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

Scripture Reading: Matthew 28:18-20; Acts 1:4-11 ESV

Message: Grow, Go & Glow

Response Hymn: Let Your Kingdom Come

Mission Focus; 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:

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 <u>www.zionbishan.org.sg/dhf</u>)

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

Speaker: Ps Alby Yip

8:30am

Service Coordinator: Sharon Quek Worship Leader: Eld Jeffrey Lim

10.:0am

Service Coordinator: Dn Tiew Chew Meng

Worship Leader: Dn Mervyn Phan

4:30pm

Service Coordinator: Vanessa Lee Worship Leader: Dn Herman Low

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 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-Ena) daniel vernon Rev Vernon Quek, Pastor Rev Ng Zhiwen. Pastor zhiwen Rev Paul Yeo, Pastor (Hokkien) paul 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 Quek Tze-Ming, Assoc Min Staff tzeming Miss Jacqueline Lie, Youth Ministry iacqueline Miss Vanessa Lee, Women's Worker vanessa Mr Joel Khoo, YAs/Discipleship ioel Mr Timothy Ong, Home Missions timothy Rev Dr David Wong, Advisory Pastor Rev Dr Quek Swee Hwa. Pastor Emeritus

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Sermon Notes

Grow, Go & Glow

Matthew 28:18-20; Acts 1:4-11

29 January 2023 Ps Alby Yip

Introduction		
Make Disciples		
Be Witnesses		
Conclusion		

Questions for Reflection & Discussion:

- 1. What do you remember about the passage/message?
- 2. Why is making disciples the core calling of Christians?
- 3. How can you be Christ's witness where you are; work/school/family/friends?

Prayer Points

Our Church

Disciples on Mission – As we have been challenged by the message and Mission Focus today to grow and go for God's Kingdom, pray that we will see where and how each one of us can be on Mission for Him. As we commit to growing and maturing in Christ this year, let us pray that His Spirit will help us to learn how God's heart is for the last, the lost and the least. Ask Him to show us where the weary, the broken and hurting ones are in our lives and around us in the world, that we will have boldness and confidence to hold out the eternal hope of the Gospel.

Tuition Ministry - Classes for students have resumed last week (26 Jan) and we thank God for each one of the 22 tutors and 20 students this year. Pray for God's love and grace to be clearly shown through the teachers as they help the students in their various subjects of studies in school. Pray too that new relationships and friendships forged through also having dinners together before tuition will be one step in bringing them closer to know God.

Our World

India - From 15-22 Jan 2023, one partner travelled 2674 km and visited 5 fields in South India. In each field, Ps J participated in worship services and encouraged the church planter working there. In each place, having a small piece of land where a church could be built is an important part of being able to gather to hear the word. Pray for the provision of resources for these gathering places to be constructed. Many of the congregation members are also daily waged workers and live in poverty. Pray for ways for each family to improve in their living situation and to stand firm in their faith.

Nepal – Thank God for the provision of solar lights for our partner in West Nepal. These were brought by the Singapore team last year. Our partners were able to use these lights in the centres that do not have regular electricity. They were particularly useful in the kitchen and study rooms of these centres. Praise God also for the online training that we have been able to have with various leaders. Pray that the training will give them practical handles as well as good biblical foundations for their own walk with the Lord and the ministries that they do.

Last Week

Sunday Service	Attendance	Offering (\$)
English Service 8:30am	227	131.00
English Service 10:30am	253	
English Service 4:30pm	138	
Chinese Service Livestream#	18	
Combined Chinese CNY Service	170	4,048.00
Tamil Service	16	319.00
TOTAL	822	\$4,498.00
*Livestreaming peak concurrent viewe	ers	
Electronic Transfer		\$58,374.62
WEEKLY TOTAL		\$62,872.62
Weekly offering to meet budget for 2022/23: \$75,045		

Land Lease Renewal Fund

Total Gift Received To-Date	\$9,438,227.78
Weekly Total	\$9,740.60
Electronic Transfer	\$8,740.60
Gift No. 1858	\$1,000.00

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, 3 Feb

8:00pm: Prayer Meeting

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

Saturday, 4 Feb

4:00pm: Youth Fellowship

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

Sunday, 5 Feb

New worship service timings for 2023

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

Zechariah Series:

5 Feb – Return to me, and I will return to you

> Ps Zhiwen (8:30am & 10:30am); Danny Chua (4:30pm)

12 Feb – Horses, Horns, Measuring Line, and God's Return

Quek Tze-Ming

(8:30am & 10:30am);

Ps Vernon (4:30pm)

19 Feb – Joshua the High Priest ... and a Branch

Quek Tze-Ming

(8:30am & 10:30am);

Ps Dev (4:30pm)

Your Response

29 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.

BPCIS UPDATE, 29 Jan 2023

NEW YEAR, NEW OPPORTUNITIES

Since the gradual lifting of COVID restrictions from mid-March last year, life has been returning to a new normal. According to a nationwide survey of churches in Singapore, an average of 72% of churchgoers have returned to onsite worship services. Smaller churches saw a higher percentage of returnees, so also churches with stronger small group ministries.

Evidently, churches that have focused on *relationships* together with *activities* now find themselves healthier than those which have focused only on activities. Also, churches are seeing movement of churchgoers, either receiving visitors or missing members. The dust has not settled yet. Perhaps as this year rolls out, we will have a better picture of how our churches are doing.

UPCOMING EVENTS 2023

For the 11 churches within BPCIS, we can look forward to a few exciting events. Pastor Simon Murphy of Redemption Hill Church will be our Good Friday Service speaker. Like last year, we will have One Theme, Different Locations, as the message will be video broadcast to services at our churches, all following a similar order of service.

Pastor Benny Ho, Senior Pastor of Faith Community Church in Perth, Australia, will be our Retreat speaker in 10-11 July, at Fraser Place, Puteri Harbour, JB. All pastors, elders, staff and lay leaders, young and old, are welcome.

As the year ends, Pastor Tan Eng Boo will be leading a Bible Lands Tour to Israel and Jordan, 26 Nov to 7 Dec. Places are filling up fast, so please contact email below for more information.

OTHER DEVELOPMENTS

Zion Bishan Kindergarten, overcoming many challenges, transitioned into a full-day KinderCare this year. Let us pray for church kindergartens in Singapore facing closure and considering similar conversion to childcare.

BPCIS continues to support the training of some 40 BP pastors and leaders in India, in collaboration with the BP Presbytery in India. Six of our BPCIS pastors, partnering with Ambassadors for Christ Singapore, are also training pastors in Indonesia and Nepal.

Finally, an "Honour Fund" was launched by BPCIS to show gratitude and honour to BP pastors and elders who have served faithfully for decades, and continue to do so in active retirement without regular or significant income. Five presbyters have been nominated, and each will receive a gift from BPCIS.

"Remember your leaders, those who spoke to you the word of God. Consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith." Hebrews 13:7 ESV

Pastor David Wong General Secretary, BPCIS GenSecBPCIS@gmail.com

Announcements

LOOKING FOR CE TABLE HOSTS!

Training Starts 15 Feb, 7:30pm, over 4 Wednesdays

The next run of Christianity Explored (CE) starts in March! Come on board to journey alongside people exploring Christianity and help them discover the Good News of Jesus in Mark's Gospel. All sessions will be in-person.

Register at https://bit.ly/zbcehosts

Contact <u>joel@zionbishan.org.sg</u> for more information

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. Sign up by <u>5 Feb.</u>

ZB YOUTH MINISTRY 2023

Calling for youths to be connected back to the Church family in the new year — If you're a Youth (13–18-year-old), join us for Youth Fellowship on Saturdays, and Youth Discipleship groups on Sundays. If your family would like to host youths for Saturday night dinners, let us know too! Contact Jacqueline (93227629) to find out more!

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.

EXTRAORDINARY CONGREGATIONAL MEETING 2023

26th Feb (Sun), 1pm, In-Person

Note to All Communication Members:

- E-mail <u>lydia@zionbishan.org.sg</u> by 5th Feb if you have changed your email address in order to receive the papers.
- Ensure you register yourself with the ushers at the Holy Communion next week (5th Feb) to be eligible for voting.

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ZION BISHAN CHURCH CAMP 2023

16-19 June @ Aston Batam Speaker: Pastor David Wong

Registration opens TODAY!

Sign up by 19 Feb for early bird to save \$30:

https://event.actxplorer.com/

(Password: ZBBP2023)

All enquiries to ZBCamp2023@gmail.com

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 intergenerational 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