

COMING UP AT ISLAND ECC

TODAY Baby Dedications

We are delighted today to join with 4 families in the dedication of their children to the Lord:

- Daniel Nathan Fong, born 7 March 2014, to parents Nicholas & Gigi (9.30am, 2/F)
- Sebastian Noah Chan, born 26 February 2013, to parents Lawrence & Bertina (9.30am, 10/F)
- Charisse Pui Ching Li, born 17 June 2013, to parents William & Cecilia (11.30am, 10/F)
- Nathaniel Min Joon Son, born 4 March 2014, to parents Daniel & Jaime (5pm, 2/F)

We warmly welcome all family and friends visiting for this occasion.

TODAY New Classes Kick Off

Island ECC believes that the Bible is relevant to our lives. That's why we design different classes for you to grow in your faith. Five new classes start today. Please visit <http://www.islandecc.hk/classes/> for details and registration.

TODAY 2:7 Discipleship Course

2:7 is a course in personal discipleship to strengthen your walk with God so that you can bear fruit in Him. You will learn ways to do daily quiet time, meditate on Scripture, sharpen your testimony and study other skill-based topics. Join us on this life transformational journey! Visit <http://www.islandecc.hk/27/> for registration.

TODAY Interfaith Dialogue Debrief

All who attended the IFD are encouraged to attend this debriefing session to have a greater understanding of the IFD discussion and to exchange feedback and ideas on how to move forward. 2.30-4.00pm, Kids Worship Hall, 9/F.

TODAY Filipino and Indonesian Ministries Info Session

If you've ever wondered where we meet, what we do, how you can invite your helper to our gatherings, or how you can get involved - please join us! We'll be sharing pictures and stories, and announcing new opportunities for individuals, families, or Care Groups to participate in and serve these ministries. 2.30-4.30pm, 10/F Classroom.

SEP 16 Men's Fraternity Fall Launch

Men's Fraternity exists to empower men to live for God and to speak into issues relevant to men. We will launch a new semester on Tuesdays at 7.30pm, 10/F. For more info, contact men@islandecc.hk.

SEP 17 FUSE — Young Adults Fellowship

FUSE is a fellowship for young adults/young professionals (age: 20s to early 30s) 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!

SEP 26 Ladies Night

We invite the women of Island ECC to join us for a dynamic night of worship, teaching and connecting with other women at Ladies Night. Carol Jordan, our guest speaker, will dive into a subject that has great impact on our lives: Our identity in Christ and who we see in the mirror. Tickets are \$50 and available at Connect Counters. Doors open at 7pm.

OCT 6 Fall Alpha Course 2014

Looking for answers to life? The Alpha Course is a ten-week opportunity to explore the Christian faith in a laid-back environment. It is a practical introduction to the basics of Christianity centred around a meal, a talk and small group discussion. Mondays, 7pm, 2/F. Visit www.islandecc.hk/alpha for details and to sign up.

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New On The City

Island ECC Job Opportunity

Please visit [The Marketplace](#) for full details.

- **New Church Premises Project Manager** — to work with the elders on a 3-6 month project as we step up again in our search for a permanent church site. Requires a passionate heart for the future of our church and experience in Hong Kong real estate.

NEW TO ISLAND ECC?

1 MEET US AT THE CONNECT COUNTER

We are so glad that you're here today and would love to get to know you! The Connect Counters are located on the 1/F, 2/F and 10/F. 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."

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Voice of God

God still speaks

² But he who enters by the door is a shepherd of the sheep.

³ To him the doorkeeper opens, and the sheep hear his voice, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out.

⁴ When he puts forth all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice.

John 10:2-4

Discernment is needed

¹ Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but **test the spirits** to see whether they are from God, because many false prophets have gone out into the world. ² By this you know the Spirit of God: every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God; ³ and every spirit that does not confess Jesus is not from God; this is the spirit of the antichrist, of which you have heard that it is coming, and now it is already in the world. ⁴ You are from God, little children, and have overcome them; because greater is He who is in you than he who is in the world. ⁵ They are from the world; therefore they speak as from the world, and the world listens to them. ⁶ We are from God; he who knows God listens to us; he who is not from God does not listen to us. By this we know the spirit of truth and the spirit of error.

1 John 4:1-6

Discerning the voice of God:

1. Does it align with the Bible?

2. Is it consistent with the character of God?

3. Does it bring glory to God?

Do all to the glory of God.

1 Corinthians 10:31

4. Is it confirmed by others?

Plans fail for lack of counsel, but with many advisers they succeed.

Proverbs 15:22

5. What is my motive in sharing this with others?

If anyone adds to them, God will add to him the plagues which are written in this book.

Revelation 22:18



Taiwan Mission Trip