

COMING UP AT ISLAND ECC

TODAY **Light — Lent Devotional Book and App**

This beautiful devotional guide is a joint effort of pastors of leading international churches in Hong Kong and the print version is available for HK\$30 at **1/F Quench**. The app can also be downloaded. From a computer, go to www.lightapp.hk and click on the App Store or Google Play link. From a mobile device, open Google Play or App Store and search for 'Light John'.

MAR 12 **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!

MAR 15 **Women's Silence and Solitude Retreat**

Deepen your relationship with God, yourself and others. Join our day of guided quiet prayer at Tao Fong Shan Retreat House in Shatin. Register and pay \$100 or \$150 for 2 at the Connect Counter or at www.islandecc.hk/ministries/women. Lunch and transportation from Tai Wai train station provided. **9am-5pm**, including travel.

MAR 22 **ReNEW Conference — Special Saturday Evening Concert**

We are excited to announce that, in light of the ReNEW Conference being sold out, we will be hosting an encore worship concert with special guest Carlos Whittaker on the Saturday evening. This concert is free, standing room only, open to all and will be held on the **1/F**. Doors open at **7pm**.

MAR 28 **Game Leaders for Youth Camp**

Hope of the City is seeking 10 volunteers to lead group games at a faith-based camp for youth from United Christian College, **6.30-9.30pm**. Email volunteer@hopeofthecity.com to register.

APR 20 **Easter Sunday Prison Outreach**

Can you use your Easter Sunday to bless and fellowship with inmates? We are looking for volunteers for an Easter outreach at Tung Tau prison. This is a chance for those who want to try out prison ministry to join. Please email Flo at localoutreach@islandecc.hk with your full name and HKID if you can serve in this way, by March 17. Male volunteers will be prioritised.



New On The City

Did you know that pastors, elders and other leaders in the church post weekly devotionals on The City? Or that you can find a new flatmate in the Marketplace, or sign up for dance auditions? The City is Island ECC's online community, a place for us to stay connected and inspired throughout the week. Sign up and join the community today!

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."

Cambodia Mission Trip



March 9, 2014

The Obedience of Noah

⁵The Lord saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every intention of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. ⁶And the Lord regretted that He had made man on the earth, and it grieved Him to His heart. ⁷So the Lord said, "I will blot out man whom I have created from the face of the land, man and animals and creeping things and birds of the heavens, for I am sorry that I have made them." ⁸But Noah found favour in the eyes of the Lord.

Genesis 6:5-8

¹³And God said to Noah, "I have determined to make an end of all flesh, for the earth is filled with violence through them. Behold, I will destroy them with the earth. ¹⁴Make yourself an ark of gopher wood. Make rooms in the ark, and cover it inside and out with pitch. ¹⁵This is how you are to make it: the length of the ark 300 cubits, its breadth 50 cubits, and its height 30 cubits. ¹⁶Make a roof for the ark, and finish it to a cubit above, and set the door of the ark in its side. Make it with lower, second, and third decks. ¹⁷For behold, I will bring a flood of waters upon the earth to destroy all flesh in which is the breath of life under heaven. Everything that is on the earth shall die. ¹⁸But I will establish my covenant with you, and you shall come into the ark, you, your sons, your wife, and your sons' wives with you. ¹⁹And of every living thing of all flesh, you shall bring two of every sort into the ark to keep them alive with you. They shall be male and female."

Genesis 6:13-19

¹Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. ³By faith we understand that the universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible.

Hebrews 11:1,3

⁷By faith Noah, when warned about things not yet seen, in holy fear built an ark to save his family. By his faith he condemned the world and became heir of the righteousness that is in keeping with faith.

Hebrews 11:7

The threefold lens of faith:

1. Faith is _____
"By faith we understand..." Hebrews 11:3

2. Faith is _____
"...the conviction of things not seen" Hebrews 11:1

3. Faith is _____
"Faith is the assurance of things hoped for..." Hebrews 11:1

Without faith it is impossible to please God. Hebrews 11:6