

# Welcome!

Everyone loves a good party, right? Granted, some of us prefer a small dinner party, and others like a dance floor and loud music. Styles may vary, but the idea of a celebration is enjoyed by all.

And today is somewhat of a party at church. A celebration.

30 people, scattered throughout our four services, will be publicly celebrating what God has done in their lives by getting baptised. By far, these Baptism Sundays are my favourite type of celebration. If you want to be encouraged in your faith, take a few moments to read their faith journeys in the booklets on your chair.

Oh we'll still have a sermon, great music, and engaging prayer. But the highlight is really to join in the celebration of these 30 people who are making a stance for their faith. So feel free to clap and cheer. We're pretty sure Heaven is applauding as well!



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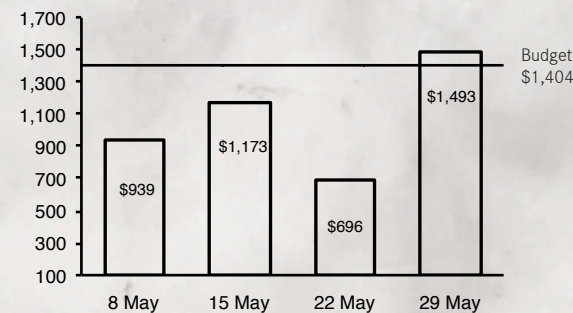
### YEAR TO DATE (39 WEEKS)

4.3% surplus on giving

YTD Budget	\$54.7M
YTD Giving	\$57.1M
YTD Variance	\$2.4M

## FISCAL YEAR SEP 2016 - AUG 2017

### PAST 4 WEEKS (Thousands HKD)



	8 May	15 May	22 May	29 May
Weekly Budget	1,404	1,404	1,404	1,404
Weekly Giving	939	1,173	696	1,493
Weekly Variance	(465)	(231)	(708)	89

**Bold Faith Fund \$129.6M**    Received \$95.1M    Outstanding Pledge \$34.5M

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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## UNRELIGIOUS

June 4, 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  
Today  
1:30pm, 11/F Living Room C



# 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, 11/F Living Room C.

## TODAY ISLAND BIBLE SEMINAR: WHAT IS GOD DOING IN ISRAEL?

Do you know what God is doing in the churches in Israel? Dr. Erez Soref, president of Israel College of the Bible, will give us an exciting update about God's amazing work in the churches in Israel, and how our Jewish and Palestinian brothers are relating to each other. Free admission. Today, 2:30-4:30pm, 10/F Auditorium.

## JUN 11 KIDS CLUB FX: CREATIVITY

Come join us for Kids Club FX to close out the school year! We'll be learning all about creativity-imagining what you could do because you're made in God's image. Please pick up free event tickets and optional lunch coupons from 9/F Welcome Desk. 1:30pm, 10/F Auditorium.

## JUN 17 WORLD REFUGEE DAY

Island ECC hosts a gathering of churches and groups to celebrate World Refugee Day 2017: Building a Future with Hope. Join us for testimonies, worship and stories of hopes and needs in the asylum seeking community in Hong Kong. 7:30pm, 1/F Auditorium.

## JUN 17 ISLAND ECC UNIVERSITY FELLOWSHIP

If you are university-age and looking for something exciting to do this summer - between internships and seeing family - then come check out our university fellowship. There will be live worship, fellowship, snacks and great discussion! We will meet in the Well (11/F) on Saturdays at 5pm, beginning June 17. For more information, email [kyle\\_reed@islandecc.hk](mailto:kyle_reed@islandecc.hk).

## CLASSES

For registration or more information, visit [islandecc.hk/classes](http://islandecc.hk/classes).

## JUN 14 GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Have you lost a spouse, family member or friend? Are you grieving or don't even know where to start? This 6-week support group, led by caring professionals, is a safe place to share and learn from each other about the journey of grief that everyone walks through sometime in life. Weds, 7:30-9:30pm, 10/F Living Room. Registration required.

## JUN 18 CONVERSATIONAL EVANGELISM

Have you ever wanted to share your faith with greater confidence and conviction? Do you have questions about faith that you've always been afraid to ask? This class will answer those questions and help you have spiritual conversations with people. Sun, 11:30am. 8/F Classroom.

## OUTREACH

### JUN 11 YUNNAN MISSION TRIP SHARING SESSION

From teaching and painting at an elementary school to home visits and worshipping at Miao Village, the Yunnan Mission Team truly experienced God's blessings throughout their trip. Come hear about the many different ways the team encountered God in Yunnan at the team sharing session on June 11, 1:30-3:30pm, 8/F Living Room.

### SEP 29-OCT 8 MOROCCO MISSION TRIP

Info Session: June 11

A team will be returning to Morocco to work with our partners to bring medical care to people who have limited access, to be with physically handicapped people who are not seen by society, to generate creative ideas with youth, and to share business & IT skills. If you are in the medical, IT, or business fields, with a heart to serve people, or have French language skills, come to the info session or email [go@islandecc.hk](mailto:go@islandecc.hk) to find out more. June 11, 3pm, 11/F Classroom.

## OPPORTUNITIES

### KIDS CLUB SUMMER VOLUNTEER RECRUITMENT

**Training Dates: June 25 1:30pm 9/F Kids Worship Hall OR June 28 7:30pm 8/F Classroom**  
We are recruiting volunteers for our Summer Sunday Program. If you have a heart for kids and are interested in a short-term commitment, come join our team for 9 weeks (2 Jul - 27 Aug). Contact [kidsclub@islandecc.hk](mailto:kidsclub@islandecc.hk) for more information, or fill out a volunteer form at our 9/F Welcome Desk.

For the following, please send your CV and cover letter to [hr@islandecc.hk](mailto:hr@islandecc.hk)

### FULL TIME - DIRECTOR OF MINISTRY SUPPORT

The Director of Ministry Support will oversee all the church's worship services, major events and be responsible for all the logistical operations of the church office and facilities. We are looking for someone with a servant heart, excellent people and leadership skills, and solid experience in event planning and administration. Full fluency in English and Cantonese is a must.

### FULL TIME - YOUTH COORDINATOR

This is a full-time staff position in our Youth Ministry team, for someone with a heart for youth. We are looking for relevant experience, an outgoing personality, initiative, flexibility and good administrative skills. Fluency in English is required, and Cantonese is beneficial. Worship leading experience would be an advantage.

### PART-TIME - ACCOUNTING ASSISTANT

We are looking for someone to assist with the Bold Faith administration, communicate with donors, and provide accounting support to the church finance office for 20 hours per week. This would suit someone who enjoys and is experienced in handling numbers with high accuracy, and in meeting minute taking. Excellent spoken and written English required.

### MINISTRY SUPPORT ASSISTANT - SUNDAYS IN THE SUMMER

We are looking for a friendly, reliable person with good administrative and maths skills to provide practical and logistical support to the Ministry Support team for our Sunday services in July and August. A love for the church is essential plus full fluency in English. Serve on Sundays all day, or either 9.00am to 1.30pm, or 2.30-7.00pm.

4 JUNE 2017

## Unreligious

<sup>16</sup>While Paul was waiting for them in Athens, he was greatly distressed to see that the city was full of idols. <sup>17</sup>So he reasoned in the synagogue with both Jews and God-fearing Greeks, as well as in the marketplace day by day with those who happened to be there. <sup>18</sup>A group of Epicurean and Stoic philosophers began to debate with him.

Some of them asked, "What is this babbler trying to say?" Others remarked, "He seems to be advocating foreign gods." They said this because Paul was preaching the good news about Jesus and the resurrection.

<sup>19</sup>Then they took him and brought him to a meeting of the Areopagus, where they said to him, "May we know what this new teaching is that you are presenting? <sup>20</sup>You are bringing some strange ideas to our ears, and we would like to know what they mean." <sup>21</sup>(All the Athenians and the foreigners who lived there spent their time doing nothing but talking about and listening to the latest ideas.)

<sup>22</sup>Paul then stood up in the meeting of the Areopagus and said: "People of Athens! I see that in every way you are very religious. <sup>23</sup>For as I walked around and looked carefully at your objects of worship, I even found an altar with this inscription: to an unknown god. So you are ignorant of the very thing you worship—and this is what I am going to proclaim to you.

<sup>24</sup>"The God who made the world and everything in it is the Lord of heaven and earth and does not live in temples built by human hands. <sup>25</sup>And He is not served by human hands, as if He needed anything. Rather, He Himself gives everyone life and breath and everything else.

<sup>29</sup>"Therefore since we are God's offspring, we should not think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone—an image made by human design and skill. <sup>30</sup>In the past God overlooked such ignorance, but now He commands all people everywhere to repent...He has given proof of this to everyone by raising Him from the dead."

<sup>32</sup>When they heard about the resurrection of the dead, some of them sneered, but others said, "We want to hear you again on this subject."

Acts 17:16-32

## 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.

Yunnan Mission Trip



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

