

THE REVELATION OF JESUS CHRIST

REV 1:3

**BLESSED IS THE ONE
WHO READS ALOUD, HEARS
AND KEEPS THE WORDS OF THIS
PROPHECY, FOR THE TIME IS AT HAND**



ENGLISH SERVICES

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Order of Service

Call to Worship

Gloria Patri

Worship in Songs

AM: Turn Your Eyes; O Church Arise; Facing A Task Unfinished

PM: Living Hope; O Church Arise

Scripture Reading: Revelation 11:1-14 ESV

Message: How God Wins!

Response Hymn: For the Cause

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

Sunday Services at a glance

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, register at www.zionbishan.org.sg/dhf

8.45am DHF 1A (in English, for all nationalities) *in-person at Room 103 (and upon request via Zoom)*

8.45am DHF 2 (in Myanmar language) *in-person in The Living Room and via Zoom*

2.00pm DHF 3 (in Bahasa Indonesia) *via Zoom*

8.45pm DHF 1B (in English, for all nationalities) *upon request via Zoom*

Children/Youth Discipleship Classes

Register interest: www.zionbishan.org.sg/cd-yd

Join us on Telegram / WhatsApp

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),
Ps Vernon Quek (4.30pm)

8.30am

Service Coordinator: Dn Justin Low

Worship Leader: Dn Tay Beng Hwee

Vocalist & Musicians: Morning Team 2

10.30am

Service Coordinator: Dn Mervyn Phan

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 1

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 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/Mand)</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>Missions Education</i>	<i>timothy</i>
Rev Dr David Wong, <i>Advisory Pastor</i>	
Rev Dr Quek Swee Hwa, <i>Pastor Emeritus</i>	

Confidential Care & Counselling e-mail:

care@zionbishan.org.sg

How God Wins!

Revelation 11:1-14

Ps Alby Yip

(8.30am & 10.30am)

God's Presence will protect... (1-2)

His Witnesses (3-4)

that they may Prophecy His Message... (5-6)

even when they Face Martyrdom (7-10)

they will Rise Again... (11-12)

to the Glory of God! (13)

Questions for Discussion and Reflection:

1. What do you remember about the passage/message?
2. How does God's promise address your fears or concerns about being the Lord Jesus' witness?
3. How can Zion Bishan as a church, your AG, and you as an individual be the Lord Jesus' witness?

How God Wins!

Revelation 11:1-14

Intro: How does God win? (Part 2)

Remember God is still Speaking (Part 1)

Measuring God's Temple (v1-2)

The OT: Zechariah's 3rd Vision (Zech 2:1-13); Ezekiel 40-42

God's Prophesying Witnesses (v3-6)

The OT: Zechariah's 5th Vision (Zech 4:1-14)

God's Martyred Witnesses (v7-10)

God's Glorifying Witnesses (v11-13)

Conclusion: How God Wins: The Way of the Lamb

God Speaks to His Witnessing Church

God Speaks through His Witnessing Church

Questions for Discussion and Reflection:

1. How do you feel about being a witness for God as described in today's passage? What encourages you to choose to be such a witness?
2. What does prophesying and martyrdom look like in your life today? What are some specific next steps you can take to become a more God-glorifying witness?
3. Why must there be two witnesses? How are we better witnesses together?
4. What does witnessing as an AG, as a 430 Congregation and as a Zion Bishan family look like?

Prayer Points

Our Church

MM Retreat – Please uphold the 66 brothers, as they leave for their annual Men's Ministry spiritual retreat at Pulau Springs, JB from 12-14 Nov. Do pray that they will have a safe trip and a God-led restful time of deep sharing with one another. Pray for Ps Dev as he shares 3 messages and for the brothers who will be sharing their testimonies.

Tuition Ministry – Thank God for the year-end party this past Thursday (9 Nov). Prizes and gifts were given out to encourage the students and appreciate the teachers for their hard work this past year. Pray for continued friendships between teachers, students and parents, that they may continue to experience the love of Christ through this ministry and will want to take steps closer to Him. Pray also for more church members to step forward to serve next year as tutors and admin, logistics and evangelism supporters.

Enabling Ministry - Thank God for the workshop on 4 Nov where we had the opportunity to learn more about disabilities and how we ought to be practising love towards everyone within our church-family, especially towards the differently-abled. May God continue to empower us to be a community where we can be welcoming all peoples, and even those with special needs.

Our People

HY – HY who is from our 4.30pm congregation, left last Saturday for a 5 month service trip to Habibi International in West Asia. Pray for a smooth transition to life on the field serving them in the area of administration and finance. Pray that she will also guard her personal time with God well so that she can abide well in Christ and be fruitful in her ministry.

Our World

Myanmar – Thank God that 200 families in Yangon received rice packets each from our mission partner there. This was part of a food relief project by 3 ZB donors for families in need near our partner's church. Thank God for this opportunity to share the love of Christ in a concrete way.

India – Pray for Sambhu, SA, Sharon and Ps Ebi as they complete the 3 tracks of training for our mission partner in North India. Thank God for the education work of our partner in this unreached area. This past week's teacher and ministry training was well received. The team was also blessed by the fellowship and encouragement over meal and other times in the Lord.

Last Week

Sunday Service	Attendance	Offering
English Service Livestream*	16	
English Service 8:30am	174	\$2,454.00
English Service 10:30am	501	
English Service 4:30pm	218	
Chinese Service Livestream*	7	
Chinese Service 8:30am	85	\$1,708.00
Cant/Mand Service 10:45am	64	\$999.00
ME Service	49	\$1,085.00
Hokkien Service	52	\$398.00
Tamil Service	21	\$340.00
DHF	17	
TOTAL	1204	\$6,984.00

*Livestreaming peak concurrent viewers

Electronic Transfer	\$64,103.94
ZB 29th Anniversary Service	\$300.00
Weekly Total	\$71,387.94

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

LAND LEASE RENEWAL FUND

Gift No: 1880	\$50.00
Electronic Transfer	\$5,261.60
ZB 29 th Anniversary Service	\$300.00
Weekly Total	\$5,611.60

TOTAL GIFT RECEIVED TO-DATE **\$10,061,699.30**

Church Family News

1. Pastors Dev, Vernon, Zhiwen, Paul & Jit Thye will be at the MM retreat from 12-14 Nov.
2. Brother Tze-Ming is preaching at Bethesda Chapel this morning.
3. Pastor Dev is preaching at Gereja Kristus Yesus 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, 17 Nov

8.00pm: Prayer Meeting

Register at www.zionbishan.org.sg/fpm

Saturday, 18 Nov

4.00pm: Youth Fellowship

Register at www.zionbishan.org.sg/yf

Sunday, 19 Nov

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

Revelation Series:

19 Nov – The Story So Far (Review)

Mr Quek Tze-Ming

(8.30am & 10.30am)

Mr Joel Khoo (4.30pm)

Your Response

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 at 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.

Making Space: The Heartland Project



Our first Heartland Project pilot test cum discussion, conducted on Tues 7 Nov evening

Do you know the various home missions ministries at Zion Bishan? *Soccer, Tuition, English as a 2nd Language, The Living Room, Domestic Helper Fellowship, Seniors 360, the Terusan Guest Worker Outreach, and the Bishan Home.* We have initiated many ways and means to be a light and a blessing to those around us, and build bridges with the people in our neighbourhood. I really thank the LORD for everyone who has faithfully served in these ministries over the years.

But what happens, say, if someone expresses an interest to know more about Jesus? Of course, it'd be great if one of us comes alongside to journey with this person – perhaps even to read the Bible together. This is called *personal discipleship*.

And what if our friend is also open to discovering what Christian community is about? In other words, to be part of the Church. Some of you may be thinking: “Oh that’s easy, just invite him or her to attend our worship service.”

That may work well for many. But for some people, there are problems with this approach. You and I may be quite used to the way our worship services are run, and we are always working on improving it. But I think you'll agree that some will struggle to fit in and follow. The sermons and songs may be 'too intellectual' and the 'Christian lingo' that we use can be quite mystifying.

For example, consider these words of the Gloria Patri: *Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.* Consider how much we assume about someone's ability to understand them, when she or he has *no Christian background and a different cultural upbringing*.

We must teach and help people understand what we sing. But my main concern is that for some people, there is too much of a leap that must be taken from the get-go. Perhaps "church life" may have to look a little different for them... at least for the start.

Hence, the Heartland Project. It is an attempt to explore what meaningful, healthy church life could look like for the ones we've been reaching out to, who can't quite fit in with our current worship services. Same Gospel. Same Jesus. But a different format to help everyone to know Christ and be like Him. We ran a "pilot test" last Tuesday (7 Nov) with many of our home missions' ministry leaders, and God-willing, we'll do more in the year ahead, so that by any means, we may reach more.

If you want to find out more, please feel free to contact Ps Dev, Brother Timothy Ong, or myself.

Announcements

MINISTRY BEHIND THE MONEY

Ever wondered how the different ministries in Zion Bishan utilize their budgets?

Where does the money collected each week go to?

Join us on **19 Nov (Sun), 1.30 - 3.30 pm** to listen to presentations by leaders of selected ministries and have a chance to ask questions and pray alongside these ministries for God to grow the work of His church.

Indicate your interest on which sessions you would like to attend via

<https://tinyurl.com/ZBMBTM>

ZION BISHAN'S 30th ANNIVERSARY CHURCH CAMP

English Camp Theme: **Gospel People**

Whenever the saints meet, we want to both speak & embody the gospel to each other. This means loving each other by living lives that constantly point each other to the goodness of Jesus' love and Lordship, authentically sharing where we're struggling and have fallen, and even lovingly admonishing each other when we need to.

Camp Dates: **14 - 18 June 2024** (Fri - Tue)

Speakers: Ps Simon Murphy & Ps Jacob Ng, Redemption Hill Church

Registration is now open! Early bird discount ends **31 Dec**.

For more information and to register, visit bit.ly/zbcamp24

BGST COURSE: READING REVELATION ETHICALLY

Lecturer: Quek Tze-Ming

Want to dip more into the study of Revelation? You may want to consider this BGST course next semester.

Thursdays (10x) fortnightly from Jan 18 7.15-10 pm

Venue: Zoom (*except in-person first and last class*)

Fees: \$600 (credit); \$300 (audit).

For vouchers, please contact Tze-Ming (tzeming@zionbishan.org.sg)

Register at <https://courses.bgst.edu.sg>

DOMESTIC HELPERS' CHRISTMAS OUTREACH 2023

3 Dec 2023 (Sun), 12.30-4pm
Lunch (halal) in Fellowship Hall Level 1,
Games & Talk on "Home" by Ps Ng Zhiwen
at Chapel Level 4

Registration closes on **26 Nov**.

We hope to reach every helper of every family in Zion Bishan. So we appeal to all families in all our congregations to invite their helpers to this Outreach event.

Please register your helpers at <https://bit.ly/ZBDHFoutreach>

For more information, please contact Dns Cerintha at ziondhf@gmail.com or **6283 9752**.

A SENIORS360 EVENT: OUTING TO COMMUNITY GARDEN

2 Dec 2023 (Sat) 9.45am - 1pm
(coach departs ZB at 10am)

- *Tour of award-winning community garden at Bukit Batok's Cosy Garden*
- *Pot plants and take home your potted plants*
- *Relax and enjoy the scents of plants and herbs*
- *Engage the Cosy Garden hosts and volunteers*
- *Upload your visit photos and get grocery packs donated to needy families*

Do invite your non-Christian friends along!

Sign up by **25 Nov. First-come-first-serve.**
<https://tinyurl.com/s360dec23>