THAT YOU MAY KNOW ...THE RICHES OF HIS GLORIOUS INHERITANCE IN THE SAINTS

EPHESIANS 1:18

English Services & Livestream

Order of Service

Call to Worship

Gloria Patri

Worship in Songs

Scripture Reading: Acts 19:8-20; 23-41 ESV

Message: Ephesus - Christ & His Church

Response Hymn: Glorious Christ

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. <u>http://www.zion</u>bishan.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 Danny Chua (3pm & 5pm)

8.30am

Service Coordinator: Dn Joseph Chan Worship Leader: Eld Sonny Tan Vocalist & Musicians: Morning Team 1

10.30am

Service Coordinator: Dn Tiew Chew Meng Worship Leader: Eld Foo Say Chiang Vocalist & Musicians: Morning Team 1

3.00pm

Service Coordinator: Vanessa Lee Worship Leader: Eld Michael Gan Vocalist & Musicians: Afternoon Team 1

5.00pm

Service Coordinator: Danny Chua Worship Leader: Elder Reginald Tan 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
Mrs Ruth Quek, Children/Y. Adults	8833 0196
Mrs Sharon Quek, Overseas Ministries	9788 0195
Mr Danny Chua, AG/Safeguarding	9239 4160
Mr Paul Yeo, Hokkien Ministry	9751 1897
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Ephesus: Christ & His Church

Acts 18:24-19:41

Introduction

The Church

The City

The Correspondence

Conclusion

Discussion Questions:

- 1. What do you remember from the passage and the sermon?
- 2. How did the church in Ephesus grow (Acts 18:24-19:10)? What does this suggest about how any local church or community like our AGs grow in maturity and knowledge of God?

Sermon Note 8.30am & 10.30am

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Ps Alby Yip

- 3. What happens when the name of Jesus is proclaimed in Ephesus (Acts 19:11-20 and 23-27)? How have you seen Christ work powerfully when His gospel is proclaimed?
- 4. How would you describe your own understanding of the Lord Jesus and of His church? How has this passage/sermon helped you grow in these areas?

Ephesus: Christ & His Church

Acts 18:24-19:41

Introduction: The Greatest Change Ever

Patient Teaching & Preaching of Jesus' Gospel...

- Powerfully equips Apollos (18:24-28)
- Touches millions hall of Tyrannus (19:1-10)
- Offers the whole counsel of God (20:17-27)

What if we seriously consider the patient teaching & preaching of Jesus' Gospel in Zion Bishan?

Patient Teaching & Preaching of Jesus' Gospel results in...

- The death of old ways (19:11-19)
- The word of the Lord increasing & prevailing (19:20)
- Turning many away from idols (19:23-26)
- Emptying spiritual powers of their glory (19:27)

Conclusion:

What kind of great change could the patient teaching and preaching of Jesus' Gospel bring today?

PS: What happens to this faithful loving church (Eph. 1:15) who is discouraged and losing heart? (Eph 3:13; 6:21-22)

Questions for Reflection:

- 1. What do you remember from the passage and the sermon?
- 2. How did the church in Ephesus grow (Acts 18:24-19:10)? What does this suggest about how any local church or community like our AGs grow in maturity and knowledge of God?
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Prayer Points

Our Church

Singapore - Amidst the various headlines that dominate our local news these days, may we as followers of Jesus resonate in prayer with the Apostle Paul this National Day, that (1 Tim 2:1-4)

- Supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high position; and that
- We the church may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way because this is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

Christianity Explored - Training for table hosts begin this Wednesday, 10 Aug. Pray for a fruitful time of learning as we consider our role in evangelism, what it involves, and how we can be helping others take steps closer to Christ. The 7-week course begins on 7 Sept.

Affinity Groups - Through Missions Month, we considered how one simple way to view the plentiful harvest is through the affinity groups or communities that are united through shared interest or factors and whom God has placed a burden for in your heart. In particular, thank God for those in ZB who have a heart for refugees and migrant workers in Singapore. Pray for the Father to show us what is on His heart for them, and the next steps we can take to reach them with His love.

Our People

Ordinations - The two ordaining councils chaired by Ps Alby Yip that were formed to examine and prepare Elder David Leong and Bro Ng Zhiwen met for the final interview on 4 August. We thank God that both councils unanimously affirmed Elder David and Bro Zhiwen's call to be a Minister of the Gospel. The ordination dates will be announced later. Do keep both men and their families in prayer as they prepare for the ordained ministry.

Our World

Nepal – Pray for our partner in West Nepal who has a Children's Home in village D. The home has 6 special needs children and 13 children of varying ages. Two ZB members have been conducting virtual training on how to manage, educate and love the special needs children. The centre managers had to go to Kathmandu due to medical needs. Thank God that a new couple has come to help out temporarily for a few months. Pray that the training will help them manage and love these children, who have already faced trauma like abuse and abandonment by their own parents.

India – Pray for our partner who runs a day care centre in northeast India. May the Lord continue to bless the work of their hands in caring and sharing Christ's love for underprivileged children in the various centres they manage. Pray that God will give the workers grace, mercy and wisdom in managing the daily operations of the centres and in the lives of the children as well as their troubled families (e.g. alcoholism, gambling and health issues). From another partner, pray for healing for 2 girls who got injured when the ceiling fan fell on them in the night while they were sleeping. Thank God the injuries are not serious.

If you have something you need prayer for, please fill in the response form. You may also like to join an AG where we pray and encourage one another.

Last Week

East Freek		
Sunday Service	Attendance	Offering (\$)
English Service Livestreams [#]	156	
English Service 8.30am*	119	100.00
English Service 10.30am*	330	
English Service 3pm*	110	
English Service 5pm*	103	
Chinese Service Livestream [#]	29	
Chinese Service 8.30am*	91	850.00
Cant/Mand Service Livestream [#]	5	
Cant/Mand Service 10.45am*	51	854.00
ME Service & Zoom	55	100.00
Hokkien Service*	46	340.00
Tamil Service*	15	1,469.00
DHF	23	
TOTAL	1133	\$3,713.00
*All in-person attendance includes serving personnel		
*Livestreaming peak concurrent view	vers	
Electronic Transfer		\$54,421.19
WEEKLY TOTAL		\$58,134.19
Weekly offering to meet budget for 2022/23: \$75,045		
Land Lease Renewal Fund		
Electronic Transfer		\$4,628.40
Weekly Total		\$4,628.40

Church Family News

Total Gift Received To-Date

 Pastor Vernon is on leave from 29 July to 7 August.

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)

\$9,116,055.48

Looking Ahead

Friday, 12 Aug 8.00pm: Prayer Meeting (Register at <u>www.zionbishan.org.sg/fpm</u>)

Saturday, 13 Aug 4.00pm: Youth Fellowship (Register at <u>www.zionbishan.org.sg/yf</u>)

Sunday, 14 Aug

English Worship Services (Register at <u>www.zionbishan.org.sg/english-services</u>)

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

The Epistle to the Ephesians

- 14 Aug Ephesians 1:1-14 – Ps Dev & Ps Vernon
- 21 Aug Ephesians 1:15-23 – Zhiwen & Ps Dev
- 22 Aug Ephesians 2:1-10 – Zhiwen & Ps Dev

Your Response

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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.

O Church Arise

We are commencing a new sermon series on the Book of Ephesians that will lead to mid-November when we enter into the Advent Season. I am amazed by how God ordained the seasons and timings of all things. The preaching team did not exactly plan for the study of Ephesians to lead into the season of Advent as we were also exploring other books. As it is, the Book of Ephesians is about Christ and His Church.

How nice it is that we rediscover the glory of the Church so that we may proclaim the glory of Christ in the Advent Season. Perhaps a fitting anthem to this series would be that beautiful hymn, O Church Arise. The first stanza of the hymn is adapted from the great chapter on the full armour of God in Ephesians 6. It is a reminder that the foremost battle for the Christian and the Church is spiritual.

The most sinister battle the devil wages against the Church and Christians is through the sowing of lies. Lies that seek to divide Christians and Christians, Church and Church, and Christians and Church. The unifying call is to hear only the call of Christ our Captain. One Leader, One Voice, One Mission. The second stanza explains the mission. It is the call to love the captive soul and to rage against the captor, the devil.

Waging war against the captor is not some militant spiritual manoeuvres or rituals. It is to fight with the sword of the Spirit, the Word of God. It is to proclaim Christ in the hearts of man. Yes, there will be trials, but, the outcome is secure. I love the last sentence, "And Christ will have the prize for which He died; an inheritance of nations." Hearkening to the Lord's ultimate cry of triumph, "It is finished!"

Fittingly, the third stanza recounts the Gospel that fulfilled all these: the Cross, where love and mercy meet, where love overcame the sins of man; the death, the resurrection and the glorious day of Christ's return where every eye and heart shall see Him.

The final stanza assures that His Spirit is our present help. What remains is for the Christian and the Church to continue to run the race, to serve with faith, not to tell a new story, but to retell the old story of the triumph of His grace.

And together with the saints of old, we hunger for the day when with Christ we stand in glory. "Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen." (Ephesians 3:20-21)

Come, Zion Bishan, let's continue to be Christ's City on a Hill and His Light to the Nations!

Announcements

COORDINATING STAFF FOR MUSIC & AV

Job Scope: Manage and ensure the smooth running of our AV & music ministries

Job Requirements:

- Minimum Diploma or equivalent in AV, sound or broadcasting.

- Preferably 2 years of related working experience and technical expertise in this field.

- Working Days: Tuesday to Sunday (Full-Time)

Contact adam@zionbishan.org.sg for details

GRACESTORATION --GRACE FOR THE REST OF YOUR LIFE

Speaker: Mrs Persis Lim 8-9 Oct, Katong Village Hotel

Women of Zion Retreat 2022 Fee: \$240 (Includes twin sharing hotel stay & course materials.)

Programme:

Full Day Retreat Fellowship & Katong Heritage Walk

- A time of restoration and renewal as we seek the Lord's grace and spiritual encouragement from His Word.
- To be equipped to refresh and encourage others in our spheres of influence with the transforming messages of God's love and grace.
- To grow deeper in love with Jesus.

Ladies, hope to see of you there!

Sign up by 31 Aug at:

https://www.zionbishan.org.sg/WOZRetreat2022

EPHESIANS BOOKLETS

As we're starting our series in Ephesians soon, if you would like a hard-copy A5 booklet with the passages printed to write notes, pick them up at the registration table outside! \$1.20 per booklet, details for payment can be found at the table.

CATHECHISM CLASS: For baptism, reaffirmation, transfer of membership

Starting 27 Aug, Saturdays 1.30 – 3pm

Email <u>lydia@zionbishan.org.sg</u> for the registration form. Sign up by 15th Aug.

MEN'S MINISTRY

Calling all men to join us in this Men's Ministry event.

Topic: Money Matters: getting our wallets in

line with our faith Speaker: Pastor Dev Menon Date: Sat 27th Aug 2022 Time: 8.00am - 9.30am Venue: Zion Bishan Multipurpose Hall L1

Registration: https://tinyurl.com/eg27aug

SPIRITUAL FORMATION DISCOVERY WORKSHOP

Thurs nights, & Sat am and nights over 3 weekends.

Come and make time to discover afresh God's longing for you and your longing for Him.

For information & sign up: <u>https://novo.regfox.com/singapore-online-</u> <u>discovery-august-2022</u>

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP (YF) Every Saturday, 4.00-6.00pm, Chapel

Calling for all youths to join us on 13 Aug as we continue in our study in the book of Mark!

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!