

Welcome!

The world is seemingly more chaotic and unsafe now than in many years. Daily news articles inform us of terrorism, natural disasters, and other forms of uncontrolled violence. And though Hong Kong is largely exempt from such horror, we still feel the anxiety of a world that is a mess. But beyond feeling safe, do you feel secure? Do you feel a sense of confidence?

Today we'll examine the longing we all have to live a life of peace, a life based on an unchanging security.

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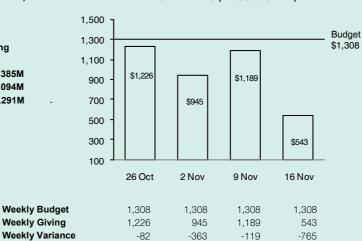
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GENERAL OFFERING

FISCAL YEAR SEPT 2015 - AUG 2016 PAST 4 WEEKS (Thousands HKD)

YEAR TO DATE (11 WEEKS)

-22.88% deficit on giving \$ 14.385M YTD Budget YTD Giving \$ 11.094M YTD Variance \$ -3.291M



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 islandecc.hk/give. Enquiries to karen.kwok@islandecc.hk.

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November 22, 2015 9.30am, 11.30am, 3pm, 5pm 633 King's Road, 1/F, 2/F, 10/F

HIGHLIGHTS

TODAY SUPPORTED PARTNER PRAYER FOCUS

Island ECC partners with Low Siew Ling to support her work as liaison for a Mongolian NGO in partnership with a government run children's shelter. She also runs a social enterprise that empowers the ladies living in the Ger district.

TODAY BABY DEDICATION

We are delighted today to join Richard and Kassandra Fong in the dedication of their children to the Lord: Jayden Fong, born 26 February 2012 and Nathan Fong, born 2 June 2014. We warmly welcome all family and friends visiting for this occasion (11.30am, 10/F).

TODAY FAMILY THANKSGIVING: PARENT-CHURCH PARTNERSHIPS

Thanks to everyone who has purchased tickets. We are excited to see you at the thanksgiving lunch as well as talk about our curriculum initiatives. See you on the 10/F Worship Hall at 1.30pm today!

NOV 27 NIGHT OF PRAYER

Join us $7.30 \, \text{pm}$ on 2/F to slow down, worship and remember how good God has been to us and our church. Doors open at $7 \, \text{pm}$.

NOV 28 ARK 10TH ANNIVERSARY

Arkers! Get your tickets for the 10th anniversary dinner at 1/F Connect Counter today. \$120 each. Cash only please. See you, 6pm, as we celebrate 10 years of Ark love.

NOV 29 YOUTH THANKSGIVING LUNCH

We will be hosting our annual Youth Thanksgiving Lunch at 1.30pm in The Well (11/F) and invite all families in the youth ministry to come and celebrate with us. Please email us at youth@islandecc.hk to let us know how many people will attend and what delicious side dish or dessert you will bring.

NOV 29 CHRISTMAS SHOPPING AT ISLAND ECC

Christmas is around the corner! If you are looking to pick up some Christmas gifts for your family and friends, there will be opportunities for you to do so at Island ECC starting next Sunday:

- Holiday Christmas cushions available at G/F Lobby. Appreciate donations of \$50+ per cushion.
- Quench Christmas book sale on 1/F and 10/F, Nov 29 & Dec 6. Up to 50% off selected adult and children's titles. While stocks last.

DEC 6 **VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION**

Volunteering is love in motion! Serving as a volunteer at Island ECC is both a fun and rewarding way to help the church family. Come and hear about volunteer opportunities, 1.30pm-2.30pm, 10/F Living Room. Lunch will be provided. Sign up at the Connect Counter on your floor today.

CLASSES

REGISTER AT ISLANDECC.HK/CLASSES

NOV 29 CHRISTMAS RECOVERED

Join Martin Radford in this 3-week class to recover the Christmas story, to bring clarity to the events in the Gospels, to move beyond fanciful embellishments and so deepen our walk with God as we discover faith, obedience and humility. 11.30am, 8/F.

DEC 13 NEW CLASS: PARIS AND THE ISLAMIC STATE

A series of coordinated attacks in Paris on Nov 13 resulted in the deaths of at least 128 people. What are the root causes of this atrocity? Join Lincoln Loo for this one-off class which will provide the analysis that is lacking in major news reports and social media. 2.30pm-4.30pm, 10/F Classroom.

NEW WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES

- Precept: How Do You Walk the Walk You Talk
 Nov 27, every Friday 10am-11.30am, 8/F Classroom, Island ECC
- Lunch time Bible study in Central: Living Like You Belong To God Dec 7, every Monday 12.30pm-2pm, 1904, 19/F, World-Wide House, Central For study details and sign up please go to: www.islandecc.hk/women.



OUTREACH

TODAY "OH WHAT FAITH" UGANDA TRIP SHARING

Join us in this celebration of God's unfailing love and sharing the Uganda team's experience in slums and prison homes. 11/F Classroom, 1.30pm.

NOV 29 CAMBODIA MISSION TRIP SHARING SESSION

How does God show His character as a God of Justice in Cambodia? What has been done in Cambodia to help human trafficking survivors know God and His love? Join us for our sharing session. 1.30-3pm, Living Room, 10/F.

DEC 2 HAVEN OF HOPE GUIDED TOUR

Haven of Hope serves Hong Kong's elderly with the love of Christ. See their work and learn how to participate. This free guided tour of their daycare/rehabilitation centres and nursing home runs 10am –2pm, lunch included. Booking deadline: Nov 24. Contact info@hopeofthecity.com.

YOUTH MISSION TRIPS

High School and Middle School students will be serving in the Philippines during CNY (9-14 Feb 2016). High School students will head to Bohol with ICM, and Middle School students will go to Cebu with Agape Ministry. For more information contact youth@islandecc.hk.

UGANDA INTEREST AFTER WATOTO

Following the Watoto Choir concerts there is interest in our Short Term Outreach to Uganda. Our next trip is August 2016 with the info session in April. Contact go@islandecc.hk if you have any questions. For the choir's Hong Kong performance schedule, go to www.watoto.asia.

OPPORTUNITIES

RECEPTIONIST/COORDINATOR

We are looking to hire a full-time Receptionist/Coordinator for our church office. A cheerful friendly personality, good administrative skills, ability to multi-task, and excellent spoken and written English & Cantonese required. Email hr@islandecc.hk with a cover letter and CV.

ACCOUNTING ASSISTANT

We are looking for a full-time Accounting Assistant to work in the church's busy Finance Department. Good math and computer skills, especially Excel, are required and a willingness to develop accounting skills. Email hr@islandecc.hk with a cover letter and CV.

DANCERS WANTED

Guys and girls, we are recruiting talented hip hop and jazz dancers for the Christmas Eve services. You must be able to learn choreography quickly. Send in your dance footage to worship@islandecc.hk for an audition.

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! Visit the Connect Counters on 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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Check out www.islandecc.hk, where you'll have access to information about all our ministries and events, as well as a broad spectrum of resources - including weekly blog posts and video podcasts of sermons.

Children's Ministries VBS (Vacation Bible School)



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"You have made us for yourself, O God, and our hearts are restless until we find our rest in Thee."

St. Augustine

Just as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, so death spread to all men because all sinned.

Romans 5:12

While we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to Him through the death of His

Romans 5:10

Once you were alienated from God and were enemies in your minds because of your evil behaviour.

Colossians 1:21

Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access ...

Romans 5:1-2

If we say that we have fellowship with Him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. But if we walk in the light as He himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, His Son, purifies us from all sins

1 John 1:6-7

Whoever claims to love God yet hates a brother or sister is a liar. For whoever does not love their brother and sister, whom they have seen, cannot love God, who they have not seen.

1 John 4:20