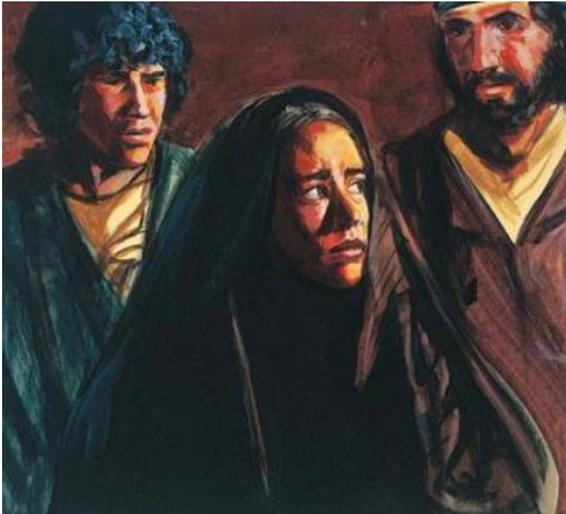


The Voice

Penshurst Anglican Church

We welcome you to our celebrations this morning! If you are a visitor here today, we pray that the Triune God of grace will richly meet you where you are, in the fellowship of His people here at PAC. We also invite you to make yourself known to us through the visitor forms found in the pew holders.

The Reality of Ruth



Chapter One:
***The Reality
of
Pain***



Sunday, 6 September, 2015

Preaching program

Next Sermon Series:

“The Reality of Ruth” (Preacher: David Watkins)

Sept 6	<i>The Reality of Pain</i>	Ruth 1:1-7, 14-16, 19-22; Hebrews 11:29-39
Sept 13	<i>The Reality of God</i>	Ruth 2:1-13, 3:1-13; Hebrews 2:5-18
Sept 20	<i>The Reality of Hope</i>	Ruth 4:1-12 Luke 2:1-7

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sion? Then this job is for you! We are seeking experienced supervisors that contribute to more people serving overseas with SIM and to Carmen de Rooy at carmen.derooy@sim.org.au or phone 02 8568 8873.



**Saturday,
September
26th,**
in the church
hall.

Our annual **Missions Month** is fast approaching!
Please begin to set aside things that you would like to donate to us to sell.

10:30 Combined Worship Roster

Date	Welcome	Music Team	Prayer Leaders	Bible Reader	Counters
Sep-06	Peter, Marilyn,	Team 2- Stephen, Bing, Aisen, Jennifer , George, Tina, Selina	Holy Communion	Naomi	Marilyn,
Sep-13	Andrew C., Naomi	Team 3- Rueves & Kat , Gordon, Josh, Sarah, James, Karen, Amy		Tam	Steve
Sep-20	lina,	Team 4- Brian, Gordon, Michael, Hua, Catherine, Nancy Lee , Amelia	Holy Communion	Kathie	Steve, Doris

Calendar of Upcoming Events

Sept 1-21	Bart & Kim away in USA
Sat., Sept. 26	Mid-Autumn Festival
Sept 27- Nov 1	Missions Month
Nov. 20-22	Church Camp at 'Telford Lodge' in the royal National Park

Pray for Persecuted Christians

"One thing I ask of the Lord, this is what I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to seek him in his temple... Then my head will be exalted above the enemies who surround me; at his tabernacle will I sacrifice with shouts of joy; I will sing and make music to the Lord." (Psalm 27:4,6)

Brother Zhang, a young medical doctor and preacher in Zhejiang, China, refused to join the government Three Self Patriotic Church. He was arrested and spent eighteen years in prison. He shares this testimony...

"The eighteen years were a tremendous spiritual challenge, which brought great blessings I never before thought possible in my life. Prison officials ordered me to empty the camp night-soil pit, the prison's cesspool. Although most of the other prisoners dreaded night-soil pit duty as the most difficult task in prison, I accepted this assignment without complaint. The pit stored all the human excrement, both liquid and solid, from the entire camp. Not only did I walk into this disease-ridden mess to remove it, but I had to breathe its stench as I scooped away hundreds of shovel loads into collection buckets for others to carry to the fields.

One reason I could enjoy working in the night-soil pit was the solitude. All the guards and other prisoners avoided the night-soil pit. Surrounded only by foul air and human waste, I could sing music of praise to God as loudly as I wanted. And the guards were never close enough to protest this otherwise objectionable behaviour!

One of my favourite songs during those days was 'In the Garden.' My Chinese night-soil pit was hardly the garden that the composer of that hymn had in mind! But God delivered great happiness to me to be able to sing His praises in such earthly misery."

RESPONSE: Today I will sing praises to God no matter how terrible my circumstances turn out to be.

PRAYER: Lord, may all Christian prisoners experience the joy of praising You in their trials this day.

Cell Groups at Penshurst Anglican Church

Our church calls itself a 'cell church', built upon the Biblical idea that the primary way that God's people can truly live out the Gospel is through small, intentional communities (called 'cells'). It is here where Jesus is given a far more intimate opportunity to do His work of transformation.

English-Speaking Cell Groups/	Day/time/frequency
Bart VandenHengel	Tuesday / 7:30pm/weekly
Gaye Bishop	Tuesday / 7:30pm/ fortnightly
Cliff Seeto	Weds / 7:30pm/ fortnightly
Megan & Jeff Powys	Thursday / 7:30pm/ weekly
ReCharge! (University+ group)	Thursday / 7:30pm/ weekly
PAC Youth Group	Friday / 7:30-9:30 pm/ weekly
'The Quiet Place' prayer meeting	Sunday / 7pm/weekly

If you are interested in joining one of these cells, you can either talk directly to one of the group leaders or to Bart for more guidance on which cell will fit you best. You may even want to start your own!

Sunday School:

Our Sunday School program runs during the 10:30am services, and only during school term. There are four classes available, based roughly on a child's age:

- Ages 3-5 Coordinators: Karen Fu (in upper hall classroom 1)
- Ages 6-7 Coordinator: Hua (Nancy) Feng (in basement of hall)
- Ages 8-10 Coordinator: Bart VandenHengel (in library)
- Years 11-12+ Coordinator: George Chan (in upper hall classroom 2)



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Pastors: Bart VandenHengel (English speaking congregations)
Aisen Ju (Mandarin speaking congregation)

Sunday Services: (8am) Prayer Book Service w/ Holy Communion
(10:30am) Bi-lingual Celebration service in English and Mandarin

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