

TODAY Island Family Photo Shoot

A professional photographer will be taking pictures of the Island ECC family today and next Sunday. If you are a member or volunteer, please have your photo taken. It is our desire to use the pictures for our website, publications and a church directory in the future.

TODAY Island ECC Women's Conference Registration

Join us at our Women's Day Conference "Living in Wisdom, Walking in Strength" on October 18. Jeanni Shepherd is our guest speaker. Registration starts after both morning services on 1st floor, and 3rd service on 2nd floor. Email terese@islandecc.hk for more information.

TODAY Mercy Ministry Project

Christmas is coming soon and we would like to share Christ's love at this special time with others in need. Anyone interested in helping with Mercy Christmas projects, please come to a planning meeting today in the Conference Room, 8th floor from 9am to 10.30am.

TODAY Family Foundation — Age 3

If you are the parent of a 3 year-old, please join your child at Kid's Club today at 9.30am or 11.30am. You'll both have a lot of fun and learn about how to make prayer part of your lives. Be equipped to raise your kids to know, love and follow God. Don't miss this great day!

TODAY India Mission Trip Information Meeting

For those interested in joining the India mission trip at the end of the year, please come to an information meeting today from 1pm to 3pm at Classroom B, 8th floor.

TODAY Uganda Mission Trip Sharing Session

The 39 people who went to Uganda are back in Hong Kong with amazing stories of their trip. Come and hear about what happened at our sharing session today from 1.30pm to 3pm on 2nd floor. Lunch is provided.

OCT 10 Marriage Course

The Marriage Course is an opportunity to "grow" your marriage. It is an evening of guided private conversations and dinner with your spouse. We call it "date night" with a purpose. There are 8 sessions, 2 hours each, starting October 10. Email Anne & Bill Jordan (nnabjordan@aol.com).

OCT 10 Transit (Singles) Ministry Kick-Off Dinner

Mark your calendars for Friday, October 10, as Transit plans its first-ever murder mystery! The venue will be the HSBC Bank Building in Central and tickets cost \$300 per person for dinner and drinks. Join us for a fun night. If you are interested, please write your details (legibly!) on the sign-up sheet on the 1st floor after services or contact Brenda Cox at brenda@islandecc.hk.

OCT 12 Nursing Home Outreach

James 1:27 tells us that "pure and genuine religion in the sight of God the Father means caring for orphans and widows in their distress..." We would like to build a team to visit and care for the elderly in two Cantonese-speaking and one English-speaking nursing homes. If you would like to know more about this meaningful outreach, please join us for an informational meeting on Sunday, October 12 at 11.10am on the 8th floor, or contact Brenda Cox at brenda@islandecc.hk.

Ways to Pray

Corporate Prayer

Join us in praying for our church, community and the world:
11am to 11.30am — Living Room, 8th floor
4.30pm to 5pm — Conference Room, 8th floor

Personal Needs

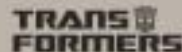
Questions about becoming a Christian? Prayer requests? Meet us near the stage after services.



Children ages 0-2 go straight to their classrooms. Children ages 3-8 go to Kid's Worship in the Lime Room before going to their classes. Children ages 9-10 meet their teachers in the designated area on the 1/F for worship before heading to the 9/F. Please pick up your children from the following rooms:

	9.30am	11.30am	5pm*
Nursery (0-23 months)	Purple	Purple	Navy
Nursery (24-25 months)	Navy	Navy	Navy
Age 3	Yellow	Yellow	Navy
Age 4	Blue	Blue	Blue
Age 5	Aqua & Forest	Aqua	Blue
Age 6	Aqua & Forest	Forest	Blue
Age 7	Lime & Green	Green	Blue
Age 8	Lime & Green	Lime	Blue
Age 9	Orange	Orange	Blue
Age 10	Red	Red	Blue

*At 5pm all children go straight to their classes.



9.30am
Middle School
- The Edge

11.30am
High School
- The Edge

HOW TO BECOME A CHRISTIAN

Many people believe they are Christians because they were born in a religious home or go to church regularly, try to do their best, or live a good life. However, the Bible teaches that these things cannot make you a Christian. You become a Christian simply by taking these two steps:

1. Acknowledge that you (along with all people) have sinned and fallen short of God's standards. (See Romans 3.23)
 2. Personally believe that Jesus Christ, who was God in human flesh, died for your sins on the cross and rose again. (See 1 Corinthians 15.3-4)
- You may express your belief through prayer, asking Jesus to come into your life, and receiving him as God's gift to you. (See John 1.12)

For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith - and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God - not by works, so that no one can boast. (Ephesians 2.8-9)

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TITHES & OFFERINGS

We encourage those who consider Island ECC their church home to prayerfully set aside a percentage of their income and donate it to the church on a regular basis. If you want to make special monthly tithing arrangements, please contact our Director of Finance, Karen Kwok at 2864-9334 or email her at karen@islandecc.hk.

Fiscal Year 1 Sep - 31 Aug 2009

	Annual Proposed Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Giving	YTD Variance
Operating Fund	\$35m	\$2m	\$1.2m	-\$0.8m
		Avg Weekly Budget	Last Week's Giving	Weekly Variance
		\$673,000	\$332,416	-\$340,584

- For cheque payment, please issue to "Island ECC Limited".
- For US citizen/resident who wishes to have a US tax receipt, each donation must be at least US\$100 (or HK\$800) and issued to "Friends of Hong Kong Charities Inc." with nothing written on the lower left corner of the cheque. For offering via mail, please send it to "Island ECC Limited, 8/F, 633 King's Road, Quarry Bay, Hong Kong". Thank you.
- "Friends of Hong Kong Charities Inc." will not accept cash offerings. All contributions must be made by cheque.

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Sept 28, 2008 9.30am, 11.30am & 5pm
633 King's Road, First and Second Floor



photos: Rwanda Mission Trip

Welcome!

We are at an exciting time in the life of our church as we kick off the fall season. You can feel the excitement with many new things happening and we are in a permanent venue for the first time.

I miss the fall season in the States—the leaves, the temperatures, the outdoors and football. I have learned so much about life from playing and watching football. Probably the biggest lesson I learned was to watch my opponent’s hands; what he was doing with his hands was a good indicator of what he was going to do during the game.

Last week, we talked of our mission statement and the reason why we believe the Lord has us in Hong Kong as a church. This week, I want to flesh that out a little more and talk about our “hands”. What is it that the Lord wants us to do with our “hands”? What we do with our hands as an individual and as a church is a good indicator of how we are going to play the game called life.

We are so glad that you are worshipping the Lord with us today and we pray that He meets you in a special way as we look into God’s Word together.

SEPTEMBER / OCTOBER 2008						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
TODAY Photo Shoot; Transformers; Family Foundation; India Trip Info Meeting; Uganda Trip Sharing	29 Men’s Bible study; Women’s Bible studies; Alpha Course	30 Women’s Bible studies; Men’s Fraternity	1	2 Women’s Bible studies	3 Encounter; LiFE Group	4 AWANA club; Orphanage Outreach; Roadside Ministry; REAL:time
5 3 SERVICES: 9.30am, 11.30am, 5pm; Photo Shoot; Transformers; Women’s Bible studies	6 Men’s Bible study; Women’s Bible studies; Alpha Course	7 Women’s Bible studies; Men’s Fraternity	8 Women’s Bible studies; Men’s Fraternity; LEAD	9 Women’s Bible studies	10 Encounter; Marriage Course; Transit Dinner; LiFE Group	11 AWANA club; Orphanage Outreach; Roadside Ministry; REAL:time
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MEN / CONTACT TOBIN MILLER / men@islandecc.hk

Men’s Fraternity
Men’s Fraternity is starting up on **Tuesday at 7.45pm on the 8th floor at the church office and Wednesday at 12.45pm at World Wide House in Central.** Remember to bring your lunch! This semester we’re going to talk about How to Win At Home and At Work! Be sure to join us! For details, please contact men@islandecc.hk or daniel@islandecc.hk.

Men’s Bible Study
We are studying the Lee Strobel book “The Case for Faith”. Please contact Charles Chu at 2877-3283 or cc147@netvigator.com.
 • **Monday, 12.45pm-2pm at 13/F Nan Fung Tower, 173 Des Vouex Road, Central.**

WOMEN / CONTACT WIS SHIH / wis@islandecc.hk

Women’s Bible Study Classes

MONDAY		
• 7.30pm-9.30pm	Too Busy Not to Pray	Phyllis Yew (9871-6912)
TUESDAY		
• 9.30am-11.30am	Community Bible Study— Wisdom of Solomon	Kathy Hamilton (6055-2896)
• 12pm-2.30pm	Genesis & Psalms (in Korean)	Grace Hur (6033-5791)
• 12.30pm-2pm	Dealing with Disappointment & Discouragement	Deanna Sutherland (9248-8052) & Florence Chiu (6182-6398)
WEDNESDAY		
• 10am-12.30pm	Precepts Study on Ephesians	Chung Ling Chee (9172-1043)
• 7.30pm-9.30pm	A Woman’s Heart— God’s Dwelling Place <i>- by Beth Moore</i>	Li-Yen Loh (9172-8091) & Jessie Cheung (6237-3241)
THURSDAY		
• 9.30am-11.30am	Building your House on the Lord <i>- by Steve and Dee Brestin</i>	Christina Miller (2570-3411) & Julie Turner (2533 4464)
SUNDAY		
• 11.30am-1pm	Becoming a Sacred Influence	Shannon Hilliard (6290-1911) & Jen Hammonds (9236-5522)

Single Mom’s Inspirational League (“S.M.I.LE”)
S.M.I.LE consists of caring single mothers who are willing to share, pray and grow in Christ together. Our next regular luncheon is on **October 20**. For more information, please contact Terese Cha (terese@islandecc.hk or 9839-1689) or Elaine Louie (elainefaylouie@yahoo.com or 9243-7716).

CHILDREN / CONTACT GLEN BRADEN / glen@islandecc.hk



Kid’s Club is for all children ages 0 to 10. For all kids 3 and up, we offer a different programme at each service. Your kids will not have to “suffer” through the same lesson twice, but instead have two distinct and engaging services if you stay for both services. The under 2s will be cared for and instructed with Baby Beginnings. The 2s will experience life and God’s love through Faithweaver lessons.

- At 9.30am 3-4 year olds - In The Beginning
5-8 year olds - Large Group / Small Group
9-10 year olds- Precepts for Kids
- At 11.30am 3-8 year olds - Faithweaver
9-10 year olds- Precepts for Kids (different material from 9.30am)
- At 5pm Childcare for 0-10 year olds.

For more information on classes or how you can be involved with Kid’s Club, please contact us at kidsclub@islandecc.hk or call 2864-9319.

YOUTH / CONTACT MARCUS KROESE / marcus@islandecc.hk



Saturday 5.30-7pm



Friday 7.30-10pm



We’ve finally kicked off our Christ series! Wasn’t it great to look more closely at how Jesus teaches us? This week we’ll be learning about how Christ heals us. Make sure you don’t miss out!

Thanks for inviting all your friends and coming out to D-Bay with us last week! We hope you had as much fun as we did! This week we’ll be looking at how Christ heals us, so get ready for some more fun and fellowship. See you at The Edge!

If you haven’t been to Transformers lately, you’re missing out! All classes take place in The Edge. Middle school @ 9.30am. High school @ 11.30am. Also check out the cool things happening at REAL:time and Encounter!!!

For more information, please check out our website at www.islandyouth.hk.

CARE GROUPS / CONTACT TOBIN MILLER / caregroup@islandecc.hk

Do you find it hard to meet people after the church service? Want to be involved in a vibrant community of other believers — sharing life experiences and encouraging one other in the Christian life? You need to be in a care group so you can develop deep fellowship with others, pray and be prayed for, worship and study God’s Word. Get connected TODAY! Pick up a care group pamphlet in the foyer or email caregroup@islandecc.hk.

LiFE Group
LiFE Group returns to present *On Location: Being the Salt and Light of the World*. When you stop to consider the decaying moral and ethical climate in our world, you may be tempted to wonder, “Is there any hope? Will things ever improve?” Jesus’ response is “You are the salt of the earth... You are the light of the world”. You have been strategically placed by God *On Location* to preserve culture and illuminate God’s will for man. We meet on **Fridays (October 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31) at 7.30pm in the Living Room on the 8th floor, 633 King’s Road**. Grab a bite before you join us or bring along a snack to munch on. Remember to take your Bible with you too. We will provide some nibbles and a whole lot of spiritual food for thought! Email LiFEGroupHK@gmail.com now to save yourself a space.

GLOBAL OUTREACH / CONTACT WILLIAM PRITCHARD / will@islandecc.hk

Roadside — Cantonese Youth Outreach
Roadside Ministry is a local outreach to teenagers, many who are orphaned or have difficult home situations. We meet on **8/F, 633 King’s Road, Quarry Bay** for a time of fellowship, songs, games on the following days:

- **Saturday, 12pm to 4pm** — Roadside activities.
- **Sunday afternoon**—local teens English tutoring and Bible study.

Cantonese tutor needed: Roadside would like to provide some basic Cantonese training/translation for volunteers who enjoy the ministry but only speak English. If you are interested, please email Ida McCormack at idamacks@hotmail.com.

- **Saturday, 10am to 12noon**—primary children programme of Po Leung Kuk. Call Pat Cheng 2792-7284

Filipino Ministries / CONTACT RIZA GUEVARRA / riza@islandecc.hk

- Today’s activity : Evangelism Explosion Training on 8/F, Room C at 2.30pm
: Joint Care Group meeting with Lynn Cartagena on “Servant Leadership” at 3pm

- Saturday’s activities : Cantonese class with Horace Lo from 10am to 11.30am
: Lunch Fellowship at 1.30pm
: Bible Study on Ephesians at 2.30pm

- Upcoming events : **October 1** — Joint Retreat with ECC Kowloon Filipino Ministries
“Screwtape Letters” by C.S Lewis
Speaker: Pastor Bob Jones
2/F, 9.30am to 4pm
Contact Riza Guevarra at 2864 9337 for more information

Indonesian Ministries / CONTACT RIANI PARDEDE / riani@islandecc.hk / T: 2864-9382

- Today’s Programmes : Join the English Service at 9.30am
: Evangelism at Park at 2.30pm

- Saturday’s activity : Bible Study from 12.30pm to 1.15pm
- English Classes : Promotion Period until end of October

Please encourage your Indonesian helpers to join us. All Indonesian Ministries programmes are held at the Takbir Community Centre, 3/F, Morecrown Commercial Building, 108 Electric Road, North Point (Tin Hau MTR Exit A2).

Short Term Mission Trips

- India: December 27 - January 4 (open for application)

MERCY MINISTRIES / CONTACT BRENDA COX / brenda@islandecc.hk

Prison Outreach
We have been given an opportunity to visit the men at Pik Uk Prison (Clear Water Bay) and Tung Tau Prison (Stanley) two Sundays every month. We want to reach these inmates through worship, Bible study and one-on-one interactions. Join us to help make a real difference in these lives.

Orphanage Outreach
We are happy to announce that Island ECC’s weekly visits to an orphanage have resumed after being closed for almost five months. The visits are scheduled for **every Saturday**. If you would like to join us in hugging and playing with the children, or would like more information, please contact Brenda Cox at brenda@islandecc.hk.

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"Man's chief end is to glorify God, and to enjoy Him forever."
Westminster Catechism

2 Corinthians 5:21

He made Him who knew no sin to be sin on our behalf, so that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

Luke 15:3-7

³So He told them this parable, saying,
⁴"What man among you, if he has a hundred sheep and has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the open pasture and go after the one which is lost until he finds it?
⁵When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing.
⁶And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them,
'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep which was lost!'
⁷I tell you that in the same way, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance."

2 Kings 4:1-6

¹Now a certain woman of the wives of the sons of the prophets cried out to Elisha, "Your servant my husband is dead, and you know that your servant feared the Lord; and the creditor has come to take my two children to be his slaves."
²Elisha said to her, "What shall I do for you? Tell me, what do you have in the house?" And she said,
"Your maidservant has nothing in the house except a jar of oil."
³Then he said, "Go, borrow vessels at large for yourself from all your neighbors, even empty vessels; do not get a few.
⁴And you shall go in and shut the door behind you and your sons, and pour out into all these vessels, and you shall set aside what is full."
⁵So she went from him and shut the door behind her and her sons; they were bringing the vessels to her and she poured.
⁶When the vessels were full, she said to her son, "Bring me another vessel." And he said to her,
"There is not one vessel more." And the oil stopped.

Luke 9:12-17

¹²Now the day was ending, and the twelve came and said to Him, "Send the crowd away, that they may go into the surrounding villages and countryside and find lodging and get something to eat; for here we are in a desolate place."
¹³But He said to them, "You give them something to eat!" And they said, "We have no more than five loaves and two fish, unless perhaps we go and buy food for all these people."
¹⁴(For there were about five thousand men.) And He said to His disciples, "Have them sit down to eat in groups of about fifty each."
¹⁵They did so, and had them all sit down.
¹⁶Then He took the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, He blessed them, and broke them, and kept giving them to the disciples to set before the people.
¹⁷And they all ate and were satisfied; and the broken pieces which they had left over were picked up, twelve baskets full.

The principle of the jars: _____

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Success is: _____

I believe _____ wants me to serve _____.

ISLAND CONNECTIONS continued...

I am interested in:

- Learning more about Island ECC
- Learning more about a relationship with Christ
- Signing up for (events / class / care group)
- Talking to church leader
- Membership
- Baptism
- Other _____

Comments or prayer requests

ISLAND CONNECTIONS

Whether you are our guest or a member of Island ECC, we are glad you have chosen to worship with us! **We would love to connect with you.** Do you have a need or a prayer request? Please take a moment to fill out the section below and place it in the offering bag, or at a designated box on the 1st or 2nd floor.

Name _____

Address _____

Mobile _____

Email _____

Today I attended the service at:
 9.30am 11.30am 5pm

On the:
 1st Floor 2nd Floor