



... IF YOU CONFESS WITH YOUR MOUTH  
THAT JESUS IS LORD AND  
BELIEVE IN YOUR HEART THAT  
GOD RAISED HIM FROM THE DEAD  
YOU WILL BE SAVED.

**ROMANS 10:9**

**ENGLISH SERVICES**

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## ***Order of Service***

Call to Worship

Doxology

[ MORNING ]

Worship in Songs: Behold The Sure Foundation Stone; Hymn Of The Saviour;  
Come Alive

Scripture Reading: Romans 9:30-10:13 (ESV)

Message: Foundation Stone or Stumbling Stone?

Response Hymn: We Declare

[ AFTERNOON ]

Worship in Songs: King of Kings; Jesus Paid it All; Here I Am to Worship

Scripture Reading: Romans 9:30-10:13 (ESV)

Message: Foundation Stone or Stumbling Stone?

Response Hymn: My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

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](http://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.sg/dhf](http://zionbishan.org.sg/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](http://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](http://zionbishan.org.sg/broadcasts)

## Serving You Today

### **Speakers:**

Dr Quek Tze-Ming ( 8.30 & 10.30 am )

Ps Dev Menon ( 4.30 pm )

### **8.30am**

*Service Coordinator:* Dn John Chua

*Worship Leader:* Eld Tay Beng Hwee

*Vocalist & Musicians:* Am Music Team 3

### **10.30am**

*Service Coordinator:* Jacqueline Ong

*Worship Leader:* Eld Chuah Chin Yew

*Vocalist & Musicians:* Am Music Team 3

### **4.30pm**

*Service Coordinator:* Nicole

*Worship Leader:* Dn Kemp Aw

*Vocalist & Musicians:* Pm Music Team 3

## Pastors and Ministry Staff

Rev Dr Alby Yip, <i>Senior Pastor</i>	<i>Sabbatical</i>
Rev Dr Dev Menon, <i>Pastor</i>	9829 6051
Rev Lim Jit Thye, <i>Pastor (Cant-Mand)</i>	9182 6957
Rev Daniel Nge, <i>Pastor (Mand-Eng)</i>	8428 0525
Rev Vernon Quek, <i>Pastor</i>	9796 0196
Rev Ng Zhiwen, <i>Pastor</i>	9092 6095
Rev Paul Yeo, <i>Pastor (Hokkien)</i>	9751 1897
Rev Ebi Mohan, <i>Assoc Pastor (Tamil)</i>	8198 9696
Rev Chris, <i>Asst Pastor (Tamil)</i>	9446 7416
Mrs Emily Quek, <i>Special Projects</i>	9001 2926
Ms Elizabeth Hira, <i>Children's Min/DHF</i>	9239 0680
Mrs Sha.ron Quek, <i>Overseas Ministries</i>	9788 0195
Mr Danny Chua, <i>AG/Safeguarding</i>	9239 4160
Dr Quek Tze-Ming, <i>Ministry Staff</i>	9060 8340
Mrs Jacqueline Ong, <i>Youth Ministry</i>	9322 7629
Mrs Vanessa Khoo, <i>Women's Ministry</i>	9880 4507
Mr Joel Khoo, <i>YAs/Discipleship</i>	9368 9221
Mr Timothy Ong, <i>Missions Education</i>	9271 5785
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](mailto:care@zionbishan.org.sg)

## **Foundation Stone or Stumbling Stone?**

Romans 9:30 - 10:13

### **Introduction: Foundation Stone or Stumbling Stone?**

Even when God gives something good, ...

### **Israel's Pursuit: what Israel is looking for**

But from where?

Israel's fault ...

### **Paul's Desire: what Paul is looking for**

## **Conclusion**

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

1. Why are so many of Paul's family members not saved? What reason does this passage give? Do you think the same reason applies to our unsaved loved ones?
2. What does it mean that the Jews 'established their own righteousness'? What could that look like in today's context? Why is this so dangerous?
3. What can we do if we are heartbroken about our unsaved relatives? What do you think Paul did about it? What do you think God is doing about it?

## **Foundation Stone or Stumbling Stone?**

Romans 9:30 - 10:13

### **An Unsaved Family**

### **But Why?**

### **Self-Righteousness**

### **Run to the Rock**

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

1. List down a few things that you remember from the sermon and the passage.
2. Why are so many of Paul's family members not saved? What reason does this passage give? Do you think the same reason applies to our unsaved loved ones?
3. What does it mean that the Jews 'established their own righteousness'? What could that look like in today's context? Why is this so dangerous?
4. What can we do if we are heartbroken about our unsaved relatives? What do you think Paul did about it? What do you think God is doing about it?

## *Prayer Points*

### **Our Church**

**Heartlands Ministry** – Thank God for the opportunity to be helping others explore God and Jesus for themselves through a short passage or story in the Bible each week. We're thankful also for the friendships that have grown since this initiative began in March, and for the few who have been coming regularly. Pray for the faith of our volunteers to continue growing as we love each person who comes by pointing them to Jesus, His life-giving word and work.

**MCEL Trip** – Pray for Pastor Paul and team as they travel on 16 - 17 Aug to minister to the MCEL churches in Hubong, Rompin, and Endau. May God grant them safe and smooth journeys, and pray that the Holy Spirit will use the team to encourage the believers in these churches. Pray also for their leaders to have Christ's love and wisdom to maintain unity and fellowship with each other.

**India** - From 18-24 August, a team of 2 men and 2 women will be visiting leaders from a group of churches. Pray for good health and safe journey and for a blessed time of encouraging the brethren there. Pray that these leaders will be equipped to disciple their flock who can then go on to disciple others.

### **Our People**

**Sister Dorene Ng** was hit by an e-bike rider a week ago and hospitalised as her face and eyes were badly bruised and swollen. (The incident was reported in ST: <https://bit.ly/3UJKkzU>) We thank God that she sustained no fractures nor serious injury to the brain that required surgery. She is still under observation. Please pray for:

- bleeding in the brain to clear and giddiness to subside
- a suitable rehab centre to stay until she is ready to be discharged
- her son, Jonathan as he balances between work and care for Dorene
- complete healing and restoration.

Thank God that Dorene is in good spirit and she conveys her thanks to the church for their love & concerns through visits & prayers.

### **Our World**

**Indonesia** - One of our mission agency partners have requested prayers for Lolo.an Me.layu, a minority group who numbers 30,000 in Bali. Pray that God may soften the hearts of the Lolo.an so that they may understand His love for them. Pray for more workers to be willing to go serve and help this community as many of them are economically disadvantaged and work as fishermen.

## Last Week

Sunday Service	Attendance	Offering
English Service Livestream*	22	
English Service 8:30am	210	\$190.50
English Service 10:30am	526	
English Service 4:30pm	218	
Chinese Service livestream*	8	
Chinese Service 8:30am	80	\$1,032.00
Cant/Mand Service 10:45am	70	\$497.00
Mand/English Service 10.30am	56	\$721.00
Hokkien Service	72	\$544.00
Tamil Service	14	\$267.00
DHF	24	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1300</b>	<b>\$3,251.50</b>

\*Livestreaming peak concurrent viewers

Electronic Transfer \$63,827.45  
**Weekly Total \$67,078.95**

Weekly offering to meet budget for 2025/26: \$94,181

### GENERAL PROJECTS FUND

Electronic Transfer \$6,457.30  
**Weekly Total \$6,457.30**  
**Total Gift Received To-Date \$5,870,797.34**

## Church Family News

1. Ps Zhiwen is preaching at Glory Presbyterian Church this morning.
2. Congratulations to Matthias Ho & Hew Jia Ni upon entering holy matrimony on 16 Aug 2025!
3. Our deepest condolences to:
  - Elder Lim Siah Chuan on the Homegoing of his sister, the late Mdm Patricia Lim Hong Bee, aged 80, on 11 Aug 2025.
  - Benjamin & Clarissa Lee on the passing of Benjamin's mother, the late Mdm Tan Saa Moy, aged 82, on 11 Aug 2025.

Please uphold the bereaved families in prayer.

## 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, 22 Aug

8.00pm: Prayer Meeting

Register at [zionbishan.org.sg/fpm](http://zionbishan.org.sg/fpm)

### Sat, 23 Aug

4.00pm: Youth Fellowship

Register at [zionbishan.org.sg/yf](http://zionbishan.org.sg/yf)

### Sun, 24 Aug

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

## Romans

### 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 )*

### 7 Sep – Romans 11:25-36

*Ps Ng Zhiwen ( 8.30 & 10.30 am )*

*Mr Danny Chua ( 4.30 pm )*

### 14 Sep – Romans 9-11 Review

*Ps Ng Zhiwen ( 8.30 & 10.30 am )*

*Ps Dev Menon ( 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](http://bit.ly/ZBinterest) and we will put someone in touch with you as soon as possible!

## **A Year to Be (a bit more) Still**

I had hoped that 2020 would be a “Sabbath Year”. I had just written and published “The Rest Race” with Graceworks and was hoping to teach our congregation how to rest in the Lord.

Then Covid-19 hit.

Since then, we’ve been running at quite a pace. Now don’t get me wrong, the Lord used this pandemic to do a LOT of good things. We shifted to a congregational model of church; formed the Next Lap; expanded our leadership; drafted a new vision. It’s been great.

But now we sense the time has come full circle – and it’s time to pause.

In fact, that will be the theme of next year’s (English) church camp – pause. A time to see where we are, ask good questions, interact with God at a deeper (or more honest) level.

It will be a good year to do this. Our 3-fold vision has run it’s 3-year course. The A&A project (developing our 5<sup>th</sup> floor) will be in full swing. We can use the time to work on things like spiritual disciplines and have spiritual retreats... make more time for reflection and processing; make more time to spend waiting upon God.

It will also be a good time to adjust how we do things. Many leaders are burning both ends, and I think it’s time to evolve. Maybe not that we do less things, but each person not do so many different kinds of things? Just focus on doing one thing well. To use one theologian’s phrase: we want zeal, but without burnout.

How will this coming year proceed? I’m not sure – but I’m trying to be still and know that He is God. I trust that He will lead us.



## 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:

[tinyurl.com/ZionBishanLIFT](https://tinyurl.com/ZionBishanLIFT)

### 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:

[tinyurl.com/ZBSafeguarding](https://tinyurl.com/ZBSafeguarding)

### 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.

### Missions Prayer Night

**22 Aug (Fri) 8pm over Zoom**

Come hear updates & stories from our missions partner in Malaysia.

Register at

[zionbishan.org.sg/fpm](https://zionbishan.org.sg/fpm) to receive the Zoom link if you're not yet in our FPM channel.