



Welcome!

At the printing of this bulletin, we are anxiously watching the approaching Super Typhoon Meranti. It looks now like it may pass further north, leaving Hong Kong with little to no damage or inconvenience. But we'll keep an eye on it because storms get our attention.

Schools get cancelled, work lets out early, public transportation can stop working. There are many consequences, so we keep our eye on the storm.

In Mark 4, Jesus uses a storm to teach us some great lessons. Metaphorically speaking, storms get our attention, too. But how we respond spiritually has even greater consequences than a passing typhoon might cause.

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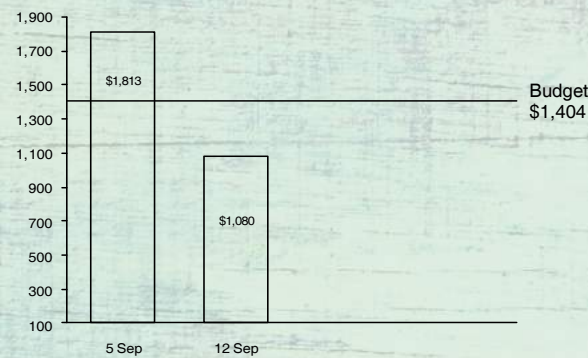
FISCAL YEAR SEP 2016 – AUG 2017

YEAR TO DATE (2 WEEKS)

3% surplus on giving

YTD Budget \$2.8M
YTD Giving \$2.9M
YTD Variance \$0.1M

PAST 4 WEEKS (Thousands HKD)



	5 Sep	12 Sep
Weekly Budget	1,404	1,404
Weekly Giving	1,813	1,080
Weekly Variance	409	(324)

Bold Faith Fund \$116.4M Received \$68.6M Outstanding Pledge \$47.8M

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 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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THE BOAT

Waking God

September 18, 2016 9.30am, 11.30am, 3pm, 5pm
633 King's Road, 1/F, 2/F, 10/F

HIGHLIGHTS

TODAY **BABY DEDICATIONS**

We are delighted to join with 2 families in the dedication of their children to the Lord: Zachary Daniel Mcleod, born 29 April 2015, to his parents David and Janet (9:30am, 10/F); and Hanna Li Hoi Lam, born 17 May 2016, to parents Alton and Onnie (11:30am, 10/F). We warmly welcome family and friends!

TODAY **SUPPORTED PARTNER PRAYER FOCUS**

Aaron and Tabitha were sent out two years ago to serve in one of the least developed and least evangelized provinces. Their role is to support missionary families through teaching and journeying with their students spiritually. For more information, contact go@islandecc.hk.

SEP 21 **THE VILLAGE - HOPE & HEALING SUPPORT GROUP**

Has your life been shattered by the impact of betrayal in your dating relationship/marriage? You are not alone. This is a program for women to discover God's restoration in a safe and supportive community setting. The new group begins 21 Sep (7:30pm-10pm). Please email women@islandecc.hk for details.

SEP 24 **RZIM CONFERENCE**

The Annual "RZIM in Asia" conference will be hosted by Kong Fok Church on Sep 24. Ravi Zacharias, John Dickson, among others, will be speaking. For details, please visit www.kongfok.org or call 2521 2500.

SEP 25 **NEWCOMERS LUNCH**

If you're new to the church and want to know more about Island ECC, please join us for a Newcomers Lunch on Sep 25 at 1:15pm in the 11/F Living Room. There is no cost for this lunch, but you do need to register online or at our Connect Counters.

SEP 28 **SPECIAL GUEST TRACY TRINITA AT THE VILLAGE**

Ladies, join us for a special night at The Village as we hear from Tracy Trinita, Indonesia's first-ever super model, now an apologist for RZIM. "From Supermodel to Pastor", Tracy's talk, will begin at 7:30pm on the 2/F.

OCT 2 **KIDS CLUB FX: COURAGE**

Kids Club families are invited to join us for Kids Club FX: Courage. Families with their kids will learn all about being brave enough to do what you should do, even when you're afraid. Sunday, Oct 2 at 1:30pm in 10/F Worship Hall. Free event tickets and \$50 lunch coupons are available at the Welcome Desk.

OCT 2 **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES AND APPRECIATION**

Volunteering is love in motion! Serving as a volunteer at Island ECC is both fun and rewarding. Come and hear about opportunities, 1:30-2:30pm, 11/F Living Room, with lunch provided. Sign up online or at the Connect Counter today!

OCT 22 **MARRIAGE SUMMIT — SAVE THE DATE**

Marriage is great! It's kind of like climbing a mountain; you get stronger as you go and the views get better, but it's not without its challenges. Mark your calendars for this special 1 day Marriage Summit. Tickets and more details will be available next Sunday, \$500 per couple with limited space.

CLASSES

[REGISTER AT ISLANDECC.HK/CLASSES](http://www.islandecc.hk/classes)

SEP 19 **"GOD, ARE YOU THERE?" - A STUDY OF THE GOSPEL OF JOHN**

This women's Precept study will lead you on a life-changing adventure into the Gospel of John using the inductive study method. You will come away with solid, tested understanding of Bible study methods, knowledge of who God is and how to know Him better. Mondays, 10.15am-12.45pm, 8/F Classroom.

SEP 26 **FALL ALPHA COURSE**

Looking for answers to life? Alpha is a 10-week opportunity to explore the Christian faith in a laid-back environment. It is a practical intro to the basics of Christianity centred around a meal, a talk and a small group discussion. Join us every Monday starting Sept 26. 7pm, 2/F Auditorium.



OCT 5 **DIVORCE CARE SUPPORT GROUP**

Divorce and separation bring deep hurts and raise complex issues. This group combines video sessions with group discussions for both men and women (who meet together for video and separately for discussion). Wednesdays, Oct 5-Nov 30, 7:30pm-9:30pm, 8/F Living Room.

OCT 9 **WELCOME HOME OVERSEES RETURNEES**

If you're just returning to Hong Kong after being overseas, you'll notice things have changed! It's called "reverse culture shock". If you are back in Hong Kong for less than a year, join Pastor Albert and others for a time of fellowship. Visit islandecc.hk/classes for more details and to register.

OUTREACH

TODAY **OUTREACH OPEN HOUSE**

Open to anyone interested in missions at Island ECC. No previous experience necessary. Light lunch provided. 1.30pm, 10/F Worship Hall. Get your free ticket today at any of our Connect Counters.

SEP 24 **MOBILE SHOPPING FAIR**

Each month, low income families from Shek Kip Mei order necessities from St. James' Settlement at a reduced price. Volunteers will help deliver these goods to the immobile families. We are looking for 20 volunteers to help on Saturday, 9am-11:30am. Email volunteer@hopeofthecity.hk for details.

SEP 25 **SUPPORTING THE MOROCCO MISSION TRIP**

The Morocco Mission Team is looking for individuals to donate laptops, tablets, smart phones, SIM Card Routers, hubs and CAT5 Cables in working condition. If you would like to donate any of these items, please contact go@islandecc.hk.

OCT 2 **PHILIPPINES MISSION TRIP INFO SESSION**

Join us December 22-28 to bring hope to transform a community in Cebu, Philippines. Sign up is now open at islandecc.hk/outreach/global. Come to our information session, October 2, 2pm, 10/F Classroom, and learn more.

OPPORTUNITIES

SHORT TERM CONTRACT POSITION - CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

We are looking for a Coordinator for our Children's Ministry to work 40 hours/week from October 7 to February 14, including Sundays. If you have a heart for children, enjoy organising, and can prepare for Sunday Kids Club and special events, please send a cover letter and CV to hr@islandecc.hk.

HOPE OF THE CITY - COORDINATOR OF VOLUNTEERS

We are looking for a full-time coordinator to build and maintain Hope of the City's volunteer database, volunteer relationships and recruitment. This requires good administration and people skills and a heart for the disenfranchised. To apply, please send a cover letter and CV to hr@islandecc.hk.

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, 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.

Mission trip to Mongolia



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Waking God

Mark 4:35-41

³⁵ That day when evening came, He said to His disciples, "Let us go over to the other side." ³⁶ Leaving the crowd behind, they took Him along, just as He was, in the boat. There were also other boats with Him. ³⁷ A furious squall came up, and the waves broke over the boat, so that it was nearly swamped. ³⁸ Jesus was in the stern, sleeping on a cushion. The disciples woke Him and said to Him, "Teacher, don't you care if we drown?"

³⁹ He got up, rebuked the wind and said to the waves, "Quiet! Be still!" Then the wind died down and it was completely calm.

⁴⁰ He said to His disciples, "Why are you so afraid? Do you still have no faith?"

⁴¹ They were terrified and asked each other, "Who is this? Even the wind and the waves obey Him!"

Be gone unbelief, my Saviour is near,
And for my relief will surely appear:
By prayer let me wrestle, and He wilt perform,
With Christ in the vessel, I smile at the storm.

John Newton, 1779; *Be Gone Unbelief*