

COMING UP AT ISLAND ECC

TODAY **New Class: God@Work Class date revised**

Finding purpose at work is one of the greatest challenges we face. This 6-week course aims to equip Christians to live out their Christian calling and find purpose in every aspect of their working lives. Class runs from TODAY to September 1, 2.45pm, 8/F, Classroom A. Please visit www.islandecc.hk/classes/ for registration.

AUG 4 **Quench Summer Sale!**

Need to pick up some books for summer reading or maybe find a gift for a friend or family member? Come check out the Quench Summer Sale! Great books at discounted prices — up to 40% off! The sale will last for two Sundays starting 4 August. Don't miss this great opportunity to save!

AUG 18 **Egypt Short Term Outreach Info Session**

We will join hands with a team of Egyptian believers to share the gospel in Luxor in November. Find out what it's like to live in a Muslim-majority country and learn first-hand what God is doing in the midst of the current political situation. 2.30-4pm, 8/F, Classroom B.

AUG 24 **Sports Fellowship Junk Trip**

The Junk Trip is finally here! Get your tickets now at the 1/F Connect Counter. \$300 (cash only) per person including boat fees/food/drinks. First come first served. Limited numbers.

10/F

- Renovations have started this week as we take over the entire 10/F.
- The Family Worship at 9.30 & 11.30am is on 9/F for the remainder of the summer.
- In the short term, the 9/F will be congested due to the move of the Worship service and Nursery, in order that we can have a great launch in September of the new 10/F facility. We apologise to parents for any inconvenience.
- The new 10/F will provide a refurbished auditorium seating more than 300 people, 3 nursery rooms, main lobby with connect counter and coffee bar, 2 multi-purpose living rooms for care group meetings etc. and 1 classroom.
- With the expansion there are also many more great opportunities to serve and we will be looking for additional greeters, ushers, stewards and more! If you can help serve the church in this way, please email serve@islandecc.hk.

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Job Opportunities

- Coordinator of Youth Ministries. A full-time position from 1 September.

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: "The Ark" The Island ECC Dragon Boat on race day



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Jailer

²³ And when they had inflicted many blows upon them, they threw them into prison, ordering the jailer to keep them safely. ²⁴ Having received this order, he put them into the inner prison and fastened their feet in the stocks.

²⁵ About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them, ²⁶ and suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken. And immediately all the doors were opened, and everyone's bonds were unfastened. ²⁷ When the jailer woke and saw that the prison doors were open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, supposing that the prisoners had escaped. ²⁸ But Paul cried with a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." ²⁹ And the jailer called for lights and rushed in, and trembling with fear he fell down before Paul and Silas. ³⁰ Then he brought them out and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" ³¹ And they said, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." ³² And they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. ³³ And he took them the same hour of the night and washed their wounds; and he was baptised at once, he and all his family. ³⁴ Then he brought them up into his house and set food before them. And he rejoiced along with his entire household that he had believed in God.

³⁵ But when it was day, the magistrates sent the police, saying, "Let those men go." ³⁶ And the jailer reported these words to Paul, saying, "The magistrates have sent to let you go. Therefore come out now and go in peace." ³⁷ But Paul said to them, "They have beaten us publicly, uncondemned, men who are Roman citizens, and have thrown us into prison; and do they now throw us out secretly? No! Let them come themselves and take us out." ³⁸ The police reported these words to the magistrates, and they were afraid when they heard that they were Roman citizens. ³⁹ So they came and apologised to them. And they took them out and asked them to leave the city. ⁴⁰ So they went out of the prison and visited Lydia. And when they had seen the brothers, they encouraged them and departed.

Acts 16:23-40

4 marks of a believer

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