



Not one word has failed
JOSHUA 23:14

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English Services & Livestream

Order of Service

Call to Worship

Meditative Hymn: Glorious Things of You are Spoken

Scripture Reading: Joshua 5.13-6:16 ESV

Message: Taking Jericho

Response Hymn: O Church, Arise

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

8.30am Mandarin/Cantonese service

9.30am Tamil (1st Sunday)/Hokkien service

10.30am/1.00pm/3.00pm/5.00pm

English service

Join us for our livestream

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

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

Serving You Today

Speakers: Mr Quek Tze-Ming (10.30am & 1pm) Pastor Zheng Haoren (3pm & 5pm)

Worship Leaders: Elder Reginald & Elder Michael

AV: Goh Han Teck, Nicklaus Yu, Maybelline Tan, Matthaesus Lim

Pianists: Phua Qi Qi

Songs for personal worship and reflection:

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

English Services: *Light & Joy Cluster*

Pastor: *Alby Yip*

Elders: *Elder Reginald & Elder Michael*

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

Staff: *Emily, Jacqueline*

Pastors and Ministry Staff

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Rev Dr Alby Yip, *Senior Pastor* *alby*

Rev Dr Dev Menon, *Pastor* *dev*

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

Rev Ebinezar Mohan, *Pastor (Tamil)* *ebi*

Rev Kew See Seong, *Pastor (Mand)* *sskew*

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

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

Mrs Emily Quek, *Special Projects* *emily*

Mrs June Tan, *Children's Ministry* *june*

Mrs Ruth Quek, *Children/Y. Adults* *ruth*

Mrs Sharon Quek, *Trg/Mobilisation* *sharon*

Mr Vernon Quek, *Young Adults/AGs* *vernon*

Mr Linus Koe, *Family Ministry/Media* *linus*

Deacon Paul Yeo, *Hokkien Ministry* *paul*

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Confidential Care & Counselling e-mail:

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Taking Jericho

Joshua 5:13 – 6:27

6 September 2020

Mr Quek Tze-Ming/Ps Zheng Haoren

Introduction

The Commander (5:13-15)

Extraordinary War Strategy (6:1-16, 20)

Judgement and Salvation (6:17-19, 21-27)

Conclusion

Questions for Reflection and Discussion

1. When have you felt that God was fighting your battles for you? What was your part in that experience?
2. How do you think the visit by the commander of the army of the Lord affected Joshua (5:13-15)?
3. How do you think the Israelites felt during their seven-day spectacle of marching (Joshua 6:6-16)? What lessons was God teaching the Israelites?
4. How is our spiritual warfare today similar to and different from Israel's conquest of Jericho (how does 2 Cor 10:3-5 help us)?

Prayer Points

Our Church

Tamil Service – Thank God for blessing our Tamil Service! They celebrate their 36th anniversary today. Pray for their congregation to grow spiritually and for more to join them.

Our People

Teachers Day – Today we commemorate and thank God for the teachers in our lives. We especially thank God for our many CD and YD leaders who teach our children and youth the word of God. May our Lord bless the teachers of His word strength, time and wisdom to equip the next generation of faith in our church.

Domestic Helpers – Thank God that many helpers were thrilled to receive care packs from church, and were touched by our expression of love for them. A non-Christian told us she is reading the Bible she received in the pack. She and several other helpers have started to join our Sunday Zoom bible studies regularly. Pray that all domestic helpers contacted will have open hearts, ready to hear God and enjoy reading His word. Pray also that God's word will reach deep into their hearts and impact them, leading them to love God and follow Him wholeheartedly.

Our World

Rebecca Lee (OMF worker, Cambodia) – Praise God that she has come out of a season of ill-health and that her health is now stable. There are some new OMF

workers who have had to postpone their arrival in Cambodia due to the pandemic. Pray for God's good timing for their arrival and that they will be able to focus on God's calling and faithfulness even in the midst of the uncertainty. Rebecca is also involved in a ministry to Cambodian university students. Pray that a suitable local will be found to boldly lead this ministry where students share Christ with fellow students on campuses.

Beirut, Lebanon – Since the explosion in Beirut on 4 Aug, our ministry partner has been working hard to repair their building. They have managed to repair most of the windows and external gates. They are still determined to continue providing hot meals for refugee families living nearby. Praise God for whatever has been raised so far for their repairs. Pray for the continued provision of funds necessary for the repairs. Next, they hope to repair the internal doors, ceiling lights, tiles and security camera wiring.

Global Church – As the world reaches 8 months of its battle with the Coronavirus, the global church is now seeing the eroding effects of such a long physical separation of believers from one another. This is especially so in places where there is religious opposition. Do pray that churches in our world will grow to be aware of the danger separation poses to believers and that they will prayerfully, and creatively, find ways to continue steadfastly in discipleship and encouragement of one another.

Last Week

Service	Attendance	Offering (\$)
English 10.30 Livestream	*427	4,800.00
English Services [#]	37	
Mand/Cant 830 Livestream	*103	
Tamil Zoom Service	25	
Hokkien Service [#]	25	
ME Zoom	62	
DHF Zoom	27	
TOTAL	706	\$4,800.00

*Peak concurrent viewers/[#]All in-person services

Electronic Transfer \$44,643.86
WEEKLY TOTAL \$49,443.86

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

ZB COVID-19 Mission Relief Fund

Total Received to-date \$192,898.48
Giving Received from 24 Aug to 30 Aug \$1,450.00
Amount Disbursed to-date \$88,529.24

Land Lease Renewal Fund

Gift Nos. 1565 \$40.00
 Electronic Transfer \$7,830.25
Weekly Total \$7,870.25

(Weekly Target: \$113,854)

Total To Date \$4,643,394.84

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

6 September 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. Mr Ng Zhi-Wen spoke at our Tamil Service 36th Anniversary Service on 6 Sep 2020.

Looking Ahead

Friday, 11 Sep

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

Saturday, 12 Sep

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

Sunday, 13 Sep

English Services: *Faith & Patience Cluster*

Pastor: *Dev Menon*

Elders: *Elder Say Chiang & Elder Jeffrey*

Deacons: *Dn Mervyn, Dns Sherena,*

Dn Ben, Dn Tim

Staff: *Linus & Zhiwen*

Sermon Series: The Book of Joshua

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)

Blessed are you, O Lord

My heart has been heavy over our Land Lease Renewal Fund (LLRF) lately. This was prompted mainly by two matters. Firstly, the bid price for a recently released land parcel was higher than expected and this may affect our lease renewal cost. Secondly, I am reminded that we have exactly a year until the deadline next September to initiate land lease renewal application to the Singapore Land Authority.

As I was praying, I was led to re-read what God had impressed upon me the last time my heart skipped a beat on the LLRF. One of the Bible passages I always take comfort in whenever I am anxious especially about financial matters is 1 Chronicles 29:10-19. It was a thanksgiving prayer in which David prayed after the people rallied together and contributed to the building of the first Temple.

“Blessed are you, O **LORD**, the God of Israel our father, forever and ever. Yours, O **LORD**, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty, for all that is in the heavens and in the earth is yours. Yours is the kingdom, O **LORD**, and you are exalted as head above all.” (vv.10-11). Note David’s use of God’s proper name YAHWEH (depicted by “**LORD**”) and how David book-ended his praise with God’s eternity and sovereignty.

All that is in-between, is under the lordship of his Lord. It means two things: Firstly, God is so great that everything in the heaven and in the earth belongs to Him. Secondly, since God owns everything, He was and is able to supply anything we need. It is important to always keep this grand image of God in mind. Otherwise, our anxieties may inadvertently reduce the image of God in that we unconsciously doubt His ability to answer our prayers.

Let’s take a closer look at v.11 at how David marvelled at the attributes of God. Note that the article “the” was used eight times. This seemingly excessive use of “the” was to convey the sense of absoluteness, akin to “all the.” The past, present, future; the intangibles like greatness, power, victory and majesty; the tangibles in heaven and on earth; Everything belongs to God!

What a reassurance it is that everything belongs to God and He is able to supply all our needs. Indeed, we have seen how God broke through at every juncture of difficulties and challenges in Zion Bishan’s history. Let us continue to pray and trust that God will again breakthrough in the LLRF matter. Let us also give of our best to partner God in His plan to build up a people in Zion Bishan who will be a City on the Hill and a Light to the Nations.

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

Please submit your proxy form between 12 Sep and 20 Sep via mail, email, WhatsApp or physical drop box as instructed in ACM papers.

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.

If you missed our first session today, do join us for the next one on **13 Sep, Sunday 2pm**.

The session will be aimed at parents with children in upper primary and secondary school, but all parents are strongly encouraged to join in to find out how the church wants to partner you in the important work of faith at home.

Please register by 10 Sep at www.zionbishan.org.sg/mtp-fah to receive the Zoom link.

Contact 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 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 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.