



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

Zechariah 1:3

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ENGLISH SERVICES

Order of Service

Call to Worship

Gloria Patri

Worship in Songs

Scripture Reading: Zechariah 8:1-23 ESV

Message: Zion's Blessing

Response Hymn: On Our Side

Mission Focus; Corporate Life & Prayer

Offering

Benediction

Announcements

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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

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 Alby Yip (8.30am & 10.30am)

Mr Joel Khoo (4.30pm)

8.30am

Service Coordinator: Dn Joseph Chan

Worship Leader: Dn Justin Low

Vocalist & Musicians: Morning Team 4

10.30am

Service Coordinator: Dn Tiew Chew Meng

Worship Leader: Eld Michael Gan

Vocalist & Musicians: Morning Team 4

4.30pm

Service Coordinator: Dn Peter Wang

Worship Leader: Dn Nicklaus Yu

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-Eng)	daniel
Rev Vernon Quek, Pastor	vernon
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	jacqueline
Miss Vanessa Lee, Women's Worker	vanessa
Mr Joel Khoo, YAs/Discipleship	joel
Mr Timothy Ong, Home Missions	timothy
Rev Dr David Wong, Advisory Pastor	
Rev Dr Quek Swee Hwa, Pastor Emeritus	

Confidential Care & Counselling e-mail:

care@zionbishan.org.sg

Zion's Blessings

Zechariah 8:1-23

Introduction

Be Faithful

Be Strong

Be a Blessing

Conclusion

Discussion Questions

1. What do you remember about the passage/message?
2. What is the relationship between your faithfulness to God and God's faithfulness to you?
3. How does Zechariah 8 address life's difficulties?
4. How are Christians to be a blessing in the world?

Zion's Blessings

Zechariah 8

Introduction

God will bless Zion (v1-13)

So then, you can be...

God's Faithful City (v14-19)

God's blessing to the nations (v20-23)

Fear not, let your hands be strong (v9, 13)

Discussion Questions

1. How has this passage shaped how you view your relationship with God? What are some parts of the promises that struck you during the sermon?
2. What might it look like for you to be God's faithful city and God's blessing to the nations? How does this passage give you confidence to do so?
3. How has this passage encouraged you to "let your hands be strong... that the temple might be built" (v9)?

Prayer Points

Our Church

Guest Workers Outreach – Thank God for open doors and how He paved the way for our church to be reaching the nations with the Gospel. Pray for Ps Ebi and team as they plan for growth of the ministry and embark on plans to teach them English. Pray for friendships forged to deepen, that in the volunteers' love for these guest workers, they too may come to witness and experience the love and grace of God in Christ Jesus.

Christianity Explored (CE) – We have just finished our second session looking at Jesus' identity this past week! Pray for the 11 seekers to keep discovering Jesus, especially this next week as we think about sin, the reason we need Jesus. Pray for our table hosts to have wisdom and patience so that there may be fruitful conversations at their tables.

Our World

India – Pray for one partner in the northeast who is conducting life skills training that God will raise up more candidates for the programme. The partner hoped to train 25 boys but so far only 16 signed up. Another partner in the north eastern hills hope to reach out to college youths in their area. Pray for good reception and opportunities for engagement.

Amongst our bible college fields, believers are facing increasing opposition, pray for God to provide wisdom to the leaders and fellow believers and for all to continue to put their trust in God and to stand firm in their faith.

Indonesia – Pray for our partners in Indonesia esp. during this fasting month that has just started. Pray for witnesses to be able to share the good news amongst their neighbours. Give thanks that our team of 6 visiting the fields has returned safely.

Middle East North Africa (MENA) – Pray for Sis C Lim who is visiting 2 countries this coming week to connect with fellow believers and leaders and bring a word of encouragement to them amidst the challenges faced locally. Pray for God to use her to open doors, build strategic bridges and connect workers from Singapore to the harvest field. Pray for her family back home: for her dad who has health issues and for bro Lim as he takes care of two young kids whilst managing his work.

Nepal – Continue to uphold Ps HR and Sis Christina in prayer as they engage with local believers. Pray for effective training and equipping of the harvest workers and all believers as they continue to plough in God's expanding Kingdom in this region.

Last Week

Sunday Service	Attendance	Offering (\$)
English Service Private Livestream*	19	
English Service 8:30am	152	1,051.00
English Service 10:30am	452	
English Service 4:30pm	254	
Chinese Service Private Livestream*	9	
Chinese Service 8:30am	100	1,182.00
Cant/Mand Service Private Livestream*	NIL	
Cant/Mand Service 10:45am	52	459.00
ME Service & Zoom	64	975.00
Hokkien Service	57	5,465.00
Tamil Service	19	337.00
DHF	25	
TOTAL	1203	\$9,469.00

*Livestreaming peak concurrent viewers

Electronic Transfer \$54,855.88
WEEKLY TOTAL \$64,324.88

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

Land Lease Renewal Fund

Electronic Transfer \$4,060.60
Weekly Total \$4,060.60
Total Gift Received To-Date \$9,575,688.93

Church Family News

1. Pastor Alby will be preaching at Mount Horeb BPC this evening.
2. Congratulations to Kelly Wee & Lydia Koh, who were joined together in holy matrimony on 25 March 2023!

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, 31 Mar

8.00pm: Prayer Meeting

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

Saturday, 1 Apr

4.00pm: Youth Fellowship

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

Sunday, 2 Apr

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

Zechariah Series

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

26 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 Light to the Nations

*And many nations shall join themselves to the Lord in that day, and shall be my people.
Zechariah 2:11*

Recently, I have been reflecting on God's heart and His love for every people. Throughout Scripture, God's desire has always been for people of the nations to come to Him and have relationship with Him. This verse from Zechariah, for example, gives us a glimpse into how big the heart of God actually is. We see it too in Jesus' Commission to His disciples to go make disciples of all nations in Matt 28:19-20. I must say I am certainly still grasping the magnitude and scope of this, but this is perhaps where I can and must make the Apostle Paul's prayer as my own, to continually comprehend the measure of the love of Christ (Ephesians 3:14-19).

What makes this garden-city state of Singapore unique is how we are actually home to peoples from various nations. As we consider our Mission to be a City on a Hill, a Light to the Nations, we thank God for the ample opportunities to cross cultures and reach other people groups that have been presented to us right at our doorstep! As disciples of Jesus, each one of us are sent daily to be on Mission for Him. We are on Mission wherever we go, and we can begin where we are.

Praise God for the myriad ways in which we, the family of God here at Zion Bishan, have been faithfully holding out the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ to everyone around us: Bishan Home, Christianity Explored, Domestic Helpers Fellowship (DHF), Guest Workers Outreach, English as a Second Language (ESL), Living Room, Seniors360, Soccer and Tuition. These are our local outreach ministries and the different ways in which we see every people of all demographics and backgrounds: young and old, local and international, being able to draw closer to God, receive and experience the friendship and hospitality of Christ. In all these ways that we have been bringing the light and hope of Christ to all nations, I thank God for each one of you who have been serving, and for your partnership in the Gospel.

Church, the Gospel we proclaim is for every person, and we want to be a church for every people. The gospel efforts of these ministries can only be sustained and grow if each one of us play a part. So let us rally together and support the work of each of these ministries, in order that we may continue shining the light of the Gospel and being a light to the nations!

Whether you are currently able to begin serving, or looking to do so in the near future, find out how you can partner with us in reaching the nations at: bit.ly/ZBHMserve

Announcements

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

BPCIS Good Friday Service

One Theme, Different Locations

7 Apr 2023, **10.30am & 4.30pm**,

Zion Bishan

“Not My Will But Yours Be Done”

Speaker: Pastor Simon Murphy,
Redemption Hill Church

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE

MacRitchie Reservoir,

(Near Lim Bo Seng Memorial)

9 Apr 2023, 6.30am – 7.30am

“3 Things Not to Lose this Easter”

(John 20:1-18)

Speaker: Rev Oh Boon Leong

Organised by: *Singapore Council of
Christian Churches (SCCC) & Bible
Presbyterian Church in Singapore
(BPCIS)*

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.

SENIORS360 Dim Sum Hour & Talk

Date : 8 April, 10.30am

Topic : Sleep Health

Develop healthy sleep habits & obtain
good night's rest

Speaker: Dr Kwan Yunxin

In-person at Fellowship Hall

Come join us at this upcoming
SENIORS360 event with Dr Kwan
Yunxin (psychiatrist). Find out how to
develop healthy sleep habits in order
to obtain a good night's rest. Do invite
your non-Christian friends along!

Sign up by 4 April via link:

<https://bit.ly/3JxCZS6>

REACHING TIBETAN BUDDHIST

PEOPLES ADC

**16 & 30 Apr 2023, 1.30-3.30pm,
Chapel**

Come see and hear about the work
God is doing at the ends of the earth.

Join for an experiential journey to learn
how you and your AG can be praying
for the Gospel to be made known
among this UPG.

Sign up by 14 Apr at

bit.ly/ZBMissionsADC