

September 1, 2019

SONGS OF HOPE

Sitting at God's Table

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

² *He makes me lie down in green pastures.*

He leads me beside still waters.

³ *He restores my soul.*

*He leads me in paths of righteousness
for His name's sake.*

⁴ *Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of
death, I will fear no evil,*

for You are with me;

*Your rod and Your staff,
they comfort me.*

⁵ *You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies;*

*You anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.*

⁶ *Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life,*

*and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD
forever.*

Psalm 23 (ESV)

1. If you won't let Him be your shepherd...

2. Sometimes the right paths...

3. Don't let your enemies...



Are you new here?

We'd love to invite you to our Newcomers Lunch!

Share your contact details via QR code or fill in below and place in the offering bag



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HIGHLIGHTS

SEP 8 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

SEP 9 ALPHA COURSE FALL 2019

Alpha is for anyone who's curious about the Christian faith. Join us for a ten-week series of interactive sessions that include dinner, videos, and discussions. Mondays, Sep 9- Nov 11. 7:00 pm, 2/F Worship Hall. For more info, visit islandecc.hk/alpha

SEP 10 MEN'S FRATERNITY FALL LAUNCH

Men's Fraternity Fall Launch (Save the Date). A community of brotherhood that equips and learn on topics such as manhood, discipleship, purity, mentorship, and others. Let's fight together and become better men this season! 7 pm, 10/F Worship Hall. For more info, email men@islandecc.hk

SEP 11 THE VILLAGE FALL LAUNCH

What does it mean to "love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and strength"? Join our launch to find out more about how we, as the sisterhood, gather to walk out the greatest commandment. 7:30 - 9:30 pm, 2/F Auditorium. For more info, email women@islandecc.hk.

SEP 19 CARE GROUP CONNECT

Care Group Connect is a fun way to join a care group. In this 8-week group, you will meet friends and form a group with those whom you resonate with. Through our study materials and support, you will be part of a care group that continues to meet in the long term. Thursdays, Sep 19 - Nov 7, 7:30 - 9:30 pm. Sign up: islandecc.hk/cgform

SEP 19 UNASHAMED: FREEDOM FROM SHAME AND UNWORTHINESS

With the new school year comes many pressures, stressors and anxiety for our children. Come and hear from Monica Chang, a counselor at Chinese International School, deliver ways to help your children decode the stress and anxiety they encounter and ways to encourage them when they face these challenges. Register online. For inquiries, email family@islandecc.hk. 7:30 - 9:30 pm, 11/F The Well.

SEP 22 BAPTISM CLASSES

If you're interested in being baptised, please plan to attend the 2-Sunday baptism class on Sep 22 & 29, 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm at 11/F The Well. Sign up at islandecc.hk/baptism

SEP 27 PARENT TALK: HELPING CHILDREN COPE WITH STRESS AND ANXIETY

Asia has an emphasis on shame that can be paralysing. This is not what God wants. He desires us to live daily from His likeness where there is dignity, worth and self-respect. Join us to experience God's assurance and inner healing with Sandra Sellmer-Kersten on Sep 27-28, 1/F, Auditorium. Ticket cost at \$300. Register at islandecc.hk/unashamed

OUTREACH

SEP 22 TAIWAN MISSION TRIP SHARING SESSION

The Taiwan mission team has returned to the village of Jinlun in July for the 7th consecutive year. Come and hear how God empowered the team to deliver a VBS program, shepherd local youth leaders, and envision longer-term projects. 1- 2:30 pm, 10/F Classroom.

SEP 22 RESPONDING TO INJUSTICE

Our understanding of the word justice has often been shaped by culture and society, but have you explored what it means from a biblical perspective? This seminar aims to help you grow in your understanding of God's justice and provide helpful tools for you to respond to injustice as disciples of Christ. 1:30 PM, 11/F Classroom, registration required: islandecc.hk/injustice

CLASSES & SUPPORT GROUPS

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

TODAY 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 Worship Hall.

SEP 4 COMMUNICATING WITH YOUR HELPER

If you're an employer of a domestic helper, join us for a practical workshop taught by Melanie Leung-Shea of Helpwise on how to reduce common misunderstandings and cultural clashes in our everyday communications with our helpers. 7:30 - 9:30 pm, 11/F Classroom.

SEP 6 MANAGING ACUTE STRESS REACTIONS IN AN UNSETTLING WORLD

Being exposed to news, disturbing images, and heated discussions about the protest may cause us to experience psychological distress. Join Zanon Chiu, clinical psychologist, to learn methods to manage stress and regulate our emotions. 7:30 - 9:30 pm, 10/F Worship Hall.

SEP 15 GROW DISCIPLESHIP COURSE

GROW deeper in your relationship with God by developing good habits like quiet time, learning to read God's Word and sharing deep bonds of fellowship. Info session on Sunday, 1:30 pm, 11/F The Well.

SEP 19 GRIEF & LOSS SUPPORT GROUP

Have you lost someone or something (e.g. work, relationship and precious items) that had a significant impact on you? This 4-week support group, led by caring professionals, is a safe place to discuss, share and learn from each other about the journey of grief. 7:30 - 9:30 pm, 10/F Living Room.

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.

- Sunday Nursery Assistant
- Part-time Coordinator of Women's Ministry
- Part-time Coordinator of Men's Ministry
- Programme Coordinator (Hope of the City)

GENERAL OFFERING

LAST 2 WEEKS (Thousands HKD)

	12 Aug	19 Aug
Budget		
Giving	1,538	1,538
Variance	867	1,006
	(671)	(532)

YEAR TO DATE

	(51 Weeks)
Budget	
Giving	\$78.4M
Variance	\$73.2M
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BOLD FAITH FUND

Received	\$158.3 M	Pledges to be received	\$17.1 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.

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

Enquiries: finance@islandecc.hk