



COMING UP AT ISLAND ECC

TODAY Be Cool T-Shirts

To celebrate our Be Cool series, Island ECC has designed unique, one-of-a-kind T-Shirts to serve as a fashionable reminder of the series. T-Shirts are available to purchase for \$100 for the following two Sundays at Quench on the 1/F (final orders taken on May 11).

TODAY Men's Conference - Early Bird Tickets Last Day

Today is the last day for Early Bird Tickets for Island ECC Men's Conference. Learn what it means to become a man of substance, a HEAVYWEIGHT, on May 16-17. Tickets can be purchased at the Connect Counters. For more information, visit islandecc.hk/mensconference.

MAY 3 Women's Ministries — Year End Celebration!

Miltinnie Yih, author and veteran mentor from Boston, will speak at this season's final Women's Celebration so come and see how Lifestyle Mentoring impacts many generations. Our Women's Director, Amy Low, will also be challenging you as women to desire the best for your lives. **10am, 2/F** with free lunch and fellowship. Register at www.islandecc.hk/ministries/women or at Connect Counters.

MAY 9 Marriage Course

This 6 week marriage course is perfect for couples who have never been through any marriage material or who want a refresher! In each session, dinner is served and during dinner couples watch video material from the Alpha marriage course. Afterwards, couples will talk through discussion questions with each other. Cost: \$200 per couple. Register at islandecc.hk/classes.

MAY 18 Baptism Class

Our next baptisms will be held in August and October of this year. If you would like to participate in one of these ceremonies, please plan to attend the 2-Sunday baptism class starting on May 18, **Room A, 8/F, 11.30am** (both classes required). You can register by emailing baptism@islandecc.hk.

MAY 18 Internet Safety Class

In this class, we will update parents on new Internet trends and look at practical and effective strategies to support parents in guiding children to be aware of Internet safety — helping them to become more responsible, ethical and resilient web users. **10/F Classroom, 3pm**. Please visit islandecc.hk/classes to register.

MAY 21 Divorce and Separation Care Group

This is an 8 week Care Group for those who are struggling and hurting from separation and divorce situations. The group will go through the material "Divorce Care" but more importantly, you'll be provided with a safe place to talk about issues and find hope from leaders who have been in similar situations. This class is free, and you can register at islandecc.hk/classes.

JUNE 6 Hillsong UNITED

Hillsong UNITED will be making their return to Hong Kong for one night only as part of their Zion world tour. The team is an evolving collaboration of leaders — all intentional about giving voice to a generation passionate about God. Tickets can be purchased online at hkticketing.com. Please note: Tickets and questions should be directed to HK Ticketing, or 2733 0979 as this is an Island ECC supported, but not hosted, event.



New On The City

Vacation Bible School

Come join the fun at Weird Animals VBS — where Jesus' love is one-of-a-kind! On Sundays, 11 May to 8 June, your kids will discover how much Jesus loves them — no matter how weird or different they are. Make sure your child is registered for this special event, so we know that they will be there!

Job Vacancy - Part-time Facility Caretaker

We are looking for a part-time Facility Caretaker to work as a member of the Ministry Support team to provide site maintenance services. If you are interested, please contact Evonne Chong on The City/Marketplace.

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."

Alpha Retreat at Lantau Island



April 27, 2014

Love One Another

A New Command

⁷Dear friends, I am not writing you a new command but an old one, which you have had since the beginning. This old command is the message you have heard. ⁸Yet I am writing you a new command; its truth is seen in Him and in you.

1 John 2:7-8

Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God.

1 John 4:7

A Contrast of Loves

¹⁶For where you have envy and selfish ambition, there you find disorder and every evil practice.

¹⁷But the wisdom that comes from heaven is first of all pure; then peace-loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy and good fruit, impartial and sincere.

James 3:16-17

The Secret Ingredient

_____ out of reverence for Christ.
 Ephesians 5:21

The Wrap Up

1. Christ is our _____ of a new way to love.

2. Real love displays _____