

# COMING UP AT ISLAND ECC

## TODAY Ark Dragon Boat Sign Up Deadline

We welcome fun-loving paddlers from all age groups (18 years old or above, or with parental agreement) and all experience levels. Water training starts on March 8. Sign up at the 1/F Connect Counter or contact [ark@islandecc.hk](mailto:ark@islandecc.hk) with questions. Cost is \$1,700 (cash or cheque only).

## FEB 27-28 Global Leadership Summit

The Global Leadership Summit is hosted this year by International Christian Assembly, North Point. It is a great leadership development opportunity to learn how to be a better leader. Get your discounted ticket (\$300) at the 1/F Connect Counter

## FEB 28 Sports Fellowship Bike Event

Come and bring friends to a fun day filled with bike riding from Tai Wai to Tai Mei Tuk (a medium difficulty journey). We will begin riding at 9am and finish at 1pm, with lunch. Cost is \$100 including bike and helmet. Register at the 1/F Connect Counter.

## MAR 1 Cambodia Mission Trip Sharing Session

A team of 26 went to Cambodia in Nov 2014 to share Christ's love with children and youth, and ministries that fight human trafficking. Come join us as we share our Phnom Phen experience. 2-4pm, 9/F Kids Worship Hall.

## MAR 3 Men's Fraternity Kickoff

Men's Fraternity is kicking off a new semester! There will be powerful worship, personal testimonies of transformation, and descriptions of the different studies offered. 7.30-9.30pm, 10/F Worship Hall. For more information, visit [www.islandecc.hk/men/](http://www.islandecc.hk/men/).

## MAR 6-27 Marriage Course

This 4 week marriage course is perfect for couples who have never been through any marriage material or who want a refresher! The course is a Friday Date Night, 7.30-9.45pm, 2/F Coffee Corner. Cost: \$200 per couple per session. For more details, visit [www.islandecc.hk/classes/](http://www.islandecc.hk/classes/).

## MAR 8 More Easter Prison Outreach — Sign Up

Thank you to those who signed up to join the Tung Tau Prison Outreach on April 5. We are looking for more volunteers to join another outreach to Pik Uk Prison in Sai Kung, April 7, 9.30am-11.30pm. Men have priority. Email full name, mobile and HKID# to [ricket@islandecc.hk](mailto:ricket@islandecc.hk) before March 8.

## MAR 9 Alpha Course Spring 2015

Looking for answers to life? This 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](http://www.islandecc.hk/alpha).

## MAR 18 Women's Ministries: Launch — The Village Gathering

We are launching a new season for Women's Ministries starting with a gathering on March 18, 7.30pm, 2F. Come and experience a new spiritual rhythm, hear about the new plans and our coming Women's Conference (Half The Church: Recapturing God's Vision for Women). Light refreshments served. Get your free tickets at the Connect Counter!

### New Classes Starting

Several new classes are starting in the coming weeks. To learn more about the following and to register, go to [islandecc.hk/classes/](http://islandecc.hk/classes/)

**March 1** Between the Testaments - Palestine Before Jesus

**March 1** Theology 101

**March 1** Charlie Hebdo, Islam and the Fate of our Civilisation

**March 1** Living a Life of True Worship Bible Study

**March 2** Domestic Helper Management

**March 2** Prayer Warrior Book Study



## On The City

### Island ECC Job Vacancies on the Marketplace

- **Coordinator/Senior Coordinator of Ministry Support** — This is a full-time position providing a high level of administrative support for the operating functions of the church.
- **Associate Director of Children's Ministries** — this is a new full-time position to assist the Director in planning and preparing the Kids Club educational programme for our elementary age children.
- **Senior Coordinator of IT Support** — An exciting full-time position that supports the use of technology throughout Island ECC. Includes IT, Audio Visual, and Web technologies.
- **Kids Club Nursery Workers for Sundays**
- **Volunteers Wanted** — Mechanical engineers, electrical engineers, and quantity surveyors to assist the new church premises project.

### NEW TO ISLAND ECC?

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### 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.

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### 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.

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### 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."

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## More Than Nice

<sup>3</sup> Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>4</sup> Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

<sup>5</sup> Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

<sup>6</sup> Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

<sup>7</sup> Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.

<sup>8</sup> Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

<sup>9</sup> Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

<sup>10</sup> Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Matthew 5:3-10

Women's Christmas Breakfast

