# COMING UP AT ISLAND ECC

### TODAY Global Outreach Prayer Focus

We partner with International Care Ministries to address the holistic needs of the impoverished in the Philippines by teaching attainable life skills, which lead to stronger relationships, improved problem-solving and greater family well-being.

### TODAY Prayer After Service

After the services, feel free to approach our prayer intercessors who are available and happy to pray with you.

### TODAY Cambodia Anti-Human Trafficking Mission Trip Sharing

This July, 32 brothers and sisters went to Phnom Penh and Siem Reap to learn about the antihuman trafficking issue. Come and listen to the stories about God turning ashes to beauty, and despair to hope, 2pm, 9/F.

### OCT 11 ReNEW — All Church Night of Worship

Real rest doesn't have an address like Phuket or The Maldives or come from a massage therapist or 5 episodes in a row of your favourite TV show. Real rest is found in Christ. "Come to me ... and I will give you rest" (Matthew 11:28). Doors open at 7pm, 10/F.

### OCT 20 Donation Drive for Christian Action

Please consider donating new or gently used clothing and electrical appliances (rice cookers, DVD players, computers) to support Christian Action. Drop-off time: October 20 in Quench & 8/F, Room C.

# OCT 22 Guy's Night

We are having a Guy's Night at Men's Fraternity as part of the Fuse Singles Conference on the Tuesday, 7.30-9.30pm. You might think MF is just for a bunch of old married guys but we have guys across the age spectrum, and we believe that is the best thing about it! We will explore "5 Things Younger Men Need from Older Men and 5 things Older Men Need from Younger Men." Let young and old join forces for the Kingdom!

## OCT 23 Ladies' Night

Looking for a fun evening with women of all ages and stages in their lives? Come and hear about the benefits of intentionally investing in someone else's spiritual life. Join us with Lisa Anderson from 7.30-9.30pm. Note that dinner is at 7pm. Register and pay \$100 at the Connect Counter or at http://www.islandecc.hk/ministries/women/.

#### **FUSE Singles Conference Check-In**

We're only 3 weeks away from FUSE Singles Conference! If you've received a ticket, be sure to check yourself in at http://www.islandecc.hk/fuse/. It is important as we will be confirming your information, workshop choices and any dietary needs. If you have bought tickets for your friends, please make sure they check in too! Looking forward to a great conference weekend!

### **Men Needed For Prison Ministry**

Calling for men who are willing to serve in prison ministry reaching out to international inmates. A commitment to be on rotation at least once a month at Tung Tau prison is required. Please contact flo@islandecc.hk if you are interested or wish to know more.

### www.islandecc.hk



# **New On The City**

### MAX Volunteers

See the many opportunities for volunteers to serve at our Sunday services.

#### 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.

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: Medical Mission trip to Xiamen.



### October 6, 2013

# **Life Amplified: Relationships**

- 1. You are made for relationships.
- 2. You are made with the capacity to choose.
- 3. You are made to take responsibility for yourself.

The DNA of Relationships, Gary Smalley

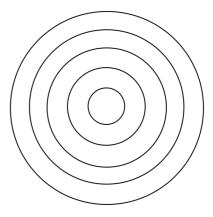
<sup>36</sup> "Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?" <sup>37</sup> Jesus replied: "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. <sup>38</sup> This is the first and greatest commandment. <sup>39</sup> And the second is like it: Love your neighbour as yourself. 40 All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments."

Matthew 22:36-40

<sup>12</sup> My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. <sup>13</sup> Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends. <sup>14</sup> You are my friends if you do what I command. 15 I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you.

John 15:12-15

Amplified relationships must be \_\_\_\_\_ and



To amplify my relationships, I need to: