# COMING UP AT ISLAND ECC

# TODAY & OCT 12 Food Drive

Hope of the City is conducting a food drive for Feeding Hong Kong. Bring your contributions of non-perishable items (canned, pasta, etc) to church and drop them in the bins on 1, 2, 8 and 10/F. Check out www.hopeofthecity.com for list of items needed. For bulk donations, please email info@hopeofthecitv.com.

#### OCT 8 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!

#### OCT 11 Walking with God

You are invited to join us for a hike at The Peak to enjoy nature - and some purposeful time with God! Meet at 10am. Register at http://www.islandecc.hk/ministries/prayer/.

#### OCT 12 New Class: How to Study the Bible

Have you wondered how you can better understand the Bible in a systematic way, and apply the Word of God in your lives? Join elder Joseph Mohan for this 5 week class. 11.30am, 7/F. Visit http://www.islandecc.hk/classes/ for details and registration.

#### OCT 12 New Class: Nurturing Your Marriage

Your marriage is special and worth attention. Join other couples for this two-week "check-up" class to enrich your marriage. Couples will participate in a free on-line instrument between the two Sundays, providing private feed-back on how you are doing on the essentials of marriage. 9.30am, Room A, 8/F. Visit http://www.islandecc.hk/classes/ for registration.

## OCT 12 Mongolia Sharing Session

A team of 39 from our church went to Mongolia this summer to serve orphans and underprivileged groups. They went to be a vessel of God's love, and have returned to tell of what it means to serve, love and more importantly, be loved. 2pm, 9/F Kids Worship Hall.

#### OCT 24 ReNEW Night of Worship and Album Recording

Sing to the Lord a new song, His praise from the end of the earth! Our worship team has been working diligently to capture, in song, something unique for Island ECC. We'll gather to worship and record a full album of original music. Tickets are available for \$50 today at Connect Counters on all floors. Space is limited.

#### NOV 1 Sports Fellowship Amazing Race Scavenger Hunt

Join our Scavenger Hunt on HK Island. Come as a care group or we will form teams for individual participants. After the games, join everyone for great fellowship in a BBQ dinner. Starts at 2pm. Cost is \$150 (includes games and all you can eat plus 2 drinks). Tickets available at 1/F Connect Counter only. For information please email sportsfellowship@islandecc.hk.

#### NOV 8 CORE Leadership Conference

Island ECC is hosting our first ever CORE Leadership, 9am-5pm. If you are a volunteer leader in any of these ministries - Care Groups, Men, Women, Youth, Kids Club, Mission trips, Prayer, Sunday services, Worship, Local Outreach - this conference is for you! Mark your calendar now. Tickets available at Connect Counter. Visit http://www.islandecc.hk/core/ for details.

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# **New On The City**

#### Island ECC Job Opportunity

• Coordinator of Volunteers for Hope of the City - We are looking for someone to build, maintain and strengthen the volunteer database and oversee volunteer relations and recruitment. This is a full-time position. Visit The Marketplace for information.

#### Fall Alpha Course 2014

Starting October 6 for ten weeks. A practical introduction to the basics of Christianity Mondays, 7pm, 2/F. Visit The City Calendar for details and to sign up.

#### NEW TO ISLAND ECC?

#### 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.

# 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

God loves you because he chooses to. "God wasn't attracted to you and didn't HE LOVES 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 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...



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We trust Jesus to do what we can't. We don't trust our own efforts to save us. **WE BELIEVE** 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."

Rwanda Mission Trip



October 5, 2014

# **Baptism**

behold, the new has come.

All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me. Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Matthew 28:19

And when Jesus was baptised, immediately He went up from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming to rest on Him, and behold, a voice from heaven said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

Matthew 3:16-17

We were buried with Him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. Romans 6.4

Therefore if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away;

2 Corinthians 5:17