September 15, 2019

SONGS OF HOPE

Holy Wholeness

Psalm 95 (NIV)

- ¹ Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.
- ² Let us come before Him with thanksgiving and extol Him with music and song.
- ³ For the Lord is the great God, the great King above all gods.
- ⁴ In His Hand are the depths of the earth, and the mountain peaks belong to Him.
- ⁵ The sea is His, for He made it, and His hands formed the dry land.
- ⁶ Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the Lord our Maker;
- ⁷ for He is our God and we are the people of His pasture, the flock under His care.
 Today, if only you would hear His voice,
- ⁸ "Do not harden your hearts as you did at Meribah, as you did that day at Massah in the wilderness,
- ⁹ where your ancestors tested Me; they tried Me, though they had seen what I did.
- ¹⁰ For forty years I was angry with that generation; I said, 'They are a people whose hearts go astray, and they have not known My ways.'
- ¹¹ So I declared on oath in My anger, 'They shall never enter My rest.'"
- 1. Do not try this ______.
- 2. Do not try this _____.
- 3. Do not _____

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

$\mathsf{SEP}\ 17$ upcoming events for men's fraternity

Check out the upcoming events for Men's Fraternity this fall:

- Men's Fraternity, Tuesdays, 7:30 pm, 10/F Worship Hall
- Pure Desire Women's Group, Sep 24, 7:30 pm
- For more info, email men@islandecc.hk

SEP 18 upcoming events for women's ministry

Check out the upcoming events for The Village this fall:

- The Village, Wednesdays, 7:30, 2/F Worship Hall
- Mom's Group Launch, Sep 16, 9:30 am, 10/F Living Room

• Bible Study: The Book of Matthew, Sep 16, 10 am, 11/F Living Room 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 long-term care group. Thursdays, 7:30 pm. Sign up: islandecc.hk/cgform

SEP 19 **PARENT TALK: HELPING CHILDREN COPE** with stress and anxiety

Come and hear from Monica Chang, a counsellor at Chinese International School, as she shares ways to help your children decode the stress and anxiety they encounter when facing challenges. 7 pm, 11/F The Well. Register online at bit.ly/PT-stranx. Email family@islandecc.hk.

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 at 11/F The Well. Sign up at islandecc.hk/baptism

SEP 27-28 **unashamed: freedom from shame**

God desires us to daily live from His likeness where there is dignity, worth, self-respect. Join us to experience God's fullness as we find our identity and purpose with Sandra Sellmer-Kersten on Sep 27-28, 1/F Worship Hall. Ticket cost at \$300. Register at islandecc.hk/unashamed

SEP 29 kids club fx: courage

Come join us for Kids Club FX where we will learn about being brave to do what you should do, even when you're afraid. Bring your family and friends to this event! Invitations are available next week at 9/F Welcome Desk. Sep 29, 1:30 pm, 1/F Worship Hall.

SEP 29 THE VALUE OF CHRISTIAN HIGHER

Parents are invited to hear a talk about the importance of Christian higher education from Barry Corey, President of Biola University. Please join us on Sep 29 at 1:15 pm in 10/F Classroom to hear insight into the Christian university experience. Lunch provided. To register visit bit.ly/PT-highed

OCT 6 RE ENGAGE MARRIAGE COURSE

Re|Engage is an intensive marriage course that offers hope to marriages by helping couples move toward oneness through stories of grace and teaching. 3 pm, 11/F The Well. Register at islandecc.hk/re-engage

OCT 6 PARENT TALK: SELF REGULATION PARENTING

Learn from Deborah Holcombe as she shares about 'changing the lens' that we use to parent our children. She will teach us how 'self-regulation' can help us recognise, address and aid our children when they, or we as parents, become over stressed. 1:30 pm, 10/F Living Room. To register visit bit.ly/PT-selfreg

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.

• **Coordinator of Youth Ministry** and 2 more exciting positions with Men's Ministry and Hope of the City. Check website for details.

CLASSES & SUPPORT GROUPS

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

$TODAY\ \mbox{grow}\ \mbox{discipleship}\ \mbox{course}\ \mbox{info}\ \mbox{session}$

GROW deeper in your relationship with God by developing habits like quiet time, reading God's Word and being in fellowship. Info session on Sunday, 1:30 pm, 11/F The Well. Course starts next week.

SEP 19 grief & loss support group

Have you lost someone or something 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 about grief. 7:30 pm, 10/F Living Room.

SEP 22 foundational four: bible ioi

Join Martin Radford for the first part of our new Foundational Four courses, providing practical ways to help you read the Bible. Sign up at 1/F Connect Counter. All 4 courses: \$350; Bible 101: \$200. 3 pm, 10/F Classroom.

SEP 25 genesis in 21st century

Genesis chapters 1-11 contain details that may contrast vigorously with our 21st Century world views. Join Martin Radford to navigate these chapters without losing biblical truths, modern science, and our minds! Sign up at 1/F Connect Counter. Class fee: \$100. 7:30 pm, 11/F Classroom.

OUTREACH

TODAY mission trip showcase

Join the Mission Trip Showcase to hear testimonies from our summer trips and learn how to get involved in different forms of missions including upcoming mission trips and opportunities here in Hong Kong. 1:30 - 3 pm, 10/F Auditorium, light lunch provided.

SEP 22 responding to injustice

What is biblical justice and how does God ask us to respond to injustice? Through teachings and testimony sharing, this seminar aims to biblically and practically equip you to respond to injustice of the poor, the marginalised and the oppressed, such as issues of human trafficking and refugee care. 1:30 pm, 11/F Classroom.

SEP 22 elderly home visit volunteer training

Hope of the City is recruiting volunteers to reach out to the elderly living in Ngau Tau Kok on a monthly basis. Join our training to learn how to care for the physical, mental and spiritual needs of the elderly at, 1:30 pm, 11/F Small Group Room. To register, email volunteer@hopeofthecity.com

GENERAL OFFERING LAST 2 WEEKS (Thousands HKD)			YEAR TO DATE	
Budget Giving Variance	2 Sep 1,585 999 (586)	9 Sep 1,585 1,068 (51 <i>7</i>)	Budget Giving Variance	(2 Weeks) \$3.2M \$2.1M \$1.1M -34.4%
BOLD FAITH	I FUND			
Received	\$159	.3 M	Pledges to be received	\$16.9 M

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.

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