



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

Zechariah 1:3

ENGLISH SERVICES

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Order of Service

Call to Worship

Gloria Patri

Worship in Songs

Scripture Reading: Zechariah 6:1-15 ESV

Message: Four Chariots and the Crown

Response Hymn: O Church Arise

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 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:

Mr Quek Tze-Ming (8.30am & 10.30am)

Ps Dev Menon (4.30pm)

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: Dn Tiew Chew Meng

Vocalist & Musicians: Morning Team 2

4:30pm

Service Coordinator: Vanessa Lee

Worship Leader: Dn Herman Low

Vocalist & Musicians: Afternoon Team 2

Pastors and Ministry Staff

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

Rev Dr Alby Yip, <i>Senior Pastor</i>	<i>alby</i>
Rev Dr Dev Menon, <i>Pastor</i>	<i>dev</i>
Rev Ebinezar Mohan, <i>Pastor (Tamil)</i>	<i>ebi</i>
Rev Kew See Seong, <i>Pastor (Mand)</i>	<i>sskew</i>
Rev Lim Jit Thye, <i>Pastor (Cant-Mand)</i>	<i>jtlim</i>
Rev Daniel Nge, <i>Pastor (Mand-Eng)</i>	<i>daniel</i>
Rev Vernon Quek, <i>Pastor</i>	<i>vernon</i>
Rev Ng Zhiwen, <i>Pastor</i>	<i>zhiwen</i>
Rev Paul Yeo, <i>Pastor (Hokkien)</i>	<i>paul</i>
Mrs Emily Quek, <i>Special Projects</i>	<i>emily</i>
Mrs June Tan, <i>Children's Ministry</i>	<i>june</i>
Mrs Sharon Quek, <i>Overseas Ministries</i>	<i>sharon</i>
Mr Danny Chua, <i>AG/Safeguarding</i>	<i>danny</i>
Mr Quek Tze-Ming, <i>Assoc Min Staff</i>	<i>tzeming</i>
Miss Jacqueline Lie, <i>Youth Ministry</i>	<i>jacqueline</i>
Miss Vanessa Lee, <i>Women's Worker</i>	<i>vanessa</i>
Mr Joel Khoo, <i>YAs/Discipleship</i>	<i>joel</i>
Mr Timothy Ong, <i>Home Missions</i>	<i>timothy</i>
Rev Dr David Wong, <i>Advisory Pastor</i>	
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Confidential Care & Counselling e-mail:

care@zionbishan.org.sg

Four Chariots and the Crown

12 March 2023

Zechariah 6:1-15

Mr Quek Tze-Ming / Ps Dev Menon

Introduction

Final Vision: Four Chariots (vv. 1-8)

“Behold, those who go toward the north country have set my Spirit at rest in the north country.” (v. 8)

Symbolic Act: Crown and Temple (vv. 9-15)

“And those who are far off shall come and help to build the temple of the LORD.” (v. 15)

Conclusion:

“And this shall come to pass, if you will diligently obey the voice of the LORD your God.” (v. 15)

Questions for Reflection & Discussion:

1. Why are the chariots going to the north country? What are the implications of this for God’s people? Are you facing a situation today in which this teaching can be of particular comfort?
2. Try to summarize the messages of the 8 night visions. How does Zech 1.14-16 help to link them?
3. What are the roles of the Branch in this oracle? How does Jesus fulfil this oracle? What are the implications of this for us as Christians?
4. How would you respond to someone who suggested that Christ does not appear to be reigning as King today? Is there evidence in the world around us that God is reigning?

Prayer Points

Our Church

Living Room – Thank God for the partnership with our community partners like REACH and COMNET for Good Samaritan Day yesterday (11 Mar). A carnival was held for the elderly residents of Sin Ming Ave, and the team comprising of church members got to connect and build friendships with them. May we as a church family, continue to hold out the Gospel of Christ and be a blessing to our neighbours where God has placed us.

Christianity Explored (CE) – CE sessions start this week. Pray for the table hosts as they begin to journey with the participants to discover why Jesus is the best news they can ever receive. Pray for the Spirit to be working in the hearts of the participants that they will come to know Jesus better.

Our World

India – Some partners have reported illnesses amongst church members (panic attacks, mental issues, fever, cold and flu, diarrhoea, spirit possession, diabetes, etc.), pray for the Lord's comfort and healing on all who seek Him.

In the northeast, one partner runs a tuition centre for 20 children. Pray for

the children and their families to encounter Christ.

Give thanks that one partner has embarked on 3 income generation projects (piggery, chicken, weaving) with the support of ZB members so that it can generate some income for the local church. Pray that these projects will be implemented successfully.

Malaysian Flood - While Singapore experienced rainy weather last week, Malaysia (esp Johor with all 10 districts) was flooded with 36,000 people evacuated to 256 relief centres (ST, 3 Mar). Pray for our brethren at Endau Church which was badly affected. In Tenah Abang, water level was as high as 10 ft. Pray for the water to subside so that relief can reach those in need. Pray for Ps Paul too as he is travelling there to preach God's Word this weekend.

Nepal - Sister Christina is joining Ps Haoren this week in Nepal to equip believers and their friends with English language skills. Pray for journey mercies, good fellowship with all participants and opportunities for follow up post trip. Pray also for Sharon's safe return in the coming week.

Last Week

Sunday Service	Attendance	Offering (\$)
English Service Private Livestream*	19	
English Service 8:30am	127	1,118.00
English Service 10:30am	504	
English Service 4:30pm	260	
Chinese Service Livestream#	19	
Chinese Service 8:30am	91	2,560.00
Cant/Mand Service Livestream#	3	
Cant/Mand Service 10:45am	53	996.00
ME Service & Zoom	66	1,185.00
Hokkien Service	67	1,051.00
Tamil Service	15	837.75
DHF	19	
TOTAL	1243	\$7,747.75

*Livestreaming peak concurrent viewers

Electronic Transfer \$69,877.76

WEEKLY TOTAL \$77,625.51

Weekly offering to meet budget for 2022/23: \$75,000.98

Land Lease Renewal Fund

Gift No: 1863	\$50.00
Electronic Transfer	\$6,525.60
Weekly Total	\$6,575.60
Total Gift Received To-Date	\$9,560,251.62

Church Family News

1. Pastor Dev was speaking at an SYFC Poly event from 7-8 March.
2. Ps Zhiwen will be on leave from 11-18 March.

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, 17 Mar

8.00pm: Prayer Meeting

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

Saturday, 18 Mar

4.00pm: Youth Fellowship

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

Sunday, 19 Mar

Worship Services at **8.30am, 10.30am**
and **4.30pm**

Zechariah Series:

19 Mar – True Fasting

Danny Chua (All 3 Services)

26 Mar – Zion’s Blessing

Ps Alby (8.30am & 10.30am);

Joel Khoo (4.30pm)

16 Apr – Coming of the (Donkey) King

Ps Zhiwen (8.30am & 10.30am);

Joel Khoo (4.30pm)

23 Apr – Restoring Judah and Israel

Ps Alby (8.30am & 10.30am);

Ps Dev (4.30pm)

30 Apr – Terrible Shepherds

Ps Dev (8.30am & 10.30am);

Quek Tze-Ming (4.30pm)

Your Response

12 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

The Good News According to Zechariah

We have come to end of the first section of Zechariah (chapters 1 to 6). How was the journey been? Are you getting deep, getting real and getting sent?

Two things seem certain to me: First, we cannot fully grasp the message of Zechariah until we have heeded the first call - **Return to me**, says the LORD of hosts, **and I will return to you**, says the LORD of hosts (Zechariah 1:3). It is a personal word from the LORD to each of us. And if we have not grasped the full implication of what this means... well, we will learn more about that as we journey on through the book.

The second thing is this: we cannot fully grasp the message until we have groaned with the same anguish of that angel who prayed - 'O LORD of hosts, **how long** will you have no mercy on Jerusalem and the cities of Judah, against which you have been angry these seventy years?' (Zechariah 1:12). That is the anguish of one who has witnessed national tragedy in every way.

This hit home for me earlier this week. Up in our church chapel, I heard a brother in Christ from another land speak of the crisis of hope that had afflicted his nation. Someone had asked him what God's redemptive purpose for his nation was, and all he could reply was to lament the abject failure of his nation – economic collapse, people against people, disaster after disaster, and the troubles of the church. There at that moment, he could not speak of redemption. He could not see anything good come out of his nation.

In my mind, I thought: This is the kind of situation that the message of Zechariah speaks to! The prophecies lift our eyes to look beyond the present crisis, and behold the glorious vision that the LORD has for His people (His church) and His kingdom. Where hope seems nowhere to be found, the prophecies (God's Word) give hope.

Back to that event in the chapel: After hearing that brother's sharing, the people in the chapel gathered around him and prayed for him and for his nation. And then two Singaporeans were presented to him – they were committed to go as missionaries to serve in that nation later this year! Two may not seem to be much, but I'm learning from Zechariah not to despise the 'day of small things' (4:10). Greater things are yet to come.

If your life seems like it's being filled with rubble and trouble; If (or rather, when) the church seems beset with desolations and despair; Lift up your eyes and see what God is doing. Come and stand amazed at His handiwork which will surely come to pass – King Jesus will return. His once-broken people will be great and glorious. Now that is really good news.

Announcements

TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF CARPARK

Kindly note that the carpark is closed till further notice, due to urgent repairs of the damage to the flooring.

Drivers may still drop off near the front gate - but kindly reserve this for those with severe mobility issues. All others may drop off at the side gate.

Our apologies for the inconvenience caused.

SERVE IN HOME MISSIONS

Here locally and within our shores, we have been holding out the Gospel of Christ through various ways and means. Let us as one church family, consider how we can partner with one another and His Spirit to share Jesus' love and be a blessing to others and those around us.

Find more details and indicate your interest at: <https://bit.ly/ZBHMserve>

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 <https://bit.ly/CEzionbishan> or contact Joel (joel@zionbishan.org.sg) for any enquiries.

ZECHARIAH BOOKLETS

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

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY STAFF

Job description: In consultation with the Pastor in-charge, you are required to provide direction and leadership to the teachers and helpers serving in the children's ministry. You will oversee all the activities of the Children's Discipleship program involving curriculum development; resource materials management; recruitment and training of lay teachers; communicating with parents to nurture the faith of their children

In addition, you are required to assist in running ad hoc programs like Children's camp and outreaches.

Qualifications: You should be a spiritually mature Christian with an outgoing personality and be willing to work with children as well as their parents. You should possess a diploma/degree from a tertiary institution or theological college and have good interpersonal and communication skills.

Those who lack relevant ministry experience can be trained via the EXCEL apprenticeship program

If you are interested, please submit your resume to adam@zionbishan.org.sg