

I WILL SING TO THE LORD
AS LONG AS I LIVE;

I WILL SING PRAISE TO MY GOD
WHILE I HAVE BEING

BOOK OF
PSALM
104:33



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English Services & Livestream

Order of Service

Call to Worship

Gloria Patri

Worship in Songs

(8.30am & 1030am)

Scripture Reading: Psalm 116:1-19 ESV

Message: I Love the Lord

Response Hymn: My Tribute

(3pm & 5pm)

Scripture Reading: Psalm 73:1-5, 10-28 NIV

Message: Dear God, Why Do Bad People Win?

Response Hymn: Take Heart

Corporate Life & Prayer

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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 service

9.00am Hokkien service

9.30am Tamil Service

8.30am/10.30am/3.00pm/5.00pm

English service

10.30am Mandarin-English service

10.45am Cantonese-Mandarin service

Join us for our livestream

www.youtube.com/zionbishan

10.30am/3.00pm English service

www.zionbishan.org.sg/chineselivestream

8.30am Mandarin service

10.45am Cantonese-Mandarin service

10.30am Mandarin-English service

Zoom Livestream (ID: 83150901877)

Join Domestic Helpers Fellowship (DHF) Bible

Study Groups *(Registration required):*

www.zionbishan.org.sg/dhf

8.45am DHF 1A

(in English, for all nationalities) via zoom

8.45am DHF 2 (in Myanmar language) hybrid, in person in The Living Room and via zoom

2.30pm DHF 3

(in Bahasa Indonesia) via zoom

8.45pm Domestic Helpers Fellowship 1B

(in English, for all nationalities) via zoom

Join Children/Youth Discipleship Classes

(Registration required):

www.zionbishan.org.sg/cd-yd

Serving You Today

Speakers: Ps Alby Yip (8.30am & 10.30am),
Mr Quek Tze-Ming (3pm & 5pm)

8.30am

Service Coordinator: Dn Joseph Chan

Worship Leader: Dn Tay Beng Hwee

AV: Matthew Neo, Yap Hong York, Ravi Shankar

Vocalist & Musicians: Morning Team 2

10.30am

Service Coordinator: Dn Sunil Peter

Worship Leader: Eld Foo Say Chiang

AV: Goh Han Teck, Samuel Bin, Cassandra Chng

Vocalist & Musicians: Morning Team 2

3.00pm

Service Coordinator: Vanessa Lee

Worship Leader: Eld Roland Low

AV: Eugene Poh, Tay Choon Yee, Bethia Soh

Vocalist & Musicians: Afternoon Team 2

5.00pm

Service Coordinator: Danny Chua

Worship Leader: Dn Nicklaus Yu

AV: Josiah Menon, Lence Teh

Vocalist & Musicians: Afternoon Team 2

Pastors and Ministry Staff

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

Rev Dr Alby Yip, <i>Senior Pastor</i>	<i>alby</i>
Rev Dr Dev Menon, <i>Pastor</i>	<i>dev</i>
Rev Zheng Haoren, <i>Pastor</i>	<i>zhenghr</i>
Rev Ebinezar Mohan, <i>Pastor (Tamil)</i>	<i>ebi</i>
Rev Kew See Seong, <i>Pastor (Mand)</i>	<i>sskew</i>
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Rev Daniel Nge, <i>Pastor (Mand-Eng)</i>	<i>daniel</i>
Rev Vernon Quek, <i>Pastor</i>	<i>vernon</i>
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Mr Danny Chua, <i>AG/Safeguarding</i>	<i>danny</i>
Mr Paul Yeo, <i>Hokkien Ministry</i>	<i>paul</i>
Mr Quek Tze-Ming, <i>Assoc Min Staff</i>	<i>tzeming</i>
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I Love the Lord

Psalm 116:1-19

Introduction

Reasons

Response

Remember

Conclusion

Discussion Questions:

1. What do you remember about the passage/message?
2. Why did God answer some prayers and not others?
3. How would you describe your relationship with God? How is your prayer life?
4. If everything falls in your life, would you still love God? Why?

Dear God, Why Do Bad People Win?

Psalm 73

Introduction

Bullies!

Orientation (v. 1)

“Surely God is good ...” (v. 1)

Disorientation (vv. 2-15)

- Why are the bullies winners?
- Why should I be a loser?

“Surely in vain have I kept my heart pure ...” (v. 13)

Reorientation (vv. 16-28)

- till I entered the sanctuary of God; then I understood.

“Surely you place them on slippery ground ...” (v. 18)

Conclusion

“But as for me, it is good to be near God.” (v. 28)

Questions for Reflection and Discussion

1. What do you remember about the sermon or the scripture text?
2. Why does God let wicked people prosper? Why does suffering continue? Does this psalm answer these questions? Do you have an answer for it?
3. At the end of the psalm, what has changed? How has that change (if any) happened?
4. When was the last time you asked God difficult questions about your life? How did you feel? Was there any resolution?

Prayer Points

Our Church

Domestic Helpers' Fellowship (DHF) -

3rd May was the 2nd anniversary of their virtual meetings. Thank God for Zoom, which has enabled them to meet every Sunday without fail for the past 2 years! They train helpers in Bible study so that they can study on their own and lead Bible studies even after they leave Zion Bishan or Singapore. Many helpers have returned to their home countries or transferred to non-Christian employers. Pray that they will continue to walk with Jesus and study the Bible, and also for more helpers to join them, including helpers of all ZB families.

Christianity Explored - Last Wednesday (4 May) was the last session of CE for this run. Thank God for the 5 seekers who continued to stick with us throughout the sessions. Pray for our table hosts as they follow up with them, and for the Spirit to keep working in their hearts to bring them to faith in the Gospel. We are looking forward to our next run in September, with Table Hosts training beginning in August.

Our People

The Lim Family - Pray for them and their two children who are embarking this week for Greece for about 2 months to explore how they can participate in God's love to the refugees there. May there be a good settling down to a rhythm of ministry and other family activities. The recent conflict in Afghanistan and Ukraine has led to

increasing numbers of refugees fleeing to Europe. This presents both a great need for food and shelter but also many opportunities to share the hope and healing of Christ to many people. Thank God for the opportunity for this family to explore what they can do in these two months and also for the longer term.

Our World

Myanmar - The need for food and basic necessities continue to be present in Myanmar since the military coup that occurred on 1 Feb 2021. Praise God for a ministry partner in Myanmar who has been providing shelter for about 18-25 family members in his home and also serving the needs of his neighbours and community with rice distribution. Pray for peace to come back to this nation and for the vulnerable to be protected.

Philippines - Typhoon Odette in December 2021 left a wake of damaged buildings and homes in in Negros Occidental near our ministry partner SMO (Student Missionary Outreach). However this opened up opportunities to share the gospel, help them with food and water, solar lights, a generator set and materials for repairs for their homes and church buildings. God brought together Christian churches and organisations, individuals, both locally and outside the country to help in this way. Thank God for this opportunity for God's love to shine far and wide through this crisis. Pray for the follow up efforts of SMO, that it would continue to build bridges for the gospel to go out to further here.

Last Week

Sunday Service	Attendance	Offering (\$)
English Service Livestreams#	171	
English Service 8.30am*	109	
English Service 10.30am*	360	1,910.00
English Service 3pm*	116	
English Service 5pm*	106	
Chinese Service Livestream#	14	
Chinese Service 8.30am*	95	2,612.80
Cant/Mand Service Livestream#	6	
Cant/Mand Service 10.45am*	51	506.00
ME Service & Zoom	81	
Hokkien Service*	45	
Tamil Service*	17	1,433.00
DHF	17	
TOTAL	1188	\$6,461.80

*All in-person attendance includes serving personnel

#Livestreaming peak concurrent viewers

Electronic Transfer \$68,091.23

WEEKLY TOTAL \$74,553.03

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

Land Lease Renewal Fund

Gift No: 1824	\$250.00
Electronic Transfer	\$26,104.30
Weekly Total	\$26,354.30
Total Gift Received To-Date	\$9,017,235.75

Church Family News

1. It's Mothers' Day today! We want to thank God for all mothers and for the ladies who play the motherly role in our midst. We pray for God's grace and strength to fill you afresh each day as your honour Him with your lives!
2. Congratulations to Immanuel Sak and Chloe Chee who were united in holy matrimony on 2 May 2022!
3. Pastor Dev will be attending a Church Planting & Revitalization course from 9-20 May.
4. Pastor Dev is speaking at The Bible Church today.

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, 13 May

8.00pm: Prayer Meeting

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

Saturday, 14 May

3.30pm: Church Building Upgrading Project Dialogue Session (Level 4 Auditorium)

4.00pm: Youth Fellowship

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

Sunday, 15 May

English Worship Services

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

8.30am

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

10.30am

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

3.00pm

Shepherding Team: Ps Vernon Quek, Eld Roland Low, Eld Michael Gan & Eld David Leong

5.00pm

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

May Series Sermon: "Odes to Joy"

15 May Psalm 99 (The King who Loves Justice)

– Ng Zhiwen

22 May Psalm 104 (God's goodness in Creation)

– Ps Vernon

Your Response

8 May 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!

A New Beginning @8.30am

Last Sunday on 1 May 2022, the 1pm Service congregation (with its shepherding team comprising Ps Zheng Haoren, Eld Sonny Tan, Ng Zhiwen, and other ministry & BOD personnel) made the much-anticipated move to the 8.30am timeslot.

It is quite appropriate that the people who care for the various congregations are named “shepherding teams” because that is truly what we are, shepherds of the flock under our care.

“I am the good shepherd. I know my sheep and my sheep know me – just as the Father knows me and I know the Father – and I lay down my life for the sheep.” John 10:14-15

The 8.30am shepherding team seeks to know the Father and to lay our lives down for the sheep. How do we want to grow? Here are 6 ways...

God’s Word – As we hear scripture preached weekly, as a congregation, we want to hear our heavenly father clearly and to do His will. One of the best ways is to continue discussing God’s word and living life together in an Action Group (AG, i.e. a church cell group). May we encourage you to consider joining one if you are not in an AG.

Corporate Worship – As a congregation, it is our joy to be able to come together each week to worship our Lord together as a Church family. As we are able to sing and pray together, may these times bless all who gather together.

Prayer – As a congregation, may we approach each challenge and joy in our lives together with much prayer and thanksgiving. In the times of corporate prayer together, we hope to encourage all to lift both the good and bad up to our Lord God.

Fellowship – Our prayer is to grow together in the bonds of friendship and love for one another. We are glad to restart our time of “Fellowship Tea” after service. Last week, we really enjoyed our nasi lemak and chat with each other after service.

Hospitality – As a congregation, we want to be a welcoming and hospitable place for all who are new to our service. May this be a culture not just amongst our serving teams, but also practised by all who come to this service regularly.

Witnessing – May we be active in witnessing for Christ to the lost around us, testifying to God’s goodness and reign in our lives.

May God be glorified!

Mini and Mighty: Preschoolers Learning Loving Values

It's every Christian mother's heartbeat: the desire that their children grow up in favour with God and Man. The formative preschool years are essential in establishing children in the ways of Jesus and giving them a strong foundation in character.

Be inspired by what is possible from preschoolers, raised in Christian preschools like [Zion Bishan Kindergarten](#) in partnership with parents.

Learning about Healing Relationships

Feby, mother of Gwyneth (5), is happy that her daughter is thriving in an environment that practises loving kindness. She has loving friends and learns forgiveness through the close collaboration between parents and teachers.

Once, Gwyneth was accidentally hurt by a rambunctious classmate. But she was taught to reframe her interpretation of hurt and to be more understanding when there was no intent of malice. Forgiveness takes time. With the encouragement and help from teachers, the two little ones are now good friends again.



Her mother says, *"I am so glad that children are learning how to increase their circle of friends and get along with others who might be different from themselves. Being able to get along with others and be confident is extremely important to us. I am glad that these values are caught in [Zion Bishan Kindergarten](#)."*

Gwyneth with her mother, Feby Chandra

Embracing Grace and Gratitude

Parents of Katerina Jimenez, Nicole and Juan, see God's goodness expressed in their lives when they found a preschool which uphold values they themselves subscribe to.

They explained: *"We wanted a preschool where the children learn to be grateful, and so, counter our culture of entitlement. The children at [Zion Bishan Kindergarten](#) say grace before meals. Also, we wanted a school where there was discipline and a sense of belonging. Through Aunty June's bible stories the children are taught respect for authority and devotion to God. They begin to have a relationship with Him."*



Katerina Jimenez and her parents, Juan and Nicole

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In a loving environment, Katerina is able to express her care for others and receive help. *“When her classmates fall down, she helps them up and consoles them. She picks some flowers or gives someone a little stone. There are no bullies in this kind of environment,”* says Juan, who was originally from Panama.

Sensitising Children to Little Sins in the Heart

For Alyssa, learning to share with her sibling and waiting for her turn to play with toys was formerly a big struggle. Now it is less so because her mother, Ruth Quek, has explained how meeting one’s desires does not justify hurting others.



Now Alyssa prays, *“Please help me to love my brother, and not think only about myself. Please help me share.”* So she has begun to learn how to recognise when her natural self-centred desires start and to be more self-regulating.

Catching this value of sharing is not just accidental.

Compassion, being kind to one another, is reinforced in her Christian preschool. The children learn that God first loved humans so we can love others too. Now in her family, they pray for fighting to stop in Ukraine, for less conflict and for peace to come.

“In a Christian preschool, what is different is an unconditional love that will nurture the child beyond just teaching them to be a morally good person. We need to understand that Christian preschool education is a meaningful ministry and provides a strong foundation in faith that will bear the fruits of the spirit in HIS time”, says Ruth.

Indeed, [Zion Bishan Kindergarten](#) cherishes partnership with parents in their children’s learning journey. *“Parents play a critical role in children’s learning and development. Partnership with parents is important to nurture the whole child and is critical in developing consistency between the home and the preschool learning environment during this important window in a child’s life,”* Mrs Serene Chang, Principal of Zion Bishan Kindergarten.

Empathy and Compassion

Little Alyssa immediately turns to God to heal her mother’s finger when she heard that it was hurt in the kitchen. Mini but mighty values of compassion have become a reality through the culture in school. Alyssa has learnt to turn to God on behalf of others.



Fiona Soh

Lead, Resource Development and Partnerships
Christian Preschool Alliance

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Announcements

Annual Congregational Meeting 2022 28 May, Saturday, 4-6pm

- Notice of ACM, reports and instructions have been sent out from 7 May to communicant members only.
- Please email acm@zionbishan.org.sg or call 6353 8081 if you have not received the details by 9 May.
- Please submit any questions you may have to Session latest by 15 May.
- More details can be found in the ACM notice.

Church Building Upgrading Project Dialogue Session 14 May, Saturday, 3.30pm @ Church Auditorium (L4)

As announced previously, the Church leadership has been praying over and planning to upgrade our premises and facilities to facilitate ministry to our growing membership, Lord-willing.

Please read the FAQs and watch the video of Pastor Alby's word to us here: <https://www.zionbishan.org.sg/2022/05/church-building-upgrading-project-fags/>
Join us at this dialogue session to hear more and prayerfully discuss the matter. No registration is needed.

Read the latest **Covid-19 Taskforce Advisory on the further relaxation of Safe Management Measures:**
<https://www.zionbishan.org.sg/2022/04/zion-bishan-covid-19-taskforce-advisory-may2022>

A SENIORS360 Event

Snacking for a Healthier You: Know the Facts, Choose the Right Snacks!
**14 May, Saturday, 10:30am,
In-person at Chapel or via Zoom**

Come join us at this upcoming SENIORS360 event with our invited speaker, Ms. Ler Yi Bin (Dietician). She will be giving tips on why & how to snack healthily. Do invite your non-Christian friends along!

To sign up: <https://bit.ly/3MrXmQ9>

Spiritual Formation Discovery Workshop (1st run: 8th, 13th-15th June, 3 weekday mornings & evenings, Zoom)

Hi all, it is always good to be anchored strong in Jesus as harvest workers wherever we are. And here is a good opportunity to TREAT yourself to some well-deserved YOU time to grow deep in your walk with God. What you can look forward to at this Spiritual Formation Discovery Workshop: "Discover the love of God in your spiritual journey through a 3 day series of... STORIES, INSTRUCTIONS and SPIRITUAL EXERCISES that will help you DISCOVER, EXPERIENCE & PARTICIPATE in your spiritual growth."

For dates, times, registration, payment details, see this event page on Imago Christi's website:

<https://www.imagochristi.org/events/2022/06/08/singapore-discovery>

For info on the content of the workshop, click on this link:

<https://www.imagochristi.org/discovery>