Every Member Mature in Christ

For This We Toil & Struggle







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ENGLISH SERVICES

Order of Service

Call to Worship

Gloria Patri

Worship in Songs

(8:30am & 10:30am)

Scripture Reading: John 13:34-35 ESV

Message: Gospel Culture

Response Hymn: Come Ye Sinners Poor and Needy

(4:30pm)

Scripture Reading: Matthew 5:1-16; 7:28-29; 28:16-20 ESV

Message: The Mission of the Church #GetSent

Response Hymn: Jesus is Lord

Corporate Life & Prayer

Offering

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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: 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/4.30pm English service

10.30am Mandarin-English service

10.45am Cantonese-Mandarin service

Join us on Livestream

www.zionbishan.org.sg/chineselivestream

8.30am Mandarin service

10.45am Cantonese-Mandarin service

10.30am Mandarin-English service Zoom Livestream (ID: 83150901877)

Domestic Helpers Fellowship (DHF)

Bible Study Groups (To join via Zoom,

please register at www.zionbishan.org.sq/dhf)

8.45am DHF 1A (in English, for all nationalities) in person in Room 103

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 DHF 1B (in English, for all nationalities) via zoom

Children/Youth Discipleship Classes

Register interest: www.zionbishan.org.sg/cd-yd

Join us on Telegram / WhatsApp (94225703)

Keep up to date with our latest bulletin and church announcements:

www.zionbishan.org.sg/broadcasts

Serving You Today

Speakers:

Ps Dev Menon (8:30am & 10:30am) Ps Vernon Quek (4:30pm)

8.30am

Service Coordinator: Sharon Quek Worship Leader: Dn Joseph Chan Vocalist & Musicians: Morning Team 3

10.30am

Service Coordinator: Joel Khoo Worship Leader: Eld Chuah Chin Yew Vocalist & Musicians: Morning Team 3

4.30pm

Service Coordinator: Vanessa Lee Worship Leader: Eld Roland Low

Vocalist & Musicians: Afternoon Team 3

Pastors and Ministry Staff

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Sermon Notes

8:30am & 10:30am 15 January 2023 Ps Dev Menon

Gospel Culture

John 13:34-35

God'		

Loving the Sinner

Experiencing God's Love

Questions for Reflection & Discussion:

- 1. What did you remember about the passage or the sermon?
- 2. How would you describe God's kind of love?
- 3. What does it mean to love the sinner?
- 4. How can we better experience God's love?

Sermon Notes

4:30pm

The Mission of the Church #GetSent

15 January 2023 Ps Vernon Quek

Matthew 5:1-16; 7:28-29; 28:16-20

Intro: Every Member Mature

- 1. Commissioned for Mission #GotSent (28:18-20)
 - The Mission (v19-20)

'Go therefore and make disciples of all nations...'

Baptising

Teaching

• The Basis of the Mission (v18)

Jesus has all authority: He is Lord!

- 2. Jesus: King of the coming Kingdom of Heaven (7:28-29)
 - Those who long for His Kingdom and authority... (5:3-12)
 - ...will live out His authority in their lives (5:13-16)
- 3. Our Church Family on Mission
 - A Family that loves Jesus as Lord of our lives.

Questions for Reflection & Discussion:

- 1. How is the Mission going in your life? In what ways are you 'on' or 'off' Mission?
- 2. Why is Jesus' authority a good thing? What is so great about having Him as Lord of your life?
- 3. What are some ways that we together as a church family can mature in being on Mission? What are some short term and long term ways we can grow in this?

Prayer Points

Our Church

CNY – Thank God for this yearly opportunity - for those of us who are ethnically Chinese - to visit our family and friends. May we use this time to share Christ with them. Let us also remember those who are unable to visit or have deeply broken relationships. Why not invite a friend or relative to dinnerchurch to be hosted by the family of God? (Dinnerchurch will be running as per normal on 22nd Jan)

Dinnerchurch – We thank God that dinnerchurch continues every Sunday evening after the 430pm service. It has been a wonderful space to #getreal with one another as well as to get to know newcomers and friends. Everyone always welcome.

X3A – The support group for sexual addiction continues in 2023. Brothers come on a weekly basis to confess their sins and bring their struggles into the light. Pray that more men will be willing to surrender this area of their lives to Jesus. Contact Ps Dev for more details.

Our World

India – In the Hindi Belt, one partner is opening new tuition centres, pray that this will help students catch up with their studies and the partner can be a good witness to their neighbours. In the northeast, another partner is dedicating 5 new bore wells this week, pray that the water source will be an opportunity for the local community to know the love of Jesus. The same partner is conducting a youth festival for 200 youths, pray for a good programme and journey mercies for participants. In Bihar, one partner's church youths are taking class 12 practical exams from 10-20 Jan 2023, pray that they will be granted wisdom to do well.

Indonesia – Praise God for the ministry to the deaf and mute community in Sulawesi. Last year, they were able to hold sign language learning classes and vocational skill training for this community. This year, those reaching out to the deaf and mute community went with a group of them to watch a movie about a disabled person who wants to have better education and life. Thank God this was a good way to build relationships with this community. May the friendships help bring the light and love of Christ to them. Our partner is also praying to launch a special church service catered to the deaf and mute on this island. May all these efforts help to connect this community to their Heavenly Father.

Last Week

Sunday Service	Attendance	Offering (\$)	
English Service 8:30am	165	497.00	
English Service 10:30am	483		
English Service 4:30pm	248		
Chinese Service Livestream#	25		
Chinese Service 8:30am	89	1,101.00	
Cant/Mand Service Livestream#	4		
Cant/Mand Service 10:45am	47	570.00	
ME Service & Zoom	67		
Hokkien Service	40	712.00	
Tamil Service	17	602.00	
DHF	18		
TOTAL	1203	\$3,482.00	
*Livestreaming peak concurrent viewe	ers		
Electronic Transfer		\$81,096.62	
Watchnight Service		\$30,236.00	
WEEKLY TOTAL		\$114,814.62	
Weekly offering to meet budget for 2022/23: \$75,045			

Land Lease Renewal Fund

Electronic Transfer	\$24,970.60
Weekly Total	\$24,970.60
Total Gift Received To-Date	\$9,423,450.47

Church Family News

- 1. Ps Alby is preaching at Hokkien Service this morning.
- 2. Church Office will be closed from 1pm on 20 Jan.
- Our deepest condolences to the family of Elder Kenneth Foong, aged 86, who went Home to be with the Lord on 11 Jan 2023. He was the husband of Maggie Foong, father of Kevin, Collin & Wendy, father-in-law of Francis Tan, grandfather of Zachary, Ashley & Chloe. Please uphold the bereaved family in prayer.
- 4. Our deepest condolences to the family of the late Mrs Lee Oh Yang Choo, who went Home to be with the Lord on 11 Jan 2023. She was mother to Gary Lee (ZB) & Kwok Siew Lian (ZS), mother-inlaw of Elizabeth Lee and Edmund Kwok and grandmother to Rachel, Annabel, Edric and Elsa. Please uphold the bereaved family in prayer.

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, 20 Jan

8:00pm: Prayer Meeting

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

Saturday, 21 Jan

4:00pm: Youth Fellowship

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

Sunday, 22 Jan

New worship service timings for 2023

-8:30am, 10:30am & 4:30pm

The Next Lap:

22 Jan - (8:30am & 10:30am)

The Mission of the Church

#GetSent - Ps Vernon

(4:30pm)

Personal Discipleship – Ps Zhiwen

29 Jan - (All 3 Services)

Growing & Going for God's Kingdom – Ps Alby

Your Response

15 January 2023

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.sq/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.

A Time To Grieve

The last 5pm service was a good Sunday: babies baptised, new members joining; yet my heart is somewhat heavy...

I remember the inconvenience of cooking dinner before church so we could eat after; and being so encouraged by younger families who changed their nap times, nursing times, in-law visiting times, just to fit the new service timing. I was reminded of Elisabeth Elliot's quote "love is the willingness to be inconvenienced for others", I saw this in my sisters and brothers, and I learnt this.

Then came all the rules for social distancing, and ministry was brought back into our homes. It was the easiest way to talk to 5pm friends, and it was really great for me because now I had the opportunity to really know the faces Dev ministers to, and our kids have totally loved entertaining our little friends. The families who visited us have blessed us with encouragement or stories just at the right time when we needed that word.

The 5pm service: it's small but homely, not perfectly organised but works, a home where broken people can come broken. Prayer time still gets me anxious, "oh oh, who to pray with now?" But I've grown to love it, learning to ask 'how are you' and be listened to... and it feels like all hands on deck, everyone is doing something, even my kids started serving with PA and ushering.

Dinnerchurch. I think the best part of 5pm. The chance to just sit down and share life. Some conversations have brought me to tears: a sister struggling with childhood trauma, a mother struggling with a special needs child, a young brother realising he didn't need to earn God's love, sometimes thinking/dreading I wouldn't have much to talk to an older person turns out to be the craziest testimony of how God brought salvation to their parents. The children just running and playing freely - this must be a tiny glimpse of what heaven will be!

So I ask myself this question? All the effort into the 5pm congregation - was it worth it? Nothing offered to God is ever wasted. I have learnt to talk to people, to serve, to be a little more humble, a little more like Christ, and that is plenty.

Announcements

CATECHISM CLASS

For baptism, reaffirmation and transfer of membership

Starting 18 Feb, for 13 Saturdays, 1.30-3pm

Email <u>lydia@zionbishan.org.sg</u> for the registration form.

Table Hosts Needed:

Come alongside new members and friends, helping them to begin well in their journey of following Jesus and in the Zion Bishan family.

Sign up with Timothy Ong (92715785) by 29 Jan.

ENGLISH SENIORS RETREAT

[English Language Only]

"Spur One Another On Towards Love and Good Deeds" (Heb 10:24,25)

Seniors can still live out God's calling! Enjoy an extended time of bonding and fellowship!

Date: 16 to 18 Feb 2023

Venue : Malacca

Speaker : Ps Eric Kwan

Fee: \$270 per pax (twin sharing)

Sign up by 17 Jan 23: https://bit.ly/3E5FHub

BUDDHIST WORLD

Free 21-Day Prayer resource for the Buddhist World available. Sign up with Timothy Ong (9271 5785).

CNY GOODY BAG DISTRIBUTION TO BISHAN EAST RESIDENTS

In partnership with St Luke's ElderCare

Join us as we distribute goodie bags to residents of Blocks 135 to 138 & 152B (Golden Jasmine). Get to know the residents and share with them about 78's ministries

29 Jan 23 (Sunday), 1:15pm - 3:30pm

Meet at Block 152B (Golden Jasmine).

Sign up by <u>25 Jan 23</u>: https://bit.ly/3GE4vMj

ADULT DISCIPLESHIP CLASS GENDER & SEXUALITY: ENGAGING CHRISTIANLY WITH A POST-S377A SOCIETY

What does it mean to live in a post S377A society with respect to LGBT? How do different generations perceive this? Taking an inter-generational perspective, we will consider our engagement as the Church of Christ.

Speaker: Ps Zhiwen & Friends Date & Time: 12 Feb 2023 (Sun),

1:30 - 3:30pm

Location: Auditorium Level 4

(in-person only)

Registration Required at: zionbishan.org.sg/adc