# COMING UP AT ISLAND ECC

## TODAY Communion

Please join us TODAY for a special time of communion as we pause to remember Christ's love and sacrifice for us. We invite all believers to take communion with us.

### TODAY The Art of Dating Class

Dating is a tricky thing. Don't let the media and society tell you how to do it. This four week class starting today at 3.30pm, 10/F Auditorium is open to singles and dating couples wanting to explore a Biblical foundation for dating and relationships. There will be teaching and time for open discussion. Please go to www.islandecc.hk/classes/for registration.

### NOV 2 Sports Fellowship Beach Games & BBQ

Join the Sports Fellowship Beach Games on Saturday at 3pm at Shek O Beach. There will be team competitions, so come as a caregroup or we'll form teams for individual participants. Admission: \$150 (BBQ food plus 2 drinks). Tickets available on 1/F Connect Counter. Contact us for any inquiries: sportsfellowship@islandecc.hk. Minimum age for this event is 18 yrs old.

### NOV 3 CORE Meeting

A great 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 will be provided.

### NOV 3 New Class: How NOT to Read the Bible

The Bible is the foundation of our life. However, there are times when we unintentionally misinterpret what the Bible says. Join Pastor Albert Ng to learn how NOT to read the Bible and some principles to help you read the Bible properly. This 2 week class starts November 3, at 9.30am, 10/F classroom. Visit http://www.islandecc.hk/classes/ for detail and registration.

### NOV 10 Newcomers Lunch

Evervone's been a newcomer at church at some point. If you're new to the church and want to know more about Island ECC, please join us for a Newcomers Lunch at 1.30pm, 2/F. There is no cost for this lunch, but you do need a ticket to get in, so please pick one up today at the Connect Counter.

### Bethlehem Bound — Family Christmas Outreach

Call for volunteers, for our church-wide Family Christmas Outreach Play - Bethlehem Bound on December 7 starring families! From rehearsal to cast party, all in one event! We are looking for Rehearsal Leaders, Ushers, Stage Crew and Bakers. Sounds fun...then help us launch the Christmas season for all our Island families. Contact serve@islandecc.hk for more information.

### **Christmas Prison Outreach Volunteers**

Most English speaking inmates will not have any family or visitors during Christmas. We are looking for volunteers to visit inmates at Tung Tau prison on December 22 and show love in action. This is a unique time when volunteers can visit on a one-off basis. Men will have priority. Email localoutreach@islandecc.hk to sign up.

# **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.



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## 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 WE LIVE 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."

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# **Peace Be Still**

About the artist:

<sup>35</sup>On that day, when evening had come, He said to them, "Let us go across to the other side." <sup>36</sup> And leaving the crowd, they took Him with them in the boat, just as He was. And other boats were with Him. <sup>37</sup> And a great windstorm arose, and the waves were breaking into the boat, so that the boat was already filling. <sup>38</sup> But He was in the stern, asleep on the cushion. And they woke Him and said to Him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" <sup>39</sup> And He awoke and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm. <sup>40</sup> He said to them, "Why are you so afraid? Have you still no faith?" <sup>41</sup>And they were filled with great fear and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey Him?"

He Qi studied at Nanjing Normal University, Nanjing Art Institute in China and Hamburg Art Institute in Germany. He was the first among Mainland Chinese to earn a Ph.D. in Religious art after the Cultural Revolution (1992). He received an Honorary Doctor Degree from Australia Catholic University in Melbourne (May, 2011). His work has been displayed in museums, galleries, universities and churches around the world.

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Mark 4:35-41

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