

Joshua Weigel

Director, Writer & Producer, *Sound of Hope*
Adoptive Parent



Joshua Weigel is an award-winning filmmaker with a unique ability to create deeply moving stories that transform and inspire action. Gaining a strong vision for filmmaking at a young age, Joshua got his start over 25 years ago at the WBTV Network and was soon working alongside some of the industry's top creatives as a Production Designer and Art Director on network promos and national commercials, including work for ABC Family, Disney, McDonalds, Bud Light, and award-winning Super Bowl spots.

Joshua began working closely with his wife, Rebekah, writing and producing award winning short films which he directed, culminating with what has become one of the most beloved short films of all-time, *The Butterfly Circus*, a viral phenomenon receiving over 100 million views, and garnering over 35 film festival awards, including the Clint Eastwood Filmmaker Award presented to Joshua by Clint Eastwood at the Carmel Film Festival.

Together Josh and his wife Rebekah founded PEACETREE PRODUCTIONS, a company devoted to creating life-changing, spiritually significant entertainment, highlighting critical social issues and powerful narratives aimed at capturing the most compelling stories of our time. As an adoptive parent, Joshua was powerfully impacted by the Possum Trot story, and began producing and developing the script with Rebekah on spec over an eight-year period. Joshua directed the film and the Weigels produced through Peacetree in association with Letitia Wright's Threesixteen Entertainment. After *Sound of Hope: The Story of Possum Trot*, the Weigels will pursue production of the highly anticipated feature length adaptation of *THE BUTTERFLY CIRCUS*.