



Not one word has failed
JOSHUA 23:14

English Services & Livestream

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Order of Service

Call to Worship

Meditative Hymn: What the Lord Has Done in Me

Reception of Members (10.30 am and 3 pm only)

Scripture Reading: Joshua 20 ESV

Message: The Cities of Refuge

Response Hymn: All I Have is Christ

Corporate Life & Prayer

Offering

Benediction

Announcements

Note: Holy Communion will be served at 10.30 and 1pm 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/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: Deacon Danny Chua (10.30am & 3pm)

Mr Ng Zhiwen (1 pm & 5 pm)

AV: Wee Aik Koon, Goh Han Teck,

Yap Hong York & Benny Ling

Pianist: Paul Liew & Penuel Lau

Songs for personal worship and reflection:

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

10.30 am & 1pm: Mercy & Grace Cluster Services with HC

(Register at www.zionbishan.org.sg/mercy-grace)

Pastor: Zheng Haoren & Dev Menon

Elders: Elder Roland & Ps Ebi Mohan

Deacons: Dns Alice, Dn Danny & Dn Sunil

Staff: Li Hui & Vernon

3pm & 5pm: Hope & Peace Cluster Services

(Register at www.zionbishan.org.sg/hope-peace)

Pastor: Zheng Haoren

Elders: Elder David & Elder Sonny

Deacons: Dns Siew Choo, Dn Chew Meng & Dn Joseph

Staff: Sharon, Tze Ming & June

Pastors and Ministry Staff

E-mail: *user ID* followed by @zionbishan.org.sg

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)* *jtlim*

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*

Mr Quek Tze-Ming, *Assoc Min Staff* *tzeming*

Rev Dr David Wong, *Advisory Pastor*

Rev Dr Quek Swee Hwa, *Pastor Emeritus*

Confidential Care & Counselling e-mail:

care@zionbishan.org.sg

The Cities of Refuge

Joshua 20:1-21:45

25 October 2020

Deacon Danny Chua/Mr Ng Zhiwen

Appointing Cities of Refuge (20:1-9)

Land Inheritance for the Levitical Priests (21:1-40)

The Lord's Faithfulness to His Word (21:41-45)

Questions for Reflection and Discussion

1. What was one truth or lesson you remember from the sermon or passage?
2. In what ways is the modern church called to be a city of refuge?
3. How does the picture of the Levites here shape our understanding of God's role for his 'priests' (leaders) today? What does this mean for you as a Zion Bishan member?
4. Why does the author highlight that God gave to Israel all the land (21:41-45) despite Israel's failure to drive out all the Canaanites as we previously heard?

Prayer Points

Our Church

26th Anniversary (24 Oct) – Thank God for seeing Zion Bishan through another year of ministry, especially in the recent months of COVID-19. Pray for our church to continue building one another up in the fear and love of the Lord.

Land Lease Renewal Fund – We will need to initiate the land lease renewal process with the authorities by 30 June 2021. Pray for God's provision. Pray too that we will be good stewards of this land to be blessing to our community and to share the good news of Jesus.

In-Person Services – In November, we continue meeting in our Sunday services with up to 100 worshippers. As we look forward to moving towards Phase 3, pray for our congregation to come alongside with the plans of our pastors and leaders to move the church forward.

Our People

Session – Thank God for our Elders who love and serve the church. Pray for them as they gather for a retreat on 31 Oct to seek God's direction in our worship, discipleship and mission in these times. May the Lord bless the work of their hands and may the effort and time they give to serve God be a blessing to many.

Befriender Program – Thank God for the faithful team who serve Christ through serving people in our community. Pray for this newly formed team as they reach out and befriend the elderly residents we had been serving through Food Aid.

Year End – Our children and youth are looking forward to the end of exams and the start of school holidays. Pray that as they relax after this unique school year, they will fill their hearts and time with things that matter to God. Pray for our parents to continue working hard in building up the foundations of faith of their children. Pray that our families will thrive when God is placed first in their lives.

Reception of Members – Praise God for new members joining our Zion Bishan family! Thank God for those who are being baptised and committing themselves to follow Jesus today.

Our World

Lebanon, Beirut – Praise God that our ministry partner's centre has been repaired with the generous help of donors. Pray that the food aid they have been providing to needy families will bring them comfort in these desperate times. Pray also for a new government to be formed so that funds from the international community can be used to stabilise the country.

Central India – Pray for safe travel and good health for the 53 participants from our ministry partner as they have a training seminar in person. Thank God that 4 members from Zion Bishan will join in, via Zoom, to teach from the book of Jude. Other topics include a session on Leadership and Ministry, and studying the book of Galatians.

Last Week

Service	Attendance	Offering (\$)
English 10.30 Livestream	*374	
English Services#	212	800.00
Mand/Cant 830 Livestream	*52	
Mandarin Service#	73	270.00
Hokkien Service#	28	150.00
Tamil Zoom Service	31	
ME Zoom	67	
DHF Zoom	24	
TOTAL	861	\$1,220.00

*Peak concurrent viewers/#All in-person services

Electronic Transfer \$49,008.56

WEEKLY TOTAL \$50,228.56

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

ZB COVID-19 Mission Relief Fund

Total Received to-date \$206,495.70

Giving Received from 5 Oct to 11 Oct \$1,870.00

Amount Disbursed to-date \$136,946.76

Land Lease Renewal Fund

Gift Nos. 1588-90 \$620.00

Electronic Transfer \$12,270.75

Weekly Total \$12,890.75

(Weekly Target: \$113,854)

Total To Date \$4,846,748.61

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: 070-901055-3

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

25 October 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 Tay Beng Choon, aged 90, went Home to be with the Lord on 15 October 2020 in Kuching, Malaysia. He was the father of Daniel Tay and father-in-law of Melissa Ong.
2. Mr Quek Tze-Ming recorded a sermon for Bethany Evangelical Free Church for this Sunday.
3. Ps Haoren is on leave from 29 Sep to 25 Oct.

Looking Ahead

Friday, 30 Oct

8 pm: Zoom Prayer Meeting

(Register at www.zionbishan.org.sg/fpm)

Saturday, 31 Oct

4 pm: Youth Fellowship

(Register at www.zionbishan.org.sg/yf)

Sunday, 1 Nov

English Services:

10.30 am & 1 pm: Light & Joy Cluster Services with Holy Communion

(Register at www.zionbishan.org.sg/light-joy)

Pastor: Alby Yip

Elders: Eld Michael Gan & Eld Reginald Tan

Deacons: Dn Kin Yip, Dn Justin & Dn Jerry

Staff: Emily & Jacqueline

3 pm & 5 pm: Faith & Patience Cluster Services

(Register at www.zionbishan.org.sg/faith-patience)

Pastor: Dev Menon

Elders: Eld Foo Say Chiang & Eld Jeffrey Lim

Deacons: Dn Mervyn, Dns Sherena, Dn Benjamin & Dn Timothy

Staff: Linus & Zhiwen

Sermon Series: The Book of Joshua

1 Nov Joshua 22

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

Ps Alby Yip (3.00pm/5.00pm)

8 Nov Joshua 23

Ps Zheng Haoren (10.30am/1.00pm)

Ps Dev Menon (3.00pm/5.00pm)

What about the faith of our children?

What about it? The church is there. We'll always have a Sunday school. We have lots of children and youth discipleship leaders and teacher ready to share the Bible and teach from a selected curriculum. It's easy to drop them off at class and go off to my own every Sunday. The church will always be there with something. Won't they?

Right up until COVID-19 happened.

We've been, at best, on "survival mode" for the last six months. Not just the Sunday in-person services, but even more so for our Children and Youth Discipleship classes. Going online is the least we could do to keep up with what we have had for years. But let's be honest. It's been hard, not just on our kids, but on our teachers too. Attendance and attention is lacking. It's been a quick-fix to keep this model of Children's and Youth Discipleship that we're so used to.

I think we've grown very comfortable letting the church take care of the spiritual education of our children and youth. We could easily say "Isn't it their job?" So did COVID-19 just upset our plans for nurturing the faith of the next generation?

Deuteronomy 6:7 tells us that God wants parents to impress His command to our children. Psalm 78:5 says that God commands fathers to teach their children His law. Proverbs 22:6 exhorts us to train a child so that he will not depart from God's ways.

When it comes to the faith of the next generation, God is very interested. Jesus told his disciples to let the little children come to him when they thought they would be a bother. God always had a model for the discipleship of our children. It is through the home, and through the parents. It is through intentional and day-to-day activities that children will learn faith from their parents. Parents have been God's primary means children learn about Him and His Word.

With restrictions easing, and with allowances for more activities at church, should we go back to how we used to do things? Church still faces many limitations, but we definitely look forward to making the best use of the 1 hour we have with the children each week. But, more importantly, parents, you have so much more time and influence to show your children who Jesus Christ is and how He has saved you from your sin and theirs.

We desire to see the next generation rise up strong in their faith and relationship with Christ. Parents, you play a crucial role in this. The church, and this includes every member, must come alongside with our parents to partner them in this important, God-given, responsibility of nurturing the faith of our children and youth.

If you wish to talk to someone about faith practices for your family, please contact linus@zionbishan.org.sg and keep a look out for our next Faith at Home session!

Reception of Members

Zion Bishan English Services

10.30 AM SERVICE

COMMUNICANT MEMBERS

Adult Baptism

1. Xavier Tan (Mr)
2. Kelly Wee Seng Yin (Mr)
3. Wilbur Koh Zhi Hao (Mr)

Reaffirmation of Faith

4. Lou Jia Ying (Ms)

Profession of Faith

5. Yeo You Liang (Mr)

Transfer of Membership

6. Daniel Ong Yi Jeah (Mr) – Neighbourhood Church
7. Sam Ong Hock Soo (Dr) – Neighbourhood Church
8. Carol Yang Wai Yu (Mrs Sam Ong Hock Soo) – Neighbourhood Church
9. Timothy Koo Chong Zhi (Mr) – Ang Mo Kio Methodist Church
10. Lydia Koh Hui Jia (Miss) – Yishun Christian Church (Anglican)
11. Selvakumar (Mr) – The Tabernacle Church & Missions Ltd
12. Jacqueline Lie (Miss) – Sembawang Presbyterian Church

3 PM SERVICE
COMMUNICANT MEMBERS

Adult Baptism

13. Chee Xiu Quan (Mr)

Reaffirmation of Faith

14. Timothy Jared Low Yong Ern (Mr)

15. Paul Solomon Low Si En (Mr)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

In-Person Sunday Services

We continue to conduct in-person Worship Services for up to 100 people – up to 50 each in the upper and lower sanctuaries.

Each Cluster Pair may come for worship twice a month. The service schedule may be viewed at

www.zionbishan.org.sg/service-schedule

Please register for services by your specific Cluster link below:

Light & Joy Clusters:

www.zionbishan.org.sg/light-joy

Faith & Patience Clusters:

www.zionbishan.org.sg/faith-patience

Hope & Peace Clusters:

www.zionbishan.org.sg/hope-peace

Mercy & Grace Clusters:

www.zionbishan.org.sg/mercy-grace

Communion will be served at 1030am and 1pm services only.

If you are unsure of which Sunday you should register for, do contact your AG leader or any of our pastors.

Visit www.zionbishan.org.sg/phase-2 to view our Safety Management Plan.

In preparation for Phase 3, please have your Trace Together Token or App ready. See <http://tiny.cc/st-tracetgether>

Friday Prayer & Praise

30 Oct, Friday, 8pm via Zoom

Our ministry partner from North India will be sharing about their gospel work.

Sign up with Sharon 9788 0195 or at www.zionbishan.org.sg/fpm

Men's Ministry "Taking Charge" Series

31 Oct, Saturday, 7.30am-9.30am

Brothers, join us for "Taking Charge - Leading Our Home" by Dr Geoff Gorsuch (recorded), advisor to the Men's Ministry Network.

Come and journey with other brothers to reflect, pray and encourage one another to take charge, through learning, testimonies and sharing with one another in a SAFE place.

Register for the Zoom link here:

<https://forms.gle/Nr5BDCfJuThH6w17A>

Youth Camp 2020: Arukah

16-18 Dec, Wednesday to Friday

Registration for Youth Camp is open!

To comply with safety regulations, we will be having a day-camp instead of our regular overnight camp. Signups are limited to 50 campers only.

We are ready and excited for fellowship, games and soaking in God's word. Sign up now!

www.zionbishan.org.sg/youthcamp2020

Early Bird Fee: \$20 (ends 1 Nov)

Normal Fee: \$25 (closes 15 Nov)

We are also looking for financial sponsors to help us better serve the youths! For more info, contact Chloe 9237 2330 or Ivan 9199 0647.

Is God calling you to serve?

Contact your Cluster Leader

Serve your church family at your next in-person service! We are looking for ushers, PA personnel, CD & YD leaders.

Contact your Cluster Leader or email dev@zionbishan.org.sg and we'll link you up!