

COMING UP AT ISLAND ECC

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.

JUN 19 World Refugee Day

Refugees risk horrific dangers and even death in the hopes of finding safety and peace in a new country. Many of them arrive in Hong Kong, only to find a new set of challenges. Join Island ECC and a network of churches and Christians to celebrate different cultures and learn more about this vulnerable population. 8pm, St. Andrew's Church, TST.

JUN 19 Friday Night Fun

Middle school and high school students will be meeting in the Studio at 6pm for a movie night and fellowship. We are encouraging all students to come, hang out and relax after their stressful exam season. For more information email youth@islandecc.hk.

JUN 26 Last Youth Small Group Meeting

This will be our last small group of the year for middle school and high school students! We will meet in the Studio at 6pm and then head to RYZE as a group at 7pm. Please bring \$140 to cover the RYZE admission and your waiver form. For more information email youth@islandecc.hk.

JUN 27 St. James' Settlement Flag Day

Do you remember your first volunteer experience? In Hong Kong, many of us started by selling flags on Flag Day. We are looking for 5 volunteers to partner with children from St. James' Settlement in Prince Edward, 9-10am, to begin their journey. Email volunteer@hopeofthecity.com for more information.

JUN 28 Tackling Housing Issues of the Poor in Hong Kong

Needy families are often trapped in dank cubicle homes for years. Can Christians do anything to help? Ricky Yu, CEO of Light Be, believes we can. Find out how he is connecting righteous landlords with marginalised poor through a unique housing scheme. 1pm, 8/F, Room B. Register via volunteer@hopeofthecity.com.

JUL 5 New Class: Jesus — A Biography

Jesus lived in a time radically different from our own. Why did He call Himself Son of Man and confronted the Pharisees so vigorously? Why did He teach like that? Join Martin Radford for this 8 week class to learn who Jesus was in His 1st Century setting. Class starts on July 5. Visit <https://www.islandecc.hk/classes/> for details and registration.

JUL 8 Grief Group

This is a 6-week support group that creates a safe place for people who have lost loved ones to process their difficult feelings. It is led by caring, experienced, and empathetic leaders who enable people to share openly while pointing them to the hope we can find through God. 10/F Living Room, 7pm. Contact classes@islandecc.hk for more information or to register.

Kids Club Summer Volunteer Recruitment

We are recruiting volunteers for our Summer Sunday Programme. If you love kids and are interested in a short-term commitment, come join our Summer team for 9 weeks (July 5 to Aug 30). Contact kidsclub@islandecc.hk for more information, or fill out a volunteer form at our 9/F Welcome Desk. Summer orientation training: 8/F Room A on June 28, 1.30pm, or June 29, 7.30pm.



On The City

Staff Vacancies on the Marketplace

- **Executive Director** — to oversee and direct the administrative and operational functions of the church's facility and programmes, particularly the Ministry Support, IT, HR and Financial operations.
- **Executive Assistant** — to provide executive level administrative and secretarial support for the Senior Pastor and Executive Pastor. Solid experience as a PA/Executive Assistant at senior level required.
- **Associate Director of Assimilation** — to enlist, train, manage and work with our vast volunteer network, using our gifts together to worship God and point others to Him through our service.
- **Graphic Design Assistant** — We are looking for a full-time junior Graphic Design Assistant to make God's church beautiful. A serving heart is a must and portfolio is required.

Also we are looking for a **Coordinator of Volunteers** and a **Junior Accounting Assistant**.

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."

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Unprecedented

²⁸ "Therefore I want you to know that God's salvation has been sent to the Gentiles, and they will listen!"

³⁰ For two whole years Paul stayed there in his own rented house and welcomed all who came to see him.

³¹ He proclaimed the kingdom of God and taught about the Lord Jesus Christ— with all boldness and without hindrance!

Acts 28:28,30-31

²³ Jesus said, "Everything is possible for one who believes."

²⁴ Immediately the boy's father exclaimed, "I do believe; help me overcome my unbelief!"

Mark 9:23-24

Alpha Retreat

