

April 21, 2019

EASTER SUNDAY

The Other Empty Tomb

When Mary reached the place where Jesus was and saw Him, she fell at His feet and said, "Lord, if You had been here, my brother would not have died." ³³ When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come along with her also weeping, He was deeply moved in spirit and troubled. ³⁴ "Where have you laid him?" He asked. "Come and see, Lord," they replied. ³⁵ Jesus wept. ³⁶ Then the Jews said, "See how He loved him!" ³⁷ But some of them said, "Could not He who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

³⁸ Jesus, once more deeply moved, came to the tomb. It was a cave with a stone laid across the entrance. ³⁹ "Take away the stone," He said. "But, Lord," said Martha, the sister of the dead man, "by this time there is a bad odour, for he has been there four days." ⁴⁰ Then Jesus said, "Did I not tell you that if you believe, you will see the glory of God?"

⁴¹ So they took away the stone. Then Jesus looked up and said, "Father, I thank You that You have heard Me. ⁴² I knew that You always hear Me, but I said this for the benefit of the people standing here, that they may believe that You sent Me." ⁴³ When He had said this, Jesus called in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!"

John 11:32-43



Are you new here?
We'd love to invite you to our Newcomers Lunch.

Let's get to know each other!

Name

Email

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HIGHLIGHTS

APR 28 **KAIROS COURSE**

Want to deepen your understanding of missions? Kairos is a 10-week course that helps us learn about missions from biblical, historical, strategic, and cross-cultural perspectives. Join us from next Sunday, 28 April, 4:30 – 7 pm, 11/F Classroom. Register at 1/F Connect Counter. \$500 fee includes textbooks. For more info, email go@islandecc.hk

APR 29 **WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY: HOW DO WE WALK THE WALK WE TALK?**

You are surrounded by a world that's watching you, waiting to see if what you say is true – if you really believe what you say and walk the walk you talk. Join this study to discover what God says about the lifestyle of a true believer. Mondays, 12:30 – 2:00 pm, Worldwide House, Central. For more info, email women@islandecc.hk

MAY 2 **JOIN A NEW CARE GROUP**

Not in a Care Group yet? Come join our 6-week Care Group study that follows the Bon Voyage sermon series! You will meet new friends and have fun studying together! Sign up at islandecc.hk/cgform and we will find you a good Care Group!

MAY 18 **PRAYER RETREAT AT 633**

In a real way, the church is our family. Join us in praying for our church family and each other. There will be times for both private and corporate prayer. \$50 pays for materials and lunch. Register at islandecc.hk/retreat633. Hope to see you at 10am on the 2/F. For details, email prayer@islandecc.hk

JUN 1-2 **WOMEN'S RETREAT (SAVE THE DATE)**

Ladies, we are excited to let you know that a very special retreat is in the works for you! Have you ever wondered whether there is more to life? What is that "more"? What is holding you back? How do you move towards it? Watch this space to find out! Registration opens next Sunday.

CLASSES & SUPPORT GROUPS

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

MAY 15 **BOOK OF REVELATION: UNRAVELLED**

The Book of Revelation can be hard without any guidance to help. So come join Martin Radford in this 7-week class to understand the background, what's going on in the text, and how to use those principles in our lives. Registration begins today at 1/F Connect Counter. \$150 fee includes two books. 7:30 – 9:30 pm, 11/F Classroom. Limited seats.

MAY 16 **GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP**

Have you lost a spouse, family member or friend? Are you grieving or don't even know where to start? This 6-week support group, led by caring professionals, is a safe place to share and learn from each other about the journey of grief. 7:30 – 9:30pm, 10/F Living Room.

OUTREACH

MAY 5 **SUPPORTING REFUGEE MINISTRY**

The Refugee Ministry is looking for Bible donations to support an Outreach event. New or used English Bibles are welcomed. ESV, NIV, or Good News Translations are preferred. If anyone is interested to support this event, please contact go@islandecc.hk by May 5.

JUL 20 **TAIWAN MISSION TRIP APPLICATION OPEN**

Info Session: May 5 / Registration Deadline: May 19

For the 7th year, we are serving the aboriginal students by hosting a Vacation Bible School (VBS) at a local school in Jinlun village, Taitung. VBS plays a pivotal role in community transformation. Join us to serve the kids together with the love of Jesus. Info Session: May 5, 3 – 4 pm, 11/F Classroom. For information and application, email go@islandecc.hk

JUL 27 **MONGOLIA MISSION TRIP APPLICATION OPEN**

Registration Deadline: Today

Join us as we return to Mongolia to serve a hundred underprivileged children at a Summer Camp (July 27-Aug 3). We will also reach the impoverished groups from the slum districts inside the capital city, Ulaanbaatar (Aug 4-10). For more information and application to one or both weeks, email go@islandecc.hk

OPPORTUNITIES

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

- Creative Video Producer
- Graphic Design Assistant
- Bold Faith Administrator / Executive Assistant
- Financial System Analyst
- Executive Assistant
- Church Database Administrator

GENERAL OFFERING

LAST 2 WEEKS (Thousands HKD)

	8 Apr	15 Apr
Budget	1,532	1,532
Giving	1,711	1,052
Variance	179	(480)

YEAR TO DATE

	(33 Weeks)
Budget	\$50.6M
Giving	\$54.7M
Variance	\$4.1M (+8.1%)

BOLD FAITH FUND

Received	\$148.9 M	Outstanding Pledged	\$18.8 M
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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.

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