

Welcome!

We're so delighted to have a guest speaker, Dr. Scott Rodin, here with us today. We rarely have guest speakers, simply because we like to maintain continuity with our messages, and we actually have a pretty good line-up of in-house speakers. But occasionally, we are able to seize an opportunity to hear from gifted experts.

We hope you will both enjoy and be challenged by Scott today. Having served in the non-profit arena for 30 years, he brings both biblical insight and practical experience. And by the way, two of his books are available at the Quench bookstore: "Christ-Centered Generosity" and "The Million-Dollar Dime".

Next week, we will be starting a new 6-week series on the life of David, delving into ancient and familiar stories, with contemporary and relevant application. I'm really looking forward to teaching about David and hope to see you next week!

Brett

Are you new here?
Come to our Newcomers Lunch
5 November
1:30pm, 10F Living Room



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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	\$105.2M	Outstanding Pledged	\$29.6M
Total Fund Received and Pledged \$134.8M			

GENERAL OFFERING

YEAR TO DATE (6 WEEKS)

-16.1% deficit on giving

Budget	\$8.7 M
Giving	\$7.3M
Variance	-\$1.4M

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:

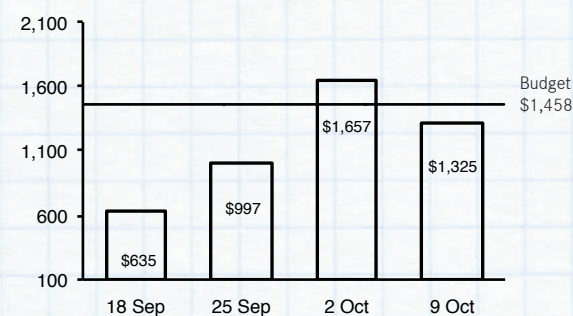
- 'Island ECC Ltd.' for HK tax receipts
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Enquiries:

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FISCAL YEAR SEP 2017 - AUG 2018

PAST 4 WEEKS (Thousands HKD)



WEEKLY

Budget	1,458	1,458	1,458	1,458
Giving	635	997	1,657	1,325
Variance	(823)	(461)	199	(133)

LIFE COACH

Jesus and Generosity:
Three Lessons from the Master

October 15, 2017 9:30 am, 11:30 am, 3 pm, 5 pm
633 King's Road, 1/F, 2/F, 10/F

HIGHLIGHTS

TODAY GO OPEN HOUSE
Muslim communities are among the least impacted by the gospel, often due to common misunderstandings and prejudices about “them.” We are excited to have Jay Smith, a PhD in Christian-Muslim apologetics, share key insights regarding Islamic cultures. 2:30 – 4 pm, 10/F Auditorium. Register at islandecc.hk/go-open-house.

OCT 20-21 JUSTICE CONFERENCE: LOVE THY NEIGHBOUR
For this year’s Justice Conference at The Vine, we will hear from international justice voices who explore what it might look like to love our neighbours as radically as Jesus did. Tickets available at all Connect Counters and online at www.thejusticeconferenceasia.com. Special Church Group Rate: \$350 (enter promo code: JCA17IECC)

OCT 28 WALKING WITH GOD
Join us in experiencing an outdoor and purposeful walk with God and His people around Quarry Bay. We will meet at 9:30 am, G/F at 633 King’s Road. To register, and for more details, go to islandecc.hk/walking.

NOV 5 HOW DO YOU PRESENT FAITH IN A POST-MODERN CULTURE?
On 5 November for our 3pm service, we will be welcoming special guest speaker Professor Alister McGrath from Oxford University to speak on the challenges of presenting our faith in today’s culture. He is one of the world’s eminent Christian apologists. This talk will be live on 1/F and broadcasted to 2/F. The talk will be replayed at our 5 pm service on both 1/F and 2/F.

NOV 10 RENEW WORSHIP NIGHT
Music is designed to excite our emotions. It has a unique power to awaken our hearts in a way that words alone cannot. And when God’s people come together to lift their voices as one, there’s nothing like it. This is why we sing! Join us Friday, 10 November, 7:30 pm.

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

TODAY HOW TO STUDY THE BIBLE
Have you ever wondered how you can understand the Bible in a systematic way and learn to apply the Word of God in your life? This 5-week class will teach you the basic principles and methods of Bible Study. Starts today, 11:30 am, 7/F Classroom.

OCT 18 DIVORCE SUPPORT GROUP
This divorce support group combines video sessions with group discussions led by caring people. Sessions are for women and men who meet together for a video and then separate into small discussion groups. Starts Wednesday, 18 October, 7:30 pm, 8/F Living Room.

OCT 18 PURE DESIRE FOR WOMEN
We all long for security, identity and validation, and it’s easy to fall into patterns of seeking fulfillment through false intimacy or sexual behaviour. Pure Desire ministry offers women the tools to break this addictive cycle and find true healing. Registration closes November 29. Every Wednesday, 7:30 pm.

OCT 22 CHRISTIANITY AND CULTURAL ENGAGEMENT
As Christians, how do we engage with the culture around us? This class will look at how Biblical authors engaged with their culture, drawing lessons and applications for the modern world. Starts Sunday, 22 October, 11:30 am, 8/F.

OCT 22 FORGIVENESS
God commands us to forgive. As challenging as it is, forgiveness ultimately heals us. Join this 2-week class to learn what the Bible teaches about forgiveness. Starts Sunday, 22 October, 2:30 – 5:30 pm, 10/F Classroom.

NOV 10-11 COUNSELLING PROBLEMATIC EMOTIONS
This 2-day seminary-level course will assist students in understanding the complexities of our emotions and develop skills to counsel those suffering from anxiety, grief, guilt, anger, and depression. Participants can take the course for credit (former credit students only) or audit. Audit cost is \$300. 10-11 November, 9 am – 5 pm, 10/F Auditorium. All Stars Volunteer Appreciation Party



OUTREACH

TODAY & OCT 22 FOOD DRIVE: RICE HARVEST SEASON
1.5 million people in Hong Kong go hungry everyday. Hope of the City wants to change that by holding a food drive for Feeding Hong Kong this and next Sunday. Bring your contributions to church and drop them in the marked boxes. For more information, go to hopeofthecity.com.

OCT 28 CHUNG YEUNG FESTIVAL FAMILY OUTING
Hope of the City is partnering with Yan Kei Evangelical Church to spend this traditional Double Ninth Festival with low-income families at a farm in northeastern New Territories from 8 am – 5:30 pm on 28 October. For more information, please email volunteer@hopeofthecity.com.

OPPORTUNITIES

KIDS CLUB VOLUNTEERS (3PM SERVICE)
We are looking for small group leaders and large group leaders for Preschool and Primary children. For more information, email kidsclub@islandecc.hk.

PRODUCTION CREW VOLUNTEERS
Our Production Crew is looking for dedicated volunteers to help make our Sunday services a worshipful experience. You don’t have to be a media professional to volunteer, just an eye for detail and passion to serve. For more information, email crew@islandecc.hk.


If you are interested in the opportunities below, send your CV and a cover letter to hr@islandecc.hk. Go to islandecc.hk/about-us/employment-opportunities for more information.

RECEPTIONIST COORDINATOR
We are looking for a friendly person with good communication and multi-tasking skills to provide full-time administrative and logistical support for the church office.

CONNECTING MINISTRY ASSISTANT – SUNDAY CONTRACT POSITION
We are looking for someone to provide logistical support for our volunteers on Sunday afternoons.

NURSERY STAFF – SUNDAY CONTRACT POSITION
We are looking for nursery staff to care for and teach children 0-3 years old in our Kids Club Nursery.

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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Jesus and Generosity: Three Lessons from the Master

No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money.
Matthew 6:24

Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life.
1 Timothy 6:17-19

Lie #1:

Lesson #1:

Lie #2:

Lesson #2:

Lie #3:

Lesson #3:

✂ TEAR OFF THIS CORNER AND PLACE INTO THE OFFERING BAG

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