

October 28, 2018

THINGS UNSEEN

The End is Near(er)

The end of all things is near. Therefore be alert and of sober mind.

1 Peter 4:7

*Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise,
¹⁶ making the best use of the time, because the days are evil.*
Ephesians 5:15-16

*Lord, you have been our dwelling place
throughout all generations.*

² *Before the mountains were born
or you brought forth the whole world,
from everlasting to everlasting you are God.*

³ *You turn people back to dust,
saying, "Return to dust, you mortals."*

⁴ *A thousand years in your sight
are like a day that has just gone by,
or like a watch in the night.*

⁵ *Yet you sweep people away in the sleep of death—
they are like the new grass of the morning:*

⁶ *In the morning it springs up new,
but by evening it is dry and withered.*

¹¹ *If only we knew the power of your anger!
Your wrath is as great as the fear that is your due.*

¹² *Teach us to number our days,
that we may gain a heart of wisdom.*

Psalm 90:1-6, 11-12



Are you new here?
Come to our Newcomers Luncheon
For details, please refer to the highlights of the bulletin.

Let's get to know each other!
Name _____
Email _____
Phone _____

 **STAR OFF THE COAST AND
PLUG INTO THE CURRENTS AND**

HIGHLIGHTS

NOV 2-3 MEN'S RETREAT: THE GREAT GETAWAY

Take a breather. Get collected. Be in the moment and get away for 24 hours to be still and refocus on the Lord of your life. Reflect and seek what God is impressing upon your heart this season. Be refreshed. Be energised. Friday 7 pm – Saturday 4:30 pm, Ma Wan. Register online. Tickets starting at \$700. For more info, email men@islandecc.hk

NOV 10 MARRIAGE SUMMIT

Like anything worthwhile, good marriages take attention and work. This one day workshop will provide couples with exceptional marital principles as well as opportunities in a stress-free setting to have conversations, fun, and growth. Cost, including lunch and materials, is \$300 per couple. Register online at islandecc.hk/marriagesummit or 1/F Connect Counter.

NOV 11 SERVE INFO SESSION

Learn how you can get involved at church through our countless volunteer opportunities – from welcoming people as they arrive to preparing baked goods or brewing coffee. 1:30 – 2:30 pm, 10/F Living. Register online or at any Connect Counter. Light lunch will be provided.

NOV 16 RENEW WORSHIP NIGHT

The word “Hallelujah” captures the heart, spirit, and purpose of Renew Worship Night. Join us for another powerful and creative night of awe, inspiration and celebration, as the band welcomes special guest artist Curt Anderson! Doors open at 7 pm, come early for seats!

NOV 2 PARENT WORKSHOP-ADOLESCENCE AND MENTAL HEALTH

LY parents are invited to join us for a Parent Round Table. CIS student counsellor Dr. Tim Woo will be sharing about adolescent brain development and mental health. This is an amazing opportunity to receive practical help, learn about the challenges your students face, connect with other parents and have Q&A. 7 – 10 pm, 2/F Auditorium. For more info, email youth@islandecc.hk.

CLASSES & SUPPORT GROUPS

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

NOV 4 PERFECTING YOUR PARENTING

Are you a bit worn out as a parent with the never-ending “on-the-job” training? Come join Pastors Rick Bates and Tim LaTour in this 4-week class for some practical and biblical assistance for parents on subjects like discipline, grace-based parenting, handling the internet, your helper’s role. 9:30 – 11 am, 10/F Classroom.

NOV 4 REASONABLE HOPE

All religions – in fact, all humans – face two profound questions. Why does evil exist? And, what happens when we die? Join Martin Radford in this 4-week class to explore these crucial issues. 11:30 am – 1 pm, 7/F Classroom.

NOV 11 JOURNEY TO FORGIVENESS

Join us in this 6-week journey to unleash the healing power of forgiveness through a Bible study facilitated by Justine Wong. Limited seats. Fee: \$60 book included. Register at 1/F Connect Counter. 3 – 4:30 pm, 11/F Small Group Room.



Scan the QR Code to download the Church App!

OUTREACH

HOPE OCTOBER

Hope October is a time when the congregation can learn about how the church serves the local community. This month invites volunteers to have a personal taste of what serving the poor in Hong Kong is like. Last year, Hope October had a goal of 1,000 volunteer hours.

This year, we are raising the goal to 1,500 hours. Here are the upcoming opportunities to serve.

- Prayer on the Mount, 31 October, 7:30 – 9 pm

To register, email volunteer@hopeofthecity.com.

Hours remaining: 187 hours

NOV 4 SHANXI MISSION TRIP SHARING SESSION

“Completely touched and awed beyond words!” This is what the team experienced before, during, and after the September mission trip when God brought the team from Typhoon Mangkhut in HK to a village school in Mainland China. Join us and listen to our personal stories of how our eyes have been opened and hearts changed. 1:30 – 3 pm, 10/F Classroom.

NOV 4 SO THAT ALL MAY HEAR

Many cultures could not read a Bible even if they were given one. They are oral learners, which makes up about 80% of the world’s population. Faith Comes By Hearing is an evangelistic organisation on the cutting edge of technology. Come hear FCBH Vice President, Morgan Jackson share how more people are hearing the Good News for the first time. 1:30 – 3pm, 10/F Auditorium.

DEC 23, 26 CHRISTMAS PRISON OUTREACH

Application Deadline: 23 November

This Christmas, we will be visiting male inmates on 23 December at Tung Tau Correctional Institution, and female inmates on 26 December at Tai Lam Centre to share our faith through worship, testimonies and celebration. Join the combined mandatory training on 2 December, 1:30 – 3 pm, 8/F Living Room. To register, email go@islandecc.hk

OPPORTUNITIES

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

- Coordinator of Volunteers (Hope of the City)
- Web Developer
- Senior Accountant

GENERAL OFFERING			
LAST 2 WEEKS (Thousands HKD)		YEAR TO DATE (8 Weeks)	
	15 Oct	22 Oct	
Budget	1,539	1,539	Budget \$12.3M
Giving	982	1,671	Giving \$9.7M
Variance	(557)	132	Variance \$-2.7M (-22.0%)

BOLD FAITH FUND	
Received	\$128.1 M
Outstanding Pledged	\$18.9 M

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 Hong Kong tax receipts or 'Friends of Hong Kong Christian Inc' for US tax receipts.

Enquiries: giving@islandecc.hk