

Welcome!

Hope you and your New Year's Resolution are doing well. Are you reading more? Losing weight? Getting more sleep?

Many of us like the start of a new year and the sense of a fresh start it provides. I think fresh starts are good.

We're starting a 6-week series that capitalises on our "fresh start" as Christians. But rather than making goals to be a "better Christian", I want to challenge your thinking on what became "new" when you became a Christian.

Jesus came to truly revolutionise our whole approach to life. And though that sounds like an attractive offer, we somehow manage to often undermine this great promise, and live out a version of our faith that is not what He intended. These new few weeks can really be revolutionary for you, and for us as a church, as we intentionally focus on living in the new day of our faith.



Are you new here?
Come to our Newcomers Lunch
 Today, 7 January
 1:30 pm, 10/F Living Room

LEADERS

SENIOR PASTOR

Brett Hilliard
 brett.hilliard@islandecc.hk

EXECUTIVE PASTOR

Rick Bates
 rick.bates@islandecc.hk

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Phillip Chin
 phil.chin@islandecc.hk

ELDER BOARD

elders@islandecc.hk

PASTORS

pastors@islandecc.hk

BOLD FAITH OUR FOUR GOALS

The Bold Faith fund campaign is an initiative to establish a permanent venue in Hong Kong to advance God's kingdom. The objective is to raise sufficient funds to procure and own a building to enable our church to multiply ministries and serve our city well.



Bold Faith Fund [Target \$1 Billion]

Received	\$111.6 M	Outstanding Pledged	\$27.4 M
----------	-----------	---------------------	----------

Total Fund Received and Pledged \$139 M

GENERAL OFFERING

YEAR TO DATE (18 WEEKS)

-3.4% deficit on giving

Budget	\$26.2M
Giving	\$25.3M
Variance	-\$0.9M

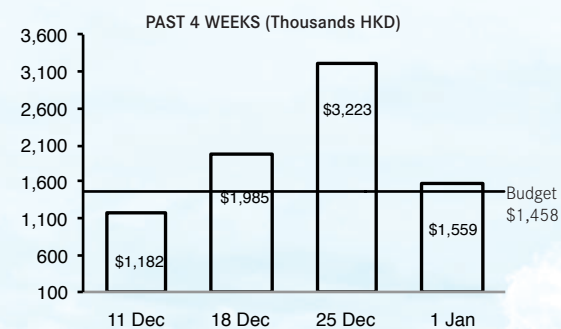
GIVING TO ISLAND ECC

We encourage those who consider Island ECC their church home to prayerfully give a percentage of their income to the church on a regular basis.

- Cheques payable:
- 'Island ECC Ltd.' for HK tax receipts
 - 'Friends of Hong Kong Charities Inc.' for US citizens

Enquiries:
 giving@islandecc.hk

FISCAL YEAR SEP 2017 - AUG 2018



WEEKLY

Budget	1,458	1,458	1,458	1,458
Giving	1,182	1,985	3,223	1,559
Variance	(276)	527	1,765	101

NEW DAY

Obsolete

January 7, 2018 9:30 am, 11:30 am, 3 pm, 5 pm
 633 King's Road, 1/F, 2/F, 10/F

HIGHLIGHTS

TODAY PRAYER AFTER SERVICE

We want to encourage the church to set aside time to pray today wherever you are and if you need to pray with people, feel free to approach our prayer volunteers at the front. Kindly leave the sanctuary quietly and respect those who are praying.

JAN 9 MEN'S FRATERNITY SPRING LAUNCH

Let your New Year's resolutions start with joining Men's Fraternity this Spring! Core and seasonal tracks are geared specifically for men! Be intentional and come for fellowship on Tuesday nights, 10/F, starting at 7 pm with dinner. Email men@islandecc.hk with questions.

JAN 10 THE VILLAGE SPRING LAUNCH

The Village Gathering is kicking off for Spring! Journey with other gals as you engage with God and His freeing truths, and start the new year with authentic community at The Village. Come join us at the kickoff on 2/F at 7 pm.

JAN 13 LIFE-CHANGING PRAYER WORKSHOP

Do you find praying hard? Are you not sure how to approach God or what that even means? Join Jennifer Tow and Rick Bates to learn more about prayer. 10 am - 2 pm, 10/F Auditorium. Lunch and a book will be provided for \$100. Register at the Connect Counters.

JAN 19-20 EMULATE YOUTH CONFERENCE

The EMULATE Youth Conference is back! EMULATE is a conference designed to encourage and equip students, and create fun, vibrant opportunities to connect with God and others. Tickets are available today at the Early Bird rate of \$250 at Connect Counters and on 11/F. For more information, email youth@islandecc.hk or visit islandecc.hk/emulate.

FEB 2-3 GLOBAL LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

Join us for the two-day Global Leadership Summit. GLS reaches 400,000 people from over 120 countries, and features inspiring speakers, both video cast and live, in Hong Kong. To register, visit glshk.org.

CLASSES

To register and for more information on the following classes, go to islandecc.hk/classes.

JAN 10 WALK THRU THE BOOK OF GALATIANS

The Letter to the Galatians is one of the most important letters from Paul the Apostle. In this Wednesday night class, we will explore both the theological and practical significance of this letter in relation to our Christian life. Materials cost \$200. Please sign up in advance at the Connect Counter on 1/F. Space is limited.

JAN 14 GROW DISCIPLESHIP COURSE LAUNCH

Want to take your walk with Christ to the next level? At GROW, participants learn how to establish a daily quiet time, read the Bible, fellowship with others, witness to non-believers and more. Find out more at the Launch Party, 1:30 pm - 3 pm, 10/F Auditorium. Simple lunch will be served.

JAN 14 FIVE LOVE LANGUAGES

What does love mean to you? How do you show love to others? Who needs more love, men or women? We will look at how the 5 languages of love can help us cultivate better relationships with our spouse, family, friends, colleagues in the society around us. The goal is for self-awareness and more. Join us for this 3-week class starting 14 January, 11:30 am - 1:00 pm, 7/F Classroom.

JAN 14 THEOLOGY 102

Are you ready to go deeper in your faith? Come and explore the beautiful and powerful truths that are central to what we believe as Christians. This course is about re-awakening your heart to the "depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!" (Romans 11:33) Join us from 14 January to 11 February at 9:30 am on 7/F Classroom. Email classes@islandecc.hk.

Morocco Mission Trip



OUTREACH

JAN 20 MOBILE SHOPPING FAIR

It's the time of the month when volunteers will help deliver goods and spend some time chatting with the immobile families from Shek Kip Mei who have ordered from St. James' Settlement at a reduced fair price. We are looking for 20 volunteers to help out on Saturday, 9 am - 11:30 am. Please email volunteer@hopeofthecity.com for more information.

JAN 24 NORTH KOREA EVENING

One of Island ECC's supported partners will share their experiences as educators in North Korea. Come and hear surprising stories of how doors are opening to mentor the next generation of young North Koreans. Starts at 8 pm, 2/F. Doors open at 7 pm for light refreshments. For more information, email go@islandecc.hk.

MAR 3-11 MEN'S VIETNAM MISSION TRIP

Registration Deadline: 14 January

Partner with Men's Fraternity to share the gospel through words and actions to the closed country of Vietnam. The team is returning for the seventh year to build structures and relationships for a middle school. For more information, or to register, email men@islandecc.hk.

7 JANUARY 2018

Obsolete

²⁰ We are therefore Christ's **ambassadors**, as though God were making His appeal through us.

2 Corinthians 5:20

¹⁹ Do you not know that your bodies are **temples** of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; you were bought at a price. Therefore honour God with your bodies.

1 Corinthians 6:19

¹⁷ Do not think that I have come to abolish the **Law** or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to **fulfill** them.

Matthew 5:17

⁸ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be My witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth

Acts 1:8

All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹ Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.

Matthew 28:18-20

⁶ The only thing that counts is faith expressing itself through love.

Galatians 5:6

¹⁴ For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one command: "Love your neighbour as yourself.

Galatians 5:14

NEW TO ISLAND ECC

- 1 MEET US AT THE CONNECT COUNTER
- 2 VISIT OUR WEBSITE [f](#) [t](#) [i](#)
- 3 CONNECT WITH US!

MEN
men@islandecc.hk

WOMEN
women@islandecc.hk

SINGLES
singles@islandecc.hk

YOUTH
youth@islandecc.hk

CHILDREN
kidsclub@islandecc.hk

WORSHIP
worship@islandecc.hk

VOLUNTEER
serve@islandecc.hk

PRAYER
prayer@islandecc.hk

CARE GROUPS
caregroups@islandecc.hk

CLASSES
classes@islandecc.hk

OUTREACH
GLOBAL
go@islandecc.hk

HONG KONG
info@hopeofthecity.com

FILIPINO
filipino@islandecc.hk

INDONESIAN
indonesian@islandecc.hk

For other questions,
please contact
info@islandecc.hk

✂ TEAR OFF THIS CORNER AND PLACE INTO THE OFFERING BAG
Want to learn more about us?
Name _____
Email _____
Phone _____