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English Services & Livestream

Order of Service

Call to Worship

Gloria Patri

Opening Hymn: Christ the Sure and Steady Anchor

Scripture Reading: Acts 27:1-26 ESV

Message: The Perfect Storm

Response Hymn: Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)

Missions Focus; Corporate Life & Prayer

Offering

Benediction

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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
11.00am Mandarin-English service

Join us for our livestream www.youtube.com/zionbishan

8.30am Mandarin & Cantonese service 10.30am/1.00pm/3.00pm/5.00pm 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

Speaker: Pastor Alby Yip

10.30am

Service Coordinator: Dn Sunil Peter Worship Leader: Eld. Chuah Chin Yew AV: Goh Han Teck, Samuel Bin, James Kok Musician: Ronnie Yang (P)

1.00pm

Service Coordinator: Dn Joseph Chan Worship Leader: Ps Zheng Haoren AV: Sean Yang, Nurman Kusanda Musician: Clement Yan (P)

3.00pm

Service Coordinator: Jacqueline Lie Worship Leader: Elder Michael Gan AV: Wilson Lee, Tay Choon Yee, Paul Huang Musicians: Sim Zhihui (O), Paul Low (P)

5.00pm

Service Coordinator: Dn Timothy Ong Worship Leader: Dn Timothy Ong AV: Nicklaus Yu, Chiam Da Ren Musician: Tammy Ng (P)

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 zhenghr Rev Ebinezar Mohan, Pastor (Tamil) ebi Rev Kew See Seong, Pastor (Mand) sskew Rev Lim Jit Thye, Pastor (Cant-Mand) itlim Rev Daniel Nge, Pastor (Mand-Eng) daniel Rev Vernon Quek, Pastor vernon Mrs Emily Quek. Special Projects emilv Mrs June Tan, Children's Ministry june Mrs Ruth Quek, Children/Y. Adults ruth Mrs Sharon Quek, Trg/Mobilisation sharon Mr Linus Koe, Family Ministry/Media linus Mr Danny Chua, AG/Safequarding danny Mr Paul Yeo, Hokkien Ministry paul Mr Quek Tze-Ming, Assoc Min Staff tzeming Mr Ng Zhiwen, Community Engagement zhiwen Rev Dr David Wong, Advisory Pastor Rev Dr Quek Swee Hwa, Pastor Emeritus

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The Perfect Storm

Acts 27:1-38

Introduction

Sermon Notes 31 October 2021

Pastor Alby Yip

The Physical Storm

The Spiritual Storm

Questions for Reflection and Discussion

- 1. What do you remember about the passage/message?
- 2. Think about a personal storm you faced, how did you handle it and what did you learn?
- 3. What was Luke highlighting when he described the narrative in such details, and why?
- 4. Discuss how would you advise and help someone going through a crisis?

Our Church

27th Anniversary – Give thanks to God for His faithfulness towards us! Pray and give thanks for our Ethnic services that minister to different languages and dialects in our community. Thank God for allowing us to continue to be a blessing to our communities, locally and overseas, through the many ministries we have.

250pax Worship Services – Starting this week, we will be holding only 250pax worship services, allowing more to return weekly. Pray that every member, vaccinated or not, will continued to be ministered to through the preaching of the word and the ministry of the saints.

Our People

Emeritus Pastor Quek Swee Hwa - has finished his final term at Emmanuel Bible-Presbyterian Church (EBPC) and will be stepping down as Pastor of EBPC. He will transit into the role of Senior Pastor-at-Large from 1 Nov. He remains Emeritus Pastor at Zion Bishan, Pastor Quek's pastoral ministry has spanned an illustrious 55 years. We thank God for his ministry together with Esther which has blessed many churches, mission partners and many individuals. Pray for him as he transitions into his new honorary role in EBPC and for God's continued provision. Pray too for EBPC as they navigate through this transition.

O and A Level Exams – Do pray for our youths taking their major exams. Pray that as they focus their time and energy to do well in their exams, they will grow in their understanding of God's plan and work in their lives.

Our World

North East India – Praise God that youth events are being planned for churches in the hill and plain regions. Pray for the smooth organisation of these events and for the safety of the organisers and participants. May God use this time to strengthen the faith of the youth in these church communities. Pray also for believers to be courageous in their faith in the midst of continuing challenges. Pray for the leaders and workers shepherding their flock. Pray for the believers to be able to witness to their own relatives.

West Nepal – Floods last week have left grain fields badly damaged. Our partner has requested for prayers for faith as they face upcoming food shortages and discouragement. Pray that they will continue to trust in God's sovereignty.

Philippines – Student Missionary Outreach (SMO) has had many in their community affected by COVID. One family's elderly father passed away while the mother had to be hospitalised; the adult children suffered mild to moderate symptoms. Pray for comfort and peace to be upon our partner as they reach out to the grieving in their midst. Pray also for their work among the students in Bacolod City, which has significantly slowed because schools have been closed for a long time.

Last Week

Sunday Service	Attendance	Offering (\$)
English Service Livestreams#	336	
English Service 10.30am	88	
English Service 1pm	31	
English Service 3pm	94	
English Service 5pm	60	
Mand/Cant Livestream [#]	85	
Mand/Cant 8.30 [#]	23	
ME Service & Zoom	50	
Tamil Service	15	
DHF	22	
TOTAL	804	
All in-person attendance includes serving personnel		
*Livestreaming peak concurrent	viewers	
Electronic Transfer		21,343.70
WEEKLY TOTAL		\$21,343.70
Weekly offering to meet budget for 2021/22: \$65,298		
ZB COVID-19 Mission Relief	Fund	
Total Received to-date		\$331,611.23
Giving Received from 18 Oct –24 Oct		\$1,256.50
Amount Disbursed to-date		264,385.48
Land Lease Renewal Fund		
		40.000.05
Electronic Transfer		40,368.85
Weekly Total		\$40,368.85
(Weekly Target: \$118,238)		4
Total Gift Received To-Date		\$8,140,693.74
Total Interest-free loan collected To-Date		\$3,908,000.00

Church Family News

1. Ps Alby will be on leave on 5 November.

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

Session Meeting Highlights

- Session approved the conduct of Vaccinated-Only 250 persons services in all services. Those unvaccinated may still return for in-person services subjected to the mandatory Pre-Event Testing (PET). The church leaders will approach and arrange to help members with the PET where necessary.
- Cognizant of the needs and struggles of the S3P guest stayers, Session approved the extension of the S3P program from 1 November 2021 to 28 February 2022.
- Our current church van is due to be scrapped next year. Given that the van is well used to meet the church's needs, Session proposed to budget for the acquisition of a replacement van.

Looking Ahead

Friday, 5 Nov

8.00pm: Zoom Prayer Meeting (Register at <u>www.zionbishan.org.sg/fpm</u>)

Saturday, 6 Nov 4.00pm: Youth Fellowship

Sunday, 7 Nov

English Worship Services (Register at <u>www.zionbishan.org.sg/200pax</u>)

10.30am

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

1.00pm

Shepherding Team: Ps Zheng Haoren, Ng Zhi-Wen, Eld Sonny Tan & Eld David Leong

3.00pm

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

5.00pm

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

Your Response

31 Oct 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.

BPCIS Update: A Work in Progress

TENTH ANNIVERSARY. Ten years ago we took tentative steps to form a Presbytery to bring Bible-Presbyterian (BP) churches together. With the tagline "Speaking the truth in love" (Ephesians 4.15), we adopted a three-fold agenda of developing leaders, building relationships and sharing resources. We remember this as DBS (which is also our bank).

Over the decade, we ordained 10 ministers of the gospel, mostly from the next generation. Our pastors met monthly for fellowship over lunch, and annually with other leaders at retreats. Our members came together for combined services at Good Friday. We shared best practices and resources for ministries and projects. Please check our milestones on BPCIS website (bpcis.org.sg), together with greetings from our past speakers and friends.

NINTH MEMBER CHURCH. When the new Presbytery was launched in October 2011, Pastor Tan Eng Boo was there, representing Grace Bible-Presbyterian Church, one of the observer churches. But it would take ten years before the church laid aside its observer status. On 10th October 2021, the congregation voted to join the Bible-Presbyterian Church in Singapore (BPCIS). Please read their story "Grace Added" on BPCIS website.

THIRD PRESBYTERY MEETING. On 25 Sep, at our annual meeting (third since we officially registered with Registry of Societies), the following were elected to serve for next two years: Ps Timothy Phua (Mount Horeb) as Moderator, Ps Lawrence Ong (Zion Serangoon) as Clerk, and Ps Daniel Tan (Mount Hermon) as Treasurer. In the coming years, God helping us, we embark on agenda DBS 2.0: devoting to prayer, building bridges and strengthening our churches.

MOVEMENTS. Ps Daniel Chua completes 33 years of pastoral ministry at Mount Carmel, and transitions to service with Ambassadors for Christ, Singapore. Based in Johor Bahru, Malaysia, he will coordinate the training of pastoral leaders in several countries in Asia. Several BP pastors will serve with him as trainers.

Ps Quek Swee Hwa will transition to Pastor-at-Large with Elder David Leong assuming pastoral responsibilities in Emmanuel. Mount Hermon will move from its present location at Choa Chu Kang to a freehold property in Henderson, close to where the church started in Telok Blangah.

As BPCIS crosses the 10th anniversary milestone, we are still a work in progress. But we are assured and "sure of this, that he who began a good work... will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ." Philippians 1:6 ESV

Announcements

Worship Services

From November onwards, Zion Bishan's English & Chinese Worship services will be holding only 250pax (Vaccinated) services (see Sesson Mtg H'lights on p6).

Based on MCCY and MOH guidelines, to be "Vaccinated" means:

- You are fully vaccinated, i.e. has received the full regimen of Pfizer/BioNTech Comirnaty, Moderna or WHO Emergency Use List (EUL) vaccines, with an additional two weeks for the vaccine to be fully effective;
- 2. You have recovered from COVID-19; or
- 3. You underwent Pre-Event Testing within 24 hours of the expected end of the Service time.

Please register and join us for our weekly services at <u>zionbishan.org.sg/250pax</u>

Missions Conversations 10 Nov, Wednesday, 8.30-9.30pm, Zoom

Business and Missions: "Is it really possible to make money and disciples?" Sign up at:

tinyurl.com/ZBMissionsConv2021

Ministry Behind the Money 13 Nov, 10.00am, Saturday, Zoom

Our annual budget dialogue will resume this year. 15 ministries will be presenting. Communicant members may register at <u>www.zionbishan.org.sg/mbtm</u>

Women of Zion (WOZ): Retreat to Rebuild Resilience 13 Nov, 2.00-5.30pm, Saturday, Zoom

Speaker: Mrs Alison Lim Register with Lydia at 8338 3982 for the Zoom link.

Action Groups (AGs)

The life of God must be experienced in the teaching, prayer and friendship of Christian community in the local church. In Zion Bishan, AGs are primarily where following Jesus happens together with fellow brothers and sisters. If you are not in such a community, it is urgent and essential - perhaps more so than ever that you do join one. Please contact Danny Chua (<u>danny@zionbishan.org.sg</u>) and he will assist you.

Youth Camp 2021: HOMECOMING

Dates: 6-10 December (Day Camp) Location: Zion Bishan BP Church

More slots are now open! If you are a youth between 12 to 18 years of age and are looking for a meaningful way to spend your December holidays, come and join us at Youth Camp where you can have a fun time learning more about Jesus and reconnecting with friends!

Sign up here:

www.zionbishan.org.sg/youthcamp2021

Please note the following:

 This event and its duration/format is subject to COVID-19 regulations and may change in accordance to the situation
 This is a paid event, of which more details will be sent to you after you have been registered.