

THE BOOK OF ACTS

THE WORK OF GOD IN THE SPREAD OF THE GOSPEL

18 May 2025

The Day the Church Was Born

Acts 2:1-41



WATERMARK
COMMUNITY CHURCH

Acts 2:1-19 (ESV)

2 When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. ²And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. ⁴And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

⁵Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. ⁶And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. ⁷And they were amazed and astonished, saying, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? ⁹Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, ¹¹both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God.” ¹²And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” ¹³But others mocking said, “They are filled with new wine.”

¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them: “Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words. ¹⁵For these people are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. ¹⁶But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel:

“And in the last days it shall be, God declares,
that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh,
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
and your young men shall see visions,
and your old men shall dream dreams;

¹⁸even on my male servants and female servants
in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy.

¹⁹And I will show wonders in the heavens above
and signs on the earth below,
blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke;

Acts 2:20-35 (ESV)

²⁰ the sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,

before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day.

²¹ And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

²² "Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with mighty works and wonders and signs that God did through him in your midst, as you yourselves know— ²³ this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men. ²⁴ God raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it. ²⁵ For David says concerning him,

"I saw the Lord always before me,

for he is at my right hand that I may not be shaken;

²⁶ therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced;
my flesh also will dwell in hope.

²⁷ For you will not abandon my soul to Hades,
or let your Holy One see corruption.

²⁸ You have made known to me the paths of life;
you will make me full of gladness with your presence.'

²⁹ "Brothers, I may say to you with confidence about the patriarch David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. ³⁰ Being therefore a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would set one of his descendants on his throne, ³¹ he foresaw and spoke about the resurrection of the Christ, that he was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh see corruption. ³² This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses. ³³ Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this that you yourselves are seeing and hearing. ³⁴ For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he himself says,

"The Lord said to my Lord,

"Sit at my right hand,

³⁵ until I make your enemies your footstool.'"

Acts 2:30-41 (ESV)

³⁶Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified.”

³⁷Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, “Brothers, what shall we do?” ³⁸And Peter said to them, “Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself.” ⁴⁰And with many other words he bore witness and continued to exhort them, saying, “Save yourselves from this crooked generation.” ⁴¹So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.

THE FLOW OF WORSHIP

ADORATION

Welcome
Call to Worship Together
Worship in Songs

CONFESSION & RENEWAL

Guests' Spotlight
Greeting, Offering, Dismissal
Prayer
Scripture Reading
Sermon

COMMITMENT

Songs of Response
Baptism Testimonies
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
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
GRACE (Midlevels) | Thu 8:00pm

OTHERS

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

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

REGULAR MINISTRIES

MOMS FELLOWSHIP (Sai Ying Pun) | Wed 10:00am
INTERNATIONAL CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP (Sai Ying Pun) | Wed 7:30pm

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Watermark 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.

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Today | Baptism | We are so excited that we will be baptizing those who have come to faith recently. Come join this Sunday at Ebenezer after the service to celebrate God's grace and welcome them into the church family. Sunday service starts 10:30 and afterwards 12:15 near the Ebenezer Pool for Baptism. Enjoy a cup of coffee after the baptism. For more questions, please email at hello@watermarkchurch.hk.



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.

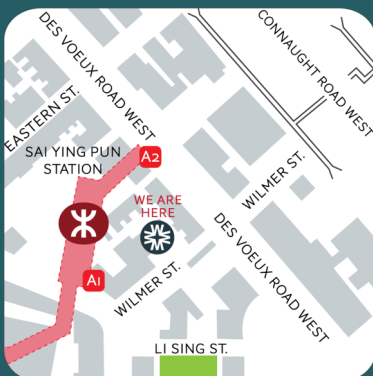
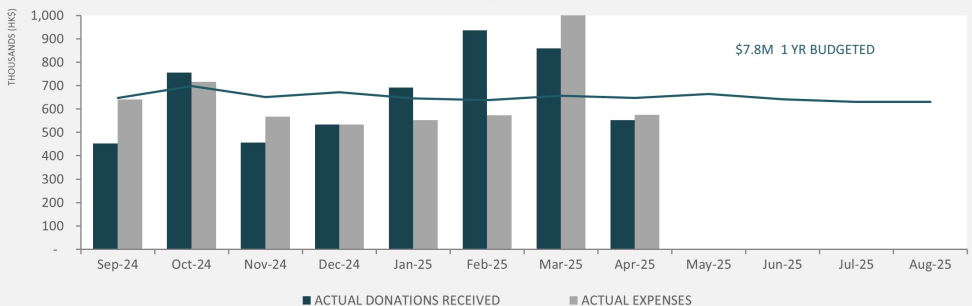
Here are ways you can give on Sunday at our collection boxes or during the week:

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.

ACTUAL DONATIONS AS COMPARED TO EXPENSES



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Sunday Services

Ebenezer: 10:30am

Watermark Community Centre: 2:30pm