



YOU WILL RECEIVE POWER WHEN THE HOLY SPIRIT HAS COME UPON YOU, AND YOU WILL BE MY WITNESSES IN JERUSALEM AND IN ALL JUDEA AND SAMARIA, AND TO THE END OF THE EARTH.
ACTS 1:8

English Services & Livestream

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Order of Service

Call to Worship

Meditative Hymn: O Breath of Life

Scripture Reading: Acts 8:26-40 ESV

Message: The Ethiopian Eunuch

Response Hymn: Your Word

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Offering

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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/services

8.30am Mandarin/Cantonese service

9.30am Tamil/Hokkien service

10.30am/1.00pm/3.00pm/5.00pm

English service

11.30am Mandarin-English service

Join us for our livestream

www.youtube.com/zionbishan

8.30am Mandarin & Cantonese service

10.30am English service

Join DHF Bible Study Groups

(Registration required):

www.zionbishan.org.sg/dhf

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

2.30pm Domestic Helpers Fellowship 2
(Indonesian group)

9.15pm Domestic Helpers Fellowship 3
(in English)

Join Children/Youth Discipleship Classes

(Registration required):

www.zionbishan.org.sg/cd-yd

Songs for personal worship and reflection:

www.zionbishan.org.sg/songs

Serving You Today

Speakers: Pastor Zheng Haoren (10.30am & 1pm), Pastor Dev Menon (3pm & 5pm)

10.30 am

Service Coordinator: Deacon Tiew Chew Meng

Worship Leader: Elder Chuah Chin Yew

AV: Darren Lee, James Kok, Steve Nathan, Maybelline Tan, Samuel Bin. *Pianist:* Tim Hia. *Vocalists:* Tan Seang Pin & Adeline Heng.

1.00 pm

Service Coordinator: Dn Joseph Chan

Worship Leader: Elder Sonny Tan

AV: Benny Ling, Yap Hong York

Vocalists: Deborah Liew, Timmy Ng

3.00 pm

Service Coordinator: Jacqueline Lie

Worship Leader: Elder Roland Low

AV: Melissa Leong, Wilson Lee, Jared Koh

Pianist: Paul Low

Vocalists: Lee Jen Wen & Dns Jessica-Ann Vendawall

5.00 pm

Service Coordinator: Dn Danny Chua

Worship Leader: Elder Reginald Tan

AV: Ivan Lim, Chiam Da Ren

Pianist: Phua Qi Qi. *Vocalist:* Moses Thia

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*

Dn Danny Chua, *AG/Safeguarding* *danny*

Dn Paul Yeo, *Hokkien Ministry* *paul*

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The Ethiopian Eunuch

Acts 8:26-40

21 March 2021

Pastor Zheng Haoren & Pastor Dev Menon

Introduction

Philip Sent

Philip Evangelised

Philip Baptized

Conclusion

Reflection Questions:

1. Recall the sermon, what was your main takeaway about following Jesus?
2. Why do you think God wanted to tell the story of this one man's conversion amongst the 1000s who were already converted?
3. What is God's role in sharing the gospel? What is ours?
4. How do you see God's Spirit and God's Word working in the spread of the gospel?

Prayer Points

Our Church

Mandarin CE – Pray for our ZBCS congregation as they continue through their run of Christianity Explored. One elderly participant sustained a fall. Pray for his recovery and for continued participation where possible. Pray for opportunities to share the gospel with our Mandarin speaking community.

Children's Ministry – Pray for our CM staff and CD teachers as they continue to manage many things weekly. Pray for 11 more members to step forward to be trained as CD teachers to provide quality Bible lessons, while ensuring both COVID-19 and safeguarding protocols.

Home Ministry – Seniors360 is planning to resume activities next month and Tuition Ministry has already commenced. Pray that their need for more members to step forward to serve (see p.8) will be met and that their ministries will continue reaching many for Christ.

Our People

Mdm Kuan Lin Sau, aged 87 (Moh Han's mother) – Thank God she is well enough to be discharged from SGH acute ward to a community hospital. She still experiences breathlessness during her physiotherapy sessions. Pray for continued healing and for the blood in her phlegm to clear.

Pastor Alby – Thank God for a smooth second surgery on 17 Mar. Pray for his time of recovery and for the success of

the two surgeries to restore more functionality to his right hand.

Our World

East India – Praise God that COVID-19 restrictions are being relaxed gradually as the pandemic situation improves here. Our partner S, reports that they are able to conduct a retreat for 20 workers to fellowship and pray for their ongoing work this year. Additionally, they are able to resume their 1-year residential training for 35 potential workers at their campus in March. Pray for journey mercies and safety from COVID-19 for these students coming to their campus from various states in India.

South India – Brother B, who had his left foot amputated after a bus hit him in Feb, was close to losing his other leg due to infection and complications from diabetes. Thank God for a Christian doctor who performed a skin graft. He is now healing well. Continue to pray that his healing will continue and not be hindered by his diabetes.

Myanmar – Amidst the turmoil, pray for God's peace and wisdom for fellow believers as they navigate through the uncertainties of the current situation. May the Lord give hope to those who are feeling hopeless. May our fellow brethren be strong and courageous, as they wait upon the Lord. Pray for peacemakers and a peaceful resolution of the conflict here so that no more Myanmar people are killed.

Last Week

Sunday Service	Attendance	Offering (\$)
English 10.30 Livestream	174	
English Services#	720	1,800.00
Mand/Cant 8.30 Livestream	117	
Mand/Cant Service#	39	
ME Service# & Zoom	67	
Hokkien Service#	47	
Tamil Service#	17	733.00
DHF	17	
TOTAL	1198	\$2,533.00

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

Electronic Transfer 58,792.21

WEEKLY TOTAL \$61,325.21

Weekly offering to meet budget for 2021/22: \$65,298

ZB COVID-19 Mission Relief Fund

Total Received to-date \$273,895.57

Giving Received from 8 Mar to 14 Mar \$400.00

Amount Disbursed to-date \$213,288.67

Land Lease Renewal Fund

Gift Nos. 1697 10,000.00

Electronic Transfer 25,724.25

Weekly Total \$35,724.25

(Weekly Target: \$118,238)

Total Gift Received To-Date \$6,772,681.11

Total Interest-free loan collected To-Date \$2,253,000.00

Church Family News

1. Congratulations to Joel & Michelle Lee on the birth of their second son, Eden Lee Jun Rong, on the 14 March 2021. Congratulations also to grandparents, Samuel & Susan Lee.

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:

(Use GMF 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

Indicate "Land Lease Renewal Fund" on back of cheque

(Please provide your CONTACT NUMBER on each cheque)

Looking Ahead

Friday, 26 March

8 pm: Zoom Prayer Meeting

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

Saturday, 27 March

4 pm: Youth Fellowship

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

Sunday, 28 March

English Services:

(Register at www.zionbishan.org.sg/english-services-200pax)

10.30 am

Shepherding Team: Ps Alby Yip, Eld Foo Say Chiang & Eld Chuah Chin Yew

1.00 pm

Shepherding Team: Ps Zheng Haoren, Ng Zhiwen, Eld Sonny Tan & Eld David Leong

3.00 pm

Shepherding Team: Ps Alby Yip, Vernon Quek, Eld Roland Low & Eld Michael Gan

5.00 pm

Shepherding Team: Ps Dev Menon, Eld Jeffery Lim & Eld Reginald Tan

Lent Services:

28 Mar Palm Sunday

Rev Daniel Tan (Hermon)
& Rev Luwin Wong (Hermon)

1 Apr Maundy Thursday (8 pm)

2 Apr Good Friday Service (Livestream @10.30am)

Rev Dr Edwin Tay (TTC)

Your Response

21 March 2021

*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.

THANK YOU YOUR RESPONSE!

One Year Later...

Last week I was interviewed by an ex-colleague in Manchester. He was asking pastors in various cities what lessons they learned leading churches through the coronavirus outbreak. This gave me much-needed time and space to reflect on the many things that took place in Zion Bishan over the past one year. It was great to be able to process them openly with a wise and discerning friend. As I talked things through, 3 things stood out:

1. **Crisis tests many things – especially relationships.** While we were in the early season of radical (and weekly!) change, there were countless issues to discuss, countless meetings were held online. I was answering several 100 messages per day and often staying up past midnight anxiously thinking through the myriad of challenges. Yet as complex as these matters were, I realised if the relationships were strong, creative solutions were fast coming – everything was ‘can’. However, if the relationships were weak, each problem was insurmountable – everything was ‘cannot’. I think this was not just true in church, but in workplaces and amongst husbands and wives.
2. **Encouragers are the Church’s greatest (and rarest) treasure.** When things change, we get upset. Amidst the chaos, there was much anger and strong opinions. This was understandable as every arena of life was disrupted simultaneously – including church. Everything familiar was being torn apart and people needed an emotional outlet to express their feelings. Again, I think we can understand - it was (and still is) a difficult time. But amidst the frustrations, there stood out some rare jewels – the encouragers. Those that despite their own discomfort, tried their best to empathise and support. Some by words, some by gifts, and the greatest by saying: ‘how can I help?’. Wow – these brothers and sisters blew my mind. This was 1 Thessalonians come to life (the sermon series we were going through at the time). God’s constant Word to me, through them, was #tambahminyak - keep going.
3. **The hardest yet most liberating thing is to let God lead.** In the beginning I was desperately trying to hold on – to keep everything as ‘normal’ as it could be. After a while I realised this was futile, and furthermore debilitating to my mental and spiritual health. Resentment was growing against God for taking ‘my church’ away (i.e. church the way I like it to be). After the sermon series on Lament, it allowed me to let go of the forms. I realised once again

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Maundy Thursday Service

1 Apr, 8.00pm, Sanctuary

A solemn service with prayers and reflections on Luke 22.

Holy Communion will be served.

In-person only. No livestream.

Register by 31 Mar, Wednesday.

www.zionbishan.org.sg/maundy-thurs

BPCIS Combined Good Friday Service

2 Apr, Friday, 10.30am

Join via livestream link:

www.zionbishan.org.sg/good-friday

Sermon: "Worthy is the Lamb" (Rev 5:12)

Speaker: Rev Dr Edwin Tay

Organised by BPCIS

Prepare for Family Sunday!

FAH - Sitting in Big Church

To help parents prepare for Family Sunday, join us for a Faith at Home session to talk about the good that comes from having our children join us in our worship services.

The session will be run twice on

3 Apr, 9.30am; or

9 Apr, 8.30pm, on Zoom

Register by 30 Mar:

<https://forms.gle/eMu2HtPnEU1xju768>

A Call to Serve

In the following ministries:

Senior360 - 25 pax

20 Befrienders, 5 Logistics & Publicity

Contact Dn Paul Yeo (9751 1897)

Tuition Ministry - 4 pax

Tutors needed for Pri Math, Science,

English, Chinese and Sec 1 Math

Contact Dns Li Hwee (9672 7467)

Women of Zion: Circles of 8

WOZ is organising small group activities of up to eight ladies per group in April and May. Sign up and join a Circle of 8 in one of the following interests.

Book/Movie Club - *Discuss life and faith through the stimulus of books and movies.*

Nature Walks - *Connecting with God through nature and prayer.*

Fellowship - *Walking with Jesus & writing your daily journal.*

WhatsApp Kuan Ying (9367 1280) or Lydia (8338 3982) by 27 Mar to sign up or if you have any queries.

Reports for 12th Annual

Congregational Meeting (ACM)

Leaders/secretaries of ministries, please submit your reports to Doreen Lim doreen@zionbishan.org.sg by 5 Apr.

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that this is God's church, and He must lead. If He wants everything to change - so be it! Who am I to argue? This freedom allowed me to open my eyes to new possibilities. But more importantly, it re-opened my heart to His goodness. To be led by the Father, really is the most comforting feeling in the world – yet it is such a hard truth to hold on to! God help us!