

# COMING UP AT ISLAND ECC

## TODAY Baby Dedications

We are delighted today to join with 2 families in the dedication of their children to the Lord:

- Noah Jason Chen, born 14 January 2013, to parents Drew & Anne (9.30am, 10/F)
- Chace Maxwell Lim Jala, born 26 October 2013, to parents Brian & Leslie (11.30am, 10/F)

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

## TODAY GO Supported Partners Prayer Focus

Island ECC partners with China Source to support their ministry in engaging the international Christian community with critical knowledge for collaborating with and serving the Chinese church and society. Through conferences and consultations in Asia and the United States, through publications and online resources, and through research studies and consulting.

## TODAY & 23 Christmas Gifts/Give a Gift

Share the joy and love of this season by filling a Christmas gift bag for orphanage children and Filipino/Indonesian Ministries! Collect gold bags on your floor today or next week, and return by December 7. Email [go@islandecc.hk](mailto:go@islandecc.hk) with any questions.

## NOV 19 FUSE — Young Adults Fellowship

FUSE is a fellowship for young adults/young professionals who would like to connect with God and other young adults. We will meet at 7.30pm in **The Studio** (321 Java Rd, 1/F).

## NOV 21 Middle School Fall Retreat

The middle school students of Island Youth will be going on our annual fall retreat on November 21-22. We'll meet in the Studio at 6.00pm and stay overnight at Lei Yue Muen Park and Holiday Village in Shau Kei Wan. To sign up, please email us at [youth@islandecc.hk](mailto:youth@islandecc.hk).

## NOV 28 Night of Prayer

Facing demands? Seeking comfort? Desiring God? Join us and experience God's presence. 7.30 pm, 2/F.

## DEC 6 Door-to-Door Visits in Sham Shui Po

Hope of the City is recruiting around 20 Cantonese-speaking volunteers for a new round of door-to-door visits in Sham Shui Po, 2.30-5.30pm. Volunteers will help inform residents about social service programmes. Email [volunteer@hopeofthecity.com](mailto:volunteer@hopeofthecity.com) for more information.

## DEC 13 Women's Christmas Breakfast

Reserve your place today for a wonderful celebration with other women. This joyous event is a great opportunity to reach out to a special friend and invite them to join you at The American Club, Central, at 9.30am. Pick up tickets at \$200 each from the Connect Counters.

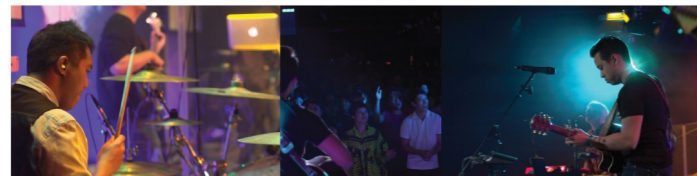
## DEC 28 Christmas Prison Outreach Volunteers

Most English speaking inmates will not have any visitors during Christmas, so we are looking for volunteers to visit Tung Tau prison and show love in action (9.30-11.30am). Email full name and HKID# to [ricket@islandecc.hk](mailto:ricket@islandecc.hk) to sign up before November 28. Priority to men.

## New Classes starting November 30

- Small Group Leadership Training Class (3 weeks)
- Basic Counselling Skills for Small Group Leaders (3 weeks)
- Conversational Evangelism (4 weeks)

Visit [www.islandecc.hk/classes](http://www.islandecc.hk/classes) for more information on all the above and to register.



## New On The City

### Job Vacancy

Asian Charity Services (ACS) are looking for a new Executive Director to take this leading provider of pro-bono organisational development training and consulting services for NGOs in Hong Kong to the next level. Visit The City/Marketplace for details.

### 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 3,000 people are already using this fantastic tool. By creating an account and logging in, you'll have access to weekly devotionals, updates on events and the chance to connect with others. Sign up now at the Connect Counter.

#### 3 CHECK OUR WEBSITE

By visiting [www.islandecc.hk](http://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."

ReNEW Live Album Recording



November 16, 2014

## Detox 1: Cleansing Your Thoughts

Carefully guard your thoughts because they are the source of true life.

Proverbs 4:23

Yet You know me, Lord  
You see me and test my thoughts about You.  
Drag them off like sheep to be butchered!  
Set them apart for the day of slaughter!

Jeremiah 12:3

### Six areas of toxic thoughts

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<sup>3</sup>For though we walk in the flesh, we are not waging war according to the flesh.  
<sup>4</sup>For the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh but have divine power to destroy strongholds.  
<sup>5</sup>We **destroy** arguments and every lofty opinion raised against the knowledge of God, and take every thought **captive** to obey Christ.

2 Corinthians 10:3-5

<sup>37</sup>... we are **more than conquerors** through Him who loved us.  
<sup>38</sup>For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, <sup>39</sup>nor **height** nor **depth**, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 8:37-39