

Have you ever had one? It's Korean food served in a Mexican burrito style. Two unlikely cuisines combining to form a really good lunch. I'd recommend it.

Fusion is everywhere these days. Most menus will offer some form of food combination that borrows from different regions or culinary styles.

This upcoming series is designed to help us understand how our faith is often a fusion of competing concepts. How do we reconcile the sweet promises of God, with the often sour realities of our lives?

Like a good chinese dish of sweet and sour pork, our faith can often be both sweet and sour.

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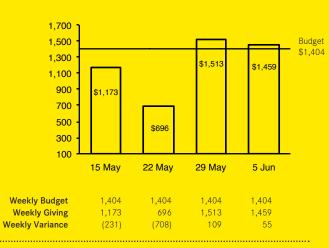
GENERAL OFFERING

FISCAL YEAR SEP 2016 - AUG 2017

PAST 4 WEEKS (Thousands HKD)

YEAR TO DATE (40 WEEKS)
4.3% surplus on giving

YTD Budget YTD Giving YTD Variance \$56.2M \$58.6M \$2.4M



Bold Faith Fund \$129.6M Received \$95.4M Outstanding Pledge \$34.2M

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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SWEET AND SOUR

Great Expectations

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

HIGHLIGHTS

TODAY BABY DEDICATIONS

We are delighted to be celebrating with 3 families in the dedication of their children to the Lord: Isaac Wong, born 1 July 2015, to parents Stephen & Anita (9:30am, 10/F) Eden Alastair Chow, born 30 October 2016, to parents Simon & Natalie (11:30am, 10/F) Amelie Mei Le Cornu, born 7 November 2016, to parents Sam & Sharon (3pm, 2/F) We warmly welcome all family and friends visiting for this occasion.

TODAY prayer after service

We want to encourage the church to set aside time to pray wherever you are. If you need to pray with people, feel free to approach our prayer volunteers at the front. Kindly leave the sanctuary quietly and respect those who are praying.

TODAY KIDS CLUB FX: CREATIVITY

Come join us for Kids Club FX this afternoon 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. Join us at 1:30pm. 10 / F Auditorium.

JUN 14 THE VILLAGE

This Wednesday, we're excited to have Kat Lau at The Village. As the editor of the popular online site Sassymama, she can chat with you on almost everything, from the newest F&B establishment, to the northern lights etc. but we are most looking forward to her speak of her amazing adventure with God in both Canada and Hong Kong. Join us at 7:30pm, 2/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.

CLASSES

For registration or more information, visit 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.

IUN 18 seminar: magdala - the hometown of mary magdalene

Mary Magdalene is an important follower of Jesus. In this seminar, a representative from the Magdala Center, Galilee, Israel will share with us their archaeological work, and what they have learnt about this important biblical city. Free admission. Sun. 2:30-3:30pm, 11/F Classroom.

IUL 7-8 counselling individuals with addiction problems

The 2-day course will examine the aetiology (origin) of addictions, effects on the family, its dynamics, interventions and treatment. Participants may take the course for credit (former credit students only) or audit. Credit cost is \$1,250 and auditing cost is \$250. Fri & Sat, 9am-5pm, 10/F Auditorium.



OUTREACH

TODAY YUNNAN MISSION TRIP SHARING SESSION

Come hear about the many different ways the team encountered God in Yunnan at the team sharing session today, 1:30-3:30pm, 8/F Living Room.

JUN 24 IDEAL BIRTHDAY PARTY

The Intellectually Disabled Education and Advocacy League (IDEAL) is hosting a birthday party and is recruiting fun and passionate volunteers like you to host games for their members! 2:30pm-4:30pm. For more information, please email volunteer@hopeofthecity.com.

JUN~25 supporting the mongolia mission trip

The Mongolia mission team is looking for individuals or companies to donate new items to bless the Mongolian kids and adults. The list includes backpacks, T-shirts, small size toys or board games, sports items, kubriks or fidget spinners. If you are interested in supporting their cause, or simply want more information (full list of goods), please email go@islandecc.hk by June 25.

SEP 29-OCT 8 MOROCCO MISSION TRIP

Info Session: Toda

A team will be returning to Morocco to bring medical care, generate creative ideas with youth, and to share business & IT skills. If you have relevant skills and a servant heart, or speak French, come to the info session today, 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 If you have a heart for kids, come join our team for 9 weeks (2 Jul - 27 Aug). For more information, contact kidsclub@islandecc.hk, or fill out a volunteer form at 9/F Welcome Desk.

More information on all the following, and more at islandecc.hk/about-us/employment-opportunities/. All positions require excellent English.

- Full Time Director of Ministry Support
- Full Time Youth Coordinator
- Part-Time Accounting Assistant
- Ministry Support Assistant Sundays in the Summer
- Contract Systems Analyst

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 F E

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.

Fearless Carnival Celebration



II JUNE 2017

Great Expectations

I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.

John 10:10

In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.

John 16:33

¹They went across the lake to the region of the Gerasenes. ²When Jesus got out of the boat, a man with an impure spirit came from the tombs to meet Him. ³This man lived in the tombs, and no one could bind him anymore, not even with a chain. ⁴For he had often been chained hand and foot, but he tore the chains apart and broke the irons on his feet. No one was strong enough to subdue him. ⁵Night and day among the tombs and in the hills he would cry out and cut himself with stones.

⁶When he saw Jesus from a distance, he ran and fell on his knees in front of Him.

⁷He shouted at the top of his voice, "What do you want with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? In God's name don't torture me!" ⁸For Jesus had said to him, "Come out of this man, you impure spirit!"

⁹Then Jesus asked him, "What is your name?"

"My name is Legion," he replied, "for we are many." ¹⁰And he begged Jesus again and again not to send them out of the area.

¹¹A large herd of pigs was feeding on the nearby hillside. ¹²The demons begged Jesus, "Send us among the pigs; allow us to go into them." ¹³He gave them permission, and the impure spirits came out and went into the pigs. The herd, about two thousand in number, rushed down the steep bank into the lake and were drowned.

¹⁴Those tending the pigs ran off and reported this in the town and countryside, and the people went out to see what had happened. ¹⁵When they came to Jesus, they saw the man who had been possessed by the legion of demons, sitting there, dressed and in his right mind; and they were afraid. ¹⁶Those who had seen it told the people what had happened to the demon-possessed man—and told about the pigs as well. ¹⁷Then the people began to plead with Jesus to leave their region.

¹⁸As Jesus was getting into the boat, the man who had been demon-possessed begged to go with Him.

Mark 5:1-18

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