



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

Ecclesiastes 1:3

Easter Sunday

English Services & Livestream

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Order of Service

Call to Worship

Gloria Patri

Opening Hymns: See, What a Morning
Christ our Hope in Life and Death

Scripture Reading: 1 Kings 3:5-15a; Matthew 1:18-25 ESV

Message: Dreams

Response Hymn: Living Hope

Corporate Life & Prayer

Offering

Benediction

Announcements

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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

9.00am 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

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 Foo Say Chiang

AV: Goh Han Teck, Gary Lee, Samuel Bin

Vocalist & Musicians: Morning Team 3

1.00pm

Service Coordinator: Dns Alice Koh

Worship Leader: Dn Joseph Chan

AV: Goh Han Teck, Yap Hong York

Vocalist & Musicians: Morning Team 3

3.00pm

Service Coordinator: Vanessa Lee

Worship Leader: Dn Peter Wang

AV: Abraham Lee, Wilson Lee, Jared Koh

Vocalist & Musicians: Afternoon Team 3

5.00pm

Service Coordinator: Danny Chua

Worship Leader: Eld Reginald Tan

AV: Kevin Chung, Chiam Da Ren

Vocalist & Musicians: Afternoon Team 3

Pastors and Ministry Staff

Rev Dr Alby Yip, <i>Senior Pastor</i>	9844 9536
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Rev Zheng Haoren, <i>Pastor</i>	6353 8081
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Rev Kew See Seong, <i>Pastor (Mand)</i>	9489 4967
Rev Lim Jit Thye, <i>Pastor (Cant-Mand)</i>	9182 6957
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Confidential Care & Counselling e-mail:

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Dreams

1 Kings 3:5-15a; Matthew 1:18-25 ESV

Introduction

A Dream

Another Dream

An Other Dream

Conclusion

Questions for Reflection and Discussion

1. What do you remember about the passages/message?
2. What does fearing the Lord mean for you?
3. How does Christ's resurrection help Christians?
4. How can you live out a "resurrected life" in the light of Christ's victory?

Prayer Points

Our Church

Easter Sunday - What a hope we have in Jesus who is the resurrection and the life. Pray that our church will be renewed in strength and vision for the next lap, anchored firmly in the resurrection life and hope of Jesus.

Friendship Meal (11 & 14 April)

We thank the Lord for the opportunity our members had to have meals together with some of the residents in Golden Jasmine and the wider neighbourhood. Pray for God through His Spirit to work in the hearts of these residents, that through the relationships we hope to continue to build and grow, they may be drawn to want to know our Lord Jesus.

Christianity Explored (CE) - Having just crossed the halfway mark of the course, we thank God for the seekers who have joined us thus far. Pray for a growing desire for them to want to know our Lord Jesus, and that they will continue to come and hear more about Him. Pray also for our table hosts as they continue to journey with and speak to the seekers about Jesus' Cross and Resurrection.

Our People

Brother Sum Pooi - Pray for Bro Sum Pooi who is visually impaired. The neighbour's helper who was assisting him in most of his chores and meals

has returned to Indonesia. There is a team of ZB members helping where necessary but it is not sustainable for the long term. We are exploring other solutions for him. Pray for this team, that a solution can be found quickly.

Our World

Nepal - Pray for the work of our partner's children centres here in West Nepal. One centre that looks after special needs children hopes to expand their work to provide day care service to the locals. Pray for the provision of a vehicle to pick up and drop off the children to and from the centre. Pray for the hearts of the locals to be open to the help being provided by our partner. Pray for the workers and the leaders to have wisdom and discernment as they serve amongst some of the least reached people groups here.

Income Generation Projects (IGP)

Pray for the various current IGP projects which are in progress with our India and Indonesia partners (e.g. chicken, weaving, piggery, goatery and tuition). May they produce good results for them so that they can be financially more independent. May the Lord bless the collaboration between ZB and our partners to bring forth tangible blessings to the workers and their field.

Last Week

Sunday Service	Attendance	Offering (\$)
English Service Livestreams#	299	
English Service 10.30am	349	780.00
English Service 1pm	77	
English Service 3pm	127	
English Service 5pm	126	
Mand/Cant Livestream#	51	
Mand/Cant 8.30#	86	
ME Service & Zoom	69	
Hokkien Service	42	
Tamil Service	15	1,055.00
DHF	19	
TOTAL	1260	\$1,835.00

All in-person attendance includes serving personnel

#Livestreaming peak concurrent viewers

Electronic Transfer	\$81,823.90
WEEKLY TOTAL	\$83,658.90

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

Land Lease Renewal Fund

Electronic Transfer	\$21,588.04
Weekly Total	\$21,588.04
Total Gift Received To-Date	\$8,915,616.03

Church Family News

1. Ps Dev is preaching at Moriah BP's Good Friday & Easter Services.
2. Damon Loh has joined us as a Media & Communications Administrative Staff, starting 11/04/22. Thank God for His timely provision!

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, 22 Apr

8.00pm: Prayer Meeting

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

Saturday, 23 Apr

4.00pm: Youth Fellowship

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

Sunday, 24 Apr

English Worship Services

(Register at 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:

24 Apr A Word to the Congregation

Ps Haoren

May Series Sermon: "Odes to Joy"

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

17 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

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.

THANKS FOR YOUR RESPONSE!

Why Plant Churches?

It's about mission.

We all know the Great Commission - to make disciples of all nations. More than evangelism, Jesus' commission requires us to plant local churches amongst different people groups (we see this practiced in the book of Acts).

Whenever there is an unreached geographical area (e.g., another city or even a new housing estate), we should be thinking about who can be sent to plant a local church there. More than that, whenever the population increases, there is the need for more churches.

People groups are not just defined by location - it could refer to a specific demographic within an existing area. People with different language, ethnicity, background or culture (e.g., native Telugu speakers, domestic helpers, youth from broken families, ex-convicts, etc.).

It could even refer to the next generation, who have become so culturally different, that different methods and leaders are needed to reach them (e.g., GenZ or the digital generation).

It's about discipleship.

Why does God want us to go? He could easily do it Himself. He clearly wants us involved because it's more than just reaching the world - it's about transforming His children. Making us into people who love the last, the least and the lost.

People who want to be sent!

In our discipleship strategy, we set out 3 goals. Every member must #getdeep in God's Word. Every member must #getreal with God and each other. Every member must #getlost for the kingdom. Each is non-negotiable.

Every Christian must cultivate a heart for the gospel - a burden for the lost. So, it is not really about 'who should go' - all should go! The only valid questions are when and where.

The longer we remain in one place, the more comfortable we get. But God wants us to go, to fill the whole earth with His goodness. It is not about sending a few individuals, but discipling every individual, family and AG, ready to be sent.

It works.

According to research done by the 'City to City' movement (see references below), new plants bring more unbelievers to Christ than established churches - which grow primarily by transfers.

Perhaps it is because those in a church plant tend to have a more missional or 'startup' mindset. Frankly put, there is more 'hunger'. We see this in the current 4 English congregations. Ever since we multiplied, more stepped up to serve, newer members have volunteered. More are doing 1-1s, hosting guests and bringing friends.

New church plants also bring in new leadership, new ideas, and often lead to the revitalization of older churches within a city, as we all learn from one another. We've seen this happen across our denomination too.

Pastorally, smaller congregations allow better care. It gets significantly harder once the number rises. Leader-burnout increases as the complexity of issues escalates. The percentage of people serving drops. Plus, we lose the sense of family.

Yet... It is hard work.

No one is naive about how much work it takes to start a new congregation, let alone plant a new church. How much will it cost us? In terms of organizational resources and personal sacrifice?

But an equally valid question to ask is - how much will it cost us **not** to do this? In terms of our personal and corporate spiritual growth? How comfortable do we want to get?

I believe God wishes all His churches to become sending churches; church-planting churches. This is His means to continue His mission to every unreached demographic, and His means to mature our discipleship to a point where we are fruitful and multiplying.

Thus, our goal in the end, is not to expand Zion Bishan, but to expand the kingdom of God.

Pastor Dev Menon

April 2022

References:

<https://redeemercitytocity.com/articles-stories/why-plant-churches>

<https://www.facebook.com/100044151443617/posts/526389255509451/>

Announcements

Missions Prayer Night:

Sharing by Lim Nan & Christy on their missions' journey and heart.

Date: 29 April 2022, Friday

Time: 8pm Sharing & Prayer, 9pm Short fellowship, Q&A.

Sign up here for zoom link:

<https://tinyurl.com/MissionsPN>

Men's Ministry (MM)

Calling all men to join us in this event. As His men, let's explore this question together and what it means for us.

Topic: Adam, where are you?

Date: 30 Apr 2022, Saturday

Time: 8.00am - 9.30am

Venue: Zion Bishan BP Church - L4 Chapel (100% In-Person Event!!!)

Speaker: Ps Kirk Tan

Please click the link below or scan the QR code to register for this event.

<https://tinyurl.com/MMEG30APR>

Youth Fellowship (YF)

Every Saturday, 4.00-6.00pm, Chapel

Calling for all youths (13–18 y/o) to join us on 23 April as we continue in our study in the book of Mark this year!

Follow us on Instagram @zionbishanyf — weekly registration link will be posted.

Contact Dns Ee Wern (9650 5440) or Jacqueline (9322 7629) to find out more about Youth Ministry!

Women of Zion

Fort Canning Trail

7 May 2022, Saturday, 7.30am to 11am

Meeting Point: Dhoby Ghaut MRT Exit B

Sisters, let's come together for a time of connecting with God, nature and our fellow sisters with activities and a brunch.

Sign up through this link:

<https://www.zionbishan.org.sg/wozwalk22>

For further details, contact Lydia @ 8338 3982

Mandarin-English (ME) Service

Level 4 Chapel, 24 April – 15 May 2022, 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?

Annual Congregational Meeting 2022

28 May 2022, Saturday

Dear Communicant members, in preparation for the upcoming ACM, which will be held virtually on **28 May 2022**, please inform the church office (lydia@zionbishan.org.sg) if there're any changes to your email address, so that we can ensure you receive all ACM documents.