

One generation shall
commend your works
to another, and
shall declare your
mighty acts.

PSALM 145:4

#GetReal



English Services & Livestream

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Order of Service

Call to Worship

Gloria Patri

Worship in Songs

Scripture Reading: Luke 18:15-17 NET

Message: No Generation Unimportant

Response Hymn: By Our Love

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 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

Speaker: Rev Dr Tan Soo Inn

(Director of Graceworks, a ministry committed to promoting spiritual friendship in church and society)

8.30am

Service Coordinator: Sharon Quek

Worship Leader: Dn Tay Beng Hwee

Vocalist & Musicians: Morning Team 2

10.30am

Service Coordinator: Joel Khoo

Worship Leader: Dn Tiew Chew Meng

Vocalist & Musicians: Morning Team 2

3.00pm

Service Coordinator: Joel Khoo

Worship Leader: Eld Roland Low

Vocalist & Musicians: Afternoon Team 2

5.00pm

Service Coordinator: Danny Chua

Worship Leader: Dn Herman Low

Vocalist & Musicians: Afternoon Team 2

Pastors and Ministry Staff

Rev Dr Alby Yip, <i>Senior Pastor</i>	9844 9536
Rev Dr Dev Menon, <i>Pastor</i>	9829 6051
Rev Zheng Haoren, <i>Pastor</i>	6353 8081
Rev Ebinezar Mohan, <i>Pastor (Tamil)</i>	8198 9696
Rev Kew See Seong, <i>Pastor (Mand)</i>	9489 4967
Rev Lim Jit Thye, <i>Pastor (Cant-Mand)</i>	9182 6957
Rev Daniel Nge, <i>Pastor (Mand-Eng)</i>	8428 0525
Rev Vernon Quek, <i>Pastor</i>	9796 0196
Mrs Emily Quek, <i>Special Projects</i>	9001 2926
Mrs June Tan, <i>Children's Ministry</i>	8388 1883
Mrs Ruth Quek, <i>Children/Y. Adults</i>	8833 0196
Mrs Sharon Quek, <i>Overseas Ministries</i>	9788 0195
Mr Danny Chua, <i>AG/Safeguarding</i>	9239 4160
Mr Paul Yeo, <i>Hokkien Ministry</i>	9751 1897
Mr Quek Tze-Ming, <i>Assoc Min Staff</i>	9060 8340
Mr Ng Zhi-Wen, <i>Community Ministries</i>	9092 6095
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Rev Dr Quek Swee Hwa, <i>Pastor Emeritus</i>	

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No Generation Unimportant

Luke 18:15-17

12 June 2022

Rev Dr Tan Soo Inn

1. We live in a unique point in history where many generations are living together at the same time.

Silent (Born 1928 – 45)

Baby boomer (Born 1946 – 64)

Generation X (Born 1965 – 1980)

Millennials (Born 1981 – 1996)

Generation Z (Born 1997 – 2012)

2. The generations have cultural difference because they have been shaped by different formative experiences.
3. Christ is clear that we should value all generations and learn from them. (Luke 18: 15 - 17)
4. It begins with a prior commitment to Christ. (Ephesians 5:21)
5. It means all generations must take responsibility for intragenerational relationships. (Ephesians 6: 1-4)
6. Our primary call is to love those from other generations
7. Next we need to learn from each other so that we can be more effective in following Jesus.
8. The church needs to take the intergenerational challenge seriously.

Prayer Points

Our Church

#GetReal: Intergenerational Church -

Pray that our God will teach us what true Christian and intergenerational unity means through our 4 #GetReal sermons this month. May we be an intergenerational church that passes on the Gospel to many generations after us, and also one that partners in full harmony and with one mind for the sake of the lost

Seniors360 - We thank God for the good response for the weekday activities in the past few months.

Pray for guidance and wisdom in the ministry's vision of setting up a place for seniors both in the church and the Bishan community to participate in active ageing activities, so that all seniors can reach out and also be reached with the gospel love of Christ. Pray also that more will come forward to serve as befrienders and volunteers in this ministry.

Our People

Sharon Quek - She has officially assumed the role of Director for Overseas Ministries with effect from 1 June 2022. Pray for God's favour and wisdom to guide her in leading the FMC and various Country Consultation Teams into the next era of global ministries. And for the Lord to go before her and her teams to open doors of opportunities into unreached nations.

Our World

Lebanon - Lebanon held its general elections on 15 May 2022, which saw other parties rise in influence. However, as BBC reports on 17 May, "the lack of an outright winner and Lebanon's rigid power-sharing political structure means that the chance of significant change is still low." Pray for the poor in Lebanon, both from refugee and local Lebanese families as they suffer from lack of proper supply of water, food, and electricity due to the multi-faceted crisis of poor governance, economic collapse, the pandemic, and the devastation from the Beirut blast in August 2021. Due to insufficient electricity from government and private sources, our partner in Beirut reports that they will soon be without power 24 hours a day. Pray for God to provide enough funds to be able to install solar panels to run their centre, which provides many services and accommodation for the needy in their community.

Nepal - A partner is in the final stages of fund raising to build a shelter house for youths from an unreached people group. Pray that it will not only provide shelter but will also allow its residents time to interact with our partner and see Jesus through their lives. Pray also for the planned 3 months training for workers in Jan 2023, that it would be a fruitful time of equipping themselves for ministry. May God also provide the land for a planned orphanage for another partner in the northeast part of the country.

Last Week

Sunday Service	Attendance	Offering (\$)
English Service Livestreams [#]	172	
English Service 8.30am*	114	
English Service 10.30am*	314	200.00
English Service 3pm*	199	
English Service 5pm*	119	
Chinese Service Livestream [#]	28	
Chinese Service 8.30am*	92	3,197.80
Cant/Mand Service Livestream [#]	3	
Cant/Mand Service 10.45am*	48	476.00
ME Service & Zoom	65	
Hokkien Service*	60	
Tamil Service*	13	633.00
DHF	17	
TOTAL	1244	\$4,506.80

*All in-person attendance includes serving personnel

[#]Livestreaming peak concurrent viewers

Electronic Transfer \$68,975.03

WEEKLY TOTAL \$73,481.83

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

Land Lease Renewal Fund

Gift No: 1825 400.00

Electronic Transfer \$9,744.60

Weekly Total \$10,144.60

Total Gift Received To-Date \$9,060,857.26

Church Family News

1. Pastor Alby is preaching at Emmanuel BP Church this morning.

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, 17 Jun

8.00pm: Prayer Meeting

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

Saturday, 18 Jun

4.00pm: Youth Fellowship

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

Sunday, 19 Jun

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 Chan Kin Yip & Eld Reginald Tan

June #GetReal Sermon Series

19 Jun - Generations. Discipleship

– Danny & Ps Dev

26 Jun - Generations. Community

– Joel & Eld David

Follow the Leader

– Eld Kin Yip & Eld Reginald

3 Jul - Follow the Leader

– Eld Kin Yip & Eld Reginald

Generations. Community

– Joel & Eld David

Your Response

12 June 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!

Pruning

¹"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. ²Every branch in me that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit." John 15:1-2

I find gardening therapeutic. With consistent attention and effort, the result is the sight of healthy plants fronting the common corridor outside our home. Just gazing at them brings a serene delight. Good plant health conveys abounding life and beauty, seen particularly in propagations and flowers.

Several factors contribute to good plant health. Apart from good soil, water, fertilizer, and sunlight, pruning is also essential to plant health. So, what is pruning? Here is a definition from the horticulture viewpoint, *"Pruning is the removal or reduction of parts of a plant, tree, or vine that are not requisite to growth or production, are no longer visually pleasing, or are injurious to the health or development of the plant."*

Jesus uses the analogy of pruning to teach us about discipleship. Jesus is the true vine while we are His branches. He is our source of life for He nourishes us. God the Father is the vinedresser. He prunes us to enable us to be fruitful in Jesus. So how does pruning specifically lead to more fruitfulness in Christ? Let me offer two observations.

First, **pruning enables new growth**. When branches overgrow, they become messy. Healthy growth is stunted. Parts of the plant which are enveloped by its own wild growth will likely decay or become diseased. Pruning away unhealthy branch segments allows for new buddings and growth. Is your life becoming too cluttered because of ill-discipline to the extent that you feel immobilised and unfruitful? Will you welcome the shears of the vinedresser to enable you to grow again?

Second, **pruning maintains steadfastness**. When the canopy of a tree overgrows or when a potted plant grows bulky, there is the danger of overloaded branches breaking off the tree or the tendency of the potted plant developing an unsightly sag. Pruning shears or saws are needed here to maintain the integrity of the tree branches and the beauty of the potted plant. Sin has a way of weighing heavily against one's fruitfulness in Christ. One may look well on the outside, but persistent sin will eventually wear out steadfastness. Painful pruning is necessary for recovery.

Are you currently experiencing some form of pruning? How are you feeling? Instead of pleading with God to remove His pruning shears, would you pray for God to reveal some life lessons to shape you into a more fruitful branch that will magnify Jesus?

Pruning by our loving Heavenly Father is **necessary in our discipleship journey**. It is key to growing in the Lord's image.

Announcements

Graceworks Generations Survey

We live at a unique point in history where at least five generations are living and working together. Each generation has been shaped by formative experiences and the way we view life and faith are different. This has resulted in misunderstandings and conflicts in families and even in the church. The Generations Project by Graceworks seeks to increase empathy between different generations through in-depth ethnography and generational trends research.

Together with Graceworks, Zion Bishan will be conducting a 15-20min online survey for our members, in order to gain awareness and understanding on how to better minister to the various age groups present in our church.

Details will be sent through the Bulletin & AG chat groups in the coming weeks.

Calling All Men To Join Us In This Men's Ministry Event.

Topic: Brother Epaphroditus - A Fellow Soldier

Date: Sat, 25th Jun 2022

Time: 8.00am - 9.30am

Venue: L4 Chapel (100% In-Person Event!)

Speaker: Ps Lek Yong Teck, Lead Pastor, Bukit Panjang Methodist Church

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

<https://tinyurl.com/eg25jun>



Upcoming Events on Refugees

1) Interserve's World Refugee Day Prayer Meeting

14 June (Tue), 8 - 9.30pm

Come and hear live updates from ZB's Lim family currently in Greece via Zoom.

Sign up by 12 June at

<https://tinyurl.com/isvprayerjun2022>

2) WEC's Refugee Awareness Day

18 June (Sat), 2-5pm at Bartley Christian Church

Learn more about refugees through interactive activities, multicultural worship, video interviews and prayer.

Sign up by 12 June at

<https://tinyurl.com/loverefugees22>

Missions Month 2022 – Everyone Missional Everywhere

As followers of Jesus, each one of us are on Mission! Look forward to a series of sermons beginning from 10th July, workshops and prayer meetings, that will help us to consider the harvest fields that God is calling us to, and the role each of us play as His witnesses wherever we go!

ExCEL Apprenticeship

Have you thought of going into full-time ministry? The ExCEL apprenticeship is a 1-2 year full-time programme that aims to provide training & experience for those considering full-time ministry.

Contact Ps Dev or Ps Vernon for more information.