

# COMING UP AT ISLAND ECC

## TODAY Journey — Lent Devotional Book (Chinese version available)

This great daily devotional guide based on Luke's gospel, produced by the pastors of the international churches in Hong Kong, is available at Quench, 1/F. Suggested donation: HK\$20. App is also available for download at [www.journeyluke.com](http://www.journeyluke.com).

## TODAY-FEB 24 The Art of Parenting Class

Can you use some assistance as a parent in how to communicate better with your children and how to handle misbehaviour and discipline? If so, plan to join the final 2 weeks of the Art of Parenting class on **Sundays, 11.30am, 8/F, Classroom C**. Visit <http://www.islandecc.hk/spring-classes/> for details and registration.

## FEB 19 Men's Fraternity New Semester

Join us for the start of a new semester: Worship, Quest for Authentic Manhood, Warrior's Training with Pure Desire, Calling in Your Life and How to Win at Work and at Home, plus 2:7 Bible study, so don't miss meeting a great band of brothers! **9/F Kids' Worship Hall, 7.15pm**. For inquiries, email [men@islandecc.hk](mailto:men@islandecc.hk).

## FEB 22 Seminar on Cults

In recent days we have heard reports about the Eastern Lightning cult (Almighty God Church). Our speaker, Lo Sek Wai, seminar pastor of a Chinese church and an expert in the area of cults will help us understand what a cult is and the particular features of Eastern Lightning. **7.30pm, 2/F. Doors open 7pm**. For more details, contact [albert@islandecc.hk](mailto:albert@islandecc.hk) or visit The City.

## FEB 23 Sports Fellowship — Wall Climbing Event

Do you envy Spider-Man's climbing skills? Come join us for some fun on the wall! **2-4pm, YMCA, near Jordan MTR**. Tickets available at Connect Counter, HK\$120 each. All levels welcome. Participants join at their own risk and must be over 18 (or accompanied by guardians).

## FEB 25 Spring Alpha Course Launch 2013

Looking for answers to life? The Alpha Course is a ten-week opportunity to explore the Christian faith in a laid-back environment. It is a practical introduction to the basics of Christianity centred around a meal, a talk and small group discussion. **7pm 2/F**. Visit [www.islandecc.hk/alpha](http://www.islandecc.hk/alpha) for details and to sign up.

## FEB 27 Ladies Night: Breaking The Myth of Financial Security

Join us for a night of worship, fellowship and learning with Natalie Chan who has 20 years experience in the finance industry is now focused on helping people fully integrate their faith and work. Light dinner and registration **7pm 2/F**; programme starts **7.30pm**. Register now and pay \$50 at the Connect Counter or online at [www.islandecc.hk/ministries/women/](http://www.islandecc.hk/ministries/women/).

## MAR 2 Door-to-Door Outreach in Sham Shui Po

Hope of the City is looking for Chinese speaking volunteers to help with a door-to-door outreach to low-income families, **9.30am-1pm**. We are partnering with YWCA to identify residents' needs and offer social services available. Email [volunteer@hopeofthecity.com](mailto:volunteer@hopeofthecity.com).

## MAR 17 Family Easter Picnic

Save the date for a Family Easter Picnic at The Peak Garden 11.30 to 4pm. Easter activities being planned. More details to follow.

## Production Volunteers Needed

The Production CREW is looking for people with a desire to serve during worship services, especially at 5pm. Please contact [jason@islandecc.hk](mailto:jason@islandecc.hk).



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## WATCH FOR... ON THE CITY

### SIGN UP New Classes Starting in March

Sundays — Bringing Your Soul to Work; Letters of the Beloved Apostle; Answering Islam. Wednesdays — 100 Steps Thru the OT; Lady in Waiting. Visit The City for details.

### SIGN UP Israel Study Trip

Our pastors will lead a second study trip (Thursday, June 27 - Sunday, July 7), journeying to places like Bethlehem, Nazareth, Sea of Galilee and Jerusalem. A class on the life of Jesus on Sundays in May (at 11.30am) will help you prepare for this journey. If interested, please contact [rick@islandecc.hk](mailto:rick@islandecc.hk) for details or visit us on The City.

### 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](http://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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## 5 Ways To Bless

... let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven.

Matthew 5:16

Do not repay evil with evil or insult with insult. On the contrary, repay evil with blessing, because to this you were called so that you may inherit a blessing.

1 Peter 3:9

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