

April 15 2018 9:30 am, 11:30 am, 3 pm, 5 pm
633 King's Road, 1/F, 2/F, 10/F

Sparrow: The Attention We Crave

²⁹ Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground apart from Your Father. ³⁰ But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. ³¹ Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows.
Matthew 10:29-31

He came to a broom bush, sat down under it and prayed that he might die. "I have had enough, LORD," he said. "Take my life."

1 Kings 19:4

God provides detailed care to Elijah:

God _____: All at once an angel touched him and said, "Get up and eat." (v.5)

God _____: What are you doing here, Elijah? (v.9)

God _____: And after the fire came a gentle whisper. (v.12)

 **ISLAND**
EVANGELICAL COMMUNITY CHURCH

**ANIMAL
KINGDOM**

IN THE RUSTLING GRASS I HEAR HIM PASS
HE SPEAKS TO ME EVERYWHERE



Animal Kingdom

Sparrow

The attention we crave

*“I tell you, my friends, do not be afraid of those who kill the body and after that can do no more. But I will show you whom you should fear: Fear Him who, after your body has been killed, has authority to throw you into hell. Yes, I tell you, fear Him. Are not five **sparrows** sold for two pennies? Yet not one of them is forgotten by God. Indeed, the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Don’t be afraid; you are worth more than many **sparrows**.”*

Luke 12:4-7

- 1/ **What area of life causes you worry more than any other? (e.g. career, finances, health, children, relationships)**
Share with the group how anxiety affects you in this area.
- 2/ **Recounting God’s faithfulness in the past can help us trust Him more easily for the future. Share one instance in which you saw God come through for you.**
- 3/ **How might you finish this sentence: “If God knows the number of hairs on my head, then He also knows _____ .”**
- 4/ **What are some things your group can do to encourage one another in trusting God more fully?**

Are you new here?

Come to our Newcomers Lunch

For details, please refer to the bulletin.

Learn more about us?

Name

Email

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HIGHLIGHTS

APR 16 MOTHER'S CHOICE INFO SESSION

There is always a waiting list of children across Hong Kong who are in desperate need of temporary care. Mother's Choice Project Bridge connects babies and children (aged 0 to 6 years old) with safe and loving volunteer families. To learn more, join us on Monday, 16 April, 7 – 8 pm, 10/F Classroom and visit www.motherschoice.org/foster-a-child.

APR 20 RENEW WORSHIP NIGHT

Is your worship bold and seasoned? Are you praying as heirs with Christ in confidence, hope, faith and expectation? Come join us for a powerful night of worship featuring new songs. Doors open at 7 pm. Space is limited.

MAY 4-5 MEN'S CONFERENCE: THE FIGHT

What do men fight for? How do men overcome? These are questions every man faces at one point in their lives. Join the Men's Conference to experience God's grace as a man. 4 - 5 May, Friday, 7 – 9:30 pm; Saturday, 9:30 am – 5 pm on 1/F. Register at islandecc.hk/mensconference or sign up at the Connect Counter.

MAY 6 NEWCOMERS LUNCH

If you're new to the church and want to know more about Island ECC, please join us for Newcomers Lunch on Sunday, 6 May, 1:30 pm in 10/F Living Room. Sign up with the bulletin inserts!

MAY 19 ORANGE TOUR HONG KONG

Join us for a one-day event with family experts Reggie Joiner and Kristen Ivy. This tour aligns parents and the church, the two great influences in a child's life, in a powerful partnership. Saturday, 19 May, 9:30 am – 5 pm with bonus Friday night PHASEs talk, 7:30 – 9 pm. For more information and tickets, visit orangetour.hk.

JUN 29-JUL 4 ISLAND YOUTH SUMMER CAMP

Join Island Youth on 29 June – 4 July for our annual summer camp! This year we are travelling to picturesque Guilin and staying at the all-inclusive Club Med Resort. During camp there will be worship, Bible study, teaching, small groups, games, food, beaches and more! For more information, go to islandecc.hk/iysummerncamp.

OUTREACH

JUL 28-AUG 4 TAIWAN MISSION TRIP

Information Session: Today / Registration Deadline: 1 May

Taiwanese aborigines are often characterised by their lack of resources and opportunities. In the past 5 years, we see God uniting various churches in Taitung to empower the Christian community on the east coast. Join us at our info session today, 3 – 5 pm, 10/F Living Room.

APR 28 MOBILE SHOPPING FAIR

It's the time of the month when volunteers will help deliver goods and spend time with immobile families from Shek Kip Mei. We are looking for 25 volunteers to help out on Saturday, 28 April, 9 – 11:30 am. For more information, please email volunteer@hopeofthecity.com.

APR 29 MEN'S VIETNAM MISSION TRIP SHARING SESSION

The Men's Vietnam Mission Team were so grateful to witness God's guidance and providence at the most remote and poverty stricken place in Vietnam. Join us at our Sharing Session to know more about how God's blessings have been changing lives in Vietnam since 2012, and how you can be part of this wonderful journey. Sunday, 29 April, 1:30 – 3:00 pm, 10/F Classroom.

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.

FULL-TIME DIRECTOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES

We are looking to hire a human resources professional with strong interpersonal skills, strategic leadership and solid experience in staff recruitment, remuneration and benefits, people development, and training. Excellent spoken and written English and Chinese is required.

PART-TIME CONNECTING MINISTRY ASSISTANT - SUNDAYS

We are looking for an enthusiastic and energetic person with good administrative skills to provide practical help and logistical support for our volunteers in Sunday services. A love for the church and people is essential plus full fluency in English and good attention to detail. Hours are 8:30 am to 1:30 pm every Sunday.

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 or 'Friends of Hong Kong Charities Inc' for US tax receipts.

Enquiries: giving@islandecc.hk

GENERAL OFFERING YEAR TO DATE (32 WEEKS)

Budget Giving	\$46.7M
Variance	\$54.1M
	\$7.4M (15.8%)

LAST 4 WEEKS UPDATE Thousands HKD

WEEKLY	19 Mar	31 Mar	2 Apr	9 Apr
Budget	1,458	1,458	1,458	1,458
Giving	3,295	8,223	828	983
Variance	1,837	6,765	(630)	(475)