October 13, 2019

ARE YOU OK?

Good and Angry

Whoever is slow to anger has great understanding, but he who has a hasty temper exalts folly. A tranquil heart gives life to the flesh, but envy makes the bones rot. Proverbs 14:29-30 (ESV)

A soft answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger.

A hot-tempered man stirs up strife, but he who is slow to anger quiets contention. Proverbs 15:1,18 (ESV)

Whoever is slow to anger is better than the mighty, and he who rules his spirit than he who takes a city. Proverbs 16:32 (ESV)

A person's wisdom yields patience; it is to one's glory to overlook an offense.

A hot-tempered person must pay the penalty; rescue them, and you will have to do it again. Proverbs 19:11,19 (NIV)

Do not testify against your neighbor without cause – would you use your lips to mislead? Do not say, "I'll do to them as they have done to me; I'll pay them back for what they did." Proverbs 24:28-29 (NIV)

If your enemy is hungry, give him food to eat; if he is thirsty, give him water to drink. In doing this, you will heap burning coals on his head, and the Lord will reward you. Proverbs 25:21-22 (NIV)





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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Phone

Name

Email

HIGHLIGHTS TODAY RELENGAGE 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

TODAY kids club parent's meet and greet

Kids Club invites you to join Parent's Meet & Greet today. Come and meet the team and other Kids Club volunteers. Light refreshment will be provided. 1:15 pm, 9/F Worship Hall. RSVP at kidsclub@islandecc.hk

OCT 20 loving the city seminar (part four)

Hope of the City is hosting the last part of our poverty awareness seminar titled "Loving the City". We have invited Kevin Lai, Director of APAC Equity Sales at Bank of America Merrill Lynch and member of the philanthropy board, who will share on the corporation's role in tackling our city's poverty issues. 1:30 pm, 10/F Auditorium. Register at info@hopeofthecity.com

OCT 20 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 stressed. 1:30 pm, 10/F Living Room.

$OCT\ 20$ kids club volunteer orientation

If you have not yet attended a volunteer orientation, please join our upcoming session! This session will help you understand your role better as a Kids Club volunteer! Please RSVP to kidsclub@islandecc.hk so we can order lunch for you. 1:15 pm, 9/F Worship Hall.

NOV 8-9 men's retreat: the great getaway

Come join us for the Annual Men's Retreat "The Great Getaway" where you'll have the opportunity to unwind and have fun as you meet other men. Rest, restore and re-energise through spending time in nature or reflecting at the pool and worshipping God in your community of brothers! Friday, 9:30 am – Saturday, 5 pm. Register at islandecc.hk/mensretreat19

CLASSES & SUPPORT GROUPS

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

TODAY navigating your finances god's way

What does it mean to be faithful with the money that God has entrusted to me? Come explore with Bryant Stone in this insightful 9-week course. Register at 1/F Connect Counter. Fee: \$400. 11:30 am, 7/F Classroom.

$OCT \ 17$ divorce and separation support group

Divorce and separation bring deep hurts and raise complex issues. This 8-week support group combines videos with group discussions led by safe and caring people. Visit the first session to decide if this will assist you. Thursdays, 7:30 – 9:30 pm, 8/F Living Room. Register online.

OCT 20 inductive bible study

Inductive Bible study is designed for us to learn the Bible through observation, interpretation and application.Sign up at 1/F Connect Counter. Fee: 300.3 - 4:30 pm, 10/F Classroom.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

SUNDAY PHOTOGRAPHY VOLUNTEERS

There's a lot happening around church on Sundays that we often miss and we'd love for you to capture these God-filled moments with your camera! Sunday photography could include worship, sermon, classes, baptisms ground floor festivities, or anything fun that's happening at church. Sign up by email at serve@islandecc.hk

OUTREACH

HOPE OCTOBER

This month, Hope of the City has lined up different opportunities for you to get a glimpse of how we are regularly serving under-served communities. Hope starts with God and healing begins with us, so join us in being a beacon of love to this city.

Here are the upcoming opportunities to serve:

- Homeless Outreach, Tuesday, 15 October, 8 10:30 pm
- SSP Prayer Walk, Wednesday, 16 October, 7:30 9 pm
- Student-led Walking Tour, Saturday, 19 October, 10 am 1 pm • Bowling Outing, Saturday, 19 October, 11:30 am – 2:30 pm

To register, drop off the tear-off form at the Connect Counter

OCT 19 refugee awareness and prayer

Interested to serve the Refugee community or just want to learn more about the refugee situation in Hong Kong? Join us for this time of learning and prayer in support of our refugee brothers and sisters. 11:30 am, 11/F Well. Please register at islandecc.hk/refugeeprayer

OCT 20 MONGOLIA MISSION TRIP SHARING

39 people set off to Mongolia this summer to witness a part of God's massive kingdom and to serve the people of Mongolia. Come and hear personal stories of what God has taught us in this beautiful country. 1:30 pm, 10/F Classroom

OCT 20 food drive: rice harvest season

Did you know October is peak time for rice harvest in Southern China, but 1.5 million people in Hong Kong go hungry everyday? Hope of the City wants to help change that by holding a food drive for Feeding Hong Kong. Bring your contributions of rice, cooking oil, non-fried noodles and UHT milk to church and drop them in the boxes located on 1/F, 2/F and 10/F Connect Counters. For more info, email info@hopeofthecity.com

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
- Programme Coordinator (Hope of the City)
- Pastoral Assistant

GENERAL OFFERING LAST 2 WEEKS (Thousands HKD)			YEAR TO DATE	
Budget Giving Variance	30 Sep 1,585 1,064 (521)	8 Oct 1,585 1,625 40	Budget Giving Variance	(6 Weeks) \$9.5M \$6.9M -\$2.6M -27.4%
BOLD FAITH	FUND			
Received	\$160.	1 M	Pledges to be received	\$16.7 M

GIVING TO ISLAND ECC

We encourage those who consider ${\sf Island}$ 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