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

EPHESIANS 1:18

English Services & Livestream

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Order of Service

Call to Worship

Gloria Patri

Worship in Songs

Scripture Reading: Ephesians 3:1-13 ESV

Message: Come Behold The Wondrous Mystery

Response Hymn: Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery

Corporate Life & Prayer

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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: Ps Alby Yip

8.30am

Service Coordinator: Dn Joseph Chan 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: Vanessa Lee Worship Leader: Eld Roland Low Vocalist & Musicians: Afternoon Team 2

5.00pm

Service Coordinator: Danny Chua Worship Leader: Eld Chan Kin Yip Vocalist & Musicians: Afternoon Team 2

Pastors and Ministry Staff

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

Rev Dr Alby Yip, Senior Pastor	alby
Rev Dr Dev Menon, Pastor	dev
Rev Zheng Haoren, Pastor	zhenghr
Rev Ebinezar Mohan, Pastor (Tamil)	ebi
Rev Kew See Seong, Pastor (Mand)	sskew
Rev Lim Jit Thye, Pastor (Cant-Mand)	jtlim
Rev Daniel Nge, Pastor (Mand-Eng)	daniel
Rev Vernon Quek, Pastor	vernon
Mrs Emily Quek, Special Projects	emily
Mrs June Tan, Children's Ministry	june
Mrs Sharon Quek, Overseas Ministries	sharon
Mr Danny Chua, AG/Safeguarding	danny
Mr Paul Yeo, Hokkien Ministry	paul
Mr Quek Tze-Ming, Assoc Min Staff	tzeming
Mr Ng Zhiwen, Community Ministries	zhiwen
Miss Jacqueline Lie, Youth Ministry	jacqueline
Miss Vanessa Lee, Women's Worker	vanessa
Mr Joel Khoo, YAs/Discipleship	joel
Rev Dr David Wong, Advisory Pastor	
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Come Behold The Wondrous Mystery

Sermon Note 11 September 2022 Ps Alby Yip

Ephesians 3:1-13

Introduction

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus

the mystery was made known to me

the promise in Christ Jesus through the Gospel

Of this Gospel I was made a minister

to bring to light for everyone what is the plan of the mystery

So I ask you not to lose heart over what I am suffering

Conclusion

Questions for Reflection and Discussion:

- 1. What do you remember about the passage/message?
- 2. What is the Gospel to you?
- 3. How convicted are you of the Gospel? How to know?
- 4. What does suffering for the Gospel mean for Singaporean Christians?

Prayer Points

Our Church

Tuition Ministry - Last week on Teachers' Day (1 Sep), we appreciated our tutors for their hard work and sacrificial love for the students. Pray for the students as they prepare for their final exams amid challenging circumstances at home, poor health, and special needs backgrounds. Pray too for the efforts of Dns Li Hwee and the team to be sustained by our Father, that the love of Christ may be clearly shown.

Tamil Service - Our Tamil Service will be having its 38th anniversary celebration on 18 September, remembering God's goodness and faithfulness throughout these years.

Our World

Indonesia - Thank God that our partner in Indonesia was able to visit another team in Batam to support them. This collaboration of the ongoing friendships established through the long-term team there and the short-term visitors led to much fruitful ministry. Thank God for those who turned to God and for those who wanted to know more. May the love of Christ continue to shine through the service and ministry of all in the body of Christ here.

India - One partner in the Hindi Belt regions is undergoing leadership changes, pray for a smooth transition and the continuous work of equipping the saints for the harvest field there. May God continue to raise up supporters and workers for the unfinished task. In the northeast, our bible college partner asked for prayers for the construction and completion of 3 churches and the teaching sessions amongst new believers in 4 villages. May seekers and believers see Jesus as He is revealed through the Word. One partner in the northern hills have been reaching out to children and youths via their ministries, pray for the children and youth camp planned for next month. May the light, the life and the hope of Christ be shared clearly and received openly.

Last Week

Sunday Service	Attendance	Offering (\$)
English Service Livestreams [#]	122	
English Service 8.30am*	134	2,706.70
English Service 10.30am*	344	
English Service 3pm*	125	
English Service 5pm*	106	
Chinese Service Livestream [#]	27	
Chinese Service 8.30am*	95	2,606.80
Cant/Mand Service Livestream [#]	5	
Cant/Mand Service 10.45am*	52	510.00
ME Service & Zoom	63	
Hokkien Service*	40	662.00
Tamil Service*	16	1,074.00
DHF	20	
TOTAL	1149	\$7,559.50
*All in-person attendance includes serving personnel		
*Livestreaming peak concurrent view	vers	
BSF Men		\$3,600.00
BSF Women		\$3,600.00
Electronic Transfer		\$83 <i>,</i> 459.75
WEEKLY TOTAL		\$98,219.25
Weekly offering to meet budget for 2022/23: \$75,045		

Land Lease Renewal Fund

Gift Nos: 1838	\$50.00
Electronic Transfer	\$11,092.61
Weekly Total	\$11,142.61
Total Gift Received To-Date	\$9,192,757.36

Church Family News

- Our church office will be closed next Tuesday, 13 Sep. The combined church staff will be away on a staff retreat, please pray for a safe and refreshing time for all.
- 2. Brother Tze-Ming is preaching at Bethesda Katong Church this morning
- 3. Brother Zhi-wen is on overseas leave from 1-11 Sep.
- Congratulations to Aaron & Alicia Yeh on the birth of their son, Asher Yeh Kai Jun, on
 Sept. Congratulations also to grandparents, Sunny & Annie Tiang.

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

Saturday, 17 Sep 4.00pm: Youth Fellowship (Register at <u>www.zionbishan.org.sg/yf</u>)

Sunday, 18 Sep

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

- **18 Sep** Ephesians 3:14-21 – Danny & Zhiwen
- **25 Sep** Chapter 1 3 Recap – *Tze-Ming & Ps Vernon*
- **09 Oct** Ephesians 4:1-16 – Zhiwen & Ps Dev
- 16 Oct Ephesians 4:17-32 – Ps Vernon & Ps Dev

Your Response

11 September 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

The Church in a VUCA World

The date today is September 11. Exactly 21 years ago on September 11, 2001. 19 militants hijacked four aeroplanes and turned them into guided missiles. Two were crashed into the Twin Towers of New York, one into the Pentagon, and one missed its target because the passengers on that plane managed to hold the militants on board at bay. But still, it crashed into a field and all aboard were killed.

All in all, 2977 innocent people died along with the 19 militants. I was in a church board meeting when it happened. All our phones rang informing us to watch the news. We were unable to continue with our meeting. Our hearts were utterly distraught over the senseless loss of lives, all of whom were innocent people going about a day's work. We spent the rest of the time praying for the victims and the injured.

The victim tally did not stop. In the years following, another 10 thousand people died from cancer that was caused by the fire and fumes from the explosion of the aeroplanes' fuel. Why would anyone commit such heinous crimes? But the reality is, there were many more injustices that did not gain worldwide attention. A World Justice Project report from 2019 estimated that 5 billion people have unmet justice needs.

Perhaps this was why the term VUCA world was coined. It stands for Volatile, Uncertain, Complex and Ambiguous. This is the world we live in. But it is also in this VUCA world of chaos that God intends through the Church that the manifold wisdom of God might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. (Ephesians 3:10). The manifold wisdom of the "foolish Gospel" as opposed to the wisdom of the world.

So how do Zion Bishan as a church make known this manifold wisdom of God? We must strive to be a place where peace is proclaimed and peace is upheld. We must endeavour to be a place where those seeking solace are able to find refuge. We must labour to be found in the world but the world is not found in us. We must toil to showcase the Gospel to the world. We need to know that we not are called to fight a militant war. We are called to live a jubilant life.

Announcements

ZION BISHAN 28TH ANNIVERSARY SERVICE

We thank God that we are finally able to celebrate our church anniversary this year. As with previous years, it will be a combined multi-ethnic service where the entire Zion Bishan church family gathers. We will also be having dinner together after the service.

This will be on **29 October 2022 (Sat)**, **4-6pm for the service and thereafter dinner.**

PHASING OUT OF LIVE-STREAMING

Scripture tells us the goal and shape of church is realised primarily through the physical, corporate gathering of the saints. We really hope to identify, engage and pastorally care for the numerous viewers who are still participating in our Sunday services via livestream. Thus, we are encouraging as many worshippers as possible to join us in-person, and we aim to *phase out the live-streaming of our 10.30am and 3.00pm services gradually starting 2 October*.

If you or your family have special circumstances where you may still need to participate virtually, please contact one of the pastors or ministry staff so we can see how best to support you.

CALLING FOR REGISTRATION! MEN'S RETREAT 2022

By Zion Bishan Men's Ministry

The Light, Love and Life of God's Men

Pastor Hon Chin Foang, Lead Pastor, Good News Baptist Church

Dates: 23–25 Oct 2022 (Sun-Tues) Venue: Le Grandeur Palm Resort Johor

Cost: S\$280/pax (Twin-sharing, T-shirt) https://tinyurl.com/mmretreat2022

A SENIORS360 EVENT: GEYLANG SERAI HERITAGE TRAIL

8 Oct (Sat), 10am-2.30pm

- Discovering Malay, Eurasian & Peranakan culture and explore its rich history
- •Visit to Heritage Centres
- Lunch at Joo Chiat restaurant

Fee: \$10/pax (including lunch)

Participants to be fully vaccinated. Bring along NRIC for entrance into Heritage Centres.

Meeting point: 9.45am at church. Coach will leave by 10am.

Invite a friend along! Limited space! Register by 26 Sep.

To sign up: https://bit.ly/3dQ3nZO