COMING UP AT ISLAND ECC

TODAY Supported Partners: Carl and Kathy Lahr

Pray for Carl Lahr as he develops strategic partnerships and church planting teams for the Asia Division of ReachGlobal. Pray for Kathy as she begins additional training for a coaching ministry. Pray for the Lahr children to thrive in their education for opportunities to minister to those around them at work and school. For more information about the Lahr family and their ministry, contact qo@islandecc.hk.

TODAY Prayer After Service

We want to encourage the church to set aside time to pray today wherever you are, and if you need to pray with people, feel free to approach our prayer volunteers at the front.

TODAY & APR 19 Upcoming Missions Trip Info Sessions

Come learn about one of the upcoming mission trips: Today, 2pm, 8/F Room A - Uganda Mission Trip (Aug 28-Sep 8) April 19, 2pm, 10/F Classroom - Mongolia Trip (Jul 25-Aug 9)

APR 15 FUSE — Young Adults Fellowship

FUSE is a fellowship for young adults/young professionals (age: 20s to early 30s). Our next FUSE, we will be taking a little break and having a lot of fun at the RYZE Trampoline Park! Located at 3/F, 321 Java Rd, so there's no need to travel very far at all! We will plan to MEET at RYZE that night at 7.30pm. See you there!

APR 17 Last RESOUND Of The Year

RESOUND is the city-wide gatherings from all of the English-speaking churches in Hong Kong. The last RESOUND for this school year is THIS FRIDAY and is open for all middle school and high school students. We will hold RESOUND at **West Island School**, 250 Victoria Rd. Pokfulam; doors open at **7pm**. There will be buses available from Admiralty and Kowloon Tong MTR Stations. There will be live worship performed by a student band, and a great message from Young Life's Josh Powell. For more information please contact Kyle at kyle.reed@islandecc.hk.

APR 19 Problem Based Learning For Small Group Leaders

As small group leaders we wonder how can we raise up more leaders? How can we help our members grow mature? How can we grow in our leadership ourselves? Join Dr. Nancy Fung for the Problem-Based Learning approach at 2.30pm, Room A, 8/F. Visit www.islandecc.hk/classes/ for details and registration.

APR 25 Sports Fellowship — Wall Climbing

Time to learn from Spider man! Wall Climbing in YMCA, the highest outdoor wall in HK! **2-4pm**, **YMCA Centenary Park** near Jordan. \$160/per person for 2 hours. With coaching & equipment provided. Limited space: get your tickets from 1/F Connect Counter on April 12 & 19.

MAY 22-23 Women's Conference: Half The Church

Our Women's Conference entitled "Half The Church: Recapturing God's Global Vision For Women" is coming. Pick up a copy of the book and your tickets today! For more information go to http://www.islandecc.hk/ministries/women/ and click the link to Half The Church. Early Bird ticketing starts today at the Connect Counter. Ticket only \$250; Combo (book & ticket) \$320.

Upcoming Classes

To learn more about the following classes, or to register, check out www.islandecc.hk/classes.

April 26 - Prayer Fasting and Meditation (3 week class)

April 26 - Parenting Teens (3 week class)

April 26 - OT Big Pic Part 2: The Kingdom and the Prophets (7 week class)

May 3 - The Rise of Islam: Are You Ready?

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On The City

Staff Vacancy on the Marketplace

• 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.

Volunteers needed for new 3PM Services:

- Sunday Services Lobby hosts, Connect Counter, greeters, ushers, offering & communion stewards.
- Kids Club Storytellers, worship leaders, small group leaders, welcome team, nursery assistants.
- Production Crew ProPresenter, video and lighting, camera operator.

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 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.



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 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...



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.



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."

Children's Ministries' Rock n' Roll Easter Picnic at the Peak



April 12, 2015

God And Sex

He

¹ How beautiful your sandaled feet, O prince's daughter!

Your graceful legs are like jewels, the work of an artist's hands.

² Your navel is a rounded goblet that never lacks blended wine. Your waist is a mound of wheat encircled by lilies.

³ Your breasts are like two fawns, like twin fawns of a gazelle.

⁴ Your neck is like an ivory tower. Your eyes are the pools of Heshbon

by the gate of Bath Rabbim.

Your nose is like the tower of Lebanon looking toward Damascus.

 How beautiful you are and how pleasing, my love, with your delights!
 Your stature is like that of the palm.

and your breasts like clusters of fruit.

⁸ I said, "I will climb the palm tree; I will take hold of its fruit."

May your breasts be like clusters of grapes on the vine, the fragrance of your breath like apples, ⁹ and your mouth like the best wine.

She

C courity

¹² Let us go early to the vineyards to see if the vines have budded, if their blossoms have opened, and if the pomegranates are in bloom there I will give you my love.

Song of Solomon 7:1-4, 6-9, 12

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