

## Sandra and David Chafee



### Plays Construction Forewoman And Construction worker

The Chafee's have been long time Cast Light supporters. They sacrificed their time, talent and treasure for the making of Sam Good, earning them Executive Producer honors. Their dedication was greatly appreciated.

David is a Program Analyst for NASA

David says, "The favorite part of making film was watching the transformation of Curtis into a thug.

# The Cast

# Rick Kirchhoff



## Plays the Doctor

Rick is a Securities, Life, Health Licensed Representative with HBW Securities, LLC, also a Financial Program Analyst with Northrop Grumman for over 27 years.

He is a native of Arlington Heights, Illinois (Chicago Suburb) and moved to Huntsville, Alabama in 2008. He is a jogger, racquetball player, singer and Celebrate Recovery Leader. "I enjoy the acting opportunities provided through Cast Light Productions;

I played a bartender in the commercial "WHAT'S YOUR POISON" and a doctor in "SAM GOOD".

I will be seeking other roles in future Cast Light Production castings and may be seeking greater opportunities after I retire in 2 years."

# Suzie Kennedy



## Plays Mrs. Breeze

Suzie was born in Texas and raised all over the world but calls Huntsville, AL her home. She has always been an outgoing person with a big heart for others. She loves being involved in life. Giving of time and talent is important to her and she has learned to make that time available to others and family throughout her walk with the Lord.

"When Dennis asked me to be a part in his movie I was not sure I could do it. I had done a few Shakespeare theater plays in Birmingham but nothing like this. I think I have a new found respect for actors who make movies! My scene is only 7 minutes long but it took 4 hours to film and 8 cigarettes and I don't smoke! I found that the movie let me be a part of something important and worthy of the message it sends.

The most memorable part of this whole thing for me was the first rough draft we got to see... I realized how truly blessed I had been to be part of a movie that makes you think, laugh, cry, and have hope for those who don't. I pray that our message is heard and that others can have time to help, to laugh, to love and to have hope. Thank you Dennis!"

# Jerry Boyd



## Plays Sam Good

Jerry Boyd is a 27 year veteran of in fire protection service. He spent 17 years at the City of Russellville Fire Department and worked as Fire Chief at the NASA rocket facility. He also worked as Fire Chief for the Lockheed Martin Missile Defense program and the City of Moulton. He is now retired.

"I got involved after viewing Cast Light Productions first film called "The Rich Fool", while attending at CrossPointe Church in Madison. I then participated in the movie "Miracle in the Coppice", where I played the role of Jackson, an escaped convict.

Dennis Packard asked me to play the title role in "Sam Good", a rich man who cared about no one or nothing that could not make a buck for him, until he encountered two meth addicts that changed his outlook.

I have thoroughly enjoyed playing these roles, even though my acting ability was restricted by my physical disabilities. But working with other GREAT actors such as Bethany & Chris Fuller in Miracle, and Bethany , Debbie, Kasey, Curtis, Lee and all of the others was a very uplifting and inspiring experience for me. In front of the camera or behind the camera, I was surrounded by people that had a purpose in making these films, and that was for the praise and glory of The Lord.

# Lee Morris



## Plays Moses' Sidekick

Lee Morris is an engineer for DRS Test & Energy Management, in Huntsville, Al.

"Even though this was my first movie, I am use to performing in front of cameras and crowds and having my performance critiqued (judged) as I am a competitive power lifter having won the Alabama State, Georgia State, Tennessee State, Mississippi State and National Powerlifting Championships.

I enjoyed filming every part of the movie, in which I had a part. I made a lot of new friends and genuinely enjoyed working with everyone, especially Curtis, who played the part of drug dealer, Moses A. Brown. Curtis is a good guy, funny and an enjoyment to work with.

My favorite scene to film was in the crack house when Curtis and I were trying to get info from Jack and Molly. Everything from doing about six takes of lifting and throwing Jack against the wall, to prop malfunctions of Molly's necklace not coming off, to a perfect scene being disrupted by the flash of a camera, made for a very humorous afternoon of filming.

## Curtis Ellington Jr.



### Plays Moses A. Brown

Curtis Ellington Jr. was born and raised in Los Angeles, California and relocated to Huntsville in December 2005. He works as a Quality Engineering manager for Lockheed Martin. He is the father of two daughters (20 & 17) who reside in California. He attends CrossPointe Church in Madison and is involved in mission activities (local and international).

“This was my first acting experience in the making of Sam Good. I found the experience quite challenging to play this character. As a father and mentor, I am extremely grateful to be a part of this educational effort. My most memorable part of making this film has to be the interaction of the cast and crew. Everything we did was for the glory of the creator, that alone kept us connected as one but most importantly kept us grounded to what our purpose in life is, to better the kingdom with this project.

I hope each of you enjoy this as much as we did in making it. God Bless...”

## Debbie Russler



### Plays Emily

Debbie and her husband reside in Madison, Al. and have 5 children between the two of them. She is an Artist and has been involved in acting most of her life. She went to Utah State University, majoring in Theater Arts, moved to Florida and pursued an acting career. “I loved every minute of the making of this movie. Working with such amazing Christians that were all so excited to be a part of something that would bring glory to God, was a dream come true for me! The talent that God has given Dennis is such a blessing and I couldn't be more proud to be a part of it! Dennis would put me to work sometimes and let me be involved with the behind the scenes work. I really enjoyed that part as well. An experience I will always treasure and never forget!”

# Dennis J. Packard



## Film Maker

Dennis started his film career at the tender age of 11 when he started to play with his dad's 8mm film camera. He was hooked ever since. He went to school at Western Carolina University after graduating from Cocoa High school in Rockledge Florida. He studied Speech and Theater Arts while at WCU. He began working freelance film shoots in 1971. He was a grip, gaffer, assistant camera and cameraman shooting 16mm films. He worked on several productions for the Army, Navy and Marines. He worked two feature films in Memphis in 1974. In 1980 Dennis got into broadcast television, earning an Associate degree in broadcast engineering. He worked for various TV stations until 1998. He formed Packard Engineering and worked as an audio video design engineer until his retirement in 2010.

"I retired early because I wanted to start making films again. I sunk just about all our savings into the film making equipment. Our first film is "The Rich Fool", a 22 minute short on Atheism. The second one was "Miracle in the Coppice" and became our entry into an all-volunteer co-op style of filmmaking. I established the Cast Light Christian Film Co-Op and just received our 501(c)(3) designation as a non-profit public charity this year.

Our third film, "Sam Good", is our first feature length film. It was a long process. We started in February of this year and it's finally finished for the theater in November.

My fondest moments in making Sam Good is the warm kindness and respect everyone gave me as I tried to juggle the schedule, equipment and personnel in the making of the film. I have never been happier working with people in my entire career. NO egos, no back talk, no dis-respect. It's amazing what kind of environment results when there is no competition. I love all of our cast and crew. God bless you all, onward and upward to new heights, making Christian films to the praise and glory of our Lord".

# Dorothy Weems



## Plays the Nurse

Dorothy Weems recently appeared in *Miss Wolfe's Tangier Stories* for the 2012 International Performance Festival at the American Legation Venue in Tangier, Morocco. Dorothy not only adapted her mother Ruth Wolfe Weems' WWII Tangier stories for the stage, but also she played the role of her mother in this historic one-woman show, which she will perform in Huntsville in 2013. On camera, in addition to appearing in *Sam Good*, Dorothy performed in Chekhov's *The Marriage Proposal* for Alabama Public Television; appeared in NBC's "Unsolved Mysteries" with Karl Malden; performed dual roles in *Resistance*, a Cindy-award winning film; regional and national television commercials; and performed in and wrote screenplays for independent films. Dorothy's wonderful father and performer Ray Weems introduced her at an early age to working in films, stage, and the music business. Other recent stage performances: Lady Aemilia in Shakespeare's *Comedy of Errors* for Theatre UAH; Sarah Bernhardt in *Sarah in America* for Art Nova Gala; and Gertrude in *Hamlet* for Theatre Renaissance. Highlights of her stage work: Eleanor of Aquitaine in *Lion in Winter* (Best Actress Award); First Place Panoply Solo Acting Competition Award; First Place Panoply Duet Acting Competition Award; Emily Brent in *Ten Little Indians* (Best Supporting Actress Award); and writing and producing several Christian plays.

## Bethany Fuller



### Plays Molly

**Bethany Fuller:** lives in Russellville, AL with her husband Chris and two children. (Aidan-9 and Lucas-7) she has been involved in theatre since the age of 13. She was a theatre major at the University of Alabama. Her heart is in the stage but she has really enjoyed being a part of Cast Light and playing this role with her father Jerry Boyd. This is her second production with the Co-Op. (Miracle in the Coppice, 2011)

## Kasey Clayton



### Plays Jack Mason

Kasey Clayton is a Finance student at the University of Alabama-Huntsville and last appeared in UAH's production of Shakespeare's "Comedy of Errors" as Dromio of Syracuse. He would like to thank all of his friends and family who helped him take part in this production; especially his mother, Steffany, and father, Jim. He would like to dedicate his work on this project to his son, Aiden, and invite anyone interested to visit [Water.org](http://Water.org).

"I was asked to share a special moment from the production of this film but found it difficult to choose just one. Having the opportunity to work with and get to know so many volunteers who sacrificed time from their families and lives to work long hours producing a message that raises awareness to a problem that devastates so many families (You are not alone! – [www.al-anon.alateen.org](http://www.al-anon.alateen.org)) was a special experience every day of filming. I would also like to publically thank Dennis Packard for giving me the opportunity to witness a man's passion and dedication make his dream of helping others through his craft a reality. It's an experience I will never forget."