

COMING UP AT ISLAND ECC

TODAY **Baptism Class**

Our next baptism will be held on August 18. If you would like to participate in this ceremony, please plan to attend the 3-Sunday baptism class starting at 3pm* from today, on 9/F. REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED, so please email baptism@islandecc.hk to register. (*Today's class will begin at 3.30pm).

TODAY **New Class: 10 Things Not to Say When Trying to Help**

We are often put in situations to help people. We will explore some best practices from the Bible and wisdom to see how we can maximise those opportunities to care for people. Join Pastor Didi Wong today, June 9 and 16 at 11.30am, 8/F, Classroom B & C. Visit <http://www.islandecc.hk/classes/> to register.

JUNE 23 **New Class: Poverty Through God's Eyes**

In the Bible, we see many instances where Jesus cared for the poor and reached out to those looked down upon by society. This class will ask how are we, as Christians, called to walk with the poor. How does our faith shape us in a way that reflects God's mercy? Sundays, June 23-July 14 (11.30am, 8/F, Classroom C). Visit <http://www.islandecc.hk/classes/> to register.

2/F Prayer Room

We have a newly designed Prayer Room on the second floor that is available for personal prayer every Sunday, 9am-1.15pm and 4.30-6.30pm. You are welcome to use this room to pray privately or with a friend on any Sunday. In addition to this, there are prayer intercessors available to pray with you, 11-11.30am, each Sunday.

Summer Volunteers Needed

Easy to Teach and Fun to Learn!! We are recruiting volunteers to teach during the summer months of July and August (8 weeks). Our summer programme will consist of a DVD based curriculum for all ages. Join us in making summer fun for our children at Kids Club. Please contact Tiffany at tiffany@islandecc.hk for more information.

Work Opportunities on The City/ Marketplace

- Executive Director - A new full-time position with Hope of the City.
- Part-time Coordinator / Assimilation Ministries. A part-time position, 12-16 hrs/wk including Sundays.

NEW TO ISLAND ECC?

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.

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!

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

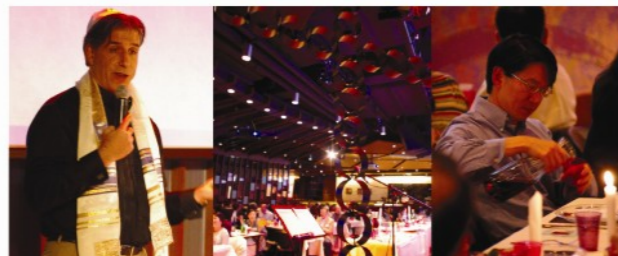
We trust Jesus to do what we can't. We don't trust our own efforts to save us. We can't save ourselves. We don't place our trust in other people to save us. We believe in Him.

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: Dinner and Worship at Passover Celebration



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Enduring Through Confusion

...let us run with endurance the race that is set before us.

Hebrews 12:1

The backstory

King Herod, his sons, and an angry daughter-in-law.

The doubt

When John heard in prison what Christ was doing, he sent his disciples to ask him, "Are you the one who was to come, or should we expect someone else?"

Matthew 11:3

How do we endure through doubt?

1. _____

Go back and report to John what you hear and see: The blind receive sight, the lame walk, those who have leprosy are cured, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the good news is preached to the poor.

Matthew 11:5

2. _____

Blessed is anyone who does not fall away on account of me.

Matthew 11:6