

"Watching a movie is an act of contemplation...a film becomes an instrument for a dialogue with God...in a movie we are shown particular representations of life that draw us beyond our immediate conscious concerns...we move from superficial analysis to utilitarian agenda (eg. gleaning a moral story) to deep personal engagement." (Finding God in the Dark, Pungente & Williams)

"Movies are parables of our culture. Movies are made up of "moments' - earthly stories that sometimes have heavenly meanings. Can we discern God's voice in the modern parables of film? Yes, it is there, sometimes loud and clear, sometimes barely a whisper, sometimes even despite the film maker's intent." (Reflections on the Movies, Ken Gire)

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We go to movies for a variety of reasons - entertainment, information, distraction or simply, to catch a glimpse of our favourite star in action. Consider this - if we are willing, a movie can be a place where God can interact with us and reveal something deep within us. Some of the questions we ask when watching a movie are: Where in the film were you especially moved? What is life-giving? What is not life-giving? What made you feel alive? Allow them to be entry into prayer: have a conversation with God about what moved you - a memory, an association, a question.

As part of its retreat ministry, ICM presents this movie retreat with the film, 'The Devil Wears Prada', hosted by Canning Garden Methodist Church, Ipoh. You are invited to experience how watching and reflecting on movies can be a means of spiritual formation. There will be time for personal reflection, prayer and small group discussion. This movie retreat will be directed & facilitated by Dr Lilian Koh and Mr Cheong Seng Gee, fellow ICM partners in formation ministry.



CANNING GARDEN METHODIST CHURCH, IPOH

10AM - 4PM (LUNCH PROVIDED) EARLY BIRD FEE (By 16th of March 2014): RM10 per person NORMAL FEE (After 16th of March 2014): RM15 per person For enquiry - Ms Christine Yu <u>christ1n3yu@yahoo.co.ul</u> To register - CGMC 05-5462023/ <u>cgmcipoh@gmail.com</u>