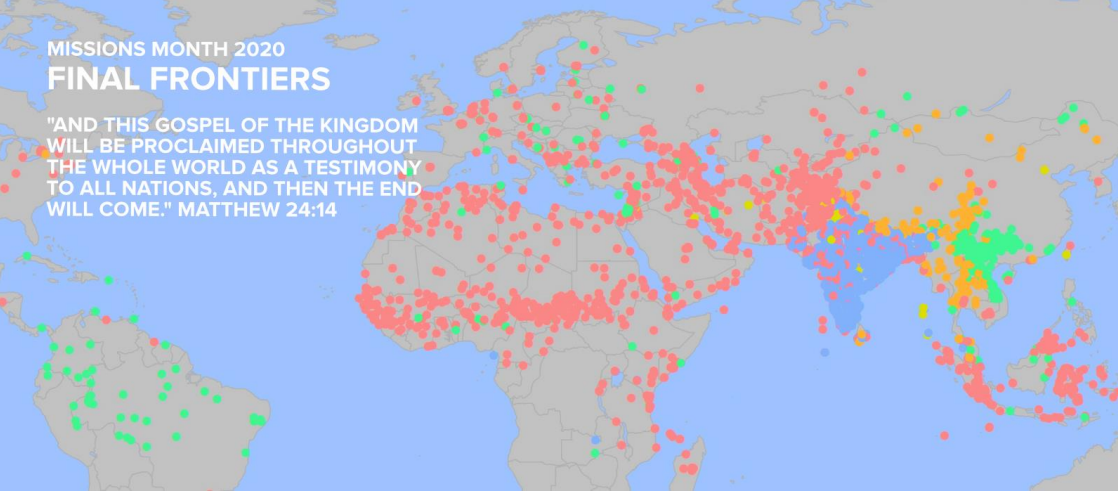


MISSIONS MONTH 2020
FINAL FRONTIERS

"AND THIS GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM
WILL BE PROCLAIMED THROUGHOUT
THE WHOLE WORLD AS A TESTIMONY
TO ALL NATIONS, AND THEN THE END
WILL COME." MATTHEW 24:14



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English Services & Livestream

Order of Service

Call to Worship

Meditative Hymn: Take My Life And Let It Be

Scripture Reading: Romans 8:17-25 ESV

Message: The Risky Business

Response Hymn: How Beautiful

Corporate Life & Prayer

Offering

Benediction

Announcements

Note: Holy Communion will be served at all in-person services

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Welcome

We are pleased to welcome you to worship with us! If you are new to Zion Bishan, do drop us a note on our contact form and our hospitality team will get in touch with you in the coming week. <http://www.zionbishan.org.sg/rf>

Our Sunday services at a glance

In-Person Sunday Services in July

(Registration required):

www.zionbishan.org.sg/phase-2

8.30am Mandarin/Cantonese service

9.30am Tamil (only 5 Jul)/Hokkien service

10.30am/1.00pm/3.00pm/5.00pm

English service

Join us for our livestream

8.30am Mandarin & Cantonese service

10.30am English service

www.youtube.com/zionbishan

Join us for Zoom Services

(Registration required):

www.zionbishan.org.sg/services

8.45am/2.30pm

Domestic Helpers Fellowship

9.30am Tamil service

10.30am Mandarin-English service

Sunday Services in August will follow the same service arrangements unless otherwise permitted by authorities. Do stay up-to-date with your Cluster/AG chat groups or visit www.zionbishan.org.sg for all announcements and updates.

Serving You Today

Speaker: Pastor Dev Menon

Worship Leader: Elder David & Elder Sonny

AV: Goh Han Teck, Melissa Leong, Steven Tan, Soh Kok Hong & James Kok.

Pianist: Paul Liew & Lee Ping Lin

Songs for personal worship and reflection:

www.zionbishan.org.sg/songs-for-reflection

English Services: Hope & Peace Cluster

Pastor: Pastor Zheng Haoren

Elders: Elder David & Elder Sonny

Deacons: Dns Siew Choo, Dns Cerintha,

Dn Chew Meng, Dn Joseph

Staff: Sharon, Tze Ming & June

Pastors and Ministry Staff

Rev Dr Alby Yip, *Senior Pastor* 9844 9536

Rev Dr Dev Menon, *Pastor* 9829 6051

Rev Zheng Haoren, *Pastor (Comm Dev't)*
6353 8081

Rev Ebinezar Mohan, *Pastor (Tamil)* 8198 9696

Rev Kew See Seong, *Pastor (Mand)* 9489 4967

Rev Lim Jit Thye, *Pastor (Cant-Mand)* 9182 6957

Rev Daniel Nge, *Pastor (Mand-Eng)* *sabbatical*

Mrs Emily Quek, *Special Projects* 9001 2926

Mrs June Tan, *Children's Ministry* 8388 1883

Mrs Ruth Quek, *Children/Y. Adults* 9728 7145

Mrs Sharon Quek, *Trg/Mobilisation* 9788 0195

Mr Vernon Quek, *Y. Adults/Evang.* 9796 0196

Mr Linus Koe, *Family/Media* 9728 9343

Deacon Paul Yeo, *Hokkien Ministry* 9751 1897

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Rev Dr Quek Swee Hwa, *Pastor Emeritus*

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care@zionbishan.org.sg

The Risky Business

Romans 8:17-39

19 July 2020

Pastor Dev Menon

Intro: The Church at Rome

Suffering:

Is Inevitable

Is Transformative

Is For God's Glory

Conclusion: Sacrifice Yourself

Questions for Reflection and Discussion

1. What do you remember from the passage or sermon?
2. Why do Christians resist God's call to go?
3. How does Paul encourage the church at Rome to go?
4. Where is God leading Zion Bishan to go?

Prayer Points

Our Church

BPCIS Webinar – The BPCIS held a webinar for pastors and ministry leaders on 13 July. Thank God for the opportunity for our BP churches to come together and to hear from Bishop Robert Solomon who shared thoughts on what the church should be focused on in a post-pandemic world (see p.7 for Ps Dev’s reflections).

Missions Month – Monday prayer circles, one Wednesday webinar, YD lessons and interviews with mission partners have been conducted over the last few weeks. Pray for the many more opportunities to learn about frontier people groups still to come, and may the Spirit move our hearts and hands to respond in seeking His kingdom first.

Food Aid Distribution – Praise God for the opportunities to get to know the various households we deliver meals to. Many have expressed gratefulness for our meals and the chance for a short friendly conversation at the door. We continue to pray that God will minister His grace and love to each household that we deliver meals to.

Our People

Children’s Ministry Leaders – Pray for Dns Cassandra, ministry staff June, Ruth and apprentice Li Hui to have a clear and biblical vision for the Children’s Ministry. May our Lord guide them as they make plans to continue the important work of discipling the children in our church.

Thank God also for all our CD leaders who have been working hard at engaging with the children via teleconferencing and providing resources for parents and children to engage with faith at home.

Our World

Lebanon — In May, we prayed for and supported from the CV19 MRF fund, part of our ministry partner’s “hot meals” programme for needy refugee and church families. Since then, the economic situation has continued to spiral out of control. Our ministry partner reports that Lebanon is bankrupt. Inflation, poverty and starvation is knocking at every door. Not only are refugee families affected, but the middle class and above are now facing food shortage, insecurity and poverty. Pray for God to bring about economic recovery and crisis aid on a nationwide scale in order to avert famine and loss of life.

Indonesia – We praise God for opportunities to encourage and point people to Him in the midst of the challenges faced there. Though COVID has hit many families hard, there are also opportunities to show love and share about God’s goodness to various individuals where our ministry partners are. Pray God’s Word will continue to work in the hearts of people in every opportunity the Good News is shared. And pray for the Spirit to give strength and wisdom to these ministry partners.

Last Week

Service	Attendance	Offering (\$)
English 10.30 Livestream	*436	600.00
English Services#	137	
Mand/Cant 830 Livestream	*87	
Mand/Cant Service#	47	
Hokkien Service#	26	
Tamil Zoom Service	18	
ME Zoom	62	
DHF Zoom	25	
TOTAL	838	\$600.00

*Peak concurrent viewers/#All in-person services

Electronic Transfer \$41,353.25

WEEKLY TOTAL \$41,953.25

Weekly offering to meet budget for 2020/21: \$62,189

ZB COVID-19 Mission Relief Fund

Total Received to-date \$167,490.88

Giving Received from 6 July to 12 July \$8,270.00

Amount Disbursed to-date \$60,757.73

Land Lease Renewal Fund

Electronic Transfer \$11,939.25

Weekly Total \$11,939.25

(Weekly Target: \$113,854)

Total To Date \$4,520,935.12

Info for Giving

For tithes and offering:

General & Missions Fund

DBS Current A/C: 070-901056-3

PayNow: T10SS0029GGMF

ZION BISHAN BP CHURCH



To donate towards the

ZB COVID-19 Mission Relief Fund:

General & Missions Fund

(Use information above)

Indicate "CV19 MRF" in remarks

To give towards the

Land Lease Renewal Fund:

General Project Fund

DBS Current A/C: 070-901055-5

PayNow: T10SS0029GGPF

ZION BISHAN BP CHURCH – GPF

(please indicate Land Lease

Renewal Fund on back of cheque)

Please provide your CONTACT NUMBER on each cheque



Your Response

19 July 2020

Thank you for joining us today!
If there's anything you would like the church to know, do reach out to us online or via email.

Get in touch with us:

- If you are joining us for the first time
- to find out more
- to request prayer
- to provide feedback
- to send a word of encouragement

You may find our response form www.zionbishan.org.sg/rf

Or email us at office@zionbishan.org.sg

Confidential care & counselling matters, please email care@zionbishan.org.sg

Please note that the church will retain and use your submitted data as needed to process your indicated response.

Church Family News

1. Condolences to Samuel, Susan, Joshua, Joel and Julia Lee on the homegoing of Susan's mother, Mdm Lum Soon Lin, aged 92, on 11 July 2020. She was a member of the Cantonese service.
2. Ruth will be on maternity leave until 19 Oct.
3. Ps Haoren is preaching at the ME service today.

Looking Ahead

Friday, 24 Jul

8 pm: Zoom Prayer Meeting (Registration required):
www.zionbishan.org.sg/friday-prayer-meeting

Sunday, 26 Jul

English Services: Mercy & Grace Cluster

Pastor: Zheng Haoren & Dev Menon

Elders: Pastor Ebi & Elder Roland

Deacons: Dns Alice, Dn Danny, Dn Sunil

Staff: Danny & Lihui

July Missions Month Sermon Series:

Final Frontiers

26 Jul "Harvest Time Has Come!"
Mr Ng Zhi-Wen

New Sermon Series: The Book of Joshua

2 Aug "Inheriting the Promise"
Pastor Alby Yip

9 Aug "Entering the Land"
Pastor Alby Yip

16 Aug "Crossing the Jordan"
Pastor Dev Menon

23 Aug "Covenant: Circumcision & Passover"
Pastor Dev Menon

Virtual Church?

“When you come together...” (used 7 times in 1 Corinthians)

Last Tuesday, around 80 leaders from BP Churches had a ‘virtual retreat’. Instead of the annual 2-day event in Malaysia, it became a 2-hour session in Zoom to dialogue with Bishop Robert Solomon about the “Post-Pandemic World and Church”.

One point that resonated, was the fact that he did not think that virtual church - meeting in digital space - was as impactful as the gathered church. He compared our situation to the ancient problem of Gnosticism – where there were some who thought that simply gaining knowledge was sufficient for spiritual growth. I suspect the apostle Paul dealt with similar issues (1 Cor 8:1).

The early church fathers fought hard against this heresy, insisting that because of the fleshly incarnation and bodily resurrection of Jesus Christ (together with the institution of sacraments like Holy Communion and Baptism), that we as human beings are made for physical interaction. Coming together as embodied beings is essential to spiritual growth.

Bishop Solomon implied that sanctification (growing in holiness) largely takes place when brothers and sisters come together. When we watch online services, or even when we meet virtually, we find ourselves easily distracted. Let’s be honest, how many times have you caught someone (or yourself) liking a Facebook post or replying a WhatsApp message while they are supposed to be present in a Zoom meeting?

When we are physically present with one another, we must deal with one another – there is no distraction, there is no switching screen, there is no turning off the camera. When I am fully engaged with you – this is how I learn to love you – all of you. This is where the dozens of New Testament ‘one another’ commands become reality. Foot washing requires intimate contact...

During this COVID season, many physical norms have been taken away. We can’t help that. But as we get comfortable with the digital space, will we recognize its pitfalls and limitations? Can we utilize technology without getting enamoured by it? And as our forefathers once did in churches long ago, will we remember to keep fighting for the physical?

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Missions Month: “Final Frontiers”

www.zionbishan.org.sg/missions-month

Webinar #2

“The Final Frontier in our World”

22 Jul, Wednesday, 8.00-9.30pm

The harvest is also WORLDWIDE!

We've invited 3 Mission Agencies to come share with us the nature of the gospel work at the frontiers. Come hear stories and about how God is reaching out to these unreached communities.

Friday Prayer and Praise

with Mission Focus, register at:

zionbishan.org.sg/friday-prayer-meeting

Men’s Ministry Meeting

25 July, Saturday, 7.30-9.00am

Ps Kirk Tan, from Covenant EFC, will be speaking (via video) on “Becoming God’s Man: The Call of Man as Love Giver”.

Having a wife for man is God’s good idea (Gen 2:18). God treats this covenantal relationship very seriously. Come join fellow brothers to reflect and respond to the call of man to be love-giver.

MM is a safe place for Christian brothers to journey through life together.

Register with Chye Ann (9843 1361), Sean (9622 6973) or online at <https://forms.gle/SbqauLem9vdmcsar8>

Christianity Explored

29 July, Wednesday, 7.45pm

CE begins soon! This run will be entirely on Zoom. Send out our e-invite to your friends and family and attend together!

E-invite: www.zionbishan.org.sg/ce

Register with vernon@zionbishan.org.sg

ZB CV-19 Mission Relief Fund For The Relief of The Saints

If you wish to apply for relief through this fund for yourself or for your household, please submit the online application here: <http://tiny.cc/ZBrelief>.

This is for members or regular attendees only. We will process each application on a case by case basis.

Contact your Cluster leader or email care@zionbishan.org.sg for inquiries.

Reaching out to our Foreign Domestic Helpers

We want our foreign domestic helpers to know that our church remembers and cares for them.

We will soon be distributing care packs and Bibles to helpers of Zion Bishan members or regular attendees (including via livestream in Singapore).

If your helper is not already attending our Domestic Helpers' Fellowship, we would be grateful if you could please help us by submitting the form at www.zionbishan.org.sg/dhf or emailing us your contact details at ziondhf@gmail.com.

Resumption of In-Person Sunday Services in July

Please register by Friday and choose from the 4 available time slots:

Sun 26 Jul (Mercy / Grace Clusters): <https://zb-mercy-grace-26jul.eventbrite.sg>

Please note that each Service time-slot is subject to a cap of 50 worshippers only.

Communion will be served at all services.