August 4, 2019

KINGDOM VISION

Walking The Walk

Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Matthew 5:10

Not only that, but we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us. Romans 5:3-5

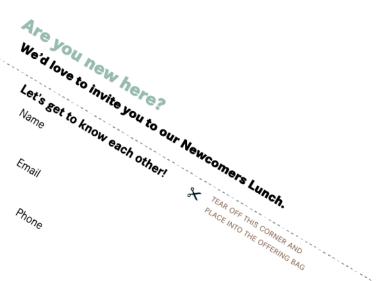
Finally, be strong in the LORD and in the strength of His might. ¹¹ Put on the whole armour of God that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. ¹² For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Ephesians 6:10-12

Praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end, keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints. Matthew 5:10

1. Stand ______

2. Stand _____

3. Stand _____





HIGHLIGHTS

TODAY prayer after service

We want to encourage you to set aside time to pray. Our prayer volunteers would love to pray for you.

TODAY BABY DEDICATIONS

We are delighted to join with 3 families in the dedication of their children to the Lord: Grace Bethesda Tang, born 3/3/2018, (9:30am, 10/F) Hing Wen Rui Ryan, born 11/12/2010, and Hing Wen Jing Xavier, born 01/06/2019, (11:30am, 10/F) Evangeline Lo, born 2/11/2017, (3:00pm, 1/F) We warmly welcome all family and friends visiting for this occasion.

${ m AUG}\,\,7$ an evening with francis chan

We have the privilege of having Francis Chan, who is Founder and Director of Crazy Love Ministries, to be with us at Island ECC on Wednesday, August 7 at 7:30 pm. Tickets are \$80 for 2/F with all proceeds going to Hope of the City. Limited tickets are available at islandecc.hk/francischan

AUG 11 newcomers lunch

If you're new to the church and want to know more about Island ECC, please join us for a Newcomers Lunch, 1:15 pm, 10/F Living Room. If we can help you with anything else, please email new@islandecc.hk

FIRST STEP: RISING PRESCHOOL-2 AUG 11 PARENTS MEETING

This orientation meeting is designed for parents of children in our nursery classes who will have turned 2 years old by September 1. Helpful tips about transitioning your child into our Kids Club Preschool-2 class will be provided, along with a Q&A session. 9:30 - 11:00 am, 10/F Classroom. Please sign up at kidsclub@islandecc.hk

${\sf AUG}\ 13$ men's night: let's talk missions

Men, join us for a taste of MF as Island ECC's Hill Chau shares about the joy and vision of missions. You'll hear how taking part in missions can bring about exciting Kingdom changes in your life and others, and leave with a bigger view of God and His heart for the nations. 7:30 pm, 10/F Auditorium.

AUG 13 volunteer appreciation

If you have served at Island ECC and its ministries at any time throughout the past year, we would like to invite you to join us for a lunch social event. We would like to celebrate and thank you for giving your time, energy and heart in service to God. RSVP through your ministry or by following this link: bit.ly/volapp19

SEP 2 women's bible study: the book of john

How well do you know the Son of God? Are you convinced that what He said about Himself is true? From beginning to end, John reveals Jesus as the Son of God. Join this study as we take a closer look into chapters 1 - 6 of the Book of John. Every Monday, 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm, 11/F Classroom. For more info, email women@islandecc.hk

OUTREACH

SEP 7 MID-AUTUMN FESTIVAL ELDERLY HOME VISITS Hope of the City is partnering with Hong Kong Family Welfare Society to

visit the elderly in Healthy Village Estate in North Point. We are looking for 15 volunteers to deliver gift bags and provide care. 9 am - 12 pm. For more info, email volunteer@hopeofthecity.com

CLASSES & SUPPORT GROUPS

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

TODAY SUMMER TALKS: HELPER MANAGEMENT ESSENTIALS

The dynamics that exist between an employer and their domestic helper can greatly impact the overall peace and harmony of a home. Join Melanie Leung-Shea, founder of Helpwise, as she redefines the employer and helper roles, leading to managing our helpers more successfully and smoothly. 3 - 4:30 pm, 10/F Auditorium.

AUG 11 SUMMER TALKS: MANAGING SUCCESS

Come join Lincoln Venancio in this practical talk directed at understanding how success can be pursued in Hong Kong whilst remaining within the boundaries that God sets. 3 - 4:30 pm, 10/F Auditorium.

SUMMER TALKS: HEALTH, WELLNESS AUG 18 AND FAITH

Amidst the wealth of material about health and diets, Leora Caylor helps us navigate ways to optimise our health and maintain a Christian perspective in honouring God through caring for our wellbeing. 3 - 4:30 pm, 10/F Auditorium.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

SUNDAY SERVICE VOLUNTEERS

Serving is at the heart of everything we do at Island ECC. It reflects the heart of God as Jesus declared that even He came to serve. If you want to help us make Sunday services awesome by making services warm and welcoming, brewing coffee, or baking, email serve@islandecc.hk.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

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

- Nursery Assistant
- · Part-time Coordinator of Women's Ministry

As we close out this fiscal year, the church may be facing a shortfall of \$2M. Please prayerfully consider increasing your giving. Thank you.

LAST 2 WEEKS (Thousands HKD)			YEAR TO DATE		
	22 Jul	29 Jul		(48 Weeks)	
Budget Giving Variance	1,538 692 (846)	1,538 1,192 (346)	Budget Giving Variance	\$73.8M \$70.4M - \$3.4M	-4.6%
BOLD FAITH		<	Outstanding	¢17.0 M	
Received	\$157.6 M		Pledged	\$17.3 M	

a percentage of their income to the church on a regular basis.

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

Enquiries: giving@islandecc.hk