

October 27, 2019

ARE YOU OK?



# I Feel Your Pain

*Shall we accept good from God, and not trouble?*  
Job 2:10

*Brothers and sisters, we do not want you to be uninformed about those who sleep in death, so that you do not grieve like the rest of mankind, who have no hope. For we believe that Jesus died and rose again, and so we believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in Him.*  
1 Thessalonians 4:13-14

*For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are — yet He did not sin. Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.*  
Hebrews 4:15-16

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## Are you new here?

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

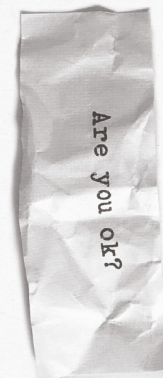
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# HIGHLIGHTS

**TODAY 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. Today is the last day to bring your contributions of rice, cooking oil, non-fried noodles and UHT milk and drop them in the boxes located at 1/F, 2/F and 10/F Connect Counters.

**NOV 8-9 MEN’S RETREAT: THE GREAT GETAWAY**  
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. Early bird costs end today. Register at [islandecc.hk/mensretreat19](http://islandecc.hk/mensretreat19)

**NOV 17 PARENT TALK: TEACHING YOUR CHILDREN ABOUT MONEY**  
Money and faith are intertwined. As we teach faith to our children, so too can children learn about practical faith from handling money. Given the little exposure children have to money, parents may find it difficult to teach these important lessons to them. Join Ramon Maronilla as he shares ways to help your children be good stewards of money. Register online. 10/F Classroom. 1:30 – 3:00 pm

**CLASSES & SUPPORT GROUPS**  
To register and for more information on the following classes, go to [islandecc.hk/classes](http://islandecc.hk/classes).

**TODAY INDUCTIVE BIBLE STUDY**  
Learn to study the Bible firsthand and discover treasures from it. Designed for those who want to dig deeper into God’s Word, this course comes with homework and reading assignments to help you reach your goal of decoding the Bible and doing God’s Word. Course fee: \$300. 3 pm, 8/F Living Room A.

**NOV 24 THEOLOGY 101**  
Have you ever been asked, “What do you believe about God/Jesus/sin/heaven?” Theology 101 is a 4-week introductory course for those who want to have a clear understanding of the main topics of the Bible and core beliefs of our Christian faith. Register at Connect Counter. Course fee: \$100. 3 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, or anything fun that’s happening at church. Sign up by email at [serve@islandecc.hk](mailto:serve@islandecc.hk)

**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 church warm and welcoming, brewing coffee, or baking, register at [islandecc.hk/volunteer](http://islandecc.hk/volunteer)

# 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, 29 October, 8 – 10:30 pm
- SSP Prayer Walk, Wednesday, 30 October, 7:30 – 9 pm

  
To register, drop off the tear-off form at the Connect Counter or email [info@hopeofthecity.com](mailto:info@hopeofthecity.com)

**NOV 3 FAMILY PHILIPPINES MISSION TRIP INFO SESSION**  
**Trip Dates: 4-11 April / Registration Deadline: 30 November**  
Next Easter, Island ECC will send a team to Dumaguete, Philippines to hold a Kid’s Camp that aims to bring fun, love and the Gospel to Filipino children from the slums. 1:30 pm, 9/F Kid’s Worship Hall.

**NOV 3 FAMILY VIETNAM MISSION TRIP INFO SESSION**  
**Trip Dates: 5-11 April / Registration Deadline: 30 November**  
Interested to serve together as a family? This will be our 5th year returning to Hanoi, Vietnam serving orphans and partnering with a Vietnam elementary school for a day full of activities. 1:30 pm, 9/F Kid’s Worship Hall. For more information, email [go@islandecc.hk](mailto:go@islandecc.hk)

**DEC 22 CHRISTMAS PRISON OUTREACH**  
**Registration Deadline: 10 November / Training Date: 17 November**  
This Christmas, we will be visiting male inmates on 22 December at Tung Tau Correctional Institution to share our faith through worship, testimonies and celebration. Join the mandatory training on 17 November, 1:30 pm, 8/F Living Room A. To register, email [go@islandecc.hk](mailto:go@islandecc.hk)

# JOB OPPORTUNITIES

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

- Coordinator of Youth Ministry

GENERAL OFFERING					
LAST 2 WEEKS (Thousands HKD)			YEAR TO DATE		
Budget	14 Oct	21 Oct	Budget	(8 Weeks)	
Giving	1,585	1,585	Giving	\$12.7M	
Variance	1,092	1,584	Variance	\$9.6M	
	(493)	(1)		-\$3.1M -24.4%	
BOLD FAITH FUND					
Received			Pledges to be received		
	\$160.4 M			\$16.6M	
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: <a href="mailto:finance@islandecc.hk">finance@islandecc.hk</a>					