



# Welcome!

I hope you like your tile! Use it as a coaster, as a hot plate for your dishes, or however you like, but I hope that whenever you see it in your home, you are reminded of God and faith and church. I hope you will be subtly "floored" whenever you ponder on the greatness of our God.

As we move from the bedroom (by the way, last week's excellent message by Pastor Rick can be viewed on the website... check it out if you happened to miss it), to the bathroom, we will focus our attention on caring for our souls.

It's a place to shower, to brush your teeth, to prepare yourself for the day. Chances are, you've spent a fair amount of time in the bathroom looking at yourself in the mirror. Do you like what you see? I'm guessing that's a loaded question – you like some aspects but hate others. But beyond your physical appearance, do you like **who you are**?

Today we'll have a look at that critical question: How does my faith in God change my core identity?

*Brett*

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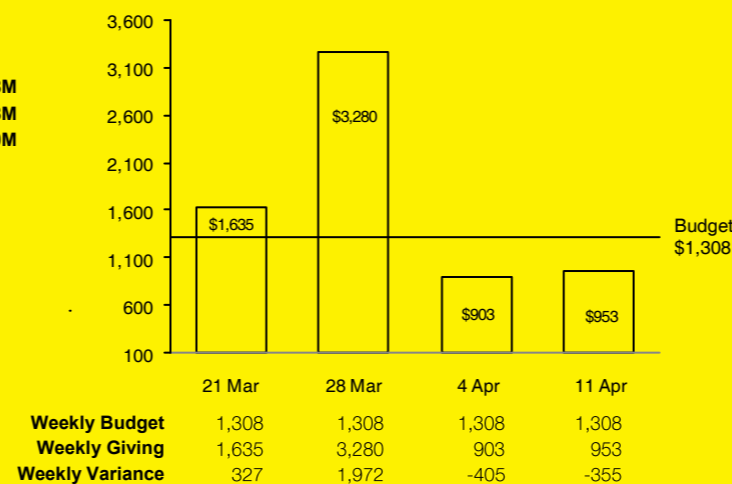
### YEAR TO DATE (32 WEEKS)

2.3% surplus on giving

**YTD Budget** \$ 41.8M  
**YTD Giving** \$ 42.8M  
**YTD Variance** \$ 1.0M

### FISCAL YEAR SEPT 2015 - AUG 2016

### PAST 4 WEEKS (Thousands HKD)



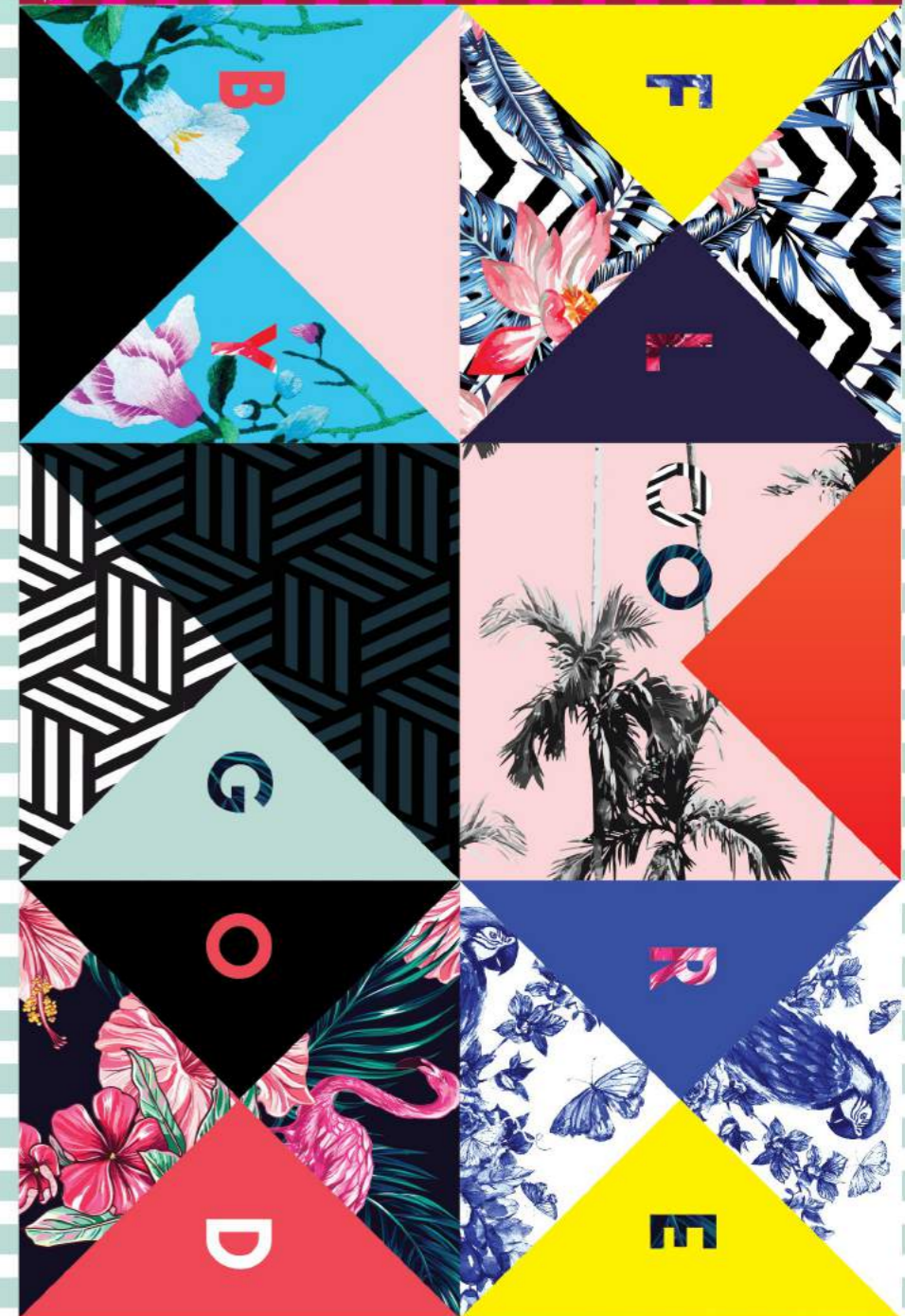
**Bold Faith Fund \$109.1M**    Received \$50.2M    Outstanding Pledge \$58.9M

**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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**ISLAND**  
EVANGELICAL COMMUNITY CHURCH



**FLOORED BY GOD**

**The Bathroom**

April 17 2016  
9.30am, 11.30am, 3pm, 5pm  
633 King's Road, 1/F, 2/F, 10/F

# HIGHLIGHTS

## TODAY SUPPORTED PARTNER PRAYER FOCUS

Island ECC has partnered with Arab World Evangelical Ministers' Association (AWEMA) since 2009. AWEMA's mission is to equip indigenous pastors and church leaders in the Arab countries where there is a great need for theological and discipleship training.

## APR 19-23 BOLD FAITH CLOTHES SALE

We'll have thousands of new quality shirts available for men, women, and children – formal, business, casual and beyond – and other items like pants, pyjamas and some wedding and party dresses. 2/F Auditorium. We welcome cash, or credit card for purchase over \$500. All proceeds will go to the Bold Faith Fund towards a permanent facility for the church. Opening hours:

- April 19, 1.00pm-8.30pm
- Apr 20-22, 10.30am-8.30pm
- Apr 23, 9.00am-1.30pm

Pick up some flyers at the Connect Counters and invite your family and friends!

## APR 24 NEWCOMERS LUNCH

If you are new to Island ECC and want to know more about the church, please join us for a Newcomers Lunch, 1.15pm, in the 10/F Worship Hall. There is no cost for this lunch, but you do need a ticket to get in, so please pick one up today at the Connect Counter on your floor.

## APR 30 PRAYER RETREAT

Give yourself a break and join us for an extended dedicated time with God and His people to learn about God's heart! 10am-4pm, 10/F. Coffee and tea available starting 9.30am, and lunch will be provided. Registration fee is \$50. Register and pay at the 1/F Connect Counter.

## MAY 7 THE INDISPENSABLES: A ONE-DAY INTENSIVE FOR MEN

At The Indispensables One-Day Intensive for Men, we will be exploring the tension between feeling the need to be indispensable at work and yet often being treated as dispensable if we don't perform. There will be challenging messages, good conversation with fellow men, and even manly fun. Ultimately, we hope to point you to the truth that in God's plan you are The Indispensables. Early bird ticket: \$200 each. Pick yours up at the 1/F or 10/F Connect Counter today.

## MAY 13 & 14 JUSTICE CONFERENCE 2016

The Justice Conference is an annual event designed to promote and encourage conversations around key justice related issues facing our communities in Asia today. Special discounted tickets are available at the 1/F Connect Counter. The conference will be held at The Vine. For full information, visit [www.thejusticeconferenceasia.com](http://www.thejusticeconferenceasia.com).

## RIGHTNOW MEDIA

Island ECC has partnered with RightNow Media to bring you many great discipleship videos for leaders, families, small groups, students, kids and more. You can view these videos from a TV, tablet, phone or computer – anytime and anywhere. Sign up today on our website: [www.islandecc.hk/rightnow](http://www.islandecc.hk/rightnow). It's free!

## CLASSES

REGISTER AT [ISLANDECC.HK/CLASSES](http://ISLANDECC.HK/CLASSES)

## MAY 6 DATE NIGHT

Have you been looking for a tune-up on your marriage in a relaxed atmosphere? At Date Night, couples have a delicious dinner while watching an enriching video on marriage. After dinner, there will be time for discussion as a couple to process and apply the content they watched. Four Fridays starting May 6, 7.30-9.30pm, 10/F. The course costs \$200 per couple per night. Register at the 1/F or 10/F Connect Counter.

## MAY 8 THE RISE OF RADICAL ISLAM: BRUSSELS

Three bombs exploded in Brussels on March 22. At least 30 people were killed and 230 wounded. The Islamic State has claimed responsibility. Join Lincoln Loo for this one-time presentation to look at why did that happen, and what might happen next. 2.30-4.30pm, 10/F Classroom.

## OUTREACH

### APR 24 MONGOLIA MISSION TRIP INFO SESSION

This summer we are returning to Mongolia for a week-long summer camp for abandoned children in the countryside, followed by a week in Ulaanbaatar (UB) reaching impoverished groups in the slum districts. You will not only be able to share God's love with these Mongolians but also see what God is doing in this weary but hopeful land. Learn more about the trip at our information session. 1.30-3pm, 11/F The Well. Trip dates: Jul 31 to Aug 7 (camp week), Aug 7 to 14 (UB week), or both weeks.

### APR 24 TAIWAN MISSION TRIP – REGISTRATION DEADLINE

Christianity is a minority religion in Taiwan and traditional values and religions hold a prominent place in the heart of the populace. From July 2 to 9, our team will be returning to the aboriginal village in Taidung that we've been serving for four years. Partner with us to care for their aboriginal children and share the gospel. Email [go@islandecc.hk](mailto:go@islandecc.hk) for more information.

### MAY 7 IDEAL MOTHER'S DAY WALKATHON

Ready for a little hike? Hope of the City is looking for five volunteers to prepare for the Mother's Day Walkathon organised by the Intellectually Disabled Education and Advocacy League (IDEAL) at the Peak. 9am-1pm. Please email [volunteer@hopeofthecity.com](mailto:volunteer@hopeofthecity.com) for more information.

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## The Bathroom

*I am the way, the truth, and the life.*

John 14:6

*Do not be conformed to the patterns of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds.*

Romans 12:2

*I am afraid that just as Eve was deceived by the serpent's cunning, your minds may somehow be led astray...*

2 Corinthians 11:3

*Do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God.*

1 John 4:1

*Then Jesus told him, "I entered this world to render judgment – to give sight to the blind and to show those who think they see that they are blind."*

*Some Pharisees who were standing nearby heard Him and asked, "Are You saying we're blind?"*

*"If you were blind, you wouldn't be guilty," Jesus replied. "But you remain guilty because you claim you can see."*

John 9:39-41

# NEW TO ISLAND ECC

## MEET US AT THE CONNECT COUNTER

**1** 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.

## VISIT OUR WEBSITE

**2** Check out [www.islandecc.hk](http://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.

Kids Club FX (Quarterly Family Experience): Easter Celebration

