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Today, as we continue in our "Floored by God" sermon series, we move to the kitchen – a place where our cravings are satisfied ... almost. Every day we encounter the feeling of hunger. Our appetites are strong and we have strong desires for many kinds of food. Some are good for us and provide nutrition to strengthen our body. Some foods, while very tasty, do us harm.

In the same way, we hunger and thirst for things that society offers. While some are beneficial, some can hurt. But ultimately, there is so much more beyond what this world has to offer. It's bigger - and even tastier - than we can even imagine!

We're glad that you've joined us today and hope that today's service will help you to connect with God in a powerful way. Whether it be through the music, the prayers, the scriptures, the friends, or the fellowship, we pray that today will be an encouraging day to rest in God's presence.



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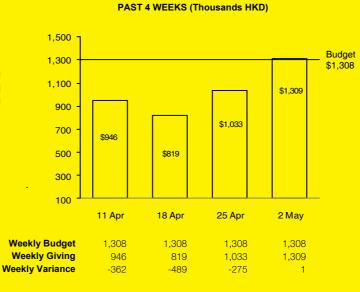
GENERAL OFFERING

FISCAL YEAR SEPT 2015 - AUG 2016

YEAR TO DATE (35 WEEKS)

0.3% surplus on giving

YTD Budget \$ 45.8M YTD Giving \$ 45.9M YTD Variance \$ 0.1M



Bold Faith Fund \$110.3M Received \$51.9M Outstanding Pledge \$58.4M

Bold Faith Initial Fund Raising Target \$1 Billion

GIVING TO ISLAND ECC. We encourage those who consider Island ECC their church home to prayerfully give

More info at islandecc.hk/give. Enquiries to karen.kwok@islandecc.hk.

a percentage of their income to the church on a regular basis.

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HIGHLIGHTS

TODAY celebrating mother's day

We want to wish every woman in Island ECC a Happy Mother's Day. Whether you are single, married, widowed, with or without biological children of your own, we celebrate you today and thank you for bearing the image of God to those around you.

TODAY BABY DEDICATION

We are delighted today to join with four families in the dedication of their children to the Lord:

- Juliette Mae Leung, born 27 October 2015, to parents Justin & Cynthia (9.30am, 2/F)
- Miles Matthew Lee, born 2 July 2015, to parents Clarence & Andrea (9.30am, 2/F)
- Audrey Ann, born 4 May 2012, to parents Andy & Gretchen (11.30am, 2/F)
- Julian Luk, born 1 November 2015, to parents William & Lindsey (11.30, 10/F)

We warmly welcome all family and friends visiting for this occasion.

TODAY & MAY 15 KIDS CLUB PRESCHOOL AND ELEMENTARY GRADUATIONS

Parents of Promised Land, you are cordially invited to attend our Preschool Graduation this morning. Red Sea Graduation as well as 3pm Graduation will take place next Sunday during service times. Please join us in celebration as our children reach this milestone!

MAY 11 THE PERSECUTED CHURCH

It is our honour to be hosting Canon Andrew White, also known as the Vicar of Baghdad. He will be sharing his experience living and serving in Iraq, and the unfolding of the recent worldwide refugee crisis due to ISIS. 7.30pm, 1/F Auditorium. Pick up your free ticket at the Connect Counter.

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.

MAY 29 kids club fx: contentment

Join us for our upcoming Kids Club FX to learn all about contentment. Don't miss out on the creative skits, impactful Bible stories and fun games for elementary aged (6-10) children and their family members. 1.30pm, 10/F Worship Hall. Free event tickets and optional lunch coupons (\$50) are available today at the 9/F Welcome Desk or 10/F Connect Counter.

JUN 17-18 renew conference featuring francis chan: immeasurably more

What are you hoping for? Do you listen to the voices that say it's not possible? Or do you believe the One who says there's more — immeasurably more? Join us for a special weekend of faith-building teaching and soul-reviving worship at the Sunbeam Theatre in North Point. Early bird tickets (\$300) are available at the Connect Counter today.

FLOORED BY GOD TILE COASTERS AVAILABLE

Complete sets of "Floored By God" ceramic tile coasters are available for purchase for \$200. In combination, these tiles colourfully spell out the central message of this special series, remind us of our awe-inspiring God, and are excellent ways to brighten up your home, or gift to friends and family. Available for sale on all service floors!

OPPORTUNITY

OFFICE ASSISTANT

We are looking for friendly and reliable part time help for some of the church office functions, to work all day Sunday supporting our services, and some additional time to run errands outside the office (no more than 20 hours/week in total). Good English and Cantonese skills are necessary, as well as a good attention to detail. If you are interested please contact Gina Charsley, our HR Director, at hr@islandecc.hk.



CLASSES

REGISTER AT ISLANDECC.HK/CLASSES

MAY 9 women's bible study in central

Jesus: Listening for His Voice (A Study of Mark 7-13) is a class ideal for women who desire to begin their busy week with the study of God's word and sweet fellowship in Central. Mondays, May 9 to July 11, 12.30-2pm. Chiaphua Ltd., 19/F Worldwide House, Central.

MAY 15 IMPROVING INTERPERSONAL RELATIONSHIPS

Living, working, and dealing with others can be a real challenge! People come from different backgrounds, have different personalities, and do not always share the same values. This 4-week class is designed to sharpen your interpersonal skills by providing biblical and practical helps in the areas of communication, trust, conflict, and grief. 9.30-11am, 10/F Classroom.

MAY 15 MENTORING IOI

How is Christ-centred mentoring different from secular mentoring? What does a healthy mentoring relationship look like? How should mentors tackle hardened attitudes or sensitive issues? Join Jennifer Tow for this one-off class and learn how to train up future leaders. 2-5pm, 10/F Classroom.

OUTREACH

MAY 22 PRISON OUTREACH VOLUNTEER TRAINING

This training covers the basic rules of undertaking this ministry and some helpful skills required. It is for those who are currently serving in the prison but have never taken a training course, and for those who are interested to serve and to know more. 2.30-5.50pm. RSVP by May 19 to go@islandecc.hk.

MAY 28 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR MOBILE SHOPPING FAIR

Each month, low-income families from Shek Kip Mei order necessities from St. James' Settlement at a reduced fair price. We are looking for 20 volunteers who can deliver these goods to immobile families. 9-11.30am. Email volunteer@hopeofthecity.com for more information.

MAY 28 NORTH POINT ELDERLY VISIT

Hope of the City believes volunteering is a powerful tool to address social needs in our community. Home visits are one way to do this. We are looking for 15 volunteers to visit elderly and low income families in North Point. 9.30am-12.30pm. Email volunteer@hopeofthecity.com for more information.

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! 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 🖪 🖪 🗖

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.

Kids Club FX (Quarterly Family Experience): Easter Celebration



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The Kitchen

²⁵ When they found Him on the other side of the sea, they said to Him, "Rabbi, when did You come here?" ²⁶ Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you are seeking Me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves.

²⁷ Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give to you. For on Him God the Father has set His seal." ²⁸ Then they said to Him, "What must we do, to be doing the works of God?"

²⁹ Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in Him whom He has sent."

³⁰ So they said to Him, "Then what sign do You do, that we may see and believe You? What work do You perform? ³¹ Our fathers ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'"

³² Jesus then said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but my Father gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³ For the bread of God is He who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." ³⁴ They said to Him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

³⁵ Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to Me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in Me shall never thirst."

John 6:25-35