



Not one word has failed  
JOSHUA 23:14

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English Services & Livestream

## ***Order of Service***

Call to Worship

Meditative Hymn: Cornerstone

Scripture Reading: Psalm 121.1-8 ESV

Message: God's Providential Care

Response Hymn: On Our Side

Mission Focus

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***

*(Registration required):*

[www.zionbishan.org.sg/phase-2](http://www.zionbishan.org.sg/phase-2)

**8.30am** Mandarin/Cantonese service

**9.30am** Tamil (1<sup>st</sup> Sunday)/Hokkien service

**10.30am/1.00pm/3.00pm/5.00pm**

English service

### ***Join us for our livestream***

[www.youtube.com/zionbishan](http://www.youtube.com/zionbishan)

**8.30am** Mandarin & Cantonese service

**10.30am** English service

### ***Join us for Zoom Services***

*(Registration required):*

[www.zionbishan.org.sg/services](http://www.zionbishan.org.sg/services)

**8.45am** Domestic Helpers Fellowship 1  
(English, Tagalog & Myanmar groups)

**9.30am** Tamil service

**10.30am** Mandarin-English service

**2.30pm** Domestic Helpers Fellowship 2  
(Indonesian groups)

### ***Join Children/Youth Discipleship Classes***

*(Registration required):*

[www.zionbishan.org.sg/cd-yd](http://www.zionbishan.org.sg/cd-yd)

## Serving You Today

*Speakers:* Rev Dr Yap Kim Sin  
(Zion Serangoon BP Church)

*Worship Leader:* Ps Dev Menon

*AV:* Benny Ling & Ewen Tjoeng

*Pianists:* Penuel Lau

*Songs for personal worship and reflection:*  
[www.zionbishan.org.sg/songs-for-reflection](http://www.zionbishan.org.sg/songs-for-reflection)

## Pastors and Ministry Staff

Rev Dr Alby Yip, *Senior Pastor* 9844 9536

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6353 8081

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# **God's Providential Care**

Psalm 121

30 August 2020

Ps Yap Kim Sin

## **1. The Creator is your Helper (vv 1-2)**

## **2. The God of Israel is your Protector (vv 3-6)**

## **3. The Lord will keep you from all harm (vv 7-8)**

# Prayer Points

## Our Church

**Christianity Explored (26 Aug)** – This stage of CE is where some participants stop coming, and the others usually stay until the end. Pray for those who have stopped coming, that the Lord will bring them to Himself some other way. Thank God also for those who keep coming. Pray that the Spirit will work in their hearts and minds to grow their understanding and discover who Jesus is.

**Annual Congregational Meeting (26 Sep)** – Pray for our Pastors and Elders as they continue preparing towards the ACM. Let us, as members of this church, also prayerfully consider what lies ahead.

## Our People

**Christina Wong** – Our staff from The Living Room had been warded at TTSH for endogenous dermatitis which had become infected. Thank God her condition has improved. Please pray that the new treatment prescribed for her chronic condition will be effective in providing relief and full recovery.

**S3P** – Two of our stayers are going through a discovery Bible study. Thank God for their receptivity to the gospel. Pray that the time they spend in God’s Word will teach them to be faithful disciples of our Lord Jesus.

**Vernon Quek** – As noted in the BPCIS Update (p.6), Vernon has begun the process to be ordained as a pastor. Pray for him as he begins this process juggling

between ministry, studies and family commitments. Pray for times of rest in God and encouragement from fellow saints to spur him on to love and bear fruit for Jesus. Thank God for leading him thus far in this journey of ministering to the church.

## Our World

**India** – Pray for wisdom for authorities and adequate resources for fighting COVID-19 in India as the number of positive Coronavirus cases go beyond 3.2 million. Our ministry partners report great economic hardship for many of their members as well as communities. In Central India, our ministry partner reports that the flood situation is at a dangerous level. Thank God that our partner was able to provide some food relief for needy families. Pray that this practical help will encourage and open doors for good gospel conversations.

**Bacolod City, Philippines** – Due to the pandemic in the Philippines, our ministry partner, Student Missionary Outreach (SMO) has had to find alternative ways to meet with students from the high schools and colleges they serve. SMO has limited capacity for online engagement due to their current broadband situation. Pray for the provision of resources that would boost this capacity so that they can connect with students and also conduct training sessions online for their staff and others.

## Last Week

| Service                        | Attendance | Offering (\$)     |
|--------------------------------|------------|-------------------|
| English 10.30 Livestream       | *372       | 1,460.00          |
| English Services <sup>#</sup>  | 129        |                   |
| Mand/Cant 830 Livestream       | *93        |                   |
| Cantonese Service <sup>#</sup> | 47         |                   |
| Tamil Zoom Service             | 29         |                   |
| Hokkien Service <sup>#</sup>   | 28         |                   |
| ME Zoom                        | 63         |                   |
| DHF Zoom                       | 26         |                   |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                   | <b>787</b> | <b>\$1,460.00</b> |

\*Peak concurrent viewers/<sup>#</sup>All in-person services

Electronic Transfer \$43,551.44

**WEEKLY TOTAL \$45,011.44**

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

### ZB COVID-19 Mission Relief Fund

Total Received to-date \$191,448.48

Giving Received from 10 Aug to 16 Aug \$4,200.00

Amount Disbursed to-date \$86,700.08

### Land Lease Renewal Fund

Gift Nos. 1564 \$2,000.00

Electronic Transfer \$10,735.25

**Weekly Total \$12,735.25**

(Weekly Target: \$113,854)

**Total To Date \$4,631,915.02**

## 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

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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](http://www.zionbishan.org.sg/rf)

Or email us at [office@zionbishan.org.sg](mailto:office@zionbishan.org.sg)

Confidential care & counselling matters, please email [care@zionbishan.org.sg](mailto: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. Congratulations to Timothy Sean Fang and Joyce Chiong on their holy matrimony on 23 Aug 2020.

### *Looking Ahead*

#### **Friday, 4 Sep**

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

#### **Saturday, 5 Sep**

**4pm:** Youth Fellowship (Registration required):  
[www.zionbishan.org.sg/yf](http://www.zionbishan.org.sg/yf)

#### **Sunday, 6 Sep**

English Services: *Light & Joy Cluster*

Pastor: *Alby Yip*

Elders: *Elder Reginald & Elder Michael*

Deacons: *Dn Kin Yip, Dn Justin, Dn Jerry*

Staff: *Emily, Jacqueline*

#### **Sermon Series: The Book of Joshua**

6 Sep “Taking Jericho”

Mr Quek Tze-Ming (10.30am/1.00pm)

Ps Zheng Haoren (3.00pm/5.00pm)

13 Sep “Achan's Sin at Ai”

Mr Quek Tze-Ming (10.30am/1.00pm)

Ps Zheng Haoren (3.00pm/5.00pm)

20 Sep “Covenant Renewal”

Mr Vernon Quek (10.30am/1.00pm)

Ps Dev Menon (3.00pm/5.00pm)

27 Sep “The Gibeonites”

Mr Vernon Quek (10.30am/1.00pm)

Deacon Danny Chua (3.00pm/5.00pm)

## **Staying True to Our Mission**

“Therefore we must pay much closer attention to what we have heard, lest we drift away from it.” Hebrews 2:1 ESV

Drifting is a danger in our current situation. How can we keep our focus and fulfil our mission when we can no longer do things the usual way? Thank the Lord, BPCIS has continued to press on despite restraints and limitations imposed by the COVID-19 pandemic.

**POST-PANDEMIC WEBINAR.** In place of our annual Retreat in Malaysia, our scheduled speaker Bishop Emeritus Robert Solomon addressed a 2-hour webinar on 14 July, speaking on “No Longer Business as Usual: Post-Pandemic World & Church”. Eighty-seven leaders from 11 BP churches attended. Bishop Solomon called for two things that must never be lost but be preserved at all cost in a post-pandemic church, namely, our reverence for the holiness of God and our affirmation of church as a community

**ORDINATIONS OF MINISTERS.** Despite restrictions, two ordination services were held. Deacon Wong Luwin (Mount Hermon) and Preacher Daniel Ho (Mount Gerizim, a Chinese church not yet a member of BPCIS) were ordained on 2 April, while Elder Wendell Chua (Zion Serangoon) was ordained on 23 August. In addition, Sim Chow Meng (Mount Hermon), Lin Hongsui and Reuben Ang (Zion Serangoon) were elected as elders and will be welcomed into the Presbytery as members with all BP ministers and elders. Meanwhile, the ordination process began on 19 August for Vernon Quek, ministry staff of Zion Bishan.

**CHURCH PLANT AND TRANSPLANT.** Mount Carmel lost its bid for the HDB Bukit Batok church site which went to Adam Road Presbyterian Church. The bid provided an opportunity for BPCIS churches to rally together with Mount Carmel by making available gifts and interest-free loans. Our attention and solidarity now turns to Mount Hermon which is purchasing a freehold unit at Henderson industrial estate. Transplanting the church from Choa Chu Kang (where it shares the building with Hebron BP Church) will bring it close to where Mount Hermon started, Telok Blangah in 1970’s.

**NEW MEMBER CHURCH.** Our Presbytery pastors meet every month. After “Zooming” for 3 months, we met physically for lunch on 5 August and formally welcomed Pastor Timothy Phua and Mount Horeb BP Church whose members had voted by an overwhelming majority to join BPCIS.

CHURCH KINDERGARTENS. Over the past few years, half of church kindergartens in Singapore have closed, including one of our own which ran for over 60 years. Last year, BPCIS came strongly behind an initiative, Christian Preschool Alliance, by making a significant financial contribution, and securing a place in the Board of Directors in the newly registered “Kingdomgarten Preschool Services” (KPS).

On 22 August, KPS organised an inaugural, virtual dedication service for Christian preschool teachers. Four hundred attended with Bishops and Moderator representing major denominations in Singapore. BPCIS participated with worship team from Shalom BP Church opening and our General Secretary closing with benediction. Let us pray that Christian kindergartens will come together to help one another as “kingdomgartens” to advance God’s Kingdom in Singapore and beyond.

ANNUAL PRESBYTERY MEETING. We meet for our annual gathering on 26 September, our ninth since the Presbytery started in October 2011, but our second AGM since we were registered with Registry of Societies. As before, we will have a guest speaker addressing a topic of current interest. We have invited Dr Calvin Chong of Singapore Bible College to speak on “Impact of the Digital World and the Church”. This topic chosen last year has taken on an urgent relevance with COVID-19 driving us into the digital world. Session, staff and leaders of member BPCIS churches are invited to join via Zoom.

FINALLY, A PASTORAL WORD.

Since “Circuit Breaker” ended and “Phase 2” marks a cautious return to the new normal, our BPCIS churches have started meeting again physically in congregations of not more than 50 worshippers. We understand that some are so used to worshipping via streamed or recorded services, that they are hesitant or disinclined to join these services. We hope it’s not because we have lapsed into a “culture of convenience” that we are neglecting to meet together (Hebrews 10.25). May we call on all to stay focused and not drift, remain faithful and not lapse, and keep vigilant through the challenges now and ahead. And again, from the writer to the Hebrews:

“Therefore do not throw away your confidence, which has a great reward. For you have need of endurance, so that when you have done the will of God you may receive what is promised.” Hebrews 10:35-36 ESV

Pastor David Wong  
General Secretary, BPCIS



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **Annual Congregational Meeting 26 Sep, Saturday, 4-6pm**

ACM will be held using an online/proxy format, due to COVID-19 measures.

If you have any questions regarding the proxy form or ACM proceedings, please email [acmzion@zionsbishan.org.sg](mailto:acmzion@zionsbishan.org.sg)

Please submit any questions for Session latest by 4 Sep 2020. More details on submission of questions are found in the ACM notice.

## **Faith at Home Meet the Parents Session**

The Family and Children's Ministries would like to meet all Zion Bishan parents to introduce our plans for Faith at Home.

Infant to P3: **6 Sep, Sunday, 9am**  
P4 to Sec 4: **13 Sep, Sunday 2pm**

All parents from Zion Bishan are strongly encouraged to attend either session. Both sessions will cover the same content with a slight emphasis on the indicated age bands.

Please register today at [www.zionbishan.org.sg/mtp-fah](http://www.zionbishan.org.sg/mtp-fah) to receive the Zoom link.

Contact [linus@zionbishan.org.sg](mailto:linus@zionbishan.org.sg) for more information.

## **In-Person Sunday Services in September**

If you wish to attend a Sunday Service in person, please register by the Friday before that particular Sunday using the following links (choose from the 4 available time slots)

**Sun 6 Sep** (Joy / Light Clusters):  
<https://zb-light-joy-6sep.eventbrite.sg>

**Sun 13 Sep** (Faith / Patience Clusters):  
<https://zb-faith-patience-13sep.eventbrite.sg>

**Sun 20 Sep** (Hope / Peace Clusters):  
<https://zb-hope-peace-20sep.eventbrite.sg>

**Sun 27 Sep** (Mercy / Grace Clusters):  
<https://zb-mercy-grace-27sep.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.

If you are unsure of which Sunday you should register for, or if you are a non-member who worships with us, do contact your AG leader or any of our pastors.

Visit [www.zionbishan.org.sg/phase-2](http://www.zionbishan.org.sg/phase-2) to view our Safety Management Plan and to check which Cluster your AG is in.

There will be no ADC, CD, YD or other activities on Sunday.