

# Welcome!

Happy New Year of the Dog!

May the Lord bless you and your families with abundance!

Jesus promised us that He came that we “may have life and have it abundantly” (John 10:10). Who would say no to that? And, what does a life of abundance look like to you? All of us sitting here may see differently what an abundant life should be; some might see abundance as wealth and power; some might see it as having good health and having great relationships with loved ones. Whatever your view is on abundant life, today we will look at what an abundant life is from God’s perspective. So, buckle up because today may be the scariest but best day of your life!

*Daniel*

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

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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.

**B**RING  
PEOPLE  
TO WORSHIP  
JESUS

**O**PTIMISE  
TRAINING AND  
LEADERSHIP  
DEVELOPMENT

**L**OVE  
THE CITY

**D**EEPEN  
RELATIONSHIPS  
AND  
COMMUNITY

## Bold Faith Fund [Target \$1 Billion] Through January 2018

Received	\$112.9 M	Outstanding Pledged	\$26.4 M
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Total Fund Received and Pledged \$139.3 M

### GENERAL OFFERING

### FISCAL YEAR SEP 2017 – AUG 2018

#### YEAR TO DATE (25 WEEKS)

-1.9% deficit on giving

Budget	\$36.5M
Giving	\$35.8M
Variance	-\$0.7M

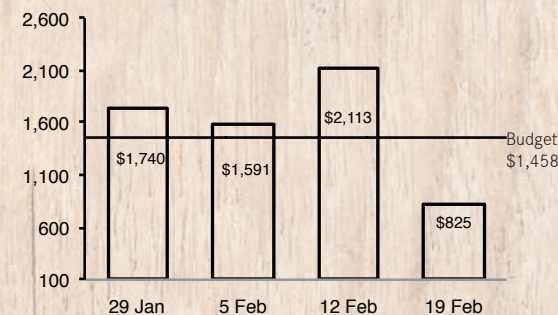
#### GIVING TO ISLAND ECC

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

#### PAST 4 WEEKS (Thousands HKD)



#### WEEKLY

	29 Jan	5 Feb	12 Feb	19 Feb
Budget	1,458	1,458	1,458	1,458
Giving	1,740	1,591	2,113	825
Variance	282	133	655	(633)

## ANCIENT PROMISES

### Stepping into Abundance

February 25, 2018 9:30 am, 11:30 am, 3 pm, 5 pm  
633 King’s Road, 1/F, 2/F, 10/F

# HIGHLIGHTS

## TODAY SEEK GOD LENT DEVOTIONAL

The Lent devotional "Seek God for the City" is available today at 1/F Connect Counter for a suggested donation of \$20. If you prefer a digital version, you can purchase it from waymakers.org.

## FEB 27,28 MEN'S FRATERNITY AND THE VILLAGE RETURN

MF will be returning Tuesday, February 27 in 10/F Auditorium and The Village on Wednesday, February 28 in 2/F Auditorium. We look forward to seeing everyone including those who are coming for the first time. Both serve dinner at 7 pm and begin at 7:30 pm.

## MAR 3 MANDARIN SPEAKERS CHINESE NEW YEAR PARTY

Mandarin speakers, we are hosting a party to celebrate the Chinese New Year! Come and meet fellow Chinese, speak Mandarin, eat your favourite snacks, and make some new friends this Saturday, March 3, 4 - 6 pm, 11/F Living Room. Check out www.islandecc.hk/cnyparty for details and to sign up. (It's free and you may bring a friend too!)

## MAR 16-17 HEALING TRAUMA SEMINAR

Registration Deadline: 2 March

Are you dealing with the impact of past trauma that affects your present day choices? Come explore the deep healing power and love of God led by Liz Chow with videos from Elijah House Ministry. Limited spaces available. Register at Connect Counters or islandecc.hk/traumaseminar.

## MAR 18 "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, 18 March, 1:30 - 2:30 pm, 11/F The Well. For more information, email serve@islandecc.hk.

## MAR 18 NURSERY PARENT TALK (EXPECTING AND AGE 0-1)

Your family's ministry begins at birth and you have approximately 936 weeks from the time your child is born until they go to college. Come join our staff and other parents for fellowship and equipping as you begin the journey ahead. Sunday, 18 March, 9:30 am, 10/F Classroom. RSVP by 11 March to kidsclub@islandecc.hk

## CLASSES

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

## TODAY KAIROS COURSE: GOD, THE CHURCH, AND THE WORLD

Want to live a mission-minded life? Come to our Kairos Course to change your perspective, widen your understanding and be inspired to go on missions. Join us on Sundays from 25 February to 6 May, 4:30 - 7 pm, 11/F Classroom. The course fee is \$300. For registration or more information, please email go@islandecc.hk.

## MAR 4 MONEY & MARRIAGE

Join us in this life-changing course to discover God's approach to managing finances and how that can strengthen our marriages. Topics include: building a healthy marriage; giving, saving and investing decisions; understanding the impact of debt in your marriage; resolving conflicts; setting goals; and more. 9:30 - 11 am, 7/F Classroom. Cost of materials: \$600 per couple.

## MAR 11,18 BAPTISM CLASS

If you're interested in being baptised, please plan to attend both Sunday classes on 11 and 18 March, 3 - 4:30 pm, 10/F Classroom. If you can't make it on Sundays, please attend both Wednesday classes, 14 and 21 March, 7 - 9 pm, 10/F Classroom. Sign up at islandecc.hk/baptism.

## MAR 18 ISLAND BIBLE SEMINAR: SHAME AND RELATIONSHIPS

Shame contaminates and destroys our relationships. Hear Dr David Allen explore the dynamics of shame and relationships through the Biblical story of Ruth and Naomi to eliminate shame and improve our relationships. Sunday, 18 March, 3 - 4:30 pm 10/F Auditorium.

Emulate Youth Conference

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## OUTREACH

### MAR 11 GO OPEN HOUSE

Do you feel intimidated or avoid conversation when your Muslim friends ask about your faith? We are excited to have Georges Houssney share on how to answer Muslim's tough questions. He is known for supervising the translation of the Bible into Arabic and has a deep love for Muslims. Sunday, March 11, 2:30 - 4 pm, 10/F Auditorium. Register at islandecc.hk/go-open-house.

### MAR 11 HOME VISITATION VOLUNTEER TRAINING

Regular home visitation is one of Hope of the City's focus areas. We believe the needs in our city can only be met through consistent and healthy relationship building. Join us in a training to learn how to care for the physical, mental and spiritual needs of the deprived. Sunday, March 11, 1:15 - 3 pm, 10/F Classroom. To register, email volunteer@hopeofthecity.com.

### MAR 28 LOW-INCOME FAMILIES REGULAR HOME VISITS

Sham Shui Po has the lowest poverty rate of 24.7% in Hong Kong where many families' homes are no larger than 200 sq. ft. Hope of the City is looking for volunteers to care for these families on a monthly basis to show Christ's love. For more information, email volunteer@hopeofthecity.com.

### MAY 25-JUN 3 LEBANON MISSION TRIP

Registration Deadline: 4 March

We will be taking a team to Lebanon this year to serve refugees and a school for refugee kids with our Supported Partner in Zahlé. Medical, counselling and youth social work experience are a plus but not required. Team size limited to 10 people.

## 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.

### MINISTRY SUPPORT ASSISTANT - SUNDAYS

We are looking for a friendly, reliable person with good administrative and maths skills to provide practical and logistical support to the Ministry Support team for our Sunday morning services, 9 am - 1:30 pm. A love for the church and fluency in English is essential.

### PART-TIME PRODUCTION MANAGER

We are looking for a part-time Production Manager to help oversee the audio-visual aspects of Sunday services and special events. If you have an eye for detail, a passion to serve, and some experience with video or live events, knowledge of ProPresenter or similar platforms, and are proficient in English, we invite you to apply.

### FULL-TIME VIDEO PRODUCTION ASSISTANT

We are looking for a creative individual with a passion for video to fulfil the role of Video Production Assistant. This role will work closely with the Creative Communications Team and will provide support in the creation of videos from beginning to end. Experience with basic filmmaking tools and software such as Adobe Premiere, After Effects, and Photoshop is required. If you have a passion for the visual arts and a desire to learn more, we'd love to hear from you.

25 FEBRUARY 2018

## Stepping into Abundance

<sup>13</sup> And Moses said to the people, "Fear not, stand firm, and see the salvation of the Lord, which He will work for you today. For the Egyptians whom you see today, you shall never see again. <sup>14</sup> The Lord will fight for you, and you have only to be silent."

Exodus 14:13-14

### Fearful Living

You are \_\_\_\_\_. You are!

### Living Abundantly




You are \_\_\_\_\_. You are!

Who God had \_\_\_\_\_. You had to be!

<sup>10</sup> The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.

John 10:10

## NEW TO ISLAND ECC

- 1 MEET US AT THE CONNECT COUNTER
- 2 VISIT OUR WEBSITE   
- 3 CONNECT WITH US!

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For other questions,  
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