



Welcome!

Hope you are having a good summer. We are right in the thick of it, with all that it brings.

For me, it means that I have just returned from vacation time in the U.S. It was great to have a change of pace from Hong Kong with all of its fast-paced movement to easygoing relaxation.

Our series on "Sweet and Sour" has been a nice change of pace for our church as we are looking at the way the two distinctive flavours of blessings and challenges come together to create a unique journey of faith.

Today we will explore a wonderful, and at the same time convicting, story told by Jesus that has applicable truth to our contemporary, fast-paced lives.

Come to our Newcomers Lunch
 August 6, 2017
 1:30pm, 11/F Living Room C

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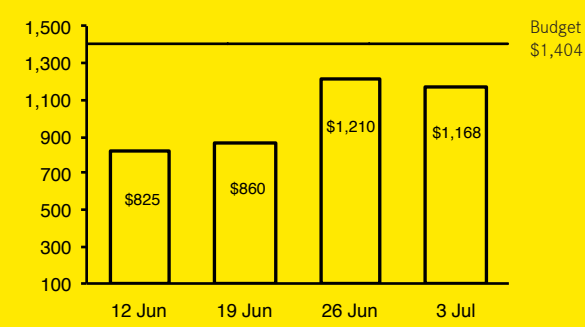
GENERAL OFFERING

YEAR TO DATE (44 WEEKS)
 1.4% surplus on giving

YTD Budget	\$61.8M
YTD Giving	\$62.7M
YTD Variance	\$0.9M

FISCAL YEAR SEP 2016 - AUG 2017

PAST 4 WEEKS (Thousands HKD)



	12 Jun	19 Jun	26 Jun	3 Jul
Weekly Budget	1,404	1,404	1,404	1,404
Weekly Giving	825	860	1,210	1,168
Weekly Variance	(579)	(544)	(194)	(236)

Bold Faith Fund \$130.3M Received \$96.6M Outstanding Pledge \$33.7M

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.



SWEET AND SOUR
 Move It!
 July 9, 2017 9:30am, 11:30am, 3pm, 5pm
 633 King's Road, 1/F, 2/F, 10/F

HIGHLIGHTS

JUL 11 MEN'S FRATERNITY - "COURAGEOUS" SCREENING

Men's Fraternity aims to nurture a brotherhood where men seek to live each day for the God they love. This Tuesday, MF will be having a free movie night viewing "Courageous," a movie showing the challenges that men face in their daily lives. Join this movie night, 7:30-10:30pm on 10/F. Hotdogs and popcorn will be served.

JUL 15 MOVIE NIGHT - INSIDE OUT

Join with others for a fun evening at the movies right here at Island ECC. This month we will be viewing the animated Disney film, Inside-Out. Admission is free and popcorn will be served. Jul 15, 6pm, 10/F auditorium. Register online at islandecc.hk/movie-night.

CLASSES

For registration or more information, visit islandecc.hk/classes.

TODAY ISLAND BIBLE SEMINAR: SPECIAL GUEST BRAD HAMBRICK

Join us as we hear from Pastor Brad Hambrick as he discusses his book, "Why and How Christians Should Have Gay Friends". Participants will learn how to form better relationships with those who experience same-sex attraction or embrace a gay identity. Today, 2:30-4:30pm, 10/F Auditorium.

JUL 23 JEREMIAH: LESSONS ON RUNNING AGAINST HORSES

The prophet Jeremiah had a life filled with trouble. Yet, Jeremiah's life was one marked with the nearness of God and awe-inspiring miracles. This course draws from Eugene H. Peterson's book, "Run with the Horses", to explore how we are most alive and human when we set our goals beyond what is humanly possible. 3:00-4:30pm, 11/F Classroom.


CONNECT

SOCIAL MEDIA

Stay updated on everything that happens at Island ECC via our social media platforms.

We post devotional content, exciting photos from around church, worship song lists and other inspiration content.

 www.facebook.com/IslandECC

 [@islandecc](https://www.instagram.com/islandecc)

Don't forget to #islandecc in your posts as well!

RIGHTNOW MEDIA

RightNow Media equips our church with great discipleship and topical study videos for care groups and individual studies. This great resource is made available to our church for free on your devices and computers! Sign up and gain access now at islandecc.hk/rightnow.

OUTREACH

JUL 15 NORTH POINT ELDERLY HOME VISIT

According to Chinese solar terms, summer has officially arrived! To ease the heat, Hope of the City is partnering with Hong Kong Family Welfare Society to chill with the elderly living in the North Point area through home visitations and gift bags. We are looking for 20 volunteers on Sat, 2:30-4:30pm. Email volunteer@hopeofthecity.com for more information.

OPPORTUNITIES

We believe that in order to fully experience the power of community and the beauty of a thriving, growing church, we must engage as active participants. There are hundreds of opportunities to serve as a volunteer weekly. Email serve@islandecc.hk for more details.

9 JULY 2017

Move It!

²⁵On one occasion, a lawyer stood up to put Jesus to the test, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?"

²⁶He said to him, "What is written in the Law? How do you read it?"

²⁷And he answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind, and your neighbour as yourself."

²⁸And He said to him, "You have answered correctly; do this, and you will live."

²⁹But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbour?"

³⁰Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him and departed, leaving him half dead. ³¹Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. ³²So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was, and when he saw him, he had compassion. ³⁴He went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he set him on his own animal and brought him to an inn and took care of him. ³⁵And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, 'Take care of him, and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.'
³⁶Which of these three, do you think, proved to be a neighbour to the man who fell among the robbers?"

³⁷He said, "The one who showed him mercy."

And Jesus said to him, "You go, and do likewise."

Luke 10:25-37

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, 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



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Want to learn more about us?

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