

# COMING UP AT ISLAND ECC

## TODAY **Baby Dedication**

It is our joy today to witness the dedication to the Lord of Zachary Lo. Zachary was born 17 January 2013 to Alex and Claire. We warmly welcome visiting family and friends (9.30am, 2/F).

## TODAY **Mission Sunday**

As part of our special mission focus today there are 3 sharing sessions this afternoon (2-4pm):  
 - Cambodia Mission Trip Sharing, 9/F Worship Hall  
 - Prayer for Missions: North Korea, China, Islam, 10/F Auditorium  
 - Local Outreach in HK with Hope of the City, 8/F Classroom A

## TODAY **Red Packets**

Island ECC has created unique red packets for you to use during Chinese New Year. You will have the opportunity to not only share a traditional lai see with your family, friends and colleagues, but the gospel message is beautifully written on each packet. Please note: Supplies are very limited, \$20 per pack of 10, available today at The Connect Counter.

## TODAY **Baby Blessing**

Children's Ministries are excited to provide a session on Baby Blessing for new and expectant parents. We want to equip you to pray blessings over your child. Come and learn how you can be a blessing to your child. 9.30am in Classroom X on 10/F or 11.30am in Classroom A on 8/F. For more information, please contact kidsclub@islandecc.hk.

## JAN 22 **FUSE: Young Adults Fellowship**

Fuse is a fellowship for young adults/young professionals in Hong Kong who would like to connect with God and other young adults. We will meet this Wednesday at 7.30pm in **The Studio** (321 Java Rd, 1/F - across the street from the church). There will be FOOD, teaching, discussion and time to hang out. See you there!

## JAN 25 **Home Visits To Low-Income Households**

Hope of the City is seeking volunteers to reach out to elderly and low-income families living in Shek Kip Mei & Sham Shui Po. Visits will occur monthly on a Saturday, 11.30am-3pm, over a six-month period. Email volunteer@hopeofthecity.com to register.

## **Improv Class Going On Now**

Drama! Acting! Improv! Join us for a 12-week Drama Course with Martin Radford going on now! We meet on Thursdays at 7.30pm on the 9/F. It's guaranteed to be a blast, won't cost you anything besides your time and no previous experience is necessary! For more details, contact worship@islandecc.hk.

## **Pure Desire Training Bootcamp**

Dr. Ted and Diane Roberts will be coming to conduct a Pure Desire Training Bootcamp on February 27-28 (Thursday & Friday evening) and March 1 (Saturday - full day). Save the dates! More details will follow! www.puredesire.org.

## **ReNEW Conference — Early Bird Tickets**

Island ECC's first ever ReNEW Conference is coming March 21-22! This conference for worshippers features dynamic teaching from Biju Thampy and Brett Hilliard, music with Carlos Whittaker and band, and other special guests to be announced soon. Tickets are \$500 at the door, but just \$300 when you buy today at the Connect Counter. Live a life of worship!



## New On The City

Stay connected to other families, friends and the larger Island ECC community on The City, a social network tailored specifically to our church. You'll have the opportunity to read weekly devotionals from our pastors, prayer thoughts from our leadership team, event information and even a marketplace to sell items or find a rental property. Sign up on our website by clicking The City link.

### NEW TO ISLAND ECC?

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#### 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!

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#### 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."

Women's Christmas Breakfast at American Club



January 19, 2014

## God's Legacy For You

<sup>7</sup> But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us. <sup>8</sup> We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; <sup>9</sup> persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; <sup>10</sup> always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our bodies.

<sup>15</sup> For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. <sup>16</sup> So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day. <sup>17</sup> For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, <sup>18</sup> as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.

2 Corinthians 4:7-10, 15-18

A legacy gives our lives:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ by connecting us to a bigger story
2. \_\_\_\_\_ by giving us something precious to pass on.

\_\_\_\_\_ is God's legacy for you.

"We've been summoned to be part of a narrative far greater than we could have imagined – a larger purpose, a longer story, a higher calling. We've stepped into something rooted in an ancient history, contending with a far more formidable enemy, and fulfilling a far more glorious purpose, one that invites all the earth into eternal transformations. Our story is about a Lion who reigns supreme portrayed as a Lamb at the center of the throne of the universe."  
 David Bryant, *Christ is All!*

God's legacy:

1. Begins with a \_\_\_\_\_ in Genesis 12:1-3
2. Has a \_\_\_\_\_ in the middle, Matthew 28:19
3. Ends with \_\_\_\_\_ in Revelation 21:1-4

The Precious Gift to pass on is the treasure of the knowledge of Jesus and the kingdom of God.

"... and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses, entrust to faithful men, who will be able to teach others also."  
 2 Timothy 2:2

4 ways for you to receive God's legacy:

- \_\_\_\_\_ - get involved in cross cultural missions
- \_\_\_\_\_ - serve where you are
- \_\_\_\_\_ - help others understand and go on missions
- \_\_\_\_\_ - pray for missions