



**Today's Sermon: Sunday, March 24, 2019**  
**"Discipleship: A Long Journey of Story, Faith and Imagination"**  
**Luke 1:26-38**  
**Pastor Bob Jones**

Discipleship is not a program or a plan. Following Jesus is a long dangerous journey requiring an immersion not only into the Jesus story, but also our own. It also requires faith that the story that gives meaning and hope is really not of my own shaping but His. Finally, discipleship requires imagination - the ability to see with our hearts what our eyes cannot. Mary, our Lord's 'first disciple' and His mother shows us how it's done.

Pastor Bob Jones has previously pastored both in Canada and in Hong Kong but more recently is a chaplain at a Canadian public hospital. He is also the Director of a new initiative and ministry for whole-person spiritual formation based in Hong Kong called The Basileia Project, in collaboration with Regent College, Vancouver, B.C. Bob is married to Amy and they have four adult children and three grandchildren, all busy boys. Bob holds a Th.M in Interdisciplinary Theological Studies from Regent College.

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**Upcoming Sunday Sermons**

March 31	1 Peter 5:1-5	Pastor Dave
April 7	1 Peter 5:6-14	Pastor Dave
April 14	Palm Sunday	Pastor Dave
April 21	Easter Sunday	Pastor Dave

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**Financial Updates**

FY2018/2019

Annual Budget	\$13,190,150
Last Week's Giving	\$821,431

FY2018/2019 (April - February)  
 (unaudited figures, excluding designated funds)

Actual Income	\$7,211,177
Actual Expense	\$9,566,653

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For US citizens wishing a US tax receipt, please ensure that your check is at least US\$100 (HK\$800) made out to **"Friends of Hong Kong Charities, Inc."** with any designations written on the offering envelope (available at the Welcome Table) - NOT on the check itself.

**Ways to Give**

1. Direct Debit / Standard Instruction  
Please send a copy of the direct debit authorization form to finance@ecchk.org for registration and process.
2. Bank Transfer  
This service is for donations to Evangelical Community Church Limited ONLY. Please email finance@ecchk.org a copy of your transfer receipt for our registration.

**Account Information**

Name: Evangelical Community Church Limited  
 Bank: The Hongkong Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited (HSBC)  
 Account No.: 813-808748-838 (HKD Saving)

Please go to our website or scan the QR code for more information.



**Prayer Corner**

- Give thanks to God for a fruitful and encouraging time at the AGM last Sunday! As this financial year is coming to a close, continue to pray for God's providence for resources in our church.
- Pray for Alex Kun who is stepping into the new role as an Elder in ECC. Pray also for our Elder Board as they shepherd, oversee and lead our church.
- As Alpha Spring begins, pray that God will equip the volunteer team to share the gospel of Jesus with clarity and power. Pray also those who are attending to learn about the faith, that the Spirit will be at work in their hearts.



**ECC Locations**

- ① ECC Office & Ministry Center (Metropole MC)  
6/F, Metropole Building, 53 Peking Road, Tsim Sha Tsui, Kowloon
- ② ECC Ministry Center (Hankow MC)  
Unit 417-421, 4/F, Hankow Centre, 5 Hankow Road, Tsim Sha Tsui, Kowloon
- ③ YMCA (Sunday Worship Services)  
4/F, Assembly Hall, 41 Salisbury Road, Tsim Sha Tsui, Kowloon



# Discipleship: A Long Journey of Story, Faith and Imagination

Luke 1:26-38

# Today - March 24, 2019

## Welcome to ECC

Welcome to the Sunday worship services at Evangelical Community Church. This is where we pray, sing, and learn from God's Word. We are here to bless one another and lead you into God's presence through Jesus Christ. If you have any questions, please contact our greeters or church leaders. Relax and make yourself at home.

A nursery room is available for your use on this floor. We also have children's classes at 9:30am and 11:15am. Please see below for the locations or ask a greeter for assistance.

If today's message has moved your heart, you may download the audio mp3 recording at [www.ecchk.org](http://www.ecchk.org). If you wish for someone to pray for you this morning, please come to the colorful banner near the stage after the benediction.

## Order of Service (9:30am and 11:15am)

Pastoral Intercessory Prayer	Elders
Worship in Song*	Congregation
Worship through the Word	Pastor Bob
Responsive Worship*	Congregation
Worship through Tithes & Offering*	Congregation
Announcements	Staff
Benediction	Elders

## Happening Today

9:30am / 11:15am	Worship Services	4/F, YMCA
9:30am / 11:15am	Children's Ministry: Team Noah (0-2 yrs)	Room 5, 4/F, YMCA
9:30am / 11:15am	Children's Ministry: Team Miriam (3-4 yrs)	Room 305, 3/F, YMCA
9:30am / 11:15am	Children's Ministry: Teams Ruth, Joshua, Paul & Timothy (5-12 yrs)	Hankow MC
11:00am / 2:30pm	Filipino Ministry: Fellowship	Main Hall, Metropole MC
11:00am	Adult Sunday School: Leviticus	Room 605, 6/F, YMCA
11:15am	Youth Sunday School	Room 603, 6/F, YMCA
1:30pm	Prayer Class: Two Paralyzed Men	Room 6, Hankow MC
2:00pm	Choir Practice	Main Hall, Hankow MC

\*If you would like to enjoy the music used for this week's worship, please use the QR code to open our playlist.



## General News and Upcoming Events

### Financial Year Closing

Please note that the final date for receiving tithes and offering as donations for this financial year (2018/19) is March 31, 2019 in the Metropole Office. Donation receipts for Hong Kong income tax filing will be issued to all donors who have requested receipts by the end of April.

### Prayer Class - Two Paralyzed Men: TODAY!

Sunday, March 24, 1:30pm - 3:30pm, Room 6, Hankow MC  
 Contact: [weeklyprayer@ecchk.org](mailto:weeklyprayer@ecchk.org)

In this study, we will look at two paralyzed men in Luke 5 and John 5, who both received miraculous healing from the Lord, but received very different words from the Lord. This comparative study will help us better understand God's will for our present life. Through it, we will see our needs in the light of the Lord's Words, and pray in faith according to His will.

### Alpha Spring 2019

Thursday nights, March 28 - May 23, 7:00pm - 9:30pm, Rooms 1,2,6, Hankow MC  
 Contact: [sarah.cox@ecchk.org](mailto:sarah.cox@ecchk.org)

Alpha is a series of interactive sessions in both English and Cantonese that freely explore the basics of the Christian faith in a friendly and informal environment. This is a great opportunity for you to reach out to your friends and family members. For registration, please sign up at the Welcome Table. If you are interested to be involved as a volunteer, please contact us by email.

### Baptism Class

Sunday, March 31, 2:00pm - 4:00pm, Room 6, Hankow MC  
 Contact: [grow@ecchk.org](mailto:grow@ecchk.org)

If the Lord has moved in your heart to publicly profess your faith in Jesus through water baptism, come learn the basics of the Christian faith, your spiritual journey, and the need for baptism. The Baptism Ceremony will be held on Sunday, May 19, 4:30pm at the Hankow MC; Water Baptism will be held at 6:00pm, YMCA. Please sign up at the Welcome Table.

### Prison Ministry Training

Sunday, March 31, 2:30pm - 5:30pm, St. Andrew's Church, TST  
 Contact: [sarah.cox@ecchk.org](mailto:sarah.cox@ecchk.org)

Are you interested in joining prison ministry with one of our mission partners, The HK Christian Kun Sun Association? If so, they will be holding an English language introduction to prison ministry volunteer training on Sunday, March 31 at St. Andrew's Church. Please register at the Welcome Table if you would like to attend and learn more about this interesting ministry!

### Biblical Typology Class

Sunday, April 14, 1:00pm - 3:30pm, Main Hall, Hankow MC  
 Contact: [info@ecchk.org](mailto:info@ecchk.org)

The study of Biblical Typology brings to life your study of the Old and New Testaments. Learn how people, events, and institutions in the Old Testament (called "types") correspond to persons, events, or things in the New Testament (called "antitypes"). You will especially enjoy learning how certain typological features in the Old Testament find expression in the life and ministry of Jesus. If you would like to learn more, please register at the Welcome Table.

### Mongolia Short Term Mission Trip

Contact: [sarah.cox@ecchk.org](mailto:sarah.cox@ecchk.org)

Trip Dates: July 19-27, 2019

It's that time of year again! Making plans for this summer? Want to do something meaningful while soaking in Mongolia's beautiful landscapes and loving His people? Join us as one of God's ambassadors as we spend quality time with underprivileged kids in the countryside. Sign up at the Welcome Table today for more information!

### Job Openings at ECC

Contact: [jobs@ecchk.org](mailto:jobs@ecchk.org)

Application Deadline: April 30, 2019

To meet the ongoing needs of the church, we are now accepting applications for the following:

1. Director of Ministries
2. Ministry Support Associate for Children's Ministry
3. Ministry Support Associate for Youth Ministry

Please refer to [ecchk.org/about-us/job-opportunities](http://ecchk.org/about-us/job-opportunities) for details.

### Friendly Reminders

1. Please do not eat or drink in the Assembly Hall during worship services.
2. Please turn your phone and electronic devices to silent mode during worship services.

## Other On-going Ministry Opportunities

### Adult Sunday School: Leviticus, Numbers & Deuteronomy

Sunday, March 24 - May 26, 11:00am - 12:30pm, Room 605, 6/F, YMCA  
 Contact: [jenifer.liu@ecchk.org](mailto:jenifer.liu@ecchk.org)

We begin a new study on Leviticus, Numbers and Deuteronomy from March 24 to May 26 (except April 21), taught by Elder Andrew Mole. For more information, please pick up a course brochure at the Welcome Table or scan the QR code.



### Children's Ministry

Contact: [iris.wong@ecchk.org](mailto:iris.wong@ecchk.org) or [Nonette.Tsang@childrensministryecc@gmail.com](mailto:Nonette.Tsang@childrensministryecc@gmail.com)

Children's Ministry is a vibrant, thriving ministry where children come to worship God and are equipped with the knowledge of who God is and what He has created them to be.

We will continue to encourage our children to memorize the Word of God. The focused verse for March is Proverbs 3:5-6. All children are welcome!

### Filipino Ministry

Saturdays, 2:00pm - 6:00pm, Metropole MC / Sundays, 11:00am - 9:30pm, Metropole MC  
 Contact: [Ellen.Ibarra@ecchk.org](mailto:Ellen.Ibarra@ecchk.org) / 5545 7746

Lunch Kaarawan Fellowship	1st Sundays	11:00am / 12:45pm
Lunch Fellowship, Prayer & Singing,	2nd to 4th Sundays	11:00am / 12:45pm onwards
Bible Study in Small Groups		
Counselling & Prayer	Saturdays/Sundays	5:00pm onwards
Fellowship / Bible Study	Saturdays	2:00pm - 6:00pm

### Men's Group

Fridays, March 29, 7:30pm - 8:30pm, Metropole MC  
 Contact: [smallgroups@ecchk.org](mailto:smallgroups@ecchk.org) / [jeffcheng2000@hotmail.com](mailto:jeffcheng2000@hotmail.com)

Our Men's Group meets every Friday night for a time of Bible Study and fellowship. Please email Jeff Cheng to sign up and to keep in touch on future studies, fellowship and more.

### Prayer Ministry

Wednesdays, March 27, 7:30pm - 8:30pm, Metropole MC  
 Contact: [weeklyprayer@ecchk.org](mailto:weeklyprayer@ecchk.org)

Please go to our website's Prayer Ministry section to learn about prayer, request a prayer visit, or submit emergency prayer requests. Join us on Wednesdays by praying wherever you are, or with us at the prayer meeting, using the weekly prayer list as a guide. Subscribe to the list using the QR code.



### Small Group Ministry

Contact: [smallgroups@ecchk.org](mailto:smallgroups@ecchk.org) / [sarah.cox@ecchk.org](mailto:sarah.cox@ecchk.org)

Looking to get plugged into the church community? Joining a small group is a great way to get involved in ECC's family. Check out our website and contact us for more information.

### Wednesday Women's Bible Study

Wednesdays, March 27, 10:00am - 1:00pm, Room 6, Hankow MC  
 Contact: [Suet.Ha.Yeung@fredsuetha@gmail.com](mailto:Suet.Ha.Yeung@fredsuetha@gmail.com) or [Cathy.Cheung@cathywaung@yahoo.com](mailto:Cathy.Cheung@cathywaung@yahoo.com)

This week, we have a special guest, Barb Hawn. Barb is the Moms in Prayer International Leadership Developer for Hong Kong and other nations. She is an international speaker and author of "Glory Arising: The Beginning of Moms in Prayer Mongolia". Her passion for the nations is to empower and train up women in prayer. All ladies are welcome.

### Youth Ministry

Contact: [Nikky.Sepnio@youth@ecchk.org](mailto:Nikky.Sepnio@youth@ecchk.org)

Our Youth Ministry aims to cultivate a Christ-centered community where youth are encouraged to grow strong in faith and are empowered to shine bright for Christ! Check out our website for more information!

### For Middle and High School Students (Age ~12-17)

Youth Friday Night	Fridays	7:00pm-9:00pm	Main Hall, Hankow MC
Youth Sunday School	Sundays	11:15am-12:30pm	Room 603, YMCA

### For College Students (Age >17)

Friday Fellowship	Fridays	7:30pm - 10:00pm	Room 3, Hankow MC
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### Friendly Reminders:

Ministry Leaders: Bulletin announcements for your ministry must be submitted to [bulletin@ecchk.org](mailto:bulletin@ecchk.org) **no later than 2:00pm, Wednesdays**. Please refer to **For-Ministry-Leaders** on our website for guidelines. Late submissions will not be entertained. Thank you.