

# ACTION!

## Welcome!

As I type this, the city is recovering from Sarika and preparing for Haima. What is usually deemed one of the best months for an outdoor wedding is proving to be quite rainy.

October is usually calm, but is instead, incredibly active.

Which is the perfect segue for our new sermon series: ACTIVE!

The book of James is known to be incredibly practical, full of tips and instructions on how to live the Christian life. It doesn't spend much time on *why* to live the Christian life, but assumes the reader is already convinced.

For the next six weeks, we'll take a look at the most prominent themes, as we seek to make sure that our faith isn't dormant, but rather, ACTIVE!

*Brett*

Are you new here?  
Come to our Newcomers Lunch



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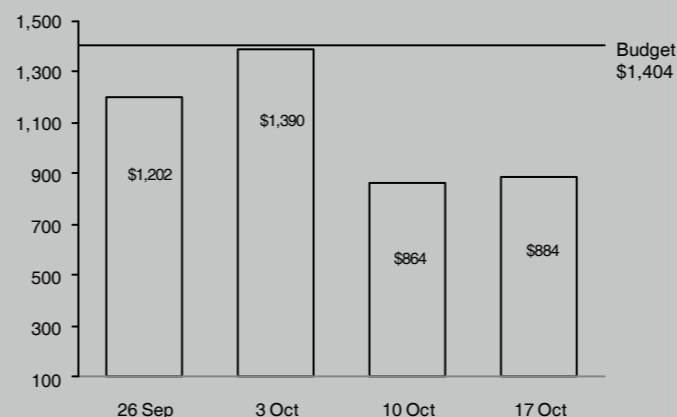
#### YEAR TO DATE (7 WEEKS)

19.4% deficit on giving

**YTD Budget** \$9.8M  
**YTD Giving** \$7.9M  
**YTD Variance** -\$1.9M

#### FISCAL YEAR SEP 2016 - AUG 2017

#### PAST 4 WEEKS (Thousands HKD)



	26 Sep	3 Oct	10 Oct	17 Oct
<b>Weekly Budget</b>	1,404	1,404	1,404	1,404
<b>Weekly Giving</b>	1,202	1,390	864	884
<b>Weekly Variance</b>	(202)	(14)	(540)	(520)

**Bold Faith Fund \$117M**    Received \$70.9M    Outstanding Pledge \$46.1M

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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### Indivisible

October 23, 2016 9.30am, 11.30am, 3pm, 5pm  
633 King's Road, 1/F, 2/F, 10/F

# HIGHLIGHTS

## OCT 26 “SHE OBJECTS” DOCUMENTARY SCREENING

The Village will be screening "She Objects", the first Hong Kong made documentary of its kind. It shows how the media sexualises and diminishes women, leading to detrimental effects on both women and men manifested in self diminishment, eating disorders and sexual addiction. Come, invite your friends, and let us open a dialogue about this. Pick up your free tickets at the Connect Counter. Oct 26 at 7:30pm, 2/F.

## OCT 30 ISLAND BIBLE SEMINAR: KNOW YOUR WHY

Why do you do what you do? Come and hear Ken Costa, author of 'Know Your Why: Finding and Fulfilling Your Calling in Life', speak at Island ECC on this crucial topic. Sundays, 2:30pm-4:30pm, 10/F Worship Hall.

## NOV 13 WELCOME HOME VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION

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, 8/F Living Room, with lunch provided. Sign up online or at all Connect Counters today!

## NOV 13 BAPTISM CLASS

Baptism is the way we express our faith in Jesus Christ to our church family. If you're interested in being baptised, please plan to attend the 2-Sunday baptism class on Sunday, November 13 & 20 (both classes required), 5:00-6:30 pm, 10/F classroom. Sign up at [islandecc.hk/baptism](http://islandecc.hk/baptism).

## NOV 20 ISLAND YOUTH THANKSGIVING LUNCH

We would love for you and your family to join us for Island Youth's annual Thanksgiving lunch on Nov 20, 2016 at 1:30pm, 11/F The Well. IY will provide the cutlery and the turkey, but we would love for families to bring along some side dishes. To sign up, email [youth@islandecc.hk](mailto:youth@islandecc.hk).

## CLASSES

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

## TODAY HOW TO STUDY THE BIBLE

Join Joseph Mohan in this upcoming class, which will teach the basic principles of Bible Study Method. You will also be given opportunities to practice your newly learned skills. Sundays, 9:30-11am, 8/F classroom.

## NOV 6 OLD TESTAMENT BIG PICTURE

Adam, the Flood, Abraham, Joseph, Moses, the Exodus...what do these Old Testament Bible accounts reveal about the big picture of God's purpose with mankind? How does the OT fit in with the rest of human history? Join this class and learn the answers! Sundays, 11:30-1pm, 8/F classroom.

## NOV 13 PERFECTING 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 proved experience? This 5 week class will provide help with such matters as how to be a functional family, discipline, grace-based parenting, handling the Internet, and leading the spiritual growth of your children. Sundays, 3-4:30pm, 11/F classroom.



## OUTREACH

## TODAY SUPPORTED PARTNER PRAYER FOCUS

Nathan and Priscilla have a heart to serve human trafficking survivors. They are currently serving in an international jewelry social enterprise that provides jobs to survivors of trafficking. For more information about the couple and what they do, contact [go@islandecc.hk](mailto:go@islandecc.hk)

## OCT 29 MOBILE SHOPPING FAIR

Each month, low-income families from Shek Kip Mei will order necessities from St. James' Settlement at a reduced fair price. Volunteers will help deliver these goods to these families and spend some time chatting with them. We are looking for 20 volunteers to help out on Sat, 9am - 11:30am. For more information, please email [volunteer@hopeofthecity.com](mailto:volunteer@hopeofthecity.com).

## OCT 30 FOOD DRIVE — COLLECTION DEADLINE

Did you know 1.5 million people in Hong Kong go hungry every day. Hope of the City wants to help change that by holding a food drive for Feeding Hong Kong over two Sundays. Items needed are rice (brown, red, white), cooking oils, noodles (non-instant) and powdered milk. Bring your contributions to church and drop them in the boxes. For more information, please visit [www.hopeofthecity.com](http://www.hopeofthecity.com).

## OCT 30 ISRAEL STUDY TRIP 2017 — APPLICATIONS OPEN

Israel Study Trip 2017 is now open for applications. Trip dates are April 2-14, 2017. Spaces are limited. Application deadline is October 30th. For details of itinerary and cost, please contact Pastor Albert Ng at [albert.ng@islandecc.hk](mailto:albert.ng@islandecc.hk).

## OCT 30 SHANXI MISSION TRIP SHARING SESSION

Come join us to learn how God literally moved the mountains; and brought a couple to travel half the globe to Shanxi province in China to run a school and change the life of thousands of kids, parents, villagers, and people locally and around the world. 1:30-3:00pm, 11/F classroom.

## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

### ASSIMILATION MINISTRY ASSISTANT - SUNDAY CONTRACT POSITION

We are looking for an enthusiastic and outgoing person with good administrative skills to provide practical and logistical help, supporting our teams of volunteers for our afternoon Sunday services. Serve 2:30-6:30pm weekly.

### PRODUCTION MANAGER - SUNDAY CONTRACT POSITION

We are looking for a Production Manager to oversee the audio-visual aspects for our Sunday services on one floor each week, and at occasional events. An understanding of presentation software, computers, network drives, video and lighting would be beneficial. Must have a sharp eye for detail and be proficient in written and spoken English.

# 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](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.

High School and Middle School retreat



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## Indivisible

<sup>14</sup> *What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if someone claims to have faith but has no deeds? Can such faith save them?* <sup>15</sup> *Suppose a brother or a sister is without clothes and daily food.* <sup>16</sup> *If one of you says to them, “Go in peace; keep warm and well fed,” but does nothing about their physical needs, what good is it?* <sup>17</sup> *In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead.*

<sup>18</sup> *But someone will say, “You have faith; I have deeds.” Show me your faith without deeds, and I will show you my faith by my deeds.* <sup>19</sup> *You believe that there is one God. Good! Even the demons believe that—and shudder.* <sup>20</sup> *You foolish person, do you want evidence that faith without deeds is useless?* <sup>21</sup> *Was not our father Abraham considered righteous for what he did when he offered his son Isaac on the altar?* <sup>22</sup> *You see that his faith and his actions were working together, and his faith was made complete by what he did.* <sup>23</sup> *And the scripture was fulfilled that says, “Abraham believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness,” and he was called God’s friend.* <sup>24</sup> *You see that a person is considered righteous by what they do and not by faith alone.*

<sup>25</sup> *In the same way, was not even Rahab the prostitute considered righteous for what she did when she gave lodging to the spies and sent them off in a different direction?* <sup>26</sup> *As the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without deeds is dead.*

James 2:14-26

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**Want to learn more about us?**  
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