

How 'Overcomer' Breakout Star Found Freedom in God While on Set

Overcomer actress Aryn Wright-Thompson is using her newfound popularity to glorify God.

"It is like when I got to school, people ask [me for] pictures, or they asked for my autograph, which is kind of weird, but it's fun," said Wright-Thompson. She played Hannah in *Overcomer*, the lone high-school, cross-country athlete.

"I also go speak to churches, I go speak to youth groups, and I just preach the gospel and tell them about how much God means to me, and how much He is evident in my life, and all the things that He does in my life," Wright-Thompson continued. "I tell them that He is doing the same thing for them, and He is there for them, but we have to seek Him first. I just let them know that God's always there for them. I'm glad that now I have a platform to where I can preach to more people."

It's working.

Wright-Thompson said people tell her that they accepted Christ based on a scene in *Overcomer* where Hannah prays for salvation with the school principal, played by Priscilla Shirer.

"I've heard a lot of stories like that, and I think those are the ones that touched my heart the most just knowing that I get to help somebody learn who God is and learn that He loves you so much," Wright-Thompson said.

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