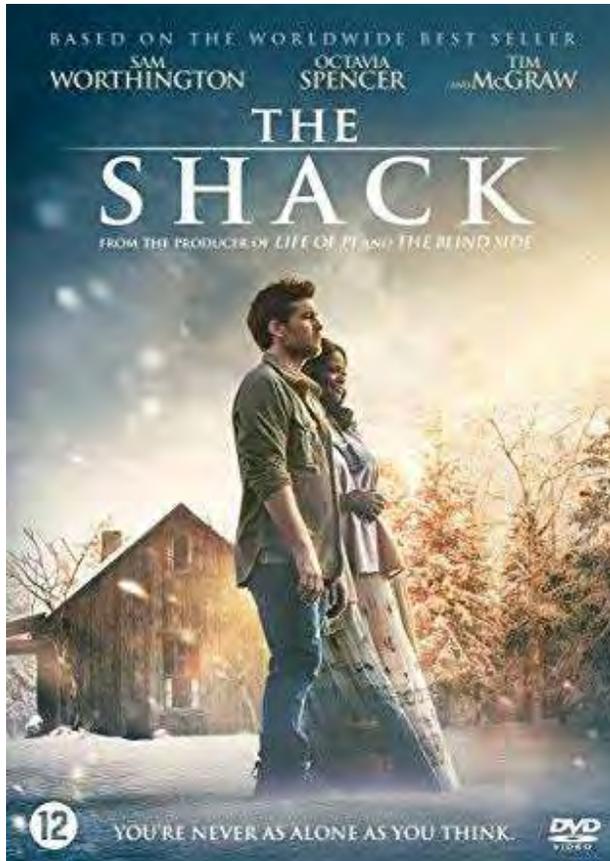


WFWP Stuttgart/Germany's Gathering: The Shack - A Weekend with God

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WFWP Germany hosted a gathering to watch the film 'The Shack – A Weekend with God' at the UPF Center in Stuttgart.

Ute Lemme gave a short presentation about the author of the best-selling book that the 2016 movie is based upon. The fundamental question tackled in this film is: 'Why does an almighty God allow so much suffering?'

The answer offered in the film is that 'God is not as we have assumed. God loves you, God understands you, God is generous and forgiving, God is good. God is never disappointed by you.'

In preparation for the film, Ute Lemme presented a brief overview and pointed out that the 'weekend in the shack' is really the time when the father of the family, MacKenzie, is in a coma and has a life-changing experience with God.

Then we watched the impressive two-hour long movie on a large screen. Some of us were moved to tears. Afterwards we shared our impressions. Many different comments were made. One lady wished to buy the film for herself; a Buddhist stressed that we

should not create any image of God; and another woman insisted that the person who abducted and murdered the child absolutely had to be punished.

This afternoon led to intensive debate and each one of us will personally continue to consider the issues raised.

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