# "Return to Me... and I will return to you, says the LORD of hosts"

Zechariah 1:3

## **ENGLISH SERVICES**

## **Order of Service**

Call to Worship

Gloria Patri

Worship in Songs

Scripture Reading: Zechariah 5:1-11 ESV

Message: Flying Scroll and Flying Basket

Response Hymn: Cleanse Me

Holy Communion

Missions 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: <u>www.zionbishan.org.sg/rf</u>

## **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.sg/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 Ng Zhiwen (8:30am & 10:30am) Ps Dev Menon (4:30pm)

### 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

### 4:30pm

Service Coordinator: Timothy Ong Worship Leader: Eld Roland Low 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 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 Rev Ng Zhiwen, Pastor 9092 6095 Rev Paul Yeo, Pastor (Hokkien) 9751 1897 Mrs Emily Quek, Special Projects 9001 2926 Mrs June Tan. Children's Ministry 8388 1883 Mrs Sharon Quek, Overseas Ministries 9788 0195 Mr Danny Chua, AG/Safeguarding 9239 4160 Mr Quek Tze-Ming, Assoc Min Staff 9060 8340 Miss Jacqueline Lie, Youth Ministry 9322 7629 Miss Vanessa Lee, Women's Worker 9880 4507 Mr Joel Khoo, YAs/Discipleship 9368 9221 Mr Timothy Ong. Home Missions 9271 5785 Rev Dr David Wong, Advisory Pastor Rev Dr Quek Swee Hwa, Pastor Emeritus

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# Sermon Notes

# **Flying Scroll and Flying Basket**

Zechariah 5:1-11

# 5 March 2023 Ps Ng Zhiwen / Ps Dev Menon

## Introduction

## Vision 1: The Flying Scroll (5:1-4)

This is the Curse

... that goes out

# Vision 2: The Basket and the Woman (5:5 - 10)

This is Wickedness

... that is going out

## Conclusion

## **Questions for Reflection & Discussion:**

- 1. What do you recall from the sermon?
- 2. Think about the wickedness mentioned in this passage. Where do you encounter or struggle with this wickedness in your life?
- 3. How much do you long for wickedness to be removed from God's people?
- 4. From this portion of Scripture, how are you challenged to trust and obey the LORD in your life?

# **Prayer Points**

# **Our Church**

**ECM** – Thank the Lord that many members came for the meeting and we had an edifying time of hearing how God provided sufficient resources for the previous financial year. Members also voted to approve the following year's budget. The meeting ended in prayer - as we are aware that it is God who sets the direction for our church and God who has to supply all our needs.

**Catechism Class** – We have started another round of catechism class, with a full house of almost 30 participants. Do pray for each of the catechumens that they will not only learn the key doctrines of the church, but be sufficiently equipped to continue their spiritual growth towards maturity in Christ.

**Emmanuel BP Church** – Praise the Lord that Pastor David Leong was elected as the Pastor of Emmanuel BP Church last Sunday, 26th Feb 2023. Pastor Alby will be stepping down as the Advisory Pastor, and Pastor Dev will be taking over that role for the coming year. We pray that we will continue to support our brothers and sisters as they grow in faith and serve the Lord at their venue in One Pemimpin.

**Mission Focus** – Thank God for the work of the Gospel in northern Thailand, in places like the Care Corner Orphanage in Chiang Mai and amongst the Shan people group in Fang. Pray for God's protection over both the physical health and spiritual lives of the gospel workers there. Pray also for the continued discipleship of the young children and Myanmar refugees, that there will be labourers and partners to come alongside the local teams there. Beginning from the places we are at currently, prayerfully ask for eyes to see what God sees, that we may have the boldness and faith to partner with Him in shining the Gospel and the light of Christ.

# Our World

**Nepal Trip** – Pray for Sharon as she visits our partner in Nepal this week. She will join another church member in Nepal to visit our partner together. May this visit to our East Nepal partner encourage them in the Lord and grow His Kingdom among the frontier people groups here. Pray for a safe journey there and a fruitful time of working together.

**Turkey-Syria Earthquake** – It has been almost a month since the 2 powerful earthquakes hit Turkey and Northern Syria on 6 Feb. The British Red Cross reports that the initial 2 quakes killed over 50,000 people and a further 70,000 were injured following it. Rescue efforts have now shifted from finding survivors in the rubble to providing essential support for survivors who have lost their homes, belongings, livelihoods and loved ones. Pray for God's comfort to come through His presence and believers in the midst of the communities affected. Pray for aid to be able to get to those who need it.

# Last Week

Sunday Service	Attendance	Offering (\$)
English Service Private Livestream*	20	
English Service 8:30am	159	1,479.00
English Service 10:30am	502	
English Service 4:30pm	222	
Chinese Service Livestream <sup>#</sup>	26	
Chinese Service 8:30am	91	2,545.80
Cant/Mand Service Livestream <sup>#</sup>	6	
Cant/Mand Service 10:45am	51	532.00
ME Service & Zoom	54	2,065.00
Hokkien Service	47	207.00
Tamil Service	17	318.00
DHF	21	
TOTAL	1216	\$7,146.80
*Livestreaming peak concurrent view	vers	
Electronic Transfer		\$88,728.79
WEEKLY TOTAL		\$95,875.59
Weekly offering to meet budget for 2022/23: \$75,045		
Land Lease Renewal Fund		
Electronic Transfer		\$8,193.60
Weekly Total		\$8,193.60
Total Gift Received To-Date	ę	\$9,480,992.73

# **Church Family News**

- 1. Ps Vernon is preaching at The Bible Church today.
- 2. Ps Dev is preaching at Emmanuel BP Church this morning.
- 3. Ps Alby is preaching at Baptist Fellowship Church this morning.

# 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, 10 Mar

8:00pm: Prayer Meeting

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

## Saturday, 11 Mar

**4:00pm:** Youth Fellowship (Register at <u>www.zionbishan.org.sg/yf</u>)

## Sunday, 12 Mar

Worship Services at 8:30am, 10:30am and 4:30pm

## Zechariah Series:

# 12 Mar – Four Chariots and a Crown

Quek Tze-Ming (8:30am & 10:30am); Ps Dev (4:30pm)

## 19 Mar – True Fasting

Danny Chua (All 3 Services)

## 26 Mar – Zion's Blessing

Ps Alby (8:30am & 10:30am); Joel Khoo (4:30pm)

## Your Response

5 March 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.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

# A Word In Season

Ps Alby Yip

## **Everyone Mature In Christ**

We desire to present Everyone Mature In Christ, and for this, we toil and struggle through the three core values of Personal Discipleship, Gospel Culture and Missional Communities. This is the "mission statement" of the Next Lap Vision. I hope all at Zion Bishan will remember, internalize, work and march together towards fulfilling this vision in this season.

Undergirding the Next Lap Vision is the biblical mandate in Colossians 1:28-29. "Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ. For this I toil, struggling with all his energy that he powerfully works within me."

I wonder if you would be drawn to read again the last sentence. Toil and struggle with "all his [Christ's] energy that he powerfully works within me"? It sounds counterintuitive to on the one hand be filled with the powerful energy of Christ and yet needs to toil and struggle. Understanding the context of this section in Colossians 1:24-29 is important.

In v.24, Paul said his sufferings were "filling up what is lacking in Christ's affliction..." But what is lacking in Christ's affliction that would require Paul to make up through his own suffering? It is unimaginable for Paul to mean that! So what did he mean? Now v.25-27 was Paul's mission statement.

He was made a minister to make the word of God fully known (v.25). Of which, the mystery hidden for ages and generations (that is Christ in you, the hope of glory, the Gospel) but now (or has now been) revealed to his saints. In Zion Bishan's lingo, it is to #getdeep and #getreal. But there is still something lacking in "Christ's affliction." v.27 "the Gentile"!

What was lacking in Christ's affliction was not the sufficiency but that Christ was not able to bring the Gospel to the Gentiles. Hence, Paul was willing to fill up what is lacking in making known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery even if it meant suffering while doing it. Again in Zion Bishan's lingo, that is #getsent.

Hence, it is for this, #getdeep #getreal #getsent that Paul toiled and struggle. And we all know he toiled and struggle much for the sake of the Gospel. But Paul reassured us that we are not alone or doing it with our own strength. We have all His, Christ's, energy that He powerfully works within [us]. Let's press on ahead, Zion Bishan, with this precious assurance!

# **Announcements**

# Oneonone Zion Bishan Church CAMP 2023

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

Sign up: <u>https://event.actxplorer.com/</u> (Password: ZBBP2023)

Registration closes TODAY, 5 March.

All enquiries to ZBCamp2023@gmail.com

#### SENIORS360 WEEKDAY INTEREST GROUP LEARNING UKULELE FROM SCRATCH

Playing ukulele can improve your brain function and mental performance, besides sharpening your concentration. Join us to learn ukulele from scratch! Invite a friend along.

### 17 Apr, 24 Apr, 8 May, 15 May (Mondays) 10am – 11.30am, Room 302

Sign up via the link below by <u>31 March:</u> <u>https://bit.ly/3S0FJdu</u>

#### BARRICADED AREAS AT THE DRIVEWAY OF CARPARK

Kindly note that two areas at the driveway of the carpark have been barricaded due to damages on the flooring. We appreciate all drivers to maneuver carefully if you need to drop off. Our apologies for the inconvenience caused.

### 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.

### <u>REGISTRATION FOR 2024 @ ZION BISHAN</u> <u>KINDERCARE (ZBK)</u>

### Offering FULL-DAY and Half-day Childcare Programme

Phase 1 Registration: 6 to 10 March 2023 for Church Members and Siblings of ZBK students and Alumni

Age Group: PG, PN, N, K1, K2 (18 months old to 6 years old)

Applications received after the Phase 1 deadline will not be given priority for registration.

Call 63538083 for more information. HURRY! LIMITED VACANCIES!

## CHRISTIANITY EXPLORED (CE)

### 7 Wednesdays, beginning 15 Mar 2023, In-Person at 7.20pm

Join us for this informal course that aims to help people understand who Jesus is through Mark's Gospel, an eyewitness account of the life of Jesus.

Invite your friends to come with you and see why Jesus is the best news that one can ever receive! Register at <u>https://bit.ly/CEzionbishan</u> or contact Joel (<u>joel@zionbishan.org.sg</u>) for any enquiries.

### ZION BISHAN YOUTH MINISTRY 2023

ZB Youth Ministry is calling for youths to be connected to the Church family in the new year. If you're a Youth (13–18 years old), join us for Youth Fellowship on Saturdays, and Youth Discipleship class 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!

### ZECHARIAH BOOKLETS

Booklets with the Zechariah passages and notetaking space are available at the registration table, for \$1 each. Please PayNow to the QR code printed when you take the booklets.