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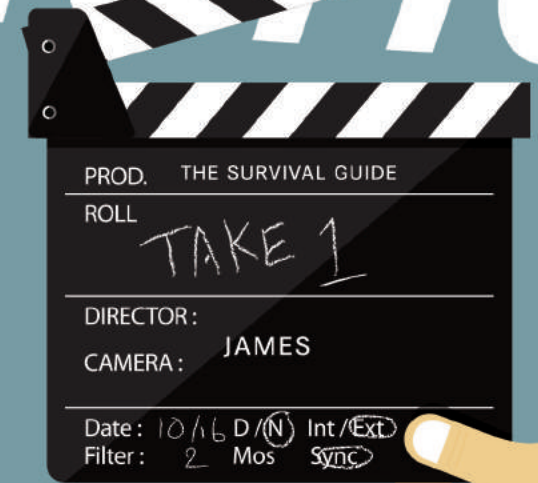
Welcome!

Welcome to Island ECC! Today is the last Sunday in November and we will be having our time of communion at the end of the service. We hope that you are able to spend that time with God reflecting on your walk with him and joining in the remembrance of the sacrifice Christ made for us.

We also hope you've enjoyed this sermon series and have been able to take some (or all) of the Biblical truths and put them into action! We will be concluding the series today by looking at our tongue and the power our words have. Ultimately, we all know that words are powerful, so it is imperative for us as believers to really analyse the words that we say, so we can be effective ambassadors for Christ.

We pray that you are encouraged and challenged by the word of God today.

Blessings,



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Real Talk
November 27, 2016 9.30am, 11.30am, 3pm, 5pm
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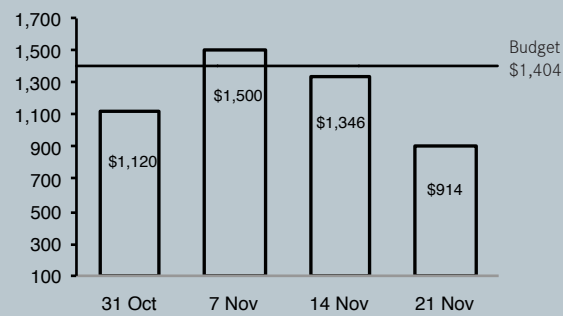
YEAR TO DATE (12 WEEKS)

19% deficit on giving

YTD Budget	\$16.8M
YTD Giving	\$13.6M
YTD Variance	-\$3.2M

FISCAL YEAR SEP 2016 - AUG 2017

PAST 4 WEEKS (Thousands HKD)



	31 Oct	7 Nov	14 Nov	21 Nov
Weekly Budget	1,404	1,404	1,404	1,404
Weekly Giving	1,120	1,500	1,346	914
Weekly Variance	(284)	96	(58)	(490)

Bold Faith Fund \$113.2M Received \$73.2M Outstanding Pledge \$40M

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

HIGHLIGHTS

TODAY NEWCOMERS LUNCH

Are you new to Island ECC? Want to know more about the church? If so, please join us at the Newcomers Lunch today, 1:30pm, 8/F Living Room.

TODAY CALENDAR 2017

The Island ECC Calendar "Songs for 2017" is now available! A great Christmas gift for your family and friends. It is now on sale on 1/F, 2/F and 10/F for \$50 each.

DEC 2 ISLAND BIBLE SEMINAR

Does the Bible teach science? Is evolution opposed to Christ? Is science inherently atheistic? Join us for this Island Bible Seminar: "Stepping Outside Evolution vs Creation" with Dr Bethany Sollereeder, as she helps us answer these and other questions by exploring a range of perspectives on how science, faith, and biblical interpretation fit together. 7:45pm, 10/F Auditorium.

DEC 3 KENNETH BAE SEMINAR

In 2013 American-Korean missionary Kenneth Bae was sentenced to 15 years of hard labour when North Korean authorities seized his hard drive, which contained information about missionary work. He was released in 2014 after intense lobbying, and shares his story of how he kept the faith in the harshest of conditions. Dec 3, 10-11:30am, 1/F.

DEC 4 CHRISTMAS GIFT DRIVE

Thank you so much for putting love into action and picking up Christmas bags to bless our Indonesian and Filipino Ministry. Please remember to bring back the filled bags to 1/F Connect Counter by Dec 4.

DEC 4 & 11 QUENCH CHRISTMAS BOOK SALE

Come pick up some Christmas gifts for your family and friends at the Quench Christmas Book Sale on Dec 4 & 11. Special discounts on selected adult and children's titles while stocks last.

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. Free tickets are available today at the Connect Counters. Stay tuned for more details over the coming weeks and save the date: Friday, Dec 9, doors open at 7pm.

DEC 10 BUS CAROLLING

It's that time of year again - time to spread some Christmas cheer from a bus with no roof, driving through Hong Kong! So, come all ye faithful to the FUSE Bus Carolling Party! Tickets are on sale now for \$80 only - and you can pick them up at the Connect Counter. Meet on the 2/F, Saturday, Dec 10, 5:00pm.

DEC 11 KIDS CLUB FX: JOY

Come join us for Kids Club FX and learn about Joy - finding a way to be happy even when things don't go your way. This event is for all our school age children and their family members, in the 10/F Worship Hall. Doors open at 1:30pm. Please pick up your free event tickets and optional lunch coupons from 9/F Welcome Desk.

DEC 24 CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

Christmas Eve is always a joyous occasion to celebrate of the birth of our Saviour! This year, we are pleased to offer two special evening services, that will include candle-lighting and singing Christmas songs. Service times will be at 4pm and 6pm. There will be infant care provided for children (0-2 year olds).

JAN 20 GO BEYOND CONFERENCE 2017

What are you afraid of? Are you complacent? What is beyond this? Join us for our 2017 GO Conference featuring Tim Davis and Lawrence Tong and walk away with the assurance that God is already enough, you just need to take the first step. Early bird tickets (\$300) are available at all Connect Counters or online at islandecc.hk/GO2017.

OUTREACH

TODAY SUPPORTED PARTNER PRAYER FOCUS

We support Hong Kong Christian Kun Sun Association, an organisation that helps prisoners, rehabilitated people and their families experience a rebuilding of their lives and reconciliation through the manifestation of Christ's love. For more information on how you could support this organisation, contact go@islandecc.hk.

TODAY VIETNAM FAMILY MISSION TRIP INFO SESSION

This will be our second year returning to Hanoi, Vietnam serving orphans and partnering with a Vietnamese elementary school. The trip will run from April 8-15, 2017. Come meet the leaders and find out more today, 1:15pm, 9/F Worship Hall.

DEC 10 NORTH POINT MONTHLY ELDERLY VISITS

We are looking for volunteers to commit 4 months to care for elderly in the North Point area. We will conduct visits once a month from 9:30am to 11:30am, and training will be provided beforehand. For more information, please email volunteer@hopeofthecity.com

DEC 10 NORTH POINT LOW-INCOME FAMILY OUTING

Hope of the City is partnering with North Point Family Welfare Society to spend a day with low-income families at a farm in Yuen Long from 8:30am- 5pm. Come help plan games and enhance their family-relationship building time. For more information, email volunteer@hopeofthecity.com.

DEC 11 MEDICAL CAMBODIA MISSION TRIP SHARING SESSION

The dental/medical team for Kampot was challenged and reminded of our stewardship to the marginalized of this world. It was a blessing to serve as the hands of Christ. Come hear the team share their experience serving in a remote village in Kampot, Cambodia. Dec 11, 1:30-2:50pm, 11/F Classroom.

DEC 24 CHRISTMAS EVE MOBILE SHOPPING FAIR

'Tis the season to be jolly! Spread the love and help immobile households by delivering goods that they have ordered from St. James' Settlement in Shek Kip Mei and spend some time with them. We are looking for 20 volunteers to help out on Christmas Eve, 9am-11:30am. For more information, email volunteer@hopeofthecity.com.

27 NOVEMBER 2016

Real Talk

¹Not many of you should become teachers, my fellow believers, because you know that we who teach will be judged more strictly. ²We all stumble in many ways. Anyone who is never at fault in what they say is perfect, able to keep their whole body in check.

³When we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we can turn the whole animal. ⁴Or take ships as an example. Although they are so large and are driven by strong winds, they are steered by a very small rudder wherever the pilot wants to go. ⁵Likewise, the tongue is a small part of the body, but it makes great boasts. Consider what a great forest is set on fire by a small spark. ⁶The tongue also is a fire, a world of evil among the parts of the body. It corrupts the whole body, sets the whole course of one's life on fire, and is itself set on fire by hell.

James 3:1-6

1. _____

He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks out of his own character, for he is a liar and the father of lies.

John 8:44

2. _____

Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ²Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. ... ⁸But now you must also rid yourselves of all such things as these: anger, rage, malice, slander, and filthy language from your lips. ⁹Do not lie to each other, since you have taken off your old self with its practices.

Colossians 3:1-2, 8-9

3. _____

²⁶ Those who consider themselves religious and yet do not keep a tight rein on their tongues deceive themselves, and their religion is worthless.

James 1:26

Who can we _____?

³¹And He began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³²And He said this plainly.

Mark 8:31-32

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.

High School and Middle School retreat



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Want to learn more about us?
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