

26 January 2025

**The Pursuit** 

Ruth 3



# THE FLOW OF WORSHIP



#### **ADORATION**

Welcome Call to Worship Together Worship in Songs

#### **CONFESSION & RENEWAL**

Guests' Spotlight
Greeting, Offering, Dismissal
Testimony / Ministry Spotlight
Scripture Reading
Sermon

### COMMITMENT

Songs of Response Benediction

### **COMMUNITY GROUPS**

We are small disciple-making communities pursuing Jesus and serving, growing and reaching out together. For more information, email community@watermarkchurch.hk.

#### **ISLAND WEST**

BROKEN VESSELS (Sai Ying Pun) | Mon 7:30pm
SHALOM (Sai Ying Pun) | Thu 7:30pm
LIVING STONES (Sai Ying Pun) | Thu 7:30pm
JARS OF CLAY (Sai Ying Pun) | Fri 7:30pm
MANDARIN CG | Fri 8:00pm
INNER CHAMBERS (Kennedy Town) | Sat 3:00pm

### **ISLAND CENTRAL**

UPPER ROOM (Wan Chai) | Fri 7:30pm BREAKING BREAD (Parkview) | Fri 7:30pm ABIDE (Tinhau) | Thu 8:00pm MIDLEVELS CG | Thu 8:00pm

#### **OTHERS**

THE OAKS (Shatin) | Wed 7:30pm
INSIDE OUT (Jordan) | Thu 7:30pm
THE MESSENGERS (West Kowloon) | Fri 7:30pm
OASIS (Jordan) | Fri 7:30pm

### REGULAR MINISTRIES

MOMS FELLOWSHIP (Sai Ying Pun) | Wed 10:00am

INTERNATIONAL CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP (Sai Ying Pun) | Wed 7:30pm

<sup>\*</sup> We also have a number of Family Groups meeting after the service at Ebenezer, for families with young children.

# Ruth 3 (ESV)

**3** Then Naomi her mother-in-law said to her, "My daughter, should I not seek rest for you, that it may be well with you? <sup>2</sup> Is not Boaz our relative, with whose young women you were? See, he is winnowing barley tonight at the threshing floor. <sup>3</sup>Wash therefore and anoint yourself, and put on your cloak and go down to the threshing floor, but do not make yourself known to the man until he has finished eating and drinking. <sup>4</sup>But when he lies down, observe the place where he lies. Then go and uncover his feet and lie down, and he will tell you what to do." <sup>5</sup>And she replied, "All that you say I will do."

<sup>6</sup> So she went down to the threshing floor and did just as her mother-in-law had commanded her. <sup>7</sup> And when Boaz had eaten and drunk, and his heart was merry, he went to lie down at the end of the heap of grain. Then she came softly and uncovered his feet and lay down. <sup>8</sup> At midnight the man was startled and turned over, and behold, a woman lay at his feet! <sup>9</sup> He said, "Who are you?" And she answered, "I am Ruth, your servant. Spread your wings over your servant, for you are a redeemer." <sup>10</sup> And he said, "May you be blessed by the LORD, my daughter. You have made this last kindness greater than the first in that you have not gone after young men, whether poor or rich. <sup>11</sup> And now, my daughter, do not fear. I will do for you all that you ask, for all my fellow townsmen know that you are a worthy woman. <sup>12</sup> And now it is true that I am a redeemer. Yet there is a redeemer nearer than I. <sup>13</sup> Remain tonight, and in the morning, if he will redeem you, good; let him do it. But if he is not willing to redeem you, then, as the LORD lives, I will redeem you. Lie down until the morning."

<sup>14</sup>So she lay at his feet until the morning, but arose before one could recognize another. And he said, "Let it not be known that the woman came to the threshing floor." <sup>15</sup>And he said, "Bring the garment you are wearing and hold it out." So she held it, and he measured out six measures of barley and put it on her. Then she went into the city. <sup>16</sup>And when she came to her mother-in-law, she said, "How did you fare, my daughter?" Then she told her all that the man had done for her, <sup>17</sup>saying, "These six measures of barley he gave to me, for he said to me, 'You must not go back emptyhanded to your mother-in-law." <sup>18</sup>She replied, "Wait, my daughter, until you learn how the matter turns out, for the man will not rest but will settle the matter today."

# WHAT'S HAPPENING

WhatsApp Communications | To receive weekly announcements, please add the following phone number to your contact list: **5501 5196** (if you miss this step you will not be able to receive our messages). If you have not given us your contact details prior, please send us a WhatsApp message with your full name, so we can add you to our WhatsApp message list. Aside from WhatsApp, you'll be able to find Watermark information on our Website, Watermark Post (send to email), and Sunday Announcements.

**ICM Winter Ministry Report** | ICM's latest ministry report is out! Check out the highlights during the Christmas season especially their 30th Anniversary and see God's amazing providence all throughout. God is indeed faithful to His people. Thank you WM family for your support both financially and in prayers. Scan to the right to review the report!



**Feb 1 (Sat)** | **ICF Prayer Night X CNY Celebration** | Join ICF on Feb 1st, 730pm-9pm eat, chat with students with various religious background, Muslim/ atheist with free food and prayer! Sign up by contact Solace through email/ chat. Talk to Solace, our university minister who's at the back or Sam lung. Email solace@watermarkchurch.hk for more info.

Feb 10 to Mar 31 (Mon) | God, Sex and Your Marriage | Each of us has a picture of what sex is supposed to look like. The picture is often shaped by Culture, The Church, and your own personal experiences. But is this truly how God designed sex within marriage to look like? Join us for a book discussion on the book "God, Sex and Your Marriage" starting Mondays Feb 10-March 31st from 7.30-9 pm. All meetings will be on Zoom, except the first and last which will be held at the community center. The cost will be \$150 per couple (which will include two copies of the book). Sign up is open to married couples only and spaces are limited. To sign up, please scan the Events Sign up Form QR code below.

**Feb 17 to Mar 10 (Mon)** | **Explore** | Is there more to life than this? How can I build flourishing relationships? Where can I find peace and hope? Explore is a chance for those unfamiliar with Christianity to explore these and other questions together. Do join us or invite your friends who would be interested! Starts February 17, every Monday for 4 weeks, 7:30-9:30pm at the CC including a meal. To sign up, please scan the Events Sign up Form QR code below.

**Feb 22 (Sat)** | **HK Men's Conference 2025** | Come join the 2025 Men's Conference at St Andrew'! Gather with hundreds of Christian men from around Hong Kong for a morning of worship, teaching and fellowship, encouraging each other to live as men for Christ in this city. Saturday 22 February, 9:30am-12:30pm followed by lunch. Speak to Niels for more info.

# TITHING & OFFERING

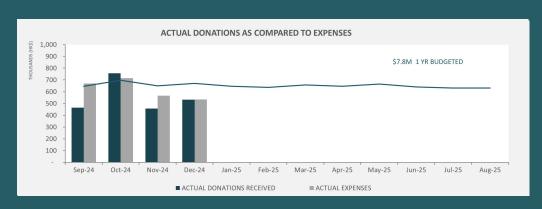
The gospel is the story of God's radical generosity to us: the giving of Himself. Knowing that all we have is from Him, as an act of faith, obedience and worship, we joyfully give back to His kingdom advancement through tithes and offerings.

## Here are ways you can give on Sunday at our collection boxes or during the week:

For direct transfers, please debit to our HSBC account: 004 808 829 709 838 (savings) and email finance@watermarkchurch.hk to inform us of the transfer.

Cheques should be made payable to: "Watermark Community Church Limited". For US citizen/ residents who wish to have a US tax receipt, each donation must be at least US\$100 (or HK\$800) and made payable to "Friends of Hong Kong Charities Inc." We cannot accept cash offerings for FOHK; all contributions must be made by cheque. Cheques (both to Watermark and to FOHK) can be mailed to Watermark Community Centre.

You can also donate via FPS. Our FPS ID is: 164253833.





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Sunday Services

Ebenezer: 10:30am

Watermark Community Centre: 2:30pm