

MercyMe's Bart Millard Remembers His Mother's Key Role in His Radical Salvation

MercyMe frontman Bart Millard revealed in a July 6 Instagram post that his mother, Adele Millard, passed away and has gone to be "with Jesus."

"My sweet mom went to be with Jesus this morning around 5:30 a.m. Thankful my brother and I were with her," he wrote. "Even more thankful she's now with so many that have been cheering her on from heaven. She's now a bigger part of my future than of my past."

Millard concluded the message with a touching and straightforward note to his mother: "I love you, mom."

Fans might remember that MercyMe's mega-hit *I Can Only Imagine*, as well as the 2018 film by the same name, centered on Millard's harrowing personal story.

The movie offered raw details about the abuse he faced and the struggles he endured growing up, including his mother leaving him with his volatile father.

Millard made peace with his mother years before her death, though, and his mom even reconnected with his father, Arthur, and became friends with him before his death.

I Can Only Imagine shows how Arthur came to accept Christ and change his life—something Millard and his mom later witnessed in its full beauty and form.

The singer's reconciliation with his parents is one of the most potent contemporary testaments to faith and forgiveness, which caused the film to resonate with many.{eoa}

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