

# TO HIM BE GLORY IN THE CHURCH AND IN CHRIST JESUS

EPHESIANS 3:21

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#### **English Services & Livestream**

# Order of Service

Call to Worship

Gloria Patri

Worship in Songs

Scripture Reading: Ephesians 4:1-16 ESV

Message: Walk

Response Hymn: Build This House

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

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 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: Mr Ng Zhi-Wen (8.30am & 10.30am), Ps Dev Menon (3pm & 5pm)

#### 8.30am

Service Coordinator: Dn Justin Low Worship Leader: Dn Tay Beng Hwee Vocalist & Musicians: Morning Team 2

#### 10.30am

Service Coordinator: Joel Khoo Worship Leader: Eld Chuah Chin Yew Vocalist & Musicians: Morning Team 2

Service Coordinator: Joel Khoo Worship Leader: Eld Roland Low Vocalist & Musicians: Afternoon Team 2

#### 5.00pm

Service Coordinator: Danny Chua Worship Leader: Dn Nicklaus Yu

Vocalist & Musicians: Afternoon Team 2

#### **Pastors and Ministry Staff**

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#### Sermon Note

#### Walk

Ephesians 4:1-16

9 October 2022 Mr Ng Zhi-wen / Ps Dev Menon

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#### **Questions for Reflections and Discussion:**

- 1. What do you recall from the sermon? What were the main insights that you got?
- 2. Re-read Ephesians 4:1-16. Try to imagine the visuals that Paul had in his mind as he wrote this. What do you "see"? What images does Paul use to describe Christ and the Church?
- 3. In the light of this passage, how are we to live (i.e. walk)? Take time to pray on this.

## **Prayer Points**

## **Our Church**

New Registration System - We thank God for the team who worked tirelessly in creating an app for registration. The app will replace the system of scanning our ICs on Holy Communion Sundays, as required by our Constitution, particularly for ECM/ACM purposes. It also provides the means through which the pastoral team can better serve the flock, esp those who are absent. Pray for patience as we adjust to this new system, and especially for the registration teams who render their service so faithfully each week. Let us put into practice the exhortation of God's word in Eph 4:32: "Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you."

Children's Day – We are thankful for each child who attends the Sunday Children's Discipleship program. As we celebrate Children's Day, please pray for our children to grow to love and fear the Lord Jesus as they learn more of Him each week through God's word. Pray for our children to be always aware and thankful for all the blessings that God has given them, that they may grow an attitude of gratitude in these foundational years of their lives.

Christianity Explored (CE) – We thank God for the 6 seekers who have joined us for the past 5 weeks, for their friendships forged and for the opportunity to journey with them and lead them closer to Jesus. Pray for their accompanying friends and table hosts as they continue journeying with them and help them come to know Jesus as Lord and Saviour.

#### **Our World**

Nepal – Our ZB church team in Nepal has successfully reached and ministered at village D in a remote district of E Nepal. Thank God for their good and safe trek to the village and now down again to the plains. Pray for continued protection on their health and safety and good conversations with friends and partners here. A second ZB church team leaves on 11 Oct to conduct a few days of special needs education training for our ministry partner in E Nepal. Pray that there will be good and clear communication for the training sessions and safety in their travels.

India – Please continue to pray for brother B who went Home to the Lord recently. A memorial thanksgiving service was held for him last Monday and we thank God that his 5-year-old daughter is currently being cared for by a relative. There is still much uncertainty for her future, let's pray for her and the rest of the church community as they press on with the ministry brother B has built up over the years.

#### Last Week

Sunday Service	Attendance	Offering (\$)
English Service Livestream#	80	
English Service 8.30am	137	2,605.00
English Service 10.30am	385	
English Service 3pm	137	
English Service 5pm	115	
Chinese Service Livestream#	47	
Chinese Service 8.30am	91	1,195.00
Cant/Mand Service Livestream#	18	
Cant/Mand Service 10.45am	54	1,271.00
ME Service & Zoom	65	
Hokkien Service*	61	262.00
Tamil Service*	11	804.00
DHF	19	
TOTAL	1220	\$6,137.00

<sup>\*</sup>Livestreaming peak concurrent viewers

Please note that the bank has imposed a charge of <u>\$\$0.75</u> for every <u>cheque deposit</u>. You are encouraged to use electronic transfer for offering to the church.

Electronic Transfer				\$68,326.04
WEEKLY TOTAL				\$74,463.04
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Weekly offering to meet budget for 2022/23: \$75,045

#### **Land Lease Renewal Fund**

Total Gift Received To-Date	\$9,239,872.50
Weekly Total	\$6,335.03
Electronic Transfer	\$6,285.03
Gift No: 1840	\$50.00

# **Church Family News**

- 1. Ps Dev is preaching at Grace BP Church this morning.
- 2. Pastor Alby is preaching at Emmanuel BP Church this morning.
- Congratulations to Jason & Gayle on the birth of their 3rd child, Charis Leong, on 5th Oct 2022!

# 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, 14 Oct

8.00pm: Prayer Meeting

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

Saturday, 15 Oct

4.00pm: Youth Fellowship

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

Sunday, 16 Oct

**English Worship Services** 

8.30am

Shepherding Team: 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

16 Oct - Ephesians 4:17-32

– Ps Vernon & Ps Dev

**23 Oct** – Ephesians 5:1-21

– Ps Alby

**30 Oct** – Ephesians 5:22-6:9

- Zhiwen & Joel

#### Your Response

9 October 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.

# **Everyone Mature in Christ (#GetReal)**

Last Sunday was Congregational Shepherding Team (CST) Sunday. I had the opportunity to speak on our Next Lap vision. What's the vision? To see everyone in Zion Bishan mature in Christ. How do we get there? We #GetDeep, #GetReal and #GetLost. It seemed needful for me to focus on #GetReal.

#GetReal first means getting serious with pursuing a personal vibrant relationship with God. As a kid, I used to 'rate' my walk with God (on a scale of 1 to 10), using graph paper to track each day. I had no idea what I was doing then; my ratings were based mostly on my feelings for the day - a hardly valid criteria.

What I needed was to be authentic in my relationship with God, ready to respond to His promptings and work on whatever was not right in His eyes. I also had to open myself to know more about Him. I came to relate to God in a wider variety of ways (as Lord, Saviour, Father, Bridegroom, etc.), and to know more about His love for me. This was real life-giving stuff.

It also led me to take His commands more seriously. Because if I love Him, then I must keep His commandments. And the greatest of them was to love God and to love my neighbour (Matthew 22:37-40). Or perhaps more precisely, to love God **by** loving my neighbour. That gets one thinking about #GetReal with one another.

I've grown more convinced that we need one another to mature in Christ. The apostle Peter urged us to love each other earnestly because *love covers a multitude of sins* (1 Peter 4:8). He was not saying that we ought to cover up our sin! Nor even to pretend nothing happened and politely overlook the offence.

To cover sin up is to do the necessary to restore a relationship broken by sin. James 5:20 speaks of bringing sinners back from their wandering away from God (the truth) as covering a multitude of sins. Psalm 32:1 and 85:2 speak of sins getting covered through forgiveness.

Putting all these scriptures together, what we get is love expressed in seeing fellow believers restored to relational wholeness with God. In other words, it's wanting to #GetReal with fellow believers so that they in turn may #GetReal with God. It may mean confessing our sins to one another, confronting one another about sin, and speaking God's good news to one another. Whatever it is, it's the way to maturity.

We need God's grace to do this. And lots of practice. Perhaps we can think of Corporate Prayer time as practice time. This is where we get to #GetReal with one another, in the presence of God in prayer. We've given more time for this in our services, compared to before the pandemic. And for my part, I hope to practice over the pulpit. Long may it last.

## Announcements

# ZION BISHAN 28<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY SERVICE

We thank God that we are finally able to celebrate our church anniversary this year. This will be a combined multi-ethnic service with the entire Zion Bishan church family on **29 October 2022 (Sat)**, **4-6pm**.

We will also be **having dinner together after** the service, at **\$5 per person**.

Sign up for the dinner by <u>9 Oct</u> at <u>bit.ly/ZB28dinner</u>.

Due to overwhelming response, we have reached full capacity and any further registration will now be placed on waitlist.

#### ADULT DISCIPLESHIP CLASS: UNDERSTANDING THE DIFFERENT GENERATIONS IN CHURCH

Guest Speaker: Ho Wei Hao (Graceworks)

Saturday, Oct 22 9.30 am to 12.30 pm Chapel (Level 4)

Differences between generations can result in misunderstanding and conflict in families, organisations, and churches. The Generations Project seeks to increase the empathy that the different generations have for one another through in-depth ethnography and generational trends research. This workshop will present a snapshot of the insights distilled from over 131 in-depth interviews and more than 1400 survey respondents (as of July 2022).

Register: www.zionbishan.org.sg/adc

# LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEER: MUSIC MINISTRY RECRUITMENT

Have the desire to serve the church as a vocalist or instrumentalist? Join the Music Ministry as we partner with each other to grow our gifts and skills for God, and to encourage the congregation to participate in worship.

For more information, please contact **Jessica @ 92967174**. Please take note that adult Music Ministry members must be communicant members of the church. Training available for youth.

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

#### YOUTH FELLOWSHIP ANNIVERSARY

YF will be giving thanks for our many years of fellowship & growing in the Body of Christ, with an anniversary programme on **22 October**. As part of our time of celebration & thanksgiving, we are looking to compile photos & stories of your special memories of YF.

Share your memories with us at tinyurl.com/shareyouryfmemories (for photos) or tinyurl.com/shareyouryfstory (for personal story sharing)