



What does man gain by all the toil  
at which he toils under the sun?

Ecclesiastes 1:3

**English Services & Livestream**

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## ***Order of Service***

Call to Worship

Gloria Patri

Opening Hymn: Give Them All to Jesus

Scripture Reading: Ecclesiastes 11:9-12:8 ESV

Message: In the Days of Your Youth

Response Hymn: Is Your All on the Altar

Corporate Life & Prayer

Offering

Benediction

Announcements

*Note: Holy Communion will be served at all services today*

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

**8.30am** Mandarin/Cantonese service

**9.00am** Hokkien service

**9.30am** Tamil 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](http://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](http://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](http://www.zionbishan.org.sg/cd-yd)

### **Songs for personal worship and reflection:**

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

## Serving You Today

**Speaker:** Ps Alby Yip

### **10.30am**

*Service Coordinator:* Dn Sunil Peter

*Worship Leader:* Dn Tiew Chew Meng

*AV:* Steve Nathan, Samuel Bin, Steven Tan

*Vocalist & Musicians:* Morning Team 1

### **1.00pm**

*Service Coordinator:* Dn Joseph Chan

*Worship Leader:* Eld David Leong

*AV:* Sean Yang, Nurman Kusanda

*Vocalist & Musicians:* Morning Team 1

### **3.00pm**

*Service Coordinator:* Vanessa Lee

*Worship Leader:* Eld Michael Gan

*AV:* Melissa Leong, Tay Choon Yee, Jared Koh

*Vocalist & Musicians:* Afternoon Team 1

### **5.00pm**

*Service Coordinator:* Danny Chua

*Worship Leader:* Dn Chan Kin Yip

*AV:* Ewen Tjoeng, Jonathan Teo

*Vocalist & Musicians:* Afternoon Team 1

## Pastors and Ministry Staff

Rev Dr Alby Yip, *Senior Pastor* 9844 9536

Rev Dr Dev Menon, *Pastor* 9829 6051

Rev Zheng Haoren, *Pastor* 6353 8081

Rev Ebinezar Mohan, *Pastor (Tamil)* 8198 9696

Rev Kew See Seong, *Pastor (Mand)* 9489 4967

Rev Lim Jit Thye, *Pastor (Cant-Mand)* 9182 6957

Rev Daniel Nge, *Pastor (Mand-Eng)* 8428 0525

Rev Vernon Quek, *Pastor* 9796 0196

Mrs Emily Quek, *Special Projects* 9001 2926

Mrs June Tan, *Children's Ministry* 8388 1883

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Rev Dr Quek Swee Hwa, *Pastor Emeritus*

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# **In the Days of Your Youth**

**Ecclesiastes: 11:9 – 12:8**

## **Introduction**

## **Rejoice**

## **Remove**

## **Remember**

## **Reflect**

## **Conclusion**

### **Questions for Reflection and Discussion**

1. What do you remember about the passage/message?
2. What is godly rejoicing?
3. Are there things in your life that need to be removed?
4. What are your reflections on where you are in the “week of life”?

## *Prayer Points*

### **Our Church**

**Easter (17 Apr)** – As we approach Easter in 2 weeks, let us remember our Lord's love and sacrifice for us, and respond in boldness to share good news of salvation and healing with our friends, neighbours, colleagues. The first step to reaching them is to engage in fervent prayer for them and the harvest field anywhere. Pray for more from Zion Bishan to join the nightly zoom prayer time (organised by ZB's mission team) to pray for the harvest. See announcement page for more details.

**Tuition Ministry** – Pray for God's love to continue touching the young hearts of the 20 children and youth who come from low-income families. Some of them face complex issues such as family violence, post-divorce parenting challenges and mental illness while others have special needs such as dyslexia and ADHD. Pray for God to stir the hearts of the students to seek and find Jesus, and for the 22 volunteers to continue having wisdom, stamina and compassion as they serve sacrificially.

### **Easing of COVID Safe Management**

**Measures** – Thank God for the gradual easing of safe management measures in Singapore that will allow us to resume normal work and social routines. Pray for wisdom for our ministry leaders as they implement these changes across ministries, and the protection of vulnerable groups such as the elderly and

young children. May we also remember the many lessons the pandemic has revealed to us individually and corporately, and may we persevere in our faith as pilgrims and as His children here on earth amidst these changes.

### **Our World**

**Foreign workers (Singapore)** - We owe much to the foreign workers in our nation. Praise God for the initiative facilitated by Ps Ebi to build bridges of friendship with the migrant workers working in a factory, through a ZB contact. May we, as God's people, have the wisdom and boldness to share Christ naturally with the foreigners He has placed in our social networks.

**Indonesia** – Thank God for the opportunities our partner has to mobilise Christians to go to unreached people groups here. Here is the challenge he shares about mobilising Christians: “Most Christians tend to stay in the comfort zone doing things that they have done without realising that there are still many groups of people who have not heard the Gospel and have no access to the Gospel”. Praise God for the 34 young people who have been mobilised from a local Presbyterian church to be prepared to go out to the field.

## Last Week

Sunday Service	Attendance	Offering (\$)
English Service Livestreams#	278	
English Service 10.30am	232	900.00
English Service 1pm	70	
English Service 3pm	135	
English Service 5pm	110	
Mand/Cant Livestream#	47	
Mand/Cant 8.30#	83	
ME Service & Zoom	65	
Hokkien Service	35	
Tamil Service	17	86.00
DHF	20	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1092</b>	<b>\$986.00</b>

All in-person attendance includes serving personnel

#Livestreaming peak concurrent viewers

Electronic Transfer \$73,579.60

**WEEKLY TOTAL \$74,565.60**

Weekly offering to meet budget for 2022/23: \$75,045

### Land Lease Renewal Fund

Electronic Transfer \$19,491.10

Interest-Free loan converted to gift (#LL001/20): \$5,000.00

**Weekly Total \$24,491.10**

**Total Gift Received To-Date \$8,883,286.89**

**Total Interest-free loan collected To-Date \$3,708,000.00**

**Repayment of Interest-free Loan To-Date \$(3,608,000.00)**

**\$8,983,286.89**

## Church Family News

1. Ps Dev preached a Good Friday message for SYFC on 2 April.

## Info for Giving

For tithes and offering:

**General & Missions Fund**



DBS Current A/C: 070-901056-3

PayNow: T10SS0029GGMF

ZION BISHAN BP CHURCH

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, 8 Apr

**8.00pm:** Prayer Meeting

(Register at [www.zionbishan.org.sg/fpm](http://www.zionbishan.org.sg/fpm))

### Saturday, 9 Apr

**4.00pm:** Youth Fellowship

(Register at [www.zionbishan.org.sg/yf](http://www.zionbishan.org.sg/yf))

### Sunday, 10 Apr

English Worship Services

(Register at [www.zionbishan.org.sg/english-services](http://www.zionbishan.org.sg/english-services))

#### 10.30am

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

#### 1.00pm

*Shepherding Team:* Ps Zheng Haoren, Ng Zhiwen, 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

### Ecclesiastes Series Sermon:

**10 Apr** (Ecc 12.9-14) The End of the Matter  
*Quek Tze-Ming/Ps Vernon*

**17 Apr** Ecc post-script  
*Ps Alby*

### May "Odes to Joy" Series Sermon:

**1 May** Psalm 73 (Destruction of Wicked)  
– *Quek Tzeming*  
Psalm 116 (God hears in Affliction)  
– *Ps Alby*

**8 May** Psalm 116 (God hears in Affliction)  
– *Ps Alby*  
Psalm 73 (Destruction of Wicked)  
– *Quek Tzeming*

## Your Response

3 April 2022

*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.*

THANKS FOR YOUR RESPONSE!

## **THE NEXT LAP CONTINUES**

Grace and peace to all at Zion Bishan!

Last year, we renewed our church vision to be **A Christ-witnessing Church with Multiple Congregations, to serve Communities**

Thus as the government restrictions ease and the country moves to an endemic state, we will continue our vision of having multiple congregations, each with its own shepherding team to look after the pastoral care and discipleship of all our members.

As we move forward, there will be some changes coming up:

1. The Cantonese and Mandarin congregations will decouple to better minister to their respective congregations. Their services will be shifted to the 4<sup>th</sup> floor from May 2022 - as they requested. The timings are as follows: 830am Mandarin service at the Chapel; 9am Hokkien service at Auditoriums 1&2; 1030am Mandarin-English service at the Chapel & 1030am Cantonese service at Auditoriums 1&2.
2. The 1pm congregation will shift to worship at the main sanctuary at 8.30am. This congregation will pair with the 10.30am congregation to ensure smooth operations of both services, and together work out growth, discipleship & pastoral care plans.
3. The 3pm and 5pm congregations will likewise be paired - for smoother operations, and to work out discipleship and pastoral care plans together.
4. In addition, the 3pm & 5pm services will evolve to train our next generation to *#getlost for the Kingdom*, as we prepare for a church planting season in 2-3 years' time. More details will be made known at the upcoming ACM.

Thus, post-covid, Zion Bishan will have 9 congregations in total, 4 English, 4 Chinese and 1 Tamil, looking out for almost 1500 members - posturing ourselves for further kingdom growth.

May the Spirit of God continue to lead us in every season.

***Pastor Alby & The Zion Bishan Next Lap Team***

1 Apr 2022

## **FAQs**

### **1. What does it mean that we are now a church of multiple congregations?**

*It means that each worship service is a dedicated community made up of various AGs, families and members, looking out for and serving one another, led by a dedicated Shepherding Team that cares for this specific set of people. The ethnic services have been running this configuration for some time, and now the English services are following suit.*

*Thus, we strongly encourage you to regularly attend the same worship service as your AG, get to know the Shepherding Team, and serve at that service.*

### **2. What would it mean if I want to shift the time I attend worship service?**

*If the entire AG would like to shift to another worship service / congregation, please have a conversation with your CST pastor first. No matter what, we are committed to ensuring that everyone is cared for.*

### **3. Why is the 1pm congregation shifting to the 8.30am timeslot?**

*The 1pm timing has proven difficult, especially for older folks and newcomers. As such, the entire congregation will shift to the 8.30am timeslot, as per their request.*

### **4. Why are we not combining some of the congregations/worship services?**

*The primary reason is that we have seen substantial benefits with running these smaller congregations and want to continue reaping them. Our primary aim is spiritual growth rather than service timings. We will take care to manage the resource burdens that come with running multiple services.*

*Secondly, as mentioned, the 3pm & 5pm will be evolving to train the next generation (and any others interested) to become a planting church. We hope to send out planting teams from these congregations in the next 2-3 years, as the Lord leads.*

*Thirdly, the room usage on Sunday mornings is at capacity - which then limits the growth of our dedicated classes, especially Children's Discipleship. There is plenty of space on Sunday afternoons, which will allow these ministries to expand.*

*Finally, we want to ensure adequate capacity for all our members and visitors to come for in-person worship, while working within safe restrictions & noting that the restrictions could be reversed should a new variant emerge.*



## **5. What are the future plans for the church?**

*On all the pastors' hearts is the desire for spiritual growth. We are deeply aware that sin wants to make us insular and comfortable, and thus we need to constantly fight those impulses - not just as individuals - but in the way we organize the church. Hence we are (1) maintaining our multiple congregations, (2) considering expanding our facilities and (3) preparing ourselves to become a church-planting church.*

## **6. As per the latest Govt SMMs, what are the changes for our church?**

*While we look forward to relaxed measures that will considerably enrich our gathering together as God's people, we intend to take a measured approach to implementing changes so that we maintain a level of public health safety in all of our on-site ministry activities. After all, we must continue to care for the elderly, vulnerable members and unvaccinated children who join us for our on-site ministry activities.*

*Here is a summary of the key changes for our church family:*

- a. **Group size limits will now be increased from 5 to 10 persons.***
- b. **The whole church premises are deemed to be 'indoors'.** Everyone should thus be masked upon entering any of our gates.*
- c. **Masked Congregational singing is permitted** for worship services.*
- d. **Rostered Routine ART testing is no longer required.** However, we emphasize **personal responsibility** in all our conduct. Do continue to refrain from in-person ministry activities when you fell unwell.*
- e. We plan to gradually reintegrate the consumption of Food & Beverages. More details to come.*

*Do refer to the latest ZB Covid Taskforce advisory in its entirety here for full details: <https://www.zionbishan.org.sg/2022/03/zb-covid-19-taskforce-advisory-31-mar-2022/>*

# Announcements

## **BPCIS Good Friday Service:**

**“One Theme, Different Locations”**

**15 Apr, 10.30am & 5.00pm, Zion Bishan**

**Title:** One Sacrifice, Once for All

**Speaker:** Pastor Ivan Chow  
(Bethesda Bukit Arang Church)

Services will be decentralised at BPCIS Churches. Livestreaming will also be available on the Zion Bishan Youtube channel. Please register for in-person service here:

<https://www.zionbishan.org.sg/goodfriday2022>

## **Reports for 13th Annual Congregational Meeting (ACM)**

Leaders/secretaries of ministries, please submit your reports to Doreen Lim at [doreen@zionbishan.org.sg](mailto:doreen@zionbishan.org.sg) by 11 April.

## **Friendship Meals, 11-12 Apr (residents' homes) & 14 Apr (onsite)**

40 volunteers and befrienders are needed for both events. A simple briefing and training will be held via Zoom (details TBC).

More details and sign up by 5 Apr at [bit.ly/friendshipapr22](http://bit.ly/friendshipapr22)

## **English as Second Language (ESL)**

**Mondays, 10am to 12 noon**

ESL is looking for new teachers to teach English and/or Bible Stories to expand its ministry to the ladies. Contact Cynthia Ng (98577696) if you would like to sign up.

## **Bone Health: Maintain Maximum Health of Bones & Joints**

**9 Apr, Saturday 10.30am, In-person at Chapel or via Zoom**

Come join us at this upcoming SENIORS360 event to hear our invited speaker Eld (Dr) Lee Soon Tai, present on the common bone & joint problems often found in seniors, & what we can do to maintain maximum health of the bones & joints. Do invite your non-Christian friends along!

**To sign up:** <https://bit.ly/3pNrTy4>

## **Mandarin-English Service**

**@Level 4 Chapel**

**24/4 – 15/5/22, Sunday 10.30am**

**From Doubting to Believing**

Gospel Series · In Mandarin Only · In-Person & Online

24 Apr God Created the World, is it Believable?

1 May The World Sins, is It True?

8 May Christ Died on the Cross, is it the Answer?

15 May Christ Resurrected, is it Credible?

## **Season of Lent Kingdom Harvest Prayer**

Come for 30 min of praying together every night from 9.15-9.45pm, meditating on Scripture and praying for the Harvest.

Sign up with Sharon at 97880195 for the Zoom link for each day's session.