

ENGLISH SERVICES

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Order of Service

Call to Worship

Doxology

Worship in Songs:

AM: Glorious Day; This Life I Live; His Glory and My Good

PM: How Firm A Foundation; In Christ Alone; Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me

Scripture Reading: Acts 9:3-6; 15-16; 13:1-4 (ESV)

Message: Obeying the Heavenly Call - How do we #GetSent?

Response Hymn: O Church Arise

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: 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 zionbishan.org.sq/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: zionbishan.org.sg/cd-yd

Join us on Telegram / WhatsApp

Keep up to date with our latest bulletin and church announcements: zionbishan.org.sg/broadcasts

Serving You Today

Speaker: Mr Watson Rajaratnam

Watson Rajaratnam is a journalist turned missionary. After serving in Africa for 9 years, he returned to Singapore in 2020 to serve as Regional Director of Serving In Mission (SIM) East Asia. Prior to his ministry in Africa, he served at SIM as a College Lecturer, Executive News Editor and Singapore National Director. He is married to his wife Vijaya who is a counselor, and they are blessed with a son and a daughter.

8.30am

Service Coordinator: Dn Lim Nan Worship Leader: Dn John Chua Vocalist & Musicians: Am Music Team 4

10.30am

Service Coordinator: Dn Mervyn Phan Worship Leader: Eld Michael Gan Vocalist & Musicians: Am Music Team 4

4.30pm

Service Coordinator: Judah Koh Worship Leader: Dn Nicklaus Yu Vocalist & Musicians: Pm Music Team 4

Pastors and Ministry Staff

E-mail: user ID followed by @zionbishan.org.sg

Rev Dr Alby Yip, Senior Pastor (on Sabbatical) Rev Dr Dev Menon, Pastor dev Rev Lim Jit Thye, Pastor (Cant-Mand) itlim Rev Daniel Nge, Pastor daniel Rev Vernon Quek, Pastor vernon Rev Ng Zhiwen, Pastor zhiwen Rev Paul Yeo, Pastor (Hokkien/Mand) paul Rev Ebi Mohan, Assoc. Pastor (Tamil) ebi christopher Rev Chris, Asst Pastor (Tamil) Mrs Emily Quek, Special Projects emily Mrs June Tan, Children's Ministry iune Ms Elizabeth Hira, Children's Ministry/DHF hira Mrs Sha.ron Quek, Overseas Ministries sharon Mr Danny Chua, AG/Safeguarding danny Dr Quek Tze-Ming, Ministry Staff tzeming Mrs Jacqueline Ong, Youth Ministry jacqueline Mrs Vanessa Khoo. Women's Ministry vanessa Mr Joel Khoo, YAs/Discipleship ioel Mr Timothy Ong, Missions Education timothy Rev Dr David Wong, Advisory Pastor

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Obeying the Heavenly Call - How do we #GetSent?

Mr Watson Rajaratnam

Acts 9:3-6, 15-16; Acts 13:1-4

Introduction

- What is not and what is Mission?
- What is Mission Sending?
- Who Sends?

How does the Church Send?

- Connects
- Consults
- Confirms
- Clarifies
- Commissions
- Commits

Discussion Questions:

- 1. What can we do to get those called for cross-cultural missions to be connected and rooted in the church?
- 2. How do we discern God's will before sending a member out as a cross-cultural missions worker?
- 3. What do we do in helping someone confirm his or her call to cross-cultural missions?
- 4. What actions can we take to ensure that the church stays committed to sending cross-cultural missions workers?

Prayer Points

Our Church

English as Second Language (ESL) – We thank God for the faithful service of our volunteer teachers, persevering in showing the love of Christ through their teaching and interactions with the students. Praise God for the 16 new sign-ups this semester. Pray that these ladies will adjust and integrate well with the class, and for our teachers to get to know them better and be sensitive to their spiritual needs. Pray for many more to be drawn in and shepherded to hear the voice of Jesus and follow Him as their Good Shepherd.

Gospel Laborers – Let us pray that the love and good news of Christ continue to grip and affect many hearts, for that is both the natural and only way any Christians will #getsent by the Lord of the harvest both here and out into the nations. May the Spirit move many to begin with baby steps - whether in ministering to another Christian, patiently witnessing in their workplaces/homes, and perhaps even having starter conversations on paid full-time gospel work (find out more e.g. through "Look into Full Time" or "Antioch Summit" on the last page of this bulletin).

Our People

June Tan - We praise God for our sister, Aunty June (as fondly known among the children) and the 14 years she has served as ministry staff with our children's discipleship team! Let's pray for her to have a period of refreshing rest and as she discerns the Lord's leading for a new season of life and service to Him.

Our World

Myanmar – Thank God for a former ministry partner who recently delivered relief packages to 200 Shan households in the Inlay region. The severe earthquake that struck in March damaged many of these homes that were built over water. As a church, we're thankful to have contributed a small love gift to support this effort. A short gospel message was also shared as part of the relief efforts. Our partner reports that many listened with interest! May the Spirit grow the seeds of the gospel sown in these hearts.

Indonesia – Ministry to the hearing impaired is an established ministry of our partner on an Indonesian Island. Praise God that this ministry has steadily grown and moved into areas where the gospel has not been heard. While there are also efforts to promote the majority faith in these communities, many from the majority faith have thankfully shown interest in some of our ministry partner's small groups. They are praying for more workers in this ministry and also for more to receive the gospel and take it further into that community.

Last Week

Sunday Service	Attendance	Offering
English Service Livestream*	14	
English Service 8:30am	212	\$418.80
English Service 10:30am	571	
English Service 4:30pm	236	
Chinese Service livestream*	8	
Chinese Service 8:30am	90	\$1,032.00
Cant/Mand Service 10:45am	67	\$341.00
Mand/English Service 10.30am	57	\$1,298.00
Hokkien Service	62	\$1,138.00
Tamil Service	14	\$268.00
DHF	30	
TOTAL	1361	\$4,495.80
*Livestreaming peak concurrent view	ers	
Electronic Transfer		\$52,688.87
Weekly Total Weekly offering to meet budget for 2025/2	26: \$94,181	\$57,184.67

GENERAL PROJECTS FUND

Electronic Transfer	\$5,028.50
Weekly Total	\$5,028.50
Total Gift Received To-Date	\$5,847,381.54

Church Family News

- 1. Ps Dev is preaching at Emmanuel BPC this morning.
- Ps Vernon is at In-Camp Training from 14 July – 15 Aug.
- Ps Zhiwen is at In-Camp Training from 24 July – 8 Aug.
- Sister June Tan will be stepping down as Children Ministry Staff with effect from 31 July 2025. We thank God for her faithful service over the past 14 years.

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, 1 Aug

8.00pm: Prayer Meeting

Register at zionbishan.org.sq/fpm

Sat, 2 Aug

4.00pm: Youth Fellowship

Register at zionbishan.org.sq/yf

Sun, 3 Aug

Worship Services at 8.30am, 10.30am

& 4.30pm

Romans

3 Aug - Romans 5-8 Review

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

10 Aug - Romans 9:1-29

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17 Aug - Romans 9:30-10:17

Dr Quek Tze-Ming (8.30 & 10.30 am)
Ps Dev Menon (4.30 pm)

24 Aug - Romans 10:14-21

Dr Quek Tze-Ming (8.30 & 10.30 am) Ps Vernon Quek (4.30 pm)

31 Aug - Romans 11:1-24

Ps Dev Menon (8.30 & 10.30 am)
Ps Vernon Quek (4.30 pm)

Connect With Us

Thank you for joining us today!

Should you be interested to find out more about Jesus, indicate your response at bit.ly/ZBinterest and we will put someone in touch with you as soon as possible!

BPCIS UPDATE

FIFTEEN YEARS & THE NEXT DECADE

"If your presence will not go with me, do not bring us up from here." Exodus 33.15

BPCIS will be 15 next year! We started in 2011 with four churches. Today we have eleven churches. Recently, two exciting events took place. Our annual Leaders Retreat (7-8 July) saw a record 99 participants gathered at Opero Hotel in JB. Following it, for the first time, was an Envisioning Exercise (8-9 July), eleven of us seeking the Lord's will for the Next Decade (2026-2035).

LEADERS RETREAT

Furthermore, our Retreat welcomed six delegates from a BP church in Perth, Australia, who had requested fellowship with BPCIS with hope that a similar Presbytery could be forged among BP churches in Australia. We have already informal association with a Presbytery of 17 BP churches in India.

Our Retreat considered the theme "Revitalising Ministry" with concrete examples shared of member churches reaching out to help and revitalise weaker churches within BPCIS. In the Next Decade, we desire to see more of such collaboration. One area is the training of younger pastors and ministry leaders in an apprenticeship programme, and subsequent support of them (financially and in other ways) when they serve in our churches.

ENVISIONING EXERCISE

We can't and won't go forward unless the Lord is with us (Ex 33.15), so we claimed His promise: "My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." (Ex 33.14)

We also enlisted the help of AI which sums up our 2-day Envisioning Exercise as follows:

"In a synthesis of group discussions, five central values emerged to guide the denomination forward:

- 1. Spiritual Family: Prioritising relational depth over institutional formality.
- 2. Truth and Grace: Holding fast to doctrine while cultivating humility and gentleness.
- 3. Mutual Encouragement: Strengthening one another through prayer, pulpit sharing, and mentorship.
- 4. Missional and Kingdom-Minded: Looking outward to plant, partner, and serve beyond BPCIS.
- 5. Visible Unity in Diversity: Embracing generational and stylistic differences while preserving core beliefs.

"The proposed vision for the next decade is "From Strength to Strength"—not so much in size or influence, but in faithfulness to God, leadership maturity, and depth of community.

Scripture foundations such as Exodus 33 and Ephesians 4 provided a biblical lens for imagining BPCIS as a network of churches that restore, equip, and grow up into Christlikeness."

God helping us, we look forward to our 15th Anniversary next year and the launch of our Next Decade. Pray and work with us!

Please visit our website <u>BPCIS.org.sg</u> for reflections and photos on the Retreat, as well as stories from our BPCIS churches.

Pastor David Wong General Secretary, BPCIS

Announcements

Look into Full Time

The Gospel harvest continues to grow day after day - have you ever thought of asking the Lord of the harvest to send *you*? Come find out more about full-time paid gospel ministry and our apprenticeship scheme over a lunch session on

24 Aug 2025 (Sun) @ 12.30pm!

Sign up here:

https://tinyurl.com/ZionBishanLIFT

The Antioch Summit

Annual missions mobilization conference organized by **ANTIOCH21.**

This is the 2nd year of the Decade of Missions (2023-2033), and if you are seriously considering getting involved in Cross-Cultural Missions, the Summit is the place to be.

This is where God's people gather to be with Jesus on the mountain top to behold His beauty and glory, catch His passion for the nations and be sent out in His name.

It will run from 2 - 4 Oct, at Bartley Christian Church. Early Bird registration is now open (up to 31 Aug). Sign up today.

Creation Care Conference 2025

Be inspired, informed, and equipped in caring for God's creation.

12 Sep (Fri) 7.30 - 9.30pm 13 Sep (Sat) 9am - 6pm

Faith Methodist Church and Queenstown Chinese Methodist Church.

Sign up at bit.ly/ccc25signup

Safeguarding Training

How can the church be a safe place for all to come and discover Jesus?
Why should we safeguard against abuse as a church community?

All leaders and members are welcomed to join us to consider how the Gospel shapes our responsibility as a church in safeguarding the young and vulnerable among us.

31 Aug 2025 (Sun) @ 1pm!

Sign up here:

https://tinyurl.com/ZBSafeguarding

Catechism Class 2025

Are you looking to join the Zion Bishan church family as a member?

This round of Catechism Class will start on 30 Aug, every Saturday from 1.30pm to 3pm over 14 weeks.

Venue: Emmanuel BP Church @One Pemimpin (Due to A&A works)

Get the sign-up form from Lydia (lydia@zionbishan.org) or Dns Debbo Lee.

Sign up by 10 Aug.