



Welcome!

What a great Sunday we have for us here at Island ECC. We are thrilled to have baptisms today in every service with 18 people expressing their love for God through baptism. I want to extend a special thank you to those who are here supporting your friend or family member. Getting baptised is a big deal, and for you to support them in this makes it even more special. Thank you for being here!

This week was kind of crazy, wasn't it? Hato hit us hard. Beyond the day off of work, which was welcomed by many, our city is still picking up the pieces and recovering. We pray for the families of the 18 people who lost their lives in Macau and Southern China.

Today's message is an in-depth look at a short parable told by Jesus in Luke 18. In only 5 verses, Jesus provides for us an insight into our human psyche and a solution to the longing we have to live confident lives.

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BOLD

BOLD FAITH OUR FOUR GOALS

The Bold Faith fund campaign is an initiative to establish a permanent venue in Hong Kong to advance God's kingdom. The objective is to raise sufficient funds to procure and own a building to enable our church to multiply ministries and serve our city well.

- BRING PEOPLE TO WORSHIP JESUS**
- OPTIMISE TRAINING AND LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT**
- LOVE THE CITY**
- DEEPEN RELATIONSHIPS AND COMMUNITY**

Bold Faith Fund [Target \$1 Billion]

Received	\$100.5M	Outstanding Pledged	\$32.2M
Total Fund \$132.7M			

GENERAL OFFERING

YEAR TO DATE (51 WEEKS)

-3.6% deficit on giving

Budget	\$71.6M
Giving	\$69.0M
Variance	-\$2.6M

GIVING TO ISLAND ECC

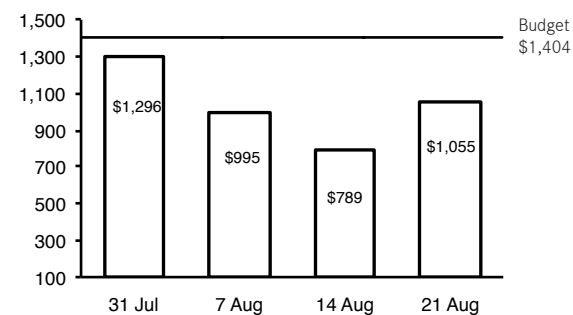
We encourage those who consider Island ECC their church home to prayerfully give a percentage of their income to the church on a regular basis.

- Cheques payable:
- 'Island ECC Ltd.' for HK tax receipts
 - 'Friends of Hong Kong Charities Inc.' for US citizens

Enquiries:
giving@islandecc.hk

FISCAL YEAR SEP 2016 - AUG 2017

PAST 4 WEEKS (Thousands HKD)



WEEKLY

	31 Jul	7 Aug	14 Aug	21 Aug
Budget	1,404	1,404	1,404	1,404
Giving	1,296	995	789	1,055
Variance	(108)	(409)	(615)	(349)

hello



HELLO SUMMER

Confident Living

August 27, 2017 9:30 am, 11:30 am, 3 pm, 5 pm
633 King's Road, 1/F, 2/F, 10/F

Are you new here?
Come to our Newcomers Lunch
1 October 2017
1:30 pm, 10/F Living Room

HIGHLIGHTS

TODAY KIDS CLUB PARENT MEET AND GREET

All Kids Club parents are invited to meet with staff and small group leaders during the first 30 minutes of the 9:30 am and 11:30 am services in 10/F Classroom, or the 3 pm service in 9/F Kids Worship Hall.

SEP 1 ISLAND YOUTH SMALL GROUPS

Island Youth small groups have begun! Small groups occur every Friday and are a great place for students to grow in their faith, have fun and make lasting friendships. Email youth@islandecc.hk for more details and information.

SEP 10 CARE GROUP OPEN HOUSE

Come to our first ever Care Group Open House. New Care Groups will be formed that day and some existing groups will also be there to welcome new members. Visit islandecc.hk/caregroups for more details and how to sign up. 10 September, 2:15 pm, 10/F Auditorium.

SEP 11 ALPHA COURSE

Alpha is a 10-week opportunity to explore the basics of the Christian faith in a laid-back environment. Invite your friends or colleagues and join us every Monday. Register at islandecc.hk/alpha. Starts 11 September, 7 pm, 2/F Auditorium.

SEP 12 MENS FRATERNITY FALL LAUNCH

Men of Island ECC, join the MF fall launch party! Come eat some great food, meet new friends, and see how God can change your life. 12 September, 7:30 - 9:30 pm, 10/F Auditorium.

SEP 13 THE VILLAGE LAUNCH

Calling all women of Island ECC! Join us as we kick off a new season at The Village. This season, we will be exploring what it means to be fully alive for God: established in our identity and caught up in our purpose. 13 September, 7:30 - 10 pm, 2/F Auditorium.

SEP 16 PRAYER RETREAT

Do you know that God continually pursues and desires to be one with you? Respond to Him by joining us for a day of retreat at Mui Wo, 9 am - 5 pm. The retreat costs \$100. Register at the Connect Counter or email prayer@islandecc.hk for more information.

SEP 17 GROW DISCIPLESHIP COURSE LAUNCH

At GROW, participants learn how to establish a daily quiet time routine, read the Bible, and have fellowship with others in Christ. Find out more at the GROW Launch. 17 September, 1:30 - 3 pm, 10/F Auditorium.

OCT 13-14 "BEING ONE" SINGLES CONFERENCE

This year's Singles Conference will focus on maximising the potential of being present, being fulfilled, and being one, featuring special guest speaker, Brian Rayburn. Early bird tickets (\$300) are on sale at all Connect Counters. Email singles@islandecc.hk for more information.

CLASSES

To register and for more information for the following classes, go online to islandecc.hk/classes.

SEP 10 BAPTISM CLASS

If you're interested in being baptised, please plan to attend all 3 baptism classes on 10, 17 & 24 September, 7/F Classroom. Sign up at islandecc.hk/baptism.

SEP 10 NAVIGATING YOUR FINANCES GOD'S WAY

What does it mean to be faithful with the money that God has entrusted to you? Come and explore the answers to these questions in the Bible in this 9-week course! 9:30 - 11 am, 7/F Classroom. Cost: \$300 for materials.

SEP 19 DISORDERED EATING SUPPORT GROUP

Disordered eating can take many forms; it doesn't have to be a full-blown eating disorder to become an obstacle in your life. This 6-week support group is led by a caring professional. 19 September, 7:30 pm, 8/F Living Room.

The Ark on Race Day



OUTREACH

SEP-FEB ELDERLY HOME VISIT RECRUITMENT

Since 2015, around 50 regular volunteers have been visiting an elderly home in Ngau Tau Kok monthly to display the love of Christ. Hope of the City would like to invite you to be part of this wonderful journey. For more information, email volunteer@hopeofthecity.com.

OCT 31-NOV 5 MEDICAL/DENTAL CAMBODIA MISSION TRIP

Information Session: 10 September / Registration Deadline: 15 September

We are looking for dentists, doctors and nurses to form a medical team for a mission trip to Kampot, Cambodia. We will also need extra hands to bring compassion and care to this quaint village. Join the info session on 10 September, 3 pm - 4:30 pm, 11/F Classroom.

NOV 4-11 SHANXI MISSION TRIP

Registration Deadline: Today

We will be sending a team to a neighbourhood village school in Shanxi. Despite religious red tape, the school has been practicing the Christian values of love and respect. By interacting with the locals and loving them through your actions, you will influence and impact China's next generation. Email go@islandecc.hk for more information.

OPPORTUNITIES

If you are interested in the opportunities below, please send your CV and cover letter to hr@islandecc.hk. For more information and details, go online to islandecc.hk/about-us/employment-opportunities.

COORDINATOR OF CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

ASSISTANT ACCOUNTANT

PASTORAL & MINISTRY ASSISTANT

MINISTRY SUPPORT ASSISTANT - SUNDAYS

27 AUGUST 2017

Confident Living

⁹To some who were confident of their own righteousness and looked down on everyone else, Jesus told this parable: ¹⁰"Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. ¹¹The Pharisee stood by himself and prayed: 'God, I thank You that I am not like other people - robbers, evildoers, adulterers - or even like this tax collector. ¹²I fast twice a week and give a tenth of all I get.'

¹³"But the tax collector stood at a distance. He would not even look up to heaven, but beat his breast and said, 'God, have mercy on me, a sinner.'

¹⁴"I tell you that this man, rather than the other, went home justified before God. For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

Luke 18:9-14

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 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.

3 GET PLUGGED IN

We'd love to get to know you better! If you'd like to connect with any of our specific ministries, or have questions, please feel free to contact us via the following emails.

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WORSHIP
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OUTREACH
GLOBAL
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For other questions,
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Want to learn more about us?
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Email _____
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