin*) has hit rock bottom, and both of them are suicidal. But chance encounters with strangers alter their plans and, when their paths cross, an unexpected ray of hope emerges. *Midnight Clear* is an unflinching look at loneliness and desperation, as well as a reminder of the profound impact of simple kindness.

## **ACTORS:**

### **Stephen Baldwin**

Actor, family man, born-again Christian - makes his home in upstate New York with his wife and two young daughters. The youngest of the Baldwin brothers acting clan, Baldwin (37) is one of the few Hollywood actors versatile enough for key roles in everything from *The Usual Suspects* to *The Flintstones*. A Massapequa, New York, native, he gained notice in his teens as a successful opera singer before pursuing acting at the American Academy of Dramatic Arts. Before long, he was busy with roles in both film (*Posse*, *8 Seconds*, *A Simple Twist of Fate*) and television (*The Young Riders*). Equally adept at drama and comedy, Baldwin has appeared in over 60 films and has been featured on such top-rated television shows as *Fear Factor* and *Celebrity Mole*.

*MIDNIGHT CLEAR* also stars **K Callan** (*Lois & Clark*, *Carnivale*) and **Kirk B.R. Woller** (*Minority Report*, *Big Momma's House 2*)

## **FACTS:**

- *Midnight Clear* was one of a select group of films to win a prestigious Crystal Heart Award at the 2005 Heartland Film Festival.
- Based on a short story from the book, "*The Deacon's Woman*" by Jerry B. Jenkins, a collection of short stories which were released over ten years ago.
- Jars of Clay recorded an original version of "*It Came Upon a Midnight Clear*" just for this film.
- Stephen Baldwin met Dallas Jenkins (director) at a church in Venice, CA while stopping to ask for directions. They became friends, and while developing another film together, agreed that Stephen should star in *Midnight Clear*.
- Director Dallas Jenkins, who runs Jenkins Entertainment with his father, also produced *Hometown Legend* (a Warner Brothers release), and *Midnight Clear* is the 2nd short film Dallas has directed. Jenkins Entertainment is developing a feature that Dallas will direct in 2005-2006.
- Producer Gary Wheeler co-financed and produced *Midnight Clear* with Jenkins. He previously produced the award-winning feature film *Final Solution* and is developing a feature based on Robert Whitlow's novel, *The List*.
- Baldwin, Wheeler, and Jenkins have discussed turning *Midnight Clear* into a full length feature.

## **Street Date: November 15, 2005**

Available in Christian bookstores and online outlets, and available for public showings in churches (details online).

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