

TOP 10 AT ISLAND ECC

TODAY Island ECC Elder Confirmation — Bill Chew

Confirmation of Bill Chew as an elder of Island ECC in our morning services TODAY.

TODAY CORE Meeting

CORE is an insider look at how and why the church works. TODAY, 1.15pm-3pm, 2/F, for anyone in any kind of leadership but all are welcome. A light lunch and childcare is provided. This CORE will focus on our CORE VALUES. If you've ever wondered why we do something a certain way, or why we don't do certain things, this will help you get a feel for our ministry philosophy.

NOV 7 Ladies Night: "Footprints in the Marketplace"

Join the women of Island ECC as we welcome our speaker, June Liao, senior partner at Liao, Ho & Chan, Solicitors. Register at the 1/F Connect Counter or online at www.islandecc.hk/ministries/women/. Light dinner and registration at \$50. Wednesday, November 7, 7.30pm, 2/F. Doors open and dinner served at 7pm.

NOV 9 Fuse: Young Adults Ministry

Young Adults! Fuse is back! Spend a Friday evening hanging out and connecting with other young adults. Free food, as always, so come hungry! Friday, November 9, 7.30pm, 9/F. Doors open at 7pm.

NOV 9 & 10 Global Leadership Summit

This year's Hong Kong Global Leadership Summit will be held on Friday & Saturday, November 9 & 10 at ICA. Tickets are available at the 1/F Connect Counter at \$480 each. Check out www.hkgls.org for details.

NOV 10 Sports Fellowship Biking Day

Let's start to exercise before the holiday season begins! Join us for a day out on a bike. Saturday, November 10, we meet at 10am in Tai Wai. We will have lunch & finish around 4pm. Bike rental is under \$100. To register, please write to sportsfellowship@islandecc.hk. More details will be provided to those who register.

NOV 11 Newcomers Lunch

If you're new to the church and want to know more about Island ECC, please join us for our upcoming Newcomers Lunch. You'll hear from ministry leaders, plus have the opportunity to get plugged in and connect with others. No cost for this lunch, but you do need a ticket to get in, so pick one up today at the 1/F Connect Counter. Sunday, November 11, 1.30pm, 2/F.

NOV 23 Night of Prayer

Join us for a night of corporate prayer and worship on Friday, November 23. We will focus on God's heart for outreach during this time. Friday, November 23, 7.30pm, 2/F. Doors open at 7pm.

DEC 7 ReNEW Christmas

Island ECC is preparing a special night of worship and celebration specifically focused on Christmas. With music from our mixed-part choir (iGlee) and the Island ECC worship team, it's definitely an evening you don't want to miss. Free tickets will be available beginning on Sunday, November 18 as seating will be limited. Friday, December 7, 7.30pm, 1/F. Doors open at 7pm.



WATCH FOR... ON THE CITY

First Things First Photo Competition

Global Outreach is calling all Island ECC Photographers to showcase their artistic interpretation of this idea, "First Things First".

NEW TO ISLAND ECC?

1 MEET US AT THE CONNECT COUNTER ON 1/F

We are so glad that you're here today and would love to get to know you! The Connect Counter is located on the 1F and volunteers are there to answer any questions you might have about Island ECC and its different ministries and events.

2 JOIN THE CITY

The City is the online connection point for Island ECC. It's limited to the people who attend our church and over 1,000 people are already using this fantastic tool. By creating an account and logging in, you'll have access to weekly devotionals, updates on events, the chance to connect with others and more!

3 CHECK OUR WEBSITE

By visiting www.islandecc.hk, you'll have access to information about all our ministries, as well as a broad spectrum of resources - including video podcasts of sermons.

WHAT IT MEANS TO BECOME A CHRISTIAN

HE LOVES

God loves you because he chooses to. "God wasn't attracted to you and didn't choose you because you were big and important... He did it out of sheer love..." (Deut. 7:7-8). He loves you so much that...

HE GAVE

He gave Jesus, His one and only Son. While we do wrong things daily, Jesus is sinless. Though sinless, Jesus took our sin. He died on the cross in our place. Our response to this great gift is simple...

WE BELIEVE

We trust Jesus to do what we can't. We don't trust our own efforts to save us. We can't save ourselves. We don't place our trust in other people to save us. We believe in Him.

WE LIVE

God gives us brand-new life. We have joy because of his Spirit living within us. Little by little his Spirit changes us to be more like Jesus. No guilt in life, no fear of death, He gives life, now ... and for eternity.

You can tell God you accept Him now.

"Father, I believe you love me. You gave your one and only Son so I can live forever with you. Apart from you, I die. With you, I live. I choose life. I choose you."

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Elohim

¹ In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

² Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters.

³ And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light.

⁴ God saw that the light was good, and he separated the light from the darkness.

⁵ God called the light "day," and the darkness he called "night." And there was evening, and there was morning—the first day.

²⁶ Then God said, "Let us make mankind in our image, in our likeness, so that they may rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky, over the livestock and all the wild animals, and over all the creatures that move along the ground."

²⁷ So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.

²⁸ God blessed them and said to them, "Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky and over every living creature that moves on the ground."

²⁹ Then God said, "I give you every seed-bearing plant on the face of the whole earth and every tree that has fruit with seed in it. They will be yours for food.

³⁰ And to all the beasts of the earth and all the birds in the sky and all the creatures that move along the ground—everything that has the breath of life in it—I give every green plant for food." And it was so.

³¹ God saw all that he had made, and it was very good. And there was evening, and there was morning—the sixth day.

Genesis 1:1-5,26-31

¹ Thus the heavens and the earth were completed in all their vast array.

² By the seventh day God had finished the work he had been doing; so on the seventh day he rested from all his work.

Genesis 2:1-2

Elohim אֱלֹהִים

strength, power, Strong One, Powerful Creator

"When discussing aspects of primeval history appropriate to wisdom literature, [the writer] would use Elohim; when dealing with those aspects emphasising specific revelations, he would feel inclined to introduce Yahweh." Kikawada and Quinn

1. Elohim's strength is _____

"I cannot think of any need in childhood as strong as the need for a father's protection."
Freud

2. Elohim's strength is _____

Eloheynu, Our God (Exodus 3:18)
Elohim Ha'av, God the Father (John 6:27)
Elohei Ma'uzzi, God of my Strength (Psalm 43:2)
Elohei Mishpaat, God of Justice (Isaiah 30:18)
Elohei Mikarov, God who is Near (Jeremiah 23:23)
Elohei Chasdi, God of my Kindness (Psalm 59:17)

3. Elohim's strength _____

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God...to all who received him, to all who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God.

John 1:1,12