

Welcome!

Happy Year of the Rooster!

For those of you who gather with family during this holiday, I hope your reunions are especially sweet and encouraging.

Almost every greeting and banner at Chinese New Year contains wishes for prosperity and wealth. As you can see, the sanctuary is decorated with hand-painted signs with prayers and blessings, reminders to us of God's desire for our lives. God certainly isn't anti-wealth, but as we all know, one can be wealthy and still miserable or lonely. So our prayer for us all is that we would prosper in ways that are beyond cash, and flourish in the depth of our souls.

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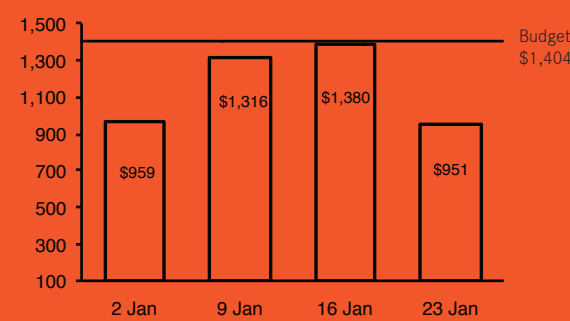
YEAR TO DATE (21 WEEKS)

7.8% deficit on giving

YTD Budget	\$29.5M
YTD Giving	\$27.2M
YTD Variance	-\$2.3M

FISCAL YEAR SEP 2016 – AUG 2017

PAST 4 WEEKS (Thousands HKD)



	2 Jan	9 Jan	16 Jan	23 Jan
Weekly Budget	1,404	1,404	1,404	1,404
Weekly Giving	959	1,316	1,380	951
Weekly Variance	(445)	(88)	(24)	(453)

Bold Faith Fund \$122.9M Received \$81.6M Outstanding Pledge \$41.3M

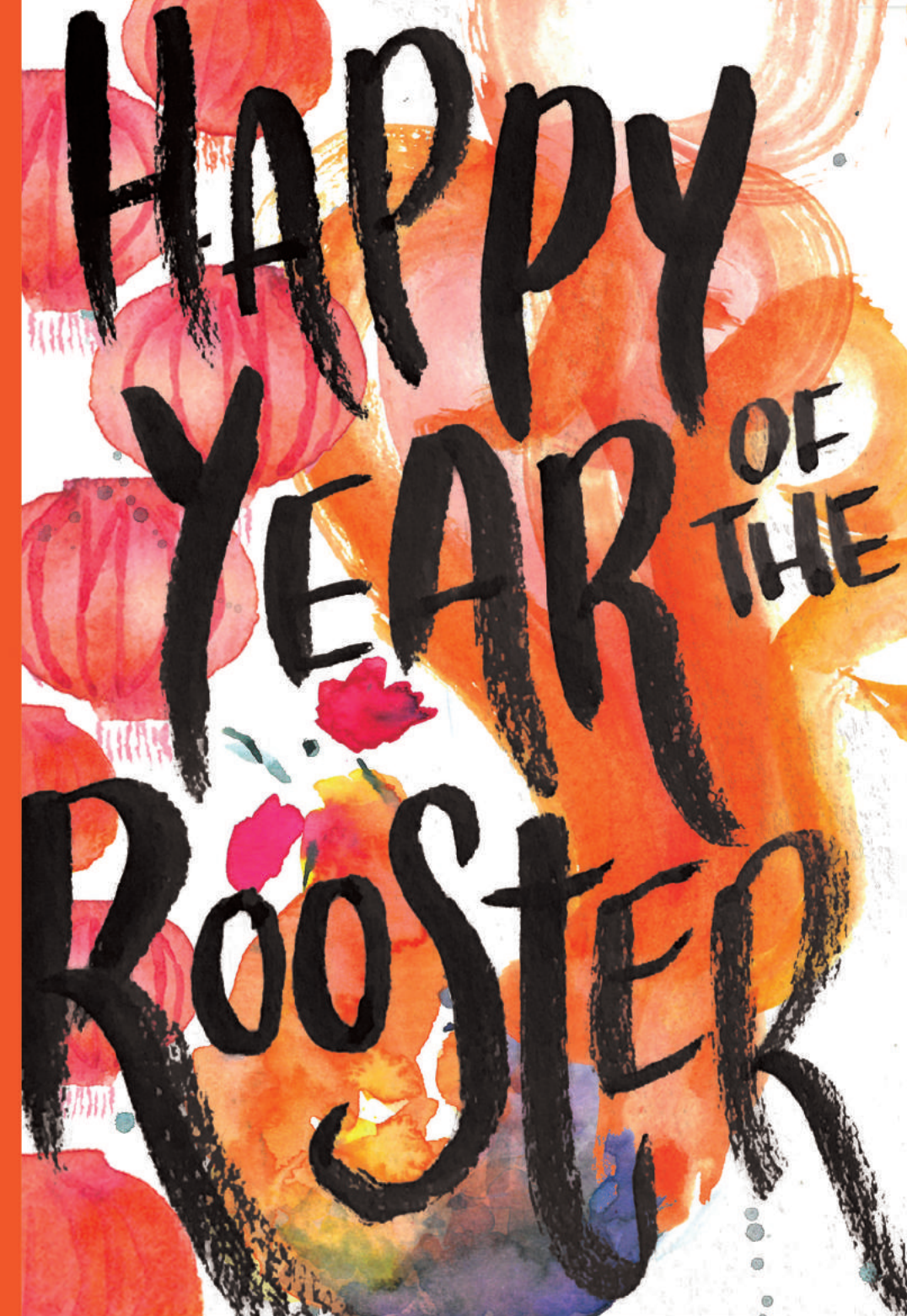
Bold Faith Initial Fund Raising Target \$1 Billion

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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FLOURISH

Banyan Tree Faith

January 29, 2017 9:30am, 11:30am, 3pm, 5pm
633 King's Road, 1/F, 2/F, 10/F

Are you new here?
Come to our Newcomers Lunch
February 5, 2017
1:30 PM 11/F Living Room C

HIGHLIGHTS

TODAY **RED PACKET SALES**

Lunar New Year is here! Our laisee packes (each with a Gospel track) are now available at \$20/pack on all floors.

JAN 30 **FILIPINO MINISTRY - BELOVED CONFERENCE**

The Beloved conference offers two great seminars: (1) The OT LIVE seminar will bring you on an adventure through the Old Testament. (2) "Chosen: When God Calls Your Name" a seminar on the life of Mary. Jan 30, 9-6pm, today is the last day to register.

FEB 6 **SUPER BOWL MONDAY**

Island ECC is hosting our 8th Annual Super Bowl party on Monday, Feb 6 at 7:30 am (morning). The Atlanta Falcons and the New England Patriots square off to battle for the championship of American Football. We will meet on the 10/F to watch together with food and fun!

FEB 7 **MEN'S FRATERNITY SPRING LAUNCH**

Please save the date and come join us and be in fellowship with other Men! Tuesdays, 7:30pm. Email men@islandecc.hk for more information.

FEB 12 **ISLAND BIBLE SEMINAR - DR. RIAD KASSIS**

Island Bible Seminar will feature Dr. Riad Kassis, a theologian born in Lebanon, currently working in a ministry serving Syrian refugees. Dr. Kassis has great firsthand insight into the current situation of the Middle East. Join us on Feb 12, 2:30pm, 10/F Main Hall, to hear him speak on "What We Can Learn from Christians in the Middle East Today".

FEB 19 **ARK DRAGON BOAT**

Island ECC's Ark Dragon Boat team is recruiting for the coming season. Join the Ark community to paddle hard, make genuine friendships, and enjoy an intimate community through dragon boat paddling! Today is the last day to register. For more details, email ark@islandecc.hk.

FEB 24 **GLOBAL LEADERSHIP SUMMIT**

The Global Leadership Summit is a video conference featuring world renowned speakers. This year's conference is hosted by The Vine on Feb 24-25. Tickets are available at all Connect Counter at a discounted price of \$350. Visit www.glsk.org for more details.

MAR 11-12 **MEN'S RETREAT - THE GREAT GETAWAY**

The men of Island ECC will be having a "Great Getaway" retreat over the weekend March 11-12 at YWCA Sydney Leong Holiday Lodge. This will be an amazing time for men to come together to rest, restore and revitalize. Please contact men@islandecc.hk for more information.

CLASSES

FEB 5 **MANAGING MONEY GOD'S WAY**

How can I take control of my finances and better plan for the future? What does it mean to be faithful with the money that God has entrusted to me? Come and explore the answers to these questions through the Bible in this 9-week course! 9:30-11am, 10/F classroom, \$500 for materials. Sign up at islandecc.hk/classes.

FEB 5 **GROW DISCIPLESHIP COURSE**

Want to take your walk with Christ to the next level? At GROW, participants learn how to establish a daily quiet time routine, read the Bible, fellowship with brothers and sisters in Christ, witness to non-believers and more. GROW Discipleship Courses will start on February 5, 9:30am or 11:30am. Sign up at islandecc.hk/classes.

FEB 12 **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 3-Sunday baptism class on Feb 12, 19 & 26 (all classes required), 11:30-1pm, 8/F Classroom. Sign up at islandecc.hk/baptism.

FEB 19 **KAIROS: GOD, THE CHURCH, AND THE WORLD**

The Kairos Course will change your perspective, deepen your understanding and inspire you to go on mission. The course runs from Feb 19-Mar 30, on Sundays 4:30pm-7:00pm & Thursdays 7:30pm-10:00pm. For registration or more information, email go@islandecc.hk by Feb 12.

OUTREACH

FEB 18 **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 the immobile families and spend some time chatting with them. We are looking for 10 volunteers to help out on Sat, 9am-11.30am. Email volunteer@hopeofthecity.com for more information.

APRIL 24 **MEN'S VIETNAM MISSION TRIP 2017**

Partner with Men's Ministry to share the gospel through words and actions to the closed country of Vietnam. The team is returning for the 6th year to build structures and relationships at a poor rural middle school. The trip runs from April 24-30. For more info regarding registration, please email men@islandecc.hk

OPPORTUNITIES

KIDS CLUB NURSERY STAFF OPENING - SUNDAYS ONLY

If you love working with infants and small children ages 0-3 and assisting their parents, we are looking for Nursery Staff (Sundays only) to work with us for the morning services, 8:30-1:30pm. Please send cover letter and CV to hr@islandecc.hk.

KIDS CLUB MIDTERM VOLUNTEER RECRUITMENT

If you love Jesus and love kids, we have a place for you. Kids Club is now recruiting volunteers mid-year to serve with us two times per month from now until the end of June. Contact us at kidsclub@islandecc.hk, or stop by our 9/F Welcome Desk for more information.

SUNDAY CARETAKER

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 moving chairs and tables for room set up. If you are interested, please contact our Director of Ministry Support at the church office, tel: 2864 9338.

29 JANUARY 2017

Banyan Tree Faith

¹Blessed is the one

*who does not walk in step with the wicked
or stand in the way that sinners take
or sit in the company of mockers,*

*²but whose delight is in the law of the Lord,
and who meditates on His law day and night.*

*³That person is like a tree planted by streams of water,
which yields its fruit in season
and whose leaf does not wither—
whatever they do prospers.*

⁴Not so the wicked!

*They are like chaff
that the wind blows away.*

*⁵Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,
nor sinners in the assembly of the righteous.*

*⁶For the Lord watches over the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked leads to destruction.*

Psalm 1

NEW TO ISLAND ECC

1 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.

2 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.

Filipino ministry weekly fellowship on 11/F



✂ TEAR OFF THIS CORNER AND PLACE INTO THE OFFERING BAG
Want to learn more about us?
Name _____
Email _____
Phone _____

