

On a Wing and a Prayer (film)

On a Wing and a Prayer is a 2023 American biographical survival film directed by Sean McNamara and starring Dennis Quaid, Heather Graham, and Jesse Metcalfe.^{[1][2][3][4]} It was released on April 7, 2023.

Plot

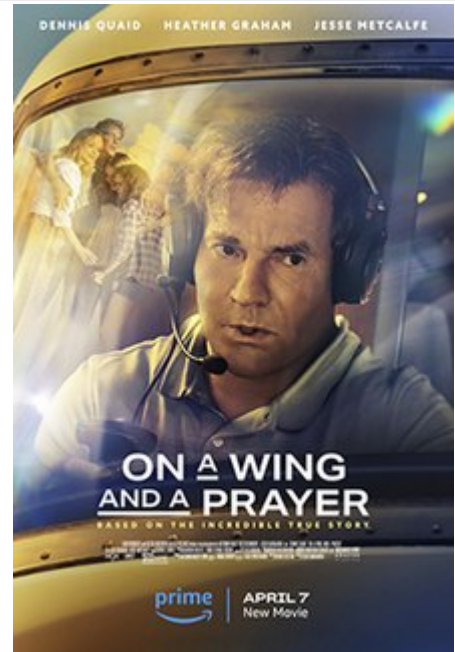
On Easter Sunday 2009, Doug White, a 56-year-old pharmacist, his wife, and their two daughters return to Archibald, Louisiana, after attending a funeral for White's brother. Less than 10 minutes after their King Air 200 private plane takes off from Marco Island, Florida, the pilot dies of a heart attack. Fort Myers air traffic controllers and a flight instructor from Danbury, Connecticut manage to teach Doug how to fly the plane and land it while the family, who attend a Church of Christ, pray for a miracle.

Cast

- Dennis Quaid as Doug White^[5]
- Heather Graham as Terri White^[6]
- Jesse Metcalfe as Kari Sorenson^[7]
- Abigail Rhyne as Bailey White
- Jessi Case as Maggie White^[8]
- Brett Rice as Jeff White
- Rocky Myers as Dan Favio
- Selena Anduze as Lisa Grimm
- E. Roger Mitchell as Brian Norton
- Joe Knezevich as Ralph
- Brandon Quinn as Ellis Ross
- Roger Anthony as Bill Jones
- Raina Grey as Donna
- Trayce Malachi as Buggy
- Anna Enger Ritch as Ashley Harrison
- Wilbur Fitzgerald as Joe Cabuk
- Holly A. Morris as Claire
- Rachael Markarian as Linda
- James Healy Jr. as Pastor Williams

Production

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Official release poster

Directed by	<u>Sean McNamara</u>
Written by	<u>Brian Egeston</u>
Produced by	<u>Roma Downey</u> <u>Autumn Bailey-Ford</u> <u>Karl Horstmann</u>
Starring	<u>Dennis Quaid</u> <u>Heather Graham</u> <u>Jesse Metcalfe</u>
Cinematography	<u>Christian Sebaldt</u>
Edited by	<u>Jeff Canavan</u>
Music by	<u>Brandon Roberts</u>
Production companies	<u>Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer</u> <u>LightWorkers Media</u>

On January 27, 2021, it was reported that Dennis Quaid would star in the faith-based family drama, his third time working with director Sean McNamara, with the screenplay written by Brian Egerton.^[5] On September 16, 2021, it was reported that Heather Graham would co-star, and that filming would begin that fall.^[6] On October 12, 2021, it was reported that Jesse Metcalfe had joined the cast.^[7]

Distributed by	<u>Amazon Studios</u>
Release date	April 7, 2023 (Prime Video)
Running time	102 minutes
Country	United States
Language	English

The film is based on the 2009 true story of Doug White, an airline passenger who was forced to land the King Air 200 plane he was traveling on with his wife and children after the pilot unexpectedly died mid-flight, with no co-pilot on board.^{[9][10]}

Release

The film was originally going to be released theatrically on August 31, 2022 by United Artists Releasing,^{[11][12]} before ultimately being released on Prime Video on April 7, 2023.^{[13][14]}

Reception

On the review aggregator website Rotten Tomatoes, 16% of 25 critics' reviews are positive, with an average rating of 3.3/10. The website's consensus reads: "Predictable and unsubtle, *On a Wing and a Prayer* proves a decidedly disappointing attempt to dramatize an uplifting fact-based story."^[14] Metacritic, which uses a weighted average, assigned the film a score of 19 out of 100, based on 5 critics, indicating "overwhelming dislike".^[15]

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