

# COMING UP AT ISLAND ECC

## TODAY Laundry Series T-Shirt

If you have bought tickets, please collect your T-shirt today at 1/F Quench. After today, T-shirts not collected will be given away.

## JUNE 23 Captivating: Unveiling the Mystery of a Woman's Soul

Join us in a 10-week book study that will guide you through a profound journey of discovery and healing. Learn the story of every woman's life being the passionate pursuit of her heart by God. Classes are on Sundays, 3pm-4.30pm from June 23 to August 25. Register at [www.islandecc.hk/ministries/women](http://www.islandecc.hk/ministries/women).

## JUNE 23 New Class: Managing Money God's Way

Ever asked: What is the safest and best place to invest money? How do I get free from worrying about money? Come learn how to experience more contentment and joy in making an eternal difference with possessions. Taught by Ramon Maronilla and Jeff Ryan, this 10 week course starts June 23 at 9:30 am, 8/F, Room A. Visit [www.islandecc.hk/classes/](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, Room C). Visit [www.islandecc.hk/classes/](http://www.islandecc.hk/classes/) to register.

## JUNE 30 Training on the Hong Kong Social Welfare System

For those interested in local outreach, Hope of the City is coordinating a training session about Hong Kong's social welfare system, 1.15pm-3.00pm, 8/F, Room A. Information will be shared by a social worker from HK Family Welfare Society.

## JUNE 30 Xiamen Mission Trip Sharing and Info Session

This outreach is an incredible synergy between the local church, local mission partners and the team from Island ECC. Learn how the gospel is reaching migrant factory workers and how you can be involved. For the next trip we need medical professionals, people with an operations and management background, Mandarin-speakers and generalists! 1.30-3pm, 2/F.

## Donations Needed — Costumes and Paper Masks

The Mongolia Mission Team is looking for costumes for age 6 to 18 (traditional country costumes, professional attire) for a photo session with the underprivileged, and also paper masks for a spa session for ladies. Please place your donations in the baskets on the 1/F from 23rd to 30th June. Thank you for your support.

## Job Opportunities on The City/ Marketplace

- Executive Director - A new full-time position with Hope of the City.
- Part-time Coordinator/Children's Ministries. 20 hrs/wk including Sundays.
- Nursery Staff for Sunday Kids Club.

## Volunteers Needed

Children's Ministries are recruiting volunteers to teach during the summer months of July and August (8 weeks). Visit The City/Children's Ministries for details.

## 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](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."

photos: Dinner and Worship at Passover Celebration



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## Enduring Through Conflict

*If you have never fought with each other, you do not know each other.* Chinese proverb

<sup>36</sup>Some time later Paul said to Barnabas, "Let us go back and visit the believers in all the towns where we preached the word of the Lord and see how they are doing." <sup>37</sup>Barnabas wanted to take John, also called Mark, with them, <sup>38</sup>but Paul did not think it wise to take him, because he had deserted them in Pamphylia and had not continued with them in the work. <sup>39</sup>They had such a sharp disagreement that they parted company. Barnabas took Mark and sailed for Cyprus, <sup>40</sup>but Paul chose Silas and left, commended by the believers to the grace of the Lord. <sup>41</sup>He went through Syria and Cilicia, strengthening the churches.

Acts 15:36-41

### How do we endure through conflict?

1. Pause \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>3</sup>Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother's eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye? <sup>4</sup>How can you say to your brother, 'Let me take the speck out of your eye,' when all the time there is a plank in your own eye? <sup>5</sup>You hypocrite, first take the plank out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother's eye.

Matthew 7:3-5

2. Live \_\_\_\_\_

*The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.*

John 10:10

3. Focus \_\_\_\_\_

*Let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith...*

Hebrews 12:1-2