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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

# FIELD OF CANDIDATES NARROWS: 12 Finalists Named in \$50,000 Kairos Prize Script Competition

**LOS ANGELES, Feb. 4, 2008** – The field of 32 semi-finalists in the annual \$50,000 Kairos Prize for Spiritually Uplifting Screenplays (sponsored by the John Templeton Foundation) has been narrowed to 12 finalists, three of whom will share the \$50,000 prize and have their names announced at the 16th Annual Movieguide Faith & Values Awards Gala and Report to the Entertainment Industry on Feb. 12.

The finalists are:

- “Angels on Earth,” by Caroline Friday; Marietta, Ga.
- “Cross of the Savage,” by Joseph Crouch; Los Angeles
- “December Story,” by William Jack Sibley; San Antonio, Texas
- “Dogwood and Sycamore,” by William Gebby; Indianapolis
- “Glory Man,” by Dennis J. Hassell; Toronto, Ontario
- “If by Chance,” by Guy W. Forest; San Pedro, Calif.
- “The Miracle of Edith Stein,” by Chris DelliCarpini; Los Angeles
- “Stairways,” by James G. Rogers; St. Davids, Penn.
- “To the Ice,” by Ruth Ellen Johnson; Huntington Beach, Calif.
- “What’s a Girl to Do?,” by Janet L. Folger; Fort Lauderdale
- “The Widower,” by Ryan LaForge; Atlanta
- “Wishland,” by Kevin Lasit; Fremont, Calif.

Now in its third year, winners of the competition from the previous two years would tell these finalists that – while the money is nice – the real prize in this competition is having the winning scripts read by major studio executives, including the chairmen of production of Fox, Disney, DreamWorks, and Warner Bros. Many writers in Hollywood work for years to have that opportunity – and it often never happens.

The networking opportunities associated with the Kairos Prize also set this competition apart. Having their names announced at the awards gala introduces the winners to the more than 200 top executives, filmmakers and celebrities in attendance. The Templeton Foundation-sponsored Epiphany Prize winners will also be announced at the event, which will be held at the Beverly Hilton Hotel in Beverly Hills, Calif.

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**Note to Editors:** For more information about the Kairos Prize or to arrange an interview with Dr. Ted Baehr, Founder and Executive Producer of Movieguide and Founder and Chairman of the Christian Film & Television Commission, please contact Melany Ethridge at 972.267.1111 or via email at [melany@alarryross.com](mailto:melany@alarryross.com).