

COMING UP AT ISLAND ECC

TODAY Laundry Series T-Shirt

T-Shirts are available for pick up on the 1/F, Quench.

MAY 15 A Social Game of Soccer (Men)

Fancy a game of soccer (football) this coming Wednesday night? **9.30-11pm** at Morse Park in Wong Tai Sin, Kowloon. Fee is \$20 per person. Please email teamsports@islandecc.hk to register and get more information by Tuesday.

MAY 19 & JUNE 2 Membership Class

Find out how you can BELONG to Island ECC by joining us for the Membership Class. This will run for 2 Sundays at **3pm** on the **9/F**. Registration is required. Please email membership@islandecc.hk to register.

MAY 25 Silence and Solitude

Join the women of our church in a day of prayer at Tao Fong Shan, Shatin with Cindy Aufrance where she will lead us in Prayer being the Language of Love, **9am-5pm**. Register and pay \$150 at the Connect Counter, limited spots. Email women@islandecc.hk for more details.

MAY 26 CORE

A time for the church leaders to bring you up to speed on what is happening in the church and where we are going. Attendance is open for all and expected of those who function in any leadership role in the church. **1.15-3.00pm** on **2/F**. A light lunch and childcare provided.

JUNE 2 Vietnam Trip Sharing Session

The Men's Fraternity had an amazing second trip to Vietnam and was able to do "immeasurably more" than they could have asked or imagined, as Ephesians 3:20 says. Come and hear how God worked in and through the team. **2-4pm**, **8/F** Classroom B & C.

JUNE 9 Youth Baptisms

We are preparing for youth baptisms at the **5pm** service on June 9. If you would like to be baptised please contact youth@islandecc.hk this week.

JULY 20-27 Anti-Human Trafficking Focus Mission Trip to Cambodia

Join us in Cambodia to learn about the fight against trafficking, pray for rescued victims and facilitate accessory making and design workshops. Application deadline is May 31. Go to islandecc.hk/ministries/missions to apply. For more info, email Joyce at joycelh@gmail.com.

Volunteers Needed For Hubei Love English Summer Camp

The Love English Camp is looking for more volunteers to join them, Jun 29 to Jul 3 or July 6 to 13. Thousands of youth have been impacted at these camps in the last 10 years. Come and be a part of God's plan in reaching youth in China this summer! Read more on the City. To apply, email Joyce at joylok@gmail.com.



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WATCH FOR... ON THE CITY

Weekly devotional and prayer thoughts by our Pastors & Elders.

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.

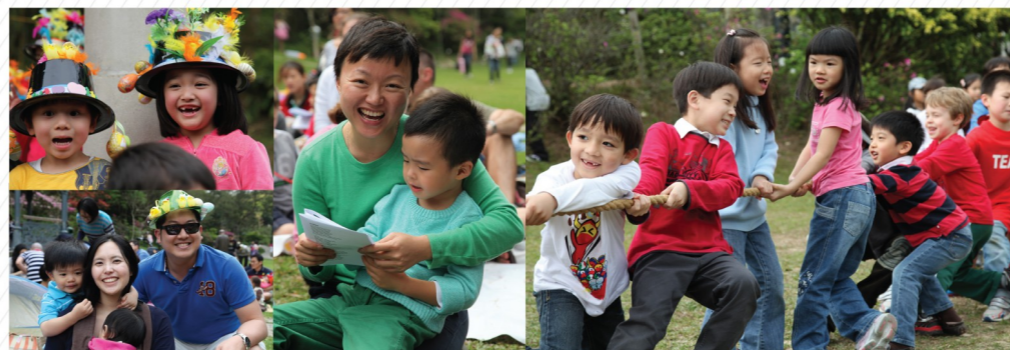
WE LIVE

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."

photos: Family Easter Picnic at the Peak



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Wrath To Understanding

²¹You have heard that it was said to the people long ago, "You shall not murder, and anyone who murders will be subject to judgment." ²²But I tell you that anyone who is angry with a brother or sister will be subject to judgment. Again, anyone who says to a brother or sister, 'Raca,' is answerable to the court. And anyone who says, 'You fool!' will be in danger of the fire of hell.

Matthew 5:21-22

1. Anger in you

Anger itself isn't wrong. *Be angry, but do not sin.*

Psalm 4:4

Anger reveals _____

¹⁴Make every effort to live in peace with everyone and to be holy; without holiness no one will see the Lord. ¹⁵See to it that no one falls short of the grace of God and that no bitter root grows up to cause trouble and defile many.

Hebrews 12:14-15

What is the root beneath my rage?

What right am I defending?

What effect could grace have?

2. Anger toward others

²³Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother or sister has something against you, ²⁴leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to them; then come and offer your gift. ²⁵Settle matters quickly with your adversary who is taking you to court. Do it while you are still together on the way, or your adversary may hand you over to the judge, and the judge may hand you over to the officer, and you may be thrown into prison.

Matthew 5:23-25

i. Don't _____ It's _____

ii. Don't _____ It's _____

iii. Don't _____ It's _____

SUGGESTED SCRIPTURE MEMORY

My dear brothers and sisters, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry, because human anger does not produce the righteousness that God desires.

James 1:19-20