

ENGLISH SERVICES

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Order of Service

Call to Worship

Gloria Patri

Worship in Songs

AM: Jerusalem; On That Day; Glorious Things of You are Spoken PM: See What a Morning; There is a Higher Throne; Take Heart

Scripture Reading: Revelation 21:1-22:5 ESV

Message: I Am Making All Things New

Response Hymn: On That Day

Mission Focus; Corporate Life & Prayer

Offering

Benediction

Announcements



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 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 4

10.30am

Service Coordinator: Joel Khoo
Worship Leader: Eld Michael Gan
Vocalist & Musicians: Morning Team 4

4.30pm

Service Coordinator: Dn Peter Wang Worship Leader: Eld Roland Low

Vocalist & Musicians: Afternoon Team 4

Pastors and Ministry Staff

Rev Dr Alby Yip, Senior Pastor	9844 9536
Rev Dr Dev Menon, Pastor	9829 6051
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
Rev Ebi Mohan, Assoc Pastor (Tamil)	8198 9696
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, Missions Education	9271 5785
Rev Dr David Wong, Advisory Pastor	

Rev Dr Quek Swee Hwa, Pastor Emeritus

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I Am Making All Things New

Ps Ng Zhiwen / Ps Dev Menon

Revelation 20:1-15

A New Creation (21:1-5)	
The invitation (21:6-8)	
A New City (21:9-27)	
A New Eden (22:1-5)	
"These words are trustworthy and true"	

Questions for Reflection and Discussion:

- 1. What is the best part of the revelation that God will make all things new? (21:1-4)
- 2. How is the New Jerusalem city described and what is its meaning? (21:9-21). Also, what do we find that the city does not have or need, and why? (21:22-27)
- 3. What is the best part of the revelation that God will make a new Eden? (22:1-5)
- 4. What is God saying to you through all this revelation?

Prayer Points

Our World

Nepal – Last month, a 9 yr old boy named Vivek from one of our partner's centres. He injured his left eve badly while playing with other kids in Mid-March 2024. Due to the lack of medical facilities, he had to be moved to various hospitals to seek treatment as the pupil of his eve was severely damaged. Our hearts go out to him because he has to undergo many surgeries to treat the damaged eye. Pray for God's mercy and healing. In addition to this, we praise God for providing a new building and accommodation for our partner's children in a northwestern part of the country. Pray that the children and staff of this NGO will be a beacon of Christ's light for its neighbourhood. This week, we also received news that a female buffalo has been purchased to provide 7-8 litres of milk daily for one of partners centres. We thank God for this provision through ZB donors.

India – Income Generation Projects (IGP) - IGPs are how one partner is helping rural pastors with very small congregations have enough for their livelihood. This partner gives thanks for the addition of 10 new piglets to the existing 26 other piglets and 2 mothers. While this project seems successful, others are not doing as well. Pray that these IGPs will provide for the harvest workers in the rural places where they live. Pray that the small churches in these areas would grow in faith and maturity.

Last Week

Sunday Service	Attendance	Offering		
English Service Livestream*	21			
English Service 8:30am	199	\$983.00		
English Service 10:30am	527			
English Service 4:30pm	214			
Chinese Service livestream*	13			
Chinese Service 8:30am	90	\$1,052.00		
Cant/Mand Service 10:45am	74	\$758.00		
ME Service	71	\$949.00		
Hokkien Service	50	\$527.00		
Tamil Service	16	\$94.00		
DHF	18			
TOTAL	1293	\$4,363.00		
*Livestreaming peak concurrent view	wers			
Use of Premise		\$100.00		
Electronic Transfer		\$41,909.79		
Weekly Total		\$46,372.79		
Weekly offering to meet budget for 2024	1/25: \$82,235			
GENERAL PROJECTS FUND				
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Electronic Transfer	\$6,993.70
Weekly Total	\$6,993.70
Total Gift Received To-Date	\$89,881.55

Church Family News

- Our deepest condolences to Lai Wen Bin and family on the passing of her father, Mr Lai Hok Boon, aged 93, on 22 Apr 2024. Please uphold the bereaved family in prayer.
- Congratulations to Yeo You Liang & Michelle Tay who were joined in the bonds of holy matrimony on 27 Apr 2024!
- 3. Ps Alby is preaching at the Cantonese-Mandarin service 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 General Projects Fund



DBS Current A/C: **070-901055-5**PayNow: **T10SS0029GGPF ZION BISHAN BP CHURCH – GPF**

Please provide your CONTACT NUMBER on each cheque

Looking Ahead

Fri, 3 May

8.00pm: Prayer Meeting

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

Sat, 4 May

4.00pm: Youth Fellowship

Register at www.zionbishan.org.sg/yf

Sun, 5 May

Worship Services at 8.30am, 10.30am & 4.30pm

Revelation Series

5 May - I am Coming Soon

(Rev 22:6-21)

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

Mr Joel Khoo (4.30pm)

12 May – Review of Revelation

Ps Alby (8.30am & 10.30am)
Ps Vernon (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.

Ps Vernon Quek

Reflections on the BP Church & Revelation

Since its founding in 1937 in Collingswood, New Jersey, the global Bible-Presbyterian Church has rightly desired to keep, or guard, the Gospel and biblical truth¹ - this has been and must continue to be a key part of what it means to be Bible-Presbyterian.

Eschatology, the study of the end times, particularly in the book of Revelation, holds a significant place in BP theology. And so, as we near the end of our Revelation series, and as we sat under God's word in Revelation 20 last Sunday, I've been reflecting on what we can learn from our denomination's history and how we can continue to keep and guard the Gospel well.

If you haven't read the Word in Season article written by Ps Dev in last week's bulletin, I recommend you do so to get a bigger picture of the debate, and how we should approach it.

Very sadly in our history, the good desire to guard biblical truth in the BP Church often came without love and humility, resulting in multiple heartbreaking divisions and splits within our denomination.

We rightly want to guard the fundamentals of our faith, but one key lesson that we can learn from BP history is that knowing what is NOT fundamental is equally important in guarding the faith well. Discernment between what Scripture says is primary (what MUST be obeyed) and what is secondary (what we can take different views on) is something we must all learn.

This discernment isn't just something that the Pastors, Elders and leaders need. Every member of the Body needs to discern between the two as we seek to grow to maturity².

¹ 1 Timothy 6:20 & 2 Timothy 1:14

² Hebrews 5:14

Every secondary doctrine or distinctive that we wrongly elevate to be a fundamental that we (and all other believers) must adhere to ends up distracting us from the main thing: the Gospel.

It is often said that God is clear on the fundamentals in the Bible, and one way we can test whether something is fundamental and primary in our faith is how much God tells us in His Word about said topic. Take the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus for example: this is not only mentioned time and time again throughout the Bible, but we are explicitly told why this matters to us as believers³ - this is not a topic we are meant to have different views on!

After last week's sermons on Revelation 20, many of the post-sermon conversations revolved around which millennial view we as a Preaching Team or the leadership of Zion Bishan take. In case it wasn't obvious from the sermons, or Ps Dev's article, this topic is not a fundamental one to our faith. If it were, I believe that God would have said a lot more to us about the thousand years than just these few verses.

Let's keep praying that Zion Bishan and the wider BP Church will keep the main thing the main thing in these last days. We as pastors and elders would appreciate your prayers for wisdom as we lead the church family in this. Our prayer is that every single one of us will be able to discern what is of Gospel importance, and what is not, as we live in light of Jesus' imminent return.

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³ 1 Corinthians 15

Announcements

SENIORS360 Dim Sum Hour & Talk

Eye Wellness & Care

18 May (Sat) 10.30am,
In-person at Fellowship Hall

Come join us at this upcoming SENIORS360 event with ophthalmologist Dr Audrey Pang. She will be sharing on the common age-related eye conditions, create awareness of what causes vision loss, and how we can protect our eyes.

Do invite your non-Christian friends along!

Sign up by 11 May. https://tinyurl.com/DSTmay24

Infant / Child Baptism

19 May 2023

Interested parents, please email lydia@zionbishan.org.sg for form and sign up by **5 May**.