

Kûrosing / *Crossing*



Synopsis

Yong-soo lives in a small coal-mine village in North Korea with his wife and young son. Although living in extreme poverty, the family is happy just to be with each other. Then one day, Yong-soo's pregnant wife becomes critically ill. Let alone medicine, Yong-soo can't even find food for her in North Korea. So he secretly crosses the borders of China hoping to find the medicine for his wife. After many life threatening moments in China, Yong-soo is forced into South Korea, becoming an unwanted refugee prohibited to return to his family. Meanwhile, his wife passes away leaving their young son alone in desperation. With no one to turn to, his young son sets out to find his father. After some wandering he meets a young girlfriend whose family has been killed. They try to go to China but are caught and sent to a concentration camp where the little girl dies. In the meanwhile, Yong-soo is trying his best from Seoul to make his family come to him. He learns that his wife passed away, and his only hope is to bring his son back. A female contact in the North Korean army manages to deliver the son and make him cross the border. He is then supposed to cross to Mongolia with a group of women refugees and meet his father there. But the operation is jeopardized by a crazy woman and the little boy ends up alone in the Mongolian desert where he dies... His father buries him and on his way to South Korea, a sudden rain gives him an unexpected spiritual revelation... (source: KOFIC)

Data sheet

Director: KIM Tae-kyun (김태균 / 金太均) (DOB 1960)

Main Cast: CHA In-pyo, SHIN Myoung-cheol

Release Date: JUNE 26 2008

Genre: Drama

Production: Camp B

Executive Producer: CHIN Hee-moon, JHUNG Seung-koo, JUNG Eui-seok, KIM Sun-yong

Producer: HONG Ji-yong

Screenplay: LEE Yu-jin

Cinematography: JUNG Han-chul

Editing: KO Im-pyo; Park A-young

Lighting: PARK Gun-woo
Music: KIM Tae-sung
Art Director: KIM Hyun-ok

Production Budget: US\$ 6M
Distribution: Fine Cut Co
107 mn, 35mm, Color
Rate: Over 12
Box-office results: 888,942 nationwide (as of November 2008).