

The LORD has sought out a man after His own heart.

**For the LORD sees not as man sees:
man looks on the outward appearance, but the
LORD looks on the heart.**

1 Sam 13:14a; 16:7

ENGLISH SERVICES

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Order of Service

Call to Worship

Gloria Patri

Worship in Songs:

AM: All to Jesus I Surrender; Ancient of Days; Christ is Mine Forevermore

PM: Come Thou Almighty King; From Everlasting (Psalm 90); Christus Victor

Scripture Reading: 1 Sam 17:55-58; 18:1-18 (ESV)

Message: The LORD Strengthens His King

Response Song: The Lord is my Salvation

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.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

Join us on Telegram / WhatsApp

Keep up to date with our latest bulletin and church announcements:

zionbishan.org.sg/broadcasts

Serving You Today

Speaker: Ps Danny Chua

8.30am

Service Coordinator: Dn Lim Nan

Worship Leader: Eld Tay Beng Hwee

Vocalist & Musicians: Adhoc AM Music Team

10.30am

Service Coordinator: Timothy Ong

Worship Leader: Dn Mervyn Phan

Vocalist & Musicians: Adhoc AM Music Team

4.30pm

Service Coordinator: Melvin Soo

Worship Leader: Dn Nicklaus Yu

Vocalist & Musicians: Adhoc PM Music Team

Pastors and Ministry Staff

Rev Dr Alby Yip, <i>Senior Pastor (1030)</i>	9844 9536
Rev Dr Dev Menon, <i>Pastor (430)</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 (1030)</i>	9796 0196
Rev Ng Zhiwen, <i>Pastor (830)</i>	9092 6095
Rev Paul Yeo, <i>Pastor (Mandarin)</i>	9751 1897
Rev Chris Rajendran, <i>Pastor (Tamil)</i>	9446 7416
Rev Danny Chua, <i>Pastor (430)</i>	9239 4160
Preacher Choo Han Boo, <i>(Hokkien)</i>	9450 2789
Mrs Emily Quek, <i>Special Projects</i>	9001 2926
Mrs Sha.ron Quek, <i>Overseas Ministries</i>	9788 0195
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
Ms Elizabeth Hira, <i>Children's Min/DHF</i>	9239 0680
Mrs Debbie Wong, <i>Children's Ministry</i>	8833 1994
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

The LORD Strengthens His King

Ps Danny Chua

1 Samuel 18 - 19

Recap: David Strengthened by the LORD before Goliath (1 Sam 17)

- *“The LORD has sought out a man after His own heart...”* (13:14)
- Hannah’s prayer is coming true... (2:9-10)

“... not by might shall a man prevail... the LORD will give strength to His king and exalt the horn of His Anointed” (2:10)

Jonathan: Love for God’s Chosen King (18:1-5)

- The crown prince loves David → gives up his royal rights to him (18:3-4)
- God’s favour and the people’s favor rest on David (18:5)

Saul: Futile Hatred for God’s Chosen King (18:6-19:24)

- **The Song (18:6-16):** the nation loves David → *“the LORD was with him”* (18:12)

~ Saul’s Failed Murder Attempt #1 (18:10-11)

- **The Princess (18:17-30):** Michal loves David → *“the LORD was with David... his name was highly esteemed.”* (18:28-30)

- **The Plot (19:1-17):** Jonathan pleads for David, Michal defends David

~ Saul's Failed Murder Attempt #2 (19:9-10)

~ Saul's Failed Murder Attempt #3 (19:11-17)

- **David's Trust** → "*O my Strength, I will sing praises to You*" (Ps 59:17)

Reflection: God's Comfort to us when King Jesus looks "weak" & not in charge

Discussion Questions:

1. We heard Hannah's prophecy song that "*the LORD will give strength to his king*" (1 Sam 2:9). How do we see this coming true in the 1 Sam 18-19 narrative of David vs. Saul?
2. David just seems like a super successful guy –how do we make sense of this in light of God's promise to raise His chosen king?
3. Was there a time where you felt as though King Jesus was not really in charge, and that life seemed out of God's control? Share how that felt like: where was God in all of that?
4. Read Hebrews 2:8-18. How do David's sufferings shine the light on Jesus. What does it mean that King Jesus can help us in our sufferings (Heb 2:18)?

Prayer Points

Our Church

Catechism Class - Praise God for the 45 catechumens who have signed up for this round of our membership class, starting next Sunday (30/8)! May the Lord help each of them grow in intimacy with Him, as they find their place and belonging in the Zion Bishan family. Thank God for 9 of our members who will also be table-hosting and befriending these 45 brothers and sisters in this journey!

Our People

Luke Ho - He leaves SG next Wednesday to start in a new role as staff at YWAM's Foundation for Counselling Ministry in Lebanon. Thank God for His grace and favour in providing this opportunity for Luke to learn and discover more about God and how he can be serving Him. In the first few months especially, he requests prayer for good working relationships to be built as he settles in to a new environment and gets to know the people there. Pray also that God will establish his steps in the way ahead.

Our World

Myanmar - This past week, a ministry partner in Myanmar shared that though things on the surface in Myanmar seem life as normal, there is a heaviness and unease still simmering beneath what seems to be normal city life. Pray for those who are persevering in the gospel in this nation where civil conflict is deeply entrenched. May the grace of God provide the strength to persevere in love, and sharing of the gospel in this nation where 6-8% of the population are Christian (inclusive of Catholics).

Indonesia Trip (10-16 Aug)

- Praise the Lord for a fruitful trip where team members have learnt much and are more keenly aware of the potential challenges of being His ambassadors in a closed part of the country. Pray for the continued well-being and needs of the long-term field workers and also their families as it is not easy to live cross-culturally. Pray for wisdom and favour in the next steps amongst the locals and the authorities, as they seek to continue building relationships with the local NGO there.

Last Week

Sunday Service	Attendance	Offering
English Service Livestream*	17	
English Service 8.30am	234	\$548.90
English Service 10.30am	547	
English Service 4.30pm	303	
Chinese Service livestream*	10	
Chinese Service 8.30am	97	\$1,115.00
Cant/Mand Service 10.45am	80	\$1,377.00
Mand/English Service 10.30am	58	\$1,623.00
Hokkien Service	55	\$992.00
Tamil Service	13	\$300.00
DHF	24	
TOTAL	1438	\$5,955.90

**Livestreaming peak concurrent viewers*

Electronic Transfer \$77,861.82

Weekly Total \$83,817.72

Weekly offering to meet budget for 2026/27: \$91,095

GENERAL PROJECTS FUND

Electronic Transfer	\$8,319.50
Weekly Total	\$8,319.50
Total expenses as of To-date	-\$2,218,821.70
Total General Projects Fund	\$4,047,325.62

Church Family News

Congratulations to Aaron & Hwee Lun, on the birth of their 2nd child, Faith Tan En Qi, on 15 Aug 2026!

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, 28 Aug

Prayer Meeting: 8.00pm

Register at zionbishan.org.sg/fpm

Sat, 29 Aug

Youth Fellowship: 4.00pm

Register at zionbishan.org.sg/yf

Sun, 30 Aug

Worship Services:

8.30am, 10.30am & 4.30pm

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!

1 Samuel

30 Aug -- Jonathan & David

Ps Vernon Quek

6 Sep -- David in Trials

Ps Ng Zhiwen

(8.30 & 10.30am)

Ps Dev Menon (4.30pm)

13 Sep -- David vs. Saul Pt. 1

Dr Quek Tze-Ming

(8.30 & 10.30am)

Ps Dev Menon (4.30pm)

20 Sep -- David & Abigail

Ps Vernon Quek

(8.30 & 10.30am)

Ps Danny Chua (4.30pm)

Mongolia Bible Training Trip Report

11–18 August 2026 · Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia

From 11 to 18 August, three of us from Zion Bishan — Ps Paul, Eld Ching Hong, Eld Beng Hwee, and two others from another BP church—travelled to Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia, to conduct a three-day, two-night Bible training for a group of church and ministry leaders. We thank God for safe travel and His provision throughout.

The training ran from 13 to 15 August at a retreat site an hour's drive from the city, set amid the open plains of Mongolia. We were grateful for good facilities and a quiet setting that let us focus wholly on His Word and on one another.

Twenty-three Christians and leaders attended, some travelling many hours at real personal cost—a testimony to how deeply they longed to be built up in the faith. Over three days, we watched hearts respond as the Word was opened, deepening their faith and strengthening their grip on Scripture.

This meant more than teaching alone. Some attendees can normally only worship online due to restrictions in their context, so this training gave them a rare chance to meet fellow believers face to face. Leaders serving in relative isolation met one another, shared burdens, and prayed for each other's needs, and new friendships were formed.

We were also deeply moved to visit two local Mongolian church services and fellowship with believers from remarkably varied backgrounds worshipping together across multiple languages. For us, this was a vivid, personal picture of the universal church—something quite new to many of us from Singapore—and a reminder that the body of Christ is far bigger and more diverse than our own congregations.

The Fruit of This Trip: Three R's

- **Return to the Bible:** Attendees left with faith deepened and Scripture strengthened, a reminder that it is God's Word, not our programmes, that builds the church.
- **Restoration:** For leaders serving in difficult environments, the training was an opportunity to reconnect with God through His Word and fellowship with us.
- **Reconciliation:** Most precious of all, some attendees were reconciled during this time together, a tangible sign that the gospel we taught also transforms relationships.

We are deeply grateful to God for His provision throughout this trip, and for all we experienced together. God willing, we plan to return and run this training again over the next two years—do come speak with us if you'd like to know more, or even join us on a future trip. Please continue to pray for the leaders and churches we met, that what was sown would take root and bear lasting fruit!

Announcements

Enabling Ministry

Walking Alongside: Understanding & Supporting our Adult Autistic Children

13 Sep (Sun) 1pm

An engagement for parents, caregivers, and church members to share challenges and shape how our church community is able to support Adult Autistic Individuals better.

All are Welcome. Parents and caregivers of children with autism are encouraged to attend as well.

Sign up by **11 Sep:**

<https://shorturl.at/7zKVm>

Antioch Summit 2026

1-3 Oct, Paya Lebar Methodist Church

The Antioch Summit is an annual gathering of the People of God united by one vision to see the Gospel reach every nation.

Early bird closes on 31 Aug!

Find more info about the conference programme and register at

<https://antioch21.sg>

Christianity Explored (CE) Table Hosts Recruitment

CE is a 7-week course designed to help others discover Jesus through the Gospel of Mark.

We're looking for communicant members who are keen to join us as volunteer Table Hosts!

The dates for training are **2, 9 and 16 Sep**, and the debrief is on **11 Nov**.

Sign up at <https://bit.ly/zbcehosts> or contact Timothy (timothy@zionbishan.org.sg) for more info.

Parking in Church on Saturdays

Please be reminded that the **church carpark is closed every Saturday from 6pm** to facilitate the setting up of the safe driving lanes on Sundays. Thank you for your kind understanding and support.

The Living Room

The Living Room cafe will reopen from 15 Sep onwards. Drop by for a drink or to try some of the new house specials. Bring a friend.

Opening hours will be **Tuesday to Saturday, 10am to 5pm** (lunch served from 11am onwards).