

# Welcome!

Today is perhaps the most significant day in the life of our church so far. In an unprecedented and historical way, we are making pledges today for the establishment of a permanent presence in Hong Kong. Many of you have already made your gifts either online or directly to the church, but the majority will do so today. I want to say thank you for being such a generous church, and being excited about blessing future generations in Hong Kong.

We all have benefitted from the faith and generosity of those who have gone before us. And now it's our turn to pay it forward.

As we trust God for this exciting 3-year adventure, I want to remind you to be prayerful for the church, its leadership, and for our city. We are embarking on a huge project, and trusting that God will lead us each step of the way.



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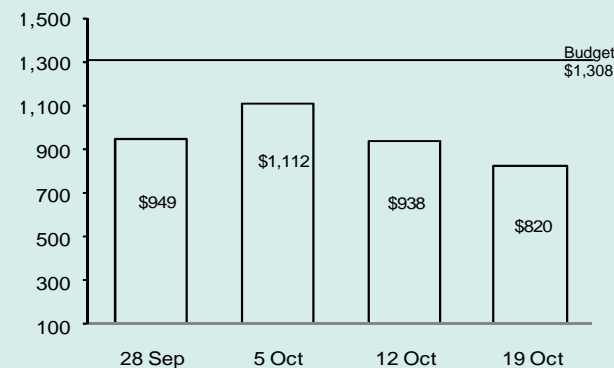
### YEAR TO DATE (7 WEEKS)

**-21.47% deficit on giving**

**YTD Budget \$ 9.154M**  
**YTD Giving \$ 7.189M**  
**YTD Variance \$ -1.965M**

## FISCAL YEAR SEPT 2015-AUG 2016

### PAST 4 WEEKS (Thousands HKD)



	28 Sep	5 Oct	12 Oct	19 Oct
<b>Weekly Budget</b>	1,308	1,308	1,308	1,308
<b>Weekly Giving</b>	949	1,112	938	820
<b>Weekly Variance</b>	-359	-196	-370	-488

**GIVING TO ISLAND ECC** We encourage those who consider Island ECC their church home to prayerfully give a percentage of their income to the church on a regular basis.

Cheques payable to 'Island ECC Ltd.' for HK tax receipts or to 'Friends of Hong Kong Charities Inc.' for US citizens. More info at [www.islandecc.hk/give](http://www.islandecc.hk/give). Enquiries to [karen.kwok@islandecc.hk](mailto:karen.kwok@islandecc.hk).

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**BOLD  
FAITH**

## BOLD FAITH

### Buildings

October 25, 2015 9.30am, 11.30am, 3pm, 5pm  
633 King's Road, 1/F, 2/F, 10/F

# COMING UP AT ISLAND ECC

## NOV 1 Mongolia Mission Trip Sharing Session

Our church has been sending mission teams to Mongolia every summer for more than 10 years. Every year God does wonders in the lives of those who went to serve and receive. 35 of us went this summer, come hear our experiences this year! 2-4pm, 10/F Auditorium.

## NOV 1 New Class — Springboard Course

What am I supposed to do as a Christian? How do I have freedom in Christ? A 6 week class exploring through small group discussions how Scripture breathes life into our faith. 3pm-4.30pm.

## NOV 8 New Class — Art of Parenting

Are you a bit worn out as a parent with the never ending “on-the-job” training? Would you like some practical assistance based on both biblical truth and proven experience? Plan to attend this 3 week class with Pastor Didi Wong and Team, 9.30am 10/F. It will provide help with how to be a functional family, handling misbehaviour and discipline, living with strong willed children, leading the spiritual growth of children, etc. Visit [www.islandecc.hk/classes/](http://www.islandecc.hk/classes/) to register.

## NOV 8 New Class — The Rise of Radical Islam (Part 1)

Hardly a day goes by without the reporting of some news related to the Muslim world. Every Christian must be prepared. This is a 4-week course with Lincoln Loo, 2pm, 10/F. Material cost: \$100. It introduces you to Islam, strengthens your Christian faith, and equips you to respond with respect and confidence. Completion of this course is a pre-requisite to taking Part 2, which will be offered in 2016. Visit [www.islandecc.hk/classes/](http://www.islandecc.hk/classes/) to register.

## NOV 8 & 15 Food Drive — Ga Yau Ga Yau (Add Oil, Add Oil)

It is a sad fact that some 1.5 million people in Hong Kong go hungry every day. Hope of the City wants to help change that, so we are holding a food drive for Feeding Hong Kong over two Sundays. Bring your contributions to church and drop them in the boxes on 1, 2, 8 & 10/F. For a list of items needed, check out [www.hopeofthecity.com](http://www.hopeofthecity.com) – cooking oil and pasta are especially welcome. For bulk donations, contact [info@hopeofthecity.com](mailto:info@hopeofthecity.com).

## NOV 15 Watoto Choir Concert

The Watoto Children’s Choir from Uganda, Africa is coming to Island ECC. This is a wonderful opportunity to worship with your family. Their new production, Oh, What Love, is based on 1 John 3:1: says, “See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we shall be called children of God.” Concert starts 7.30pm, 1/F. Pick up free tickets at the Connect Counter next Sunday.

## NOV 22 Family Thanksgiving: First Glimpse at Parent-Church Partnerships

Kids Club invites parents for a time of fellowship over a thanksgiving lunch, 1.30-2.45pm, 10/F Auditorium. Discover how the church and family come together to influence our kids. Learn how you can impact your child’s spiritual growth with practical take home strategies. And get a sneak preview of our upcoming family experience events. Child care available. Please save the date, invitations to follow soon!

## Bold Faith Dress Sale

Thanks to all who volunteered to serve and those who purchased a gown in our recent dress sale. A total of HK\$1.1 million was raised for the Bold Faith building fund.



## On The City

### Staff Vacancy on the Marketplace

**Coordinator of Ministry Support** — to help provide administrative and logistical support for our Sunday services, ministry events, facility use, as well as assistance to our pastors. We are looking for a friendly and energetic person with a heart to serve and an eye for detail, plus strong communication and administrative skills. Fluency in both English and Cantonese is needed.

To apply, go to the Marketplace/Jobs.

### 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.”

Mission Trip to Shanxi



October 25, 2015

## Buildings

### The building of the tabernacle

<sup>1</sup>The LORD said to Moses, <sup>2</sup>“Tell the Israelites to bring Me an offering. You are to receive the offering for Me from everyone whose heart prompts them to give. <sup>3</sup>These are the offerings you are to receive from them: gold, silver and bronze; <sup>4</sup>blue, purple and scarlet yarn and fine linen; goat hair; <sup>5</sup>ram skins dyed red and another type of durable leather; acacia wood; <sup>6</sup>olive oil for the light; spices for the anointing oil and for the fragrant incense; <sup>7</sup>and onyx stones and other gems to be mounted on the ephod and breastpiece.

<sup>8</sup>“Then have them make a sanctuary for Me, and I will  **dwell among**  them. <sup>9</sup>Make this tabernacle and all its furnishings exactly like the pattern I will show you.”

Exodus 25:1-9

<sup>44</sup>“So I will consecrate the tent of meeting and the altar and will consecrate Aaron and his sons to serve Me as priests. <sup>45</sup>Then I will  **dwell among**  the Israelites and be their God. <sup>46</sup>They will know that I am the LORD their God, who brought them out of Egypt so that I might  **dwell among**  them. I am the LORD their God.”

Exodus 29:44-46

### The building of the temple

<sup>1</sup>After the king was settled in his palace and the LORD had given him rest from all his enemies around him, <sup>2</sup>he said to Nathan the prophet, “Here I am, living in a house of cedar, while the ark of God remains in a tent.”

<sup>3</sup>Nathan replied to the king, “Whatever you have in mind, go ahead and do it, for the LORD is with you.”

<sup>4</sup>But that night the word of the LORD came to Nathan, saying:

<sup>5</sup>“Go and tell My servant David, ‘This is what the LORD says: Are you the one to build Me a house to dwell in? <sup>6</sup>I have not dwelt in a house from the day I brought the Israelites up out of Egypt to this day. I have been moving from place to place with a tent as My dwelling. <sup>7</sup>Wherever I have moved with all the Israelites, did I ever say to any of their rulers whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, ‘Why have you not built Me a house of cedar?’”

<sup>11</sup>“... The LORD declares to you that the  **LORD Himself will establish a house for you** . <sup>12</sup>When your days are over and you rest with your ancestors, I will raise up your offspring to succeed you, your own flesh and blood, and I will establish his kingdom. <sup>13</sup>He is the one who will build a house for My Name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. <sup>14</sup>I will be his Father, and he will be My son ... <sup>15</sup>But My love will never be taken away from him ... <sup>16</sup>Your house and your kingdom will endure forever before Me; your throne will be established forever.”

2 Samuel 7:1-16

### His temple today

<sup>16</sup>Don’t you know that you yourselves are God’s temple and that God’s Spirit dwells in your midst? <sup>17</sup>If anyone destroys God’s temple, God will destroy that person; for God’s temple is sacred, and you together are that temple.

1 Corinthians 3:16-17