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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	\$27.1 M
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Total Fund Received and Pledged \$138.7 M

GENERAL OFFERING

YEAR TO DATE (19 WEEKS)

-2.5% deficit on giving

Budget	\$27.7M
Giving	\$27.0M
Variance	-\$0.7M

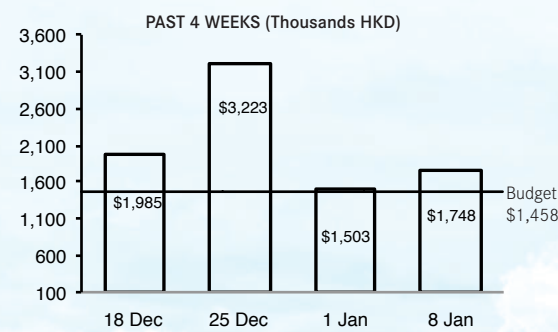
GIVING TO ISLAND ECC

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	1,985	3,223	1,503	1,748
Variance	527	1,765	45	290

Welcome!

Once again, let me express my personal thanks to you for your amazing generosity at Christmas. Through our Christmas Love Offering, you gave \$3.8 million, all of which will be used to bless others. We will now eagerly partner with other organisations in our city and throughout Asia to make sure that money gets used well. Many lives will be made better because of your generosity. Thank you!

We launched the spring seasons of both Men's Fraternity and The Village for Women this past week. Both got off to a great start with about 200 people coming to one of these events. It's a great way to meet people, go deeper in faith, and surround yourself with like-minded people on this spiritual journey.

Octopus living? Do you have any idea how that title will tie in to the sermon? Listen up. :)



Are you new here?
Come to our Newcomers Lunch
Sunday, 4 February
1:30 pm, 10/F Living Room

NEW DAY
Octopus Living
January 14, 2018 9:30 am, 11:30 am, 3 pm, 5 pm
633 King's Road, 1/F, 2/F, 10/F

HIGHLIGHTS

EVERY TUESDAY **MEN'S FRATERNITY**

We believe men need other men to journey through life as they celebrate and overcome challenges together. We need other men to rally around us, strengthen us, have man-to-man honesty, and experience got-your-back friendships. Men's Fraternity aims to nurture a brotherhood where men seek to live each day for the God they love. Dinner at 7 pm. Come join us, 7:30 - 9:30 pm, 10/F Auditorium.

EVERY WEDNESDAY **THE VILLAGE**

The Village Gathering has kicked off for Spring! Come and be part of the sisterhood we are building at Island ECC. Journey with other gals in the same life stage throughout the season as you engage at that interface between God's freeing truths and your life. Come join us every Wednesday, 7:00 - 10pm, 2/F Auditorium.

JAN 19-20 **EMULATE TICKETS FINAL CALL**

EMULATE is the Island Youth conference taking place on 19-20 January. This is an amazing opportunity for your youth to grow in their faith, get connected and learn how vital they are to the church. This is the last day to purchase tickets at the Connect Counter, so get your ticket today! For more information, email youth@islandecc.hk or visit islandecc.hk/emulate.

JAN 20 **ONE SERVICE FOR ISLAND YOUTH**

Following EMULATE, Island Youth will be having one service in lieu of our 9:30 and 11:30 am services. Our service will start at 10:30 am and conclude at 12 pm. Guest worship leader Craig Rigney along with illusionist Jared Hall will be joining us!

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. Take advantage of a special \$50 discount for Island ECC friends by using the promo code "50-rmk535" at glshk.org.

CLASSES

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

TODAY **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. Simple lunch will be served. Find out more at the Launch Party, 1:30 - 3:00 pm, 10/F Auditorium.

TODAY **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 and colleagues. The goal is for self-awareness and more. Join us for this 3-week class starting today, 11:30 am - 1:00 pm, 7/F Classroom.

TODAY **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 today, 9:30 am, 7/F Classroom. Email classes@islandecc.hk.

FEB 4 **JESUS: THE BIOGRAPHY**

Jesus lived in 1st Century Israel. To understand His message fully, it is vital that we get to know this time and place, which was as complicated politically, religiously, culturally and socially as our own age. Join Martin Radford in 7/F Classroom from 11:30 am - 1:00 pm for this 8-week course as we study the life of our Messiah in His time and place.

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 who have ordered from St. James' Settlement at a reduced price in Shek Kip Mei. We are looking for 20 volunteers to help out on Saturday, 9:00 - 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 experience as educators in North Korea. Come and hear surprising stories of how doors are opening to mentor the next generation of young North Koreans. Wednesday, 24 January, 8 pm, 2/F Auditorium. Doors open at 7 pm for light refreshments. For more information, email go@islandecc.hk.

JAN 27 **SENIOR HOME CLEANING**

One of the most difficult challenges faced by senior citizens is keeping their home clean. Hope of the City is working with Hong Kong Family Welfare Society to help the elderly in North Point make their home decent again before Chinese New Year. volunteers will spend time caring for the elderly. Saturday, 27 January, 2:30 - 4:30 pm. To register, email volunteer@hopeofthecity.com.

JAN 28 **WELCOME HOME VOLUNTEER OPEN HOUSE**

Because we love, we serve! Come join us to find out more about how you can serve! Please get a free ticket at the Connect Counter. Light lunch provided. Sunday, 28 January, 1:30 - 2:30 pm, 10/F Living Room. For more information, email serve@islandecc.hk

FEB 4 **PRAY FOR JAPAN**

We are gathering to pray for Japan. To all who have a heart for the people and care for the spiritual well-being of this nation, let's get together to pray. Sunday, 4 February, 2 - 4 pm, 11/F Small Group Room. For more information, email go@islandecc.hk.

MAR 3-11 **MEN'S VIETNAM MISSION TRIP**

Registration Deadline: 30 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.

OPPORTUNITIES

If you are interested in the opportunities below, send your CV and a cover letter to hr@islandecc.hk. Go to islandecc.hk/about-us/employment-opportunities for more information.

JUNIOR ACCOUNTING ASSISTANT

We are looking for a full-time Junior Accounting Assistant for our Finance office. Duties include data entry and checking, counting, file system management, mailing, bank errand running, and administratively supporting the Finance Director. Good maths and MS Excel skills, attention to detail, and ability to multitask are required. Must be proficient in written and spoken English.

NEW TO ISLAND ECC

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

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Octopus Living

¹⁴ Then John's disciples came and asked him, "How is that we and the Pharisees fast often, but your disciples do not fast?"

¹⁵ Jesus answered, "How can the guests of the bridegroom mourn while he is with them? The time will come when the bridegroom will be taken from them; then they will fast.

¹⁶ No one sews a patch of unshrunk cloth on an old garment, for the patch will pull away from the garment, making the tear worse.

¹⁷ Neither do people pour new wine into old wineskins. If they do, the skins will burst; the wine will run out and the wineskins will be ruined. No, they poured new wine into new wineskins, and both are preserved."

Matthew 9:14-17

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