

**ENGLISH SERVICES** 

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# Order of Service

Call to Worship

Gloria Patri

Worship in Songs:

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{AM}} - \ensuremath{\mathsf{Shine}}$  on Us; Hallelujah! What a Saviour; No Other Name

PM – This Kingdom; Knowing You Jesus

Scripture Reading: John 12:20-36 ESV

Message: Reaching the World for Jesus: One on One

Response Hymn: Undivided

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

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

Speaker: Ps Ng Zhiwen

8.30am

Service Coordinator: Dn Justin Low Worship Leader: Dn Tay Beng Hwee Vocalist & Musicians: Morning Team 2

10.30am

Service Coordinator: Dn Tiew Chew Meng Worship Leader: Eld Foo Say Chiang Vocalist & Musicians: Morning Team 2

4.30pm

Service Coordinator: Joel Khoo Worship Leader: Dn Herman Low

Vocalist & Musicians: Afternoon Team 2

# **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
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Rev Lim Jit Thye, Pastor (Cant-Mand)	9182 6957
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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
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Rev Dr David Wong, Advisory Pastor	

Rev Dr Quek Swee Hwa, Pastor Emeritus

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# Reaching the World for Jesus: One on One

John 12:20-36

9 July 2023 Ps Ng Zhiwen

Introducing Missions Month
"Sir, we wish to see Jesus"
Mission: The hour has come for the Son of Man to be
Discipleship: If anyone serves Me, he must
Three Forms of Costly Mission
Encouragement for the Journey
Questions for Reflection:

#### Questions for Reflection:

- 1. From this passage in John 12, what was Jesus' mission?
- 2. How does Jesus want us to continue His mission? What have you learned about being a follower ('disciple') of Jesus?
- 3. What encouragement have you drawn from this passage?

# **Prayer Points**

### **Our Church**

Next Sermon Series: Revelation -

Do continue to pray for the Preaching Team, who met for a retreat on Friday July 7 to walk through and discuss our next preaching book: Revelation. Pray that God will indeed prepare not just our preachers, but all our hearts to receive His Word to us from this book, which has often been misunderstood or neglected but is so needful for all generations.

# **Our People**

Emmanuel BPC – We thank God for our sister church Emmanuel, who celebrated their 46th anniversary yesterday (Pastor Alby was the speaker). Despite being through many trials, God in His faithfulness continues to see them through. Do keep praying for Ps David Leong in his calling and that we, as a church, may grow in closer gospel partnership with our brothers and sisters there.

Susan Wang — Sister Susan has been in hospital since last weekend, following a series of falls that resulted in a hip fracture. Uphold her in prayer as she recuperates and regains strength. Pray that her house will be properly set-up for her return, and that the peace of God will guard her heart always.

### **Our World**

Indonesia – One partner has a youth workers retreat last week. Many of these youths do not have opportunity for higher education nor have they finished high school. Yet many have been willing to be used by God to share the good news in different places. Pray that God will continue to provide and equip these workers (e.g. with educational opportunities) and help them to remain strong despite spiritual warfare in the field. May these youths continue to love and serve the Lord with all their hearts.

Malaysia – Pray for the outreach to Tamil speaking group of families in Ipoh to bear fruit in changed hearts obedient to God. We thank God for ZB persons (Ps Ebi, Priya, Hong York and others) along with Ps Zadok, a pastor in Ipoh, who have faithfully visited and brought the gospel to them. Pray also for our fellow Chinese speaking brethren from MCEL (Malaysian Chinese Evangelistic League) at Endau, Hubong, Rompin as they celebrate their church anniversary on 15 Jul. Pray that God will continue to grow their faith and love for Him in their congregations.

Nepal – 2 weeks ago, we prayed for the flood situation in east Nepal. Our partner has since updated this week that landslides have continue to strike their region and 12 houses were destroyed recently and 27 families are now in need of relief such as rice, blankets, kitchen items and tin roofing for temporary shelter. Pray for the provision of relief for these affected areas, and also for our partner as they work towards helping the affected families. May these acts of love and kindness draw these families to God.

### Last Week

Sunday Service	Attendance	Offering (\$)
English Service Livestream*	14	
English Service 8:30am	188	1,799.50
English Service 10:30am	522	
English Service 4:30pm	252	
Chinese Service Livestream*	8	
Chinese Service 8:30am	100	3,655.00
Cant/Mand Service Livestream*	0	
Cant/Mand Service 10:45am	70	1,143.00
ME Service & Zoom	52	863.00
Hokkien Service	53	722.00
Tamil Service	18	857.75
DHF	18	
TOTAL	1295	\$9,040.25
*Livestreaming peak concurrent view	ers	
Use of premises		\$180.00
Precept Contribution		\$100.00
Electronic Transfer		\$89,770.94

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

#### Land Lease Renewal Fund

**WEEKLY TOTAL** 

Gift No: 1872	\$50.00
Electronic Transfer	\$9,519.60
Weekly Total	\$9,569.60
Total Gift Received To-Date	\$9,782,362.13

# **Church Family News**

- 1. Pastor Vernon is on leave until the end of July.
- 2. Heartfelt condolences to the family of Mr Harry Wee Chwee Seng, aged 92, who was called Home to be with the Lord on 1 July 2023. He was the brother of sister Irene Wee.
- 3. Ps Alby was preaching at the Emmanuel BPC anniversary on Saturday 8 July 2023. Ps Dev is preaching there 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 chequ

\$99,091.19

# **Looking Ahead**

# Friday, 14 July

8.00pm: Prayer Meeting

Register at <u>www.zionbishan.org.sq/fpm</u>

# Saturday, 15 July

4.00pm: Youth Fellowship

Register at www.zionbishan.org.sq/yf

# Sunday, 16 July

Worship Services at 8.30am, 10.30am and 4.30pm

### **Missions Month 2023:**

Reaching the World One on One

### 16 July - Two Hearts

Theonikko del Mundo

# 23 July - So Send I You

Simon Wan (8.30am & 10.30am)

**No Lasting City** 

Ps Dev (4.30pm)

### 30 July - No Lasting City

Ps Dev (8.30am & 10.30am)

So Send I You

Simon Wan (4.30pm)

#### Your Response

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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 House of Prayer for all People

I vividly recall the prayer meetings that I used to attend as a university student, 20 years ago. One Friday a month, we students would gather in our church building at night and read scripture, worship in song, and observe the Lord's supper. And of course, we prayed.

I often attended those prayer meetings carrying the needs of the cell group that I co-led. It was an international students' group and we'd meet on Fridays after dinner. Sometimes all the members would show up at our weekly meetings; and sometimes only a handful. On some nights when only a few came, I'd head over to that Friday prayer meeting after cell group, feeling discouraged, and I'd lay all my burdens upon the Lord.

Those prayer meetings were some of the most refreshing, grace-filled times I've spent with the Lord. I might have thought that I was going for prayer to 'minister to the Lord'. More often it was the Lord ministering to me.

Another prayer meeting experience that had a profound effect on me took place on 7 August 2016 in Jakarta. I was attending an international Christian conference there, and there was a "prayer for the nations" meeting that night. We were seated according to our region of the world. I remember that when it came to South-East Asia's "turn", those in my sector were called to stand up. We got prayed for by hundreds of others from other parts of the world.

And somehow, in that moment of being prayed for, the Lord opened the eyes of my mind. I "saw" how the significant moments of my life had been leading up to that point in time. And the Lord impressed upon me my vocation: that I was to be a Connector, to help the Church be united for God's global mission.

Things would not be the same again. Shortly after I returned to Singapore, I indicated my interest to serve in the Singapore Centre for Global Missions (SCGM) and get involved in the GoForth national missions movement. With Zion Bishan's blessing, I was sent forth to serve at SCGM in 2017.

For this year's Missions Month, our missions education and mobilization team were convicted to anchor all 4 Friday prayer meetings. Three of them (on 14, 21 and 28 July) will be held in person, as Prayer & Praise sessions. I encourage you to attend at least one.

We can't tell exactly how and who the Lord will convict concerning His missions call. What we know for certain is that we are to be **God's house of prayer for all peoples** (Isaiah 56:6-7). And as we gather in His name for precisely this purpose, be prepared to catch God's heart for all peoples.

And get ready to be surprised, as you encounter Him one on one in prayer.



At the Conference prayer meeting I attended in 2016, we wrote our burdens onto a stone, placed it on a table, and pick up someone else's stone as a reminder. These pictures show the front and back of the stone that I picked that night.

### **Announcements**

#### SAFETY ALERT IN FELLOWSHIP HALL

There were two near accidents between vehicles and children playing / adults walking in the path of the driveway. For safety, we request ALL worshippers to follow these guidelines:

- Use corridors or walkway marked for pedestrians and avoid the vehicle driveways.
- 2) Those coming on wheelchair to enter through side gate at the bus stop.
- Parents remind your child to not play or venture into the traffic zone.
- Drivers, including those in taxis and private hire to remind the drivers to slow down.
- Always follow the instructions of the traffic marshals.
- 6) Give priority to elderly and wheelchairbound passengers to drop off.
- 7) Where possible, alight passengers at the side entrance facing the public car park.

#### **WOMEN OF ZION RETREAT 2023**

15-17 Sep, St Giles Southkey, JB Speaker: Mrs Persis Lim

Based on gracestoration.org's Gracestoration - Grace for the rest of your life, participants can look forward to a deeper exploration of God's various graces for daily living. Come and be refreshed, empowered and equipped to reach and disciple other women.

#### Ladies of all ages, see you there!

Early bird:

- \$295 (twin)

 \$385 (single) includes 2-way MPV transport



Register: http://tinyurl.com/wozretreat2023

#### JOURNEY THROUGH REVELATION

A fortnightly study following the sermon series First session on **Thurs, 27 Jul, 7.45pm** 

Register your interest here:

#### bit.lv/GetRevelation

"Surely I am coming soon."

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus! -- Rev. 22:20

#### MISSIONS MONTH FRIDAY PRAYER & PRAISE

With a different theme & focus each week and hearing stories & testimonies of how God is working and calling others to participate, come and discover how YOU can partner with God in His Mission! There will be booths set up where we can be praying for:

- 14 Jul Individuals in preparation for/on Mission
- 21 Jul SG Our Nation
- 28 Jul Our World The Nations

Signing up at least 3 days before is required at bit.ly/ZBmissionsmonth2023

# PROJECT TIMOTHY EVENING EXPOSITIONS 2023

Wed, Jul 19 - Thu, Jul 20

How do we read and understand Old Testament stories? To what extent are we meant to apply what happened back then in our lives today? The book of Joshua raises significant issues in this regard as we see Israel embark on a brutal conquest of the land of Canaan. What does this ancient text have to say to us today? Join us as we sit under the book of Joshua over two evenings and allow God's Spirit to teach and guide us. The speaker this year is Nigel Styles, Director of the Cornhill Training Course in London.

Buy tickets at:

http://projecttimothy.com/events/