

Every Member Mature in Christ

For This We Toil & Struggle



PERSONAL DISCIPLESHIP

#getdeep
In God's Word



GOSPEL CULTURE

#getreal
With One Another



MISSIONAL COMMUNITIES

#getsent
For The Kingdom

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ENGLISH SERVICES

Order of Service

Call to Worship

Gloria Patri

Worship in Songs

AM: My Worth Is Not In What I Own; What a Friend We Have In Jesus; We Are One

PM: The Servant King; Known and Loved; We Are One

Scripture Reading: Matthew 5:1-12 ESV

Message: Blessed are the Vulnerable

Response Hymn: Just As I Am

Holy Communion: Jesus Paid It All (AM); When I Survey the Wondrous Cross (PM)

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

Speaker: Rev Lim Wei-En

Wei-en is a pastor at The Bible Church, Singapore, where he has served vocationally for 18 years. He oversees the young adults, prayer and Christian education ministries. He is married to Magdalene, and they have two children, Elliot, 10, and Eliza, 6. Wei-en enjoys cooking and hosting, unhurried walks in nature, and the occasional anime binge.

8.30am

Service Coordinator: Dn Tay Beng Hwee

Worship Leader: Eld Sonny Tan

Vocalist & Musicians: Morning Team 1

10.30am

Service Coordinator: Dn Tiew Chew Meng

Worship Leader: Eld Foo Say Chiang

Vocalist & Musicians: Morning Team 1

4.30pm

Service Coordinator: Timothy Ong

Worship Leader: Dn John Chua

Vocalist & Musicians: Afternoon Team 1

Pastors and Ministry Staff

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Rev Dr Alby Yip, <i>Senior Pastor</i>	<i>alby</i>
Rev Dr Dev Menon, <i>Pastor</i>	<i>dev</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>
Rev Ebi Mohan, <i>Assoc. Pastor (Tamil)</i>	<i>ebi</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 Ministry</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>	

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care@zionbishan.org.sg

Blessed are the Vulnerable

Matthew 5:1-12

Introduction

What is “vulnerability” and why is it so hard to be vulnerable?

The Gospel encourages vulnerability, as seen from the teachings and example of Jesus.

The Beatitudes

The beatitudes are traits of a gospelised person.

From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.” (Matt. 4:17)

God approves of gospelised persons.

“Blessed”

It is not possible to live as a gospelised person without being vulnerable.

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

“Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

“Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Jesus, the Vulnerable King

Conclusion

Blessed are the Vulnerable.

Prayer Points

Our Church

New Leaders – Thank God for a edifying ACM, where we elected 7 new deacons and deaconesses to serve the various needs of the church. They will be installed at the various worship services from Sunday onwards. Pray for them as they begin this new season of ministry, that they will understand more deeply what it means to be, as Jesus said, servant of all.

Domestic Helpers' Fellowship (DHF)

Thank God for our volunteers' faithfulness and for this 'foreign' mission field within our shores and even in some of our homes. Pray for a Burmese-speaking worker to join the ministry, and pray also for wisdom to minister better to the Muslim helpers. May all the employers in ZB have such good testimonies for Christ at home that their helpers will want to know Him. Pray for our ZB helpers to respond well, so that every ZB household with a helper will be a happy home, glorifying the name of Jesus together.

Children's Ministry – Thank God for the 53 teachers who have committed to teaching the children God's truths this year. Most of them attended the CM Retreat on 1 June 2024 to be equipped to understand the book of Judges, so they can disciple the children's minds and hearts well. Pray that the teachers' hearts and minds will continue to be shaped by these truths and model them well for the children.

"Gospel People" Church Camp 2024 – Please keep in prayer our church camp, as 550 of our members (across the English and Chinese congregations) will meet together for camp in about 2 weeks' time. Pray for the camp committee as they continue to finalise arrangements and logistics for the camp. Pray also for the speakers (Ps Simon Murphy & Ps Jacob Ng, from Redemption Hill Church) as

they prepare to speak God's Word to us and help us learn how to embody the Gospel to each other in the church.

Our World

Climate change – The effects of a warmer earth has led to record temperatures and much heat stress for many this season in South East Asia. Our partner in N India reported daytime temperatures of 44 degrees. The India national elections, which is currently in its last week, has been affected by the heat. Our Myanmar partner reported that most residents stay indoors however with power cuts, it is still very difficult. Pray that those who are vulnerable, like the elderly, and those working outdoors, will be protected. May the Lord convict our hearts on what we can do to be better stewards of God's Creation in this critical issue.

India – Pray for one partner who runs a bible college in the northeast and has a number of workers working amongst least reached people groups. The partner is at a crossroad, having to manage its core mission to train and equip workers as well providing for some of their harvest workers' financial and spiritual needs in its various local fields. Pray for God to give wisdom to its leaders and direct the future path of this partner. May the Lord of the harvest raise up local support and bring unity of purpose amongst its workers in sharing the good news. Pray that all will continue to trust in the Good Shepherd and experience God's comfort and His peace during these times of uncertainty.

Last Week

Sunday Service	Attendance	Offering
English Service Livestream*	18	
English Service 8:30am	175	\$1,477.00
English Service 10:30am	496	
English Service 4:30pm	223	
Chinese Service livestream*	11	
Chinese Service 8:30am	70	\$845.00
Cant/Mand Service 10:45am	68	\$648.00
ME Service	55	\$970.00
Hokkien Service	62	\$488.00
Tamil Service	13	\$280.00
DHF	22	
TOTAL	1219	\$4,708.00

**Livestreaming peak concurrent viewers*

BSF Contribution	\$1,282.37
Electronic Transfer	\$48,929.68
Weekly Total	\$54,920.05

Weekly offering to meet budget for 2024/25: \$82,235

GENERAL PROJECTS FUND

Electronic Transfer	\$6,400.00
Weekly Total	\$6,400.00
Total Gift Received To-Date	\$165,757.71

Church Family News

1. Ps Zhiwen will be overseas from 27 May - 8 June.
2. Joel Khoo is preaching at Herald BP Church 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**

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Please provide your CONTACT NUMBER on each cheque

Looking Ahead

Fri, 7 Jun

8.00pm: Prayer Meeting

Register at www.zionbishan.org.sg/fpm

Sat, 8 Jun

4.00pm: Youth Fellowship

Register at www.zionbishan.org.sg/yf

Sun, 9 Jun

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

Gospel Culture

How the gospel changes the way we interact with God and each other

9 Jun – Make Space in Your Heart

Ps Dev Menon (8.30am & 10.30am)

Gospel Culture: Safe Church

Mr Danny Chua (4.30pm)

16 Jun – How the Gospel encourages Humility

Elder Reginald Tan (10.30am)

23 Jun – Gospel Culture: Safe Church

Mr Danny Chua (8.30am & 10.30am)

Make Space in Your Heart

Ps Dev Menon (4.30pm)

30 Jun – A Community of Friends

Rev Tan Soo-Inn

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.

Peace Talks

The Shangri-La Dialogue is happening in Singapore's Shangri-La Hotel this weekend. The event, now in its 21st year, "is a platform for government officials, business leaders, and security experts to discuss pressing regional security concerns. It involves speeches, debates, as well as private meetings on the sidelines." (Channel News Asia, 30/5/24) In other words, it is a Peace Talk.

21 years of peace talks and the world is still filled with strife and injustices, and the problem is growing. The Geneva Academy is monitoring 110 armed conflicts happening around the world, some lasting more than 50 years. The Doomsday Clock predicted humanity is only 90 seconds away from self-destruction. We see the poor getting poorer, the marginalised more marginalised. The world is in no better place notwithstanding the many Peace Talks.

I just visited an elderly gentleman in a hospice for palliative care. He summarised what many experts did not, could not or will not acknowledge. He said the world is upside down. And there is only one man who can help—the Man on the Cross! Why? Because He is the only One who has the power to overcome the earth but yet chose to allow the earth to overpower Him to secure and show what is true and lasting peace.

The world needs another kind of Peace Talk. It is to talk about this Prince of Peace. It is to talk about this Gospel of Peace. It is to talk about the One who says, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid." (John 14:27) I believe all Christians know, are convicted and are proclaiming, I hope, this Prince and Gospel of Peace, aka, telling people about Jesus.

But how does this look like in the everyday bolts and nuts of life? Surely, we can't be talking about or preaching the Gospel to everyone in everything. Perhaps, the recent scenes of the swearing-in of our new Prime Minister and his cabinet may be a good prompter. Sixteen chose to hold a Bible and end their pledge with, "So help me God." I'm very sure it was not a public proclamation of Christianity.

I'm convinced it was a declaration of their faith. In so doing, they expect themselves to be held accountable for what they believe. It is a commitment that their conduct, decisions, and conversations whether private or public, personal or official; all will be shaped by the Gospel. I pray and hope that not only them, but all of us Christians will make this declaration and commitment. That I believe is real Peace Talk. That is what our world needs.

Announcements

30th Anniversary T-Shirt & Camp Booklet Collection

Members who have ordered 30th Anniversary T-shirts will be able to collect them **next Sunday, 9 Jun**. The collection will be after each service, in the Fellowship Hall.

Campers will also be able to collect their complimentary T-shirt and a physical copy of the camp booklet. For campers, please tell us your invoice number to speed up the process.

If you are unable to collect personally, someone else may collect on your behalf.

Church Camp Sunday

Please note that on **16 Jun 2024**:

**One combined English Service
@ 10.30 am**

**One combined Chinese Service
@ 9.00 am**