

**ENGLISH SERVICES** 

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# Order of Service

Call to Worship

Gloria Patri

#### [MORNING]

Worship in Songs: 10,000 Reasons; Behold Our God; Living Hope

Scripture Reading: Romans 5:1-11 (ESV)
Message: Since We Are Justified ...

Response Hymn: O Lord, My Rock and My Redeemer

#### [ AFTERNOON ]

Worship in Songs: Hymn of the Saviour; Jesus Thank You; Judge of the Secrets

Scripture Reading: Romans 5:1-11 (ESV) Message: Real Hope in Present Pain Response Hymn: I Stand Amazed

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,
reaister at www.zionbishan.ora.sa/dhf

**8.45am DHF 1A** in English/Tagalog, for all nationalities) *In-person in Room 106 & Zoom* 

**8.45am DHF 2** (in Myanmar language) *In-person in Room 105 & Zoom* 

2.30pm DHF 3 (in Bahasa Indonesia) via Zoom

**8.45pm DHF 1B** (in English/Tagalog, for all nationalities) *only 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 Ebi Mohan ( 8.30 & 10.30 am ) Mr Danny Chua ( 4.30 pm )

#### 8.30am

Service Coordinator: Judah Koh Worship Leader: Dn Justin Low

Vocalist & Musicians: Music ad-hoc Team

#### 10.30am

Service Coordinator: Timothy Ong
Worship Leader: Eld Foo Say Chiang
Vocalist & Musicians: Music ad-hoc Team

### 4.30pm

Service Coordinator: Vanessa Khoo Worship Leader: Eld Roland Low

Vocalist & Musicians: Music ad-hoc Team

# **Pastors and Ministry Staff**

Rev Dr Alby Yip, Senior Pastor	Sabbatical
Rev Dr Dev Menon, Pastor	9829 6051
Rev Lim Jit Thye, Pastor (Cant-Mand)	9182 6957
Rev Daniel Nge, Pastor (Mand-Eng)	Sabbatical
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
Rev Chris, Asst Pastor (Tamil)	9446 7416
Mrs Emily Quek, Special Projects	9001 2926
Mrs June Tan, Children's Ministry	8388 1883
Ms Elizabeth Hira, Children's Min/DHF	9239 0680
Mrs Sha.ron Quek, Overseas Ministries	9788 0195
Mr Danny Chua, AG/Safeguarding	9239 4160
Dr Quek Tze-Ming, Ministry Staff	9060 8340
Mrs Jacqueline Ong, Youth Ministry	9322 7629
Mrs Vanessa Khoo, Women's Ministry	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	S

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Ps Fbi Mohan

### Since We Are Justified ...

Romans 5:1-11

### Introduction:

"Blessed are the justified for they shall have hope of glory."

## Since we are justified by faith we have

- a. peace, grace & hope (1-5)
- b. God's love through Christ (6-11)

# **Conclusion:**

- 1. Filled with peace, we stand in grace
- 2. Hoping for glory, we rejoice in suffering,
- 3. Poured with Christ's love, we shall be saved.

## **Questions for Reflection and Discussion:**

- 1. How do we explain 'standing in grace'?
- 2. Are you really rejoicing in suffering? Why not?
- 3. Do you doubt God's love? When? Why?

# **Real Hope in Present Pain**

Romans 5:1-11

Mr Danny Chua

Introduction: Made Right before God... So what?







**Our Past** 

**Our Present** 

**Our Future** 

(1) Being made right with God has changed our lives now and forever (5:1-2)		
Justified (v. 1)	Peace with God: full access to	Glory: our guaranteed future
	our Father always (v. 1-2)	(v. 2)

(2) We rejoice in our aff	lictions, assured that God has loved & will always love us (5:3-	<u>8)</u>
Loved as weak &	Rejoicing in afflictions with	
helpless sinners (v. 6-8)	His Spirit's help (v. 3-5)	

(3) He embraced us as enemies, aren't we even more secure as His children? (5:9-11)		
Justified already by His		Future final justification: saved
blood (v.9)		from His wrath (v. 9)
Reconciled when still	Rejoicing now in God (v. 11)	Glory: Jesus' life is ours
enemies (v. 10)		(v. 10-11)

### **Questions for Reflection & Discussion:**

- 1. How has our Christian lives now changed since we belong to God?
- 2. Why is it important to look back at the Cross when we face the afflictions of life?
- 3. Are you assured of God's love for you now and always? Why or why not?

# **Prayer Points**

### **Our Church**

Heartlands Ministry – For our desire to reach more with the Gospel, pray for this space and ministry to be used in a way that allows others to explore about God and Jesus through stories in the Bible each week. Pray also for more members to extend this invitation and come together with nonbelieving family, colleagues or friends.

### **Our Denomination**

Helping Sister Churches - As mentioned in today's Word in Season, the BPCIS churches have started discussions and put forward proposals on how to look out for one another in a more sustained way. Some are providing financial assistance, others have opened up their venue for use, and perhaps most significantly, some are prepared to send leaders and members over to reinforce those that are smaller, newer or presently struggling. We sincerely thank God for this development and deeper partnership. May God indeed strengthen our love for and unity with one another!

### **Our World**

MENA team – Last week, from 21 to 22 Mar, the team was able to run a retreat for over 60 staff of an NGO in a nation that was recently at war. Thank God for a good time of rest and restoration for the staff as they continue to serve vulnerable communities through their work. Pray for a church the team visited to have the wisdom to decide whether it is safe to go visit their team in a war-torn region to help with their request for trauma counselling in the next 2 weeks.

# Bangladesh - (Joshua Project)

Bangladesh has a population of 174 million and 98.9% of its population are unreached, with only 0.42% Christians. While Singapore is home to many of these foreign workers, pray for a spiritual breakthrough amongst the Bangladeshi foreign workers working here as well as for the harvest work in Bangladesh. Pray too for the small number of local Christians to remain firm in their trust in Jesus amid challenges due to their faith and at the same time be God's light for their non-believer friends.

### Last Week

Sunday Service	Attendance	Offering
English Service Livestream*	18	
English Service 8:30am	173	\$5,206.00
English Service 10:30am	481	
English Service 4:30pm	248	
Chinese Service livestream*	8	
Chinese Service 8:30am	83	\$1,093.00
Cant/Mand Service 10:45am	87	\$670.00
Mand/English Service 10.30am	63	\$1,114.00
Hokkien Service	51	\$643.00
Tamil Service	10	\$244.00
DHF	22	
TOTAL	1244	\$8,970.00

<sup>\*</sup>Livestreaming peak concurrent viewers.

Electronic Transfer	\$45,691.31
Weekly Total	\$54,661.31

Weekly Offering to meet estimated expenditure for 2025/26: \$94,181

#### **GENERAL PROJECTS FUND**

Gift No: 0015	\$9,300.00
Electronic Transfer	\$4,650.00
Weekly Total	\$13,950.00
Total General Projects Fund:	\$5,647,467.59

# **Church Family News**

Ps Zhiwen is preaching at Glad Tidings 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 ZION BISHAN BP CHURCH – GPF** 

Please provide your CONTACT NUMBER on each cheque

# **Looking Ahead**

# Fri, 4 Apr

8.00pm: Prayer Meeting

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

### Sat, 5 Apr

4.00pm: Youth Fellowship

Register at www.zionbishan.org.sq/yf

### Sun, 6 Apr

Worship Services at 8.30am, 10.30am

& 4.30pm

## **Romans Series**

6 Apr - Romans 5:12-21

Ps Ng Zhiwen ( 8.30 & 10.30 am ) Mr Danny Chua ( 4.30 pm )

13 Apr - Romans 6:1-14

Ps Vernon Quek

20 Apr - Romans 6:15-7:6

Ps Ng Zhiwen ( 8.30 & 10.30 am )
Ps Dev Menon ( 4.30 pm )

27 Apr - Romans 7:7-25

Mr Danny Chua (8.30 & 10.30 am) Ps Ng Zhiwen (4.30 pm)

# 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.

#### **BPCIS UPDATE**

#### STRONG HFLPING WEAK

"Now we who are strong have an obligation to bear the weaknesses of those without strength, and not to please ourselves. Each one of us must please his neighbour for his good, to build him up."

#### Romans 15:1-2 HCSB

Over the past few months, BPCIS pastors have been deliberating on how stronger churches among us can help weaker churches. Two papers were presented, and discussions are on-going on these works in progress. One church with two pastors is hosting another church without a pastor or meeting place. A church with stagnant attendance and declining ministries is receiving "reinforcements" from a sister church.

Our only Chinese-speaking church with less than 100 members, encouraged and helped by fellow BPCIS churches, acquired an industrial property in Woodlands, and recently received permits from authorities for religious use. Churches that are well-resourced are reaching out to those in need. Praise God.

#### REVITALISING & MINGLE MINISTRIES

In the longer term, we will need to help these churches with HR (Human Resource) or staffing needs. As a Presbytery, after an extended study with an HR consultant, we have benchmarked the salary structures for pastors, ministry and admin staff. Smaller churches, unable to recruit and remunerate full-time pastor and admin staff, will receive "top-up" (estimated at 40%) from BPCIS.

However, to do so, we will need an endowment fund from which to draw interest for the "top-up"—a substantial sum if we were to support a pastor and an admin staff for at least three years for up to three churches. If you would like to find out more, please contact me or your pastor. Pray for such "revitalising ministry" (initiatives to revitalise weaker churches) which is also the theme of our Leaders Retreat in July.

Meanwhile, we have our combined Good Friday Service & Easter Sunrise Service (18 & 20 April) at ACS Independent, Dover Road, and MacRitchie Reservoir respectively. (The Chinese Good Friday Service will be held at Zion Bishan BPC.) Let us honour our Lord Jesus by remembering Him during these two climactic events of the Holy Week.

Finally, the "Mingle" ministry of BPCIS brought together 30 young women and 30 young men together last Saturday (22 March) during which friendships develop "organically" with the exchange of contacts. May such initiatives go on to strengthen our churches.

# **Pastor David Wong**

General Secretary, Bible-Presbyterian Church in Singapore GenSecBPCIS@gmail.com

### **Announcements**

### SENIORS360 Dim Sum Hour & Talk

Fall Prevention 12 Apr 2025 (Sat) 10.15am Fellowship Hall

Come join us at this upcoming SENIORS360 event with Ms Chua Peishan. Find out how to improve balance and reduce your risk of fall. Do invite your non-Christian friends along!

Sign up by **7 Apr**: http://rebrand.ly/s360apr25

### Zion Bishan Chinese Services Camp

Zion Bishan Chinese Services (ZBCS) is hosting their camp this year from June 13 - 16 at Desaru Amerald Resort Hotel.

The speaker for the camp will be **Rev Yong Teck Meng** from Reformed Evangelical
Church (Singapore).

If you're unable to attend the English church camp or have Mandarin-speaking parents or friends who would like to join, feel free to sign up <a href="https://example.com/here

# **ZB Youth Ministry**

ZB Youth Ministry is calling for youths to be connected to the ZB church family — join us for Youth Fellowship on Saturdays, and Youth Discipleship class on Sundays.

Speak with Jacqueline (93227629), Dns Ee-Wern or Dns Larissa, if you know someone in their teens interested to join, or if you'd like to find out how you can serve our ZB youths.

### Maundy Thursday Evening Service

17 Apr, 8 pm – 9.30pm @ Sanctuary

A reflective Evening Service with Holy Communion.

## **BPCIS Combined Good Friday Service**

18 Apr 2025 (Fri) 10.30am ACS (Independent), Auditorium 2

EMBRACING THE CROSS OF JESUS Speaker: Rev (Dr) Yap Kim Sin

Note that you will need a physical ticket to attend the service. Register at <a href="https://bit.ly/ZBgoodfriday">https://bit.ly/ZBgoodfriday</a> and collect your tickets at the booth in the fellowship hall today (30 Mar)!

Coach transportation from and to Zion Bishan provided only upon sign up.

Note there is no parking onsite.
Please park at 28 Dover Crescent instead
and board the shuttle buses that will run
between Blk 28 and ACS(I).

#### **Easter Sunrise Service**

20 Apr 2025, 6.30am MacRitchie Reservoir near Lim Bo Seng Memorial

Sweetest Sound on Easter Morning
Speaker: Pastor David Wong

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