

# ACTION!

## Welcome!

Today is a great day! We have the beautiful privilege of having 26 people baptised today, and I want to give a special welcome to those who are here today to show support for them. Your presence is a great gift to them, and we are honoured to have you here. I particularly hope that you will find the entire church service relevant and helpful to you.

I also want to say thank you to all who brought rice and oil and other food products to church the past couple of weeks. In just two Sundays, we collected over 2 tons of food to be given to the poor in Hong Kong. Thank you for your generosity and your concern.

As we tackle a tough passage in James 2 today, I pray you will learn and be changed by the Word of God.

*Brett*

**Are you new here?**  
Come to our Newcomers Lunch  
November 27, 2016  
1:30 PM 8/F Living Room



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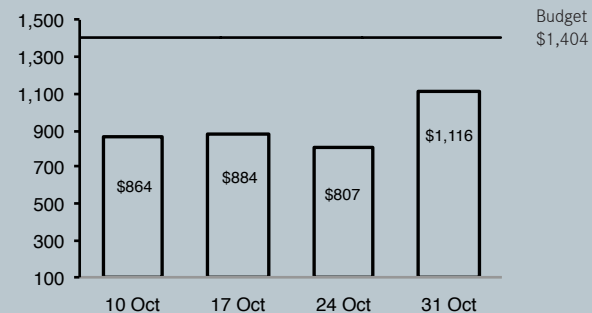
#### YEAR TO DATE (9 WEEKS)

22.2% deficit on giving

YTD Budget	\$12.6M
YTD Giving	\$9.8M
YTD Variance	-\$2.8M

### FISCAL YEAR SEP 2016 - AUG 2017

#### PAST 4 WEEKS (Thousands HKD)



	10 Oct	17 Oct	24 Oct	31 Oct
Weekly Budget	1,404	1,404	1,404	1,404
Weekly Giving	864	884	807	1,116
Weekly Variance	(540)	(520)	(597)	(288)

Bold Faith Fund \$118.3M      Received \$71.7M      Outstanding Pledge \$46.6M

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.

### ISLAND ECC

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## ACTION!

### How Do You Hold It?

November 6, 2016 9.30am, 11.30am, 3pm, 5pm  
633 King's Road, 1/F, 2/F, 10/F



# HIGHLIGHTS

## TODAY **CHILLY AT CHURCH?**

We work hard to try to make the temperature good for all, but we also know that we have some "cold zones". If you find yourself too cold, there are scarves available at the Connect Counter on each floor. Simply return it to the counter after service.

## 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 the Connect Counter 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, Nov 13 & 20 (both classes required), 5:00-6:30pm, 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).

## NOV 27 **NEWCOMERS LUNCH**

Are you new to Island ECC? Want to know more about the church? If so, please join us at the Newcomers Lunch on Nov 27, 1:30pm, 8/F Living Room. There is no cost for this lunch, but please fill in the Connect Corner in your bulletin and drop it in the offering bag, or pass it to a staff member at the Connect Counter on your floor.

## DEC 9 **EVERGREEN: CHRISTMAS WITH RENEW WORSHIP**

Come celebrate the Christmas season with Renew Worship! Join with hundreds of others for a night of worship and the release of "Evergreen", a new EP of original Christmas songs and arrangements. Stay tuned for more details over the coming weeks and save the date: Friday, Dec 9, doors open at 7pm.

## CLASSES

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

## TODAY **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 proven 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.

## NOV 13 **GOD'S FINGERPRINTS IN OUR LIVES**

God is at work in your life, living and active. This class will help you see His fingerprints at work and appreciate the way He shapes your life. Jonathan Lo will teach key leadership principles from Dr. Robert Clinton that explore the perspective of our past, present and future. Plan to get away from your hectic schedule to allow God to unveil His presence and master plan for your life. Sundays, 3-4:30pm, 8/F classroom.

## OUTREACH

### NOV 13 **MOROCCO MISSION TEAM SHARING SESSION**

It is a blessing to follow Christ and to develop a trust and relationship with Him. We were reminded from our experiences in Morocco this year what it means to follow Christ's leading and how His blessing is among the generations. Come hear us share about our testimonies with the youth and the generations of people we spent time with and how God is moving! Nov 13, 2-3pm, 11/F Classroom.

### NOV 20 **CHRISTMAS PRISON OUTREACH - SIGN UP AVAILABLE**

Most English speaking inmates will not have any visitors during Christmas, so we are looking for volunteers to visit Tung Tau Correction Institute and show love in action on Dec 25, 9am-1pm. Please email full name and HKID to [hill@islandecc.hk](mailto:hill@islandecc.hk) to sign up before Nov 20. Mandatory training on Dec 4, 2pm-3pm. Priority will be given to men.

### NOV 20 **PHILIPPINES MISSION TRIP INFO SESSION**

Do you have a passion to serve and share God's love and message with the kids in need? The ICM Kids Camp gives 80 children living in the slums of the Philippines the opportunity to participate in acting, crafts, singing, sports and more. The trip will run from April 8-15, 2017. Meet the leaders and find out more on Nov 20, 2pm, 11/F Classroom.

## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

### PRODUCTION MANAGER - SUNDAY CONTRACT POSITION

To oversee the audio-visual aspects for 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. Serve all day or 8.30AM-1.30PM or 2.00-6.45PM every Sunday. Apply with CV and cover letter to [hr@islandecc.hk](mailto:hr@islandecc.hk)

### SUNDAY CARETAKER - CONTRACT

We are looking for a Sunday Caretaker to work 10 hours per week including other occasional hours in the week as needed. Job includes all caretaker duties to support our Sunday services and events, including room set up. If you are interested, please contact our Director of Ministry Support at the church office, tel: 2864 9338.

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## How Do You Hold It?

<sup>1</sup>My brothers and sisters, believers in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ must not show favouritism.  
<sup>2</sup>Suppose a man comes into your meeting wearing a gold ring and fine clothes, and a poor man in filthy old clothes also comes in. <sup>3</sup>If you show special attention to the man wearing fine clothes and say, "Here's a good seat for you," but say to the poor man, "You stand there," or, "Sit on the floor by my feet," <sup>4</sup>have you not discriminated among yourselves and become judges with evil thoughts?  
<sup>5</sup>Listen, my dear brothers and sisters: Has not God chosen those who are poor in the eyes of the world to be rich in faith and to inherit the kingdom He promised those who love Him? <sup>6</sup>But you have dishonoured the poor. Is it not the rich who are exploiting you? Are they not the ones who are dragging you into court? <sup>7</sup>Are they not the ones who are blaspheming the noble name of Him to whom you belong?  
<sup>8</sup>If you really keep the royal law found in Scripture, "Love your neighbour as yourself," you are doing right. <sup>9</sup>But if you show favouritism, you sin and are convicted by the law as lawbreakers. <sup>10</sup>For whoever keeps the whole law and yet stumbles at just one point is guilty of breaking all of it. <sup>11</sup>For He who said, "You shall not commit adultery," also said, "You shall not murder." If you do not commit adultery but do commit murder, you have become a lawbreaker.  
<sup>12</sup>Speak and act as those who are going to be judged by the law that gives freedom, <sup>13</sup>because judgement without mercy will be shown to anyone who has not been merciful. Mercy triumphs over judgement.

James 2:1-13

## 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.

High School and Middle School retreat



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**Want to learn more about us?**  
Name \_\_\_\_\_  
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Phone \_\_\_\_\_

