

COMING UP AT ISLAND ECC

TODAY Youth Thanksgiving Dinner

The Island Youth Thanksgiving Dinner for families in the youth ministry is today at 1.30pm in the Studio. We look forward to giving thanks with you over turkey and your delicious side dishes.

NOV 28 Night of Prayer

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

NOV 28 Deadline for Male Volunteers — Christmas Prison Outreach

Most English speaking inmates will not have any visitors during Christmas so we are looking for male volunteers to visit Tung Tau prison on December 28 and show love in action (9.30-11.30am). A unique time to visit on a one-off basis. Email full name and HKID# to go@islandecc.hk to sign up.

NOV 30 & DEC 7 Outreach Christmas Gifts

Please remember to return your gold gift bags to the collection boxes placed on each floor by December 7. Thank you for the generous gifts to the orphans in Shenzhen and the Filipino/Indonesian Ministries!

NOV 30 New Class: Small Group Leadership Training Class

This is a 3-week Small Group Leadership training and development class looking into understanding biblical texts, leading Bible based discussions, and exploring different methods for teaching the Bible. 9.30am, Room A, 8/F. Visit www.islandecc.hk/classes for registration.

NOV 30 New Class: Basic Counselling Skills for Small Group Leaders

This 3 week class aims at equipping you with basic counselling methods and skills so that you can be a better listener and counsellor. (This is the same material covered in the summer). 11.30am, Room A, 8/F. Visit www.islandecc.hk/classes for registration.

NOV 30 New Class: Conversational Evangelism

In this 4 week class, you will learn "Conversational Evangelism", basic skills and methods developed by David Geisler to help you share the gospel in a meaningful and non offensive way. 11.30am, 7/F The Classroom. Visit www.islandecc.hk/classes for registration

DEC 7 New Class: The IS: What Every Christian Must Know and Do

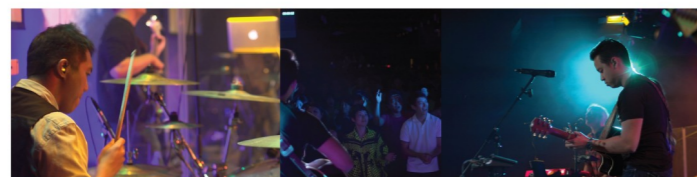
Hong Kong is far from Iraq and Syria, but the ultimate goal of the IS (Islamic State) affects everyone. This class will equip you with information not available through Al Jazeera, BBC, CNN, and other news media. 2pm, 8/F, Room A. Visit www.islandecc.hk/classes for registration.

DEC 12 FUSE: Bus Carolling

Hey Young Adults! It's that time of year again to spread some Christmas cheer from an open top bus going 80km/h through Hong Kong Island (7-10pm)! So, come all ye faithful to the FUSE Bus Carolling Party! Tickets on sale next week for \$50. Info: youngadults@islandecc.hk.

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.



New On The City

Every week our pastors and lay leaders share a Devotional Thought on the City. Be sure to catch these and be encouraged in your walk with God.

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, 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 23, 2014

Detox 2: Cleansing Your Relationships

"Associate with men of good quality if you esteem your own reputation; for it is better to be alone than in bad company." George Washington

Do not be misled: "Bad company corrupts good character."

1 Corinthians 15:33

The righteous choose their friends carefully, but the way of the wicked leads them astray.

Proverbs 12:26

Avoid godless chatter, because those who indulge in it will become more and more ungodly. Their teaching will spread like gangrene.

2 Timothy 2:16-17

Toxic people

A relationship strategy:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____