

# 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

## ENGLISH SERVICES

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### ***Order of Service***

Call to Worship

Gloria Patri

[ MORNING ]

Worship in Songs: To God be the Glory; My Worth is Not in What I Own; How Beautiful

Installation of Leaders ( 8.30am )

Scripture Reading: 1 John 4:7-12, 17-21 (ESV)

Message: Gospel-Safe Church

Response Hymn: His Mercy Is More

[ AFTERNOON ]

Worship in Songs: From The Inside Out; This Life I Live; There is One Gospel

Scripture Reading: 2 Cor 6:11-7:3 (NIV)

Message: Make Space in Your Hearts

Response Hymn: Undivided

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](http://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](http://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*

**2.30pm 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](http://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](http://www.zionbishan.org.sg/broadcasts)

## Serving You Today

**Speakers:** Mr Danny Chua  
(8.30am & 10.30am),  
Ps Dev Menon (4.30pm)

### **8.30am**

*Service Coordinator:* Dns Alice Tay  
*Worship Leader:* Dn Justin Low  
*Vocalist & Musicians:* Morning Team 4

### **10.30am**

*Service Coordinator:* Dn Tiew Chew Meng  
*Worship Leader:* Eld Michael Gan  
*Vocalist & Musicians:* Morning Team 4

### **4.30pm**

*Service Coordinator:* Vanessa Lee  
*Worship Leader:* Eld Roland Low  
*Vocalist & Musicians:* Afternoon Team 4

## Pastors and Ministry Staff

Rev Dr Alby Yip, <i>Senior Pastor</i>	9844 9536
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
Mrs Emily Quek, <i>Special Projects</i>	9001 2926
Mrs June Tan, <i>Children's Ministry</i>	8388 1883
Mrs Sharon Quek, <i>Overseas Ministries</i>	9788 0195
Mr Danny Chua, <i>AG/Safeguarding</i>	9239 4160
Mr Quek Tze-Ming, <i>Assoc Min Staff</i>	9060 8340
Miss Jacqueline Lie, <i>Youth Ministry</i>	9322 7629
Miss Vanessa Lee, <i>Women's Worker</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)

**Gospel-Safe Church**

1 John 4:7-12, 17-21

**Introduction**

**Grandpa John writes to...**

An anxious and uncertain church

Who are his “little children” and “beloved”

To comfort their hearts that they really are God’s beloved children

***A Gospel-Safe Church is where each Christian can***

*confidently receive the incarnate love of God (1 Jn. 4:8-10)*

*and share it with others (1. Jn. 4:11-12)*

**How does a Gospel-Safe Church minister to one another with God’s incarnate love?**

The ministry of listening

**Questions for Discussion and Reflection:**

1. What was one thing that struck you from the passage or sermon?
2. Why does God’s love need to be made visible and seen among us?
3. What is the ministry of listening for believers? How does the ministry of listening connect with our hope to Get Real with one another?
4. How does the ministry of listening look like in your gospel friendships, relationships, small groups or ministries?

**Make Space in Your Hearts**

2 Corinthians 6:11-7:3

**Hearts Wide Open**

**Restricted Hearts**

**Unhelpful Partnerships**

**A Gospel Promise**

**Questions for Discussion and Reflection:**

1. What do you understand by the phrase 'making space' for others?
2. Have you felt God enlarge your heart for others in your discipleship journey?
3. Were there seasons where you felt your heart growing cold to God? Can you discern what was the cause? What can we do if we're currently in that place?

## *Prayer Points*

### **Our Church**

#### **Church Camp Thanksgiving**

We thank God for the opportunity to spend extended time as a church family at Church Camp this past week. The theme of camp was 'Gospel People'. We heard and appreciated anew the importance of the Gospel, and how central that Gospel is to shaping how we view ourselves, each other and the wider Body of Christ. Pray that God's Spirit will continue working in each camper, and in Zion Bishan as a whole, so that we grow more and more to be a Gospel People.

**Tuition Ministry** - Thank God for our tutors in the ministry who have been faithfully serving the kids and students this past term. Pray for renewed dedication resuming from the break they were able to have during the school holidays, and a time of gathering to listen to the word of God and praying together last Thursday evening. Pray that all volunteers will be greatly encouraged in their service to our Lord.

### **Our World**

**Egypt / Lebanon Trip** – Pray for Sister C.hristy as she leads a group to these countries to visit and encourage ground partners. Thank God for Eld Say Chiang who is also in the team. Pray for the protection for each tripper as they enter these conflict zones and also for their families back home. Pray for good health for them as one tripper who is ahead of them in Lebanon is already down with diarrhoea. Some of the trippers are also coming into the trip with a mix of great expectation and tiredness from a busy period before the trip. May the Lord lead the team to Himself each day so that they can love the people from a posture of trust and rest in Him.

**Nepal** – Praise God that our partner here, who runs various children homes saw 12 young men and women ba.ptised last week. With the hot weather in the plains of Nepal, pray for some relief from the heat, especially for the young ones and those who are sick. Our partner also requests prayer for water for their paddy cultivation which is an important self-sustaining food source for their homes.

## Last Week

Sunday Service	Attendance	Offering
Church Camp English	468	
Church Camp Chinese	82	\$1,521.00
<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>	<b>550</b>	
English Service Livestream*	20	
English Service 10:30am	384	\$1,492.00
Comb. Chinese Service	119	\$2,069.00
Tamil Service	15	\$368.00
DHF	8	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1096</b>	<b>\$5,450.00</b>

*\*Livestreaming peak concurrent viewers*

Electronic Transfer	\$59,825.40
<b>Weekly Total</b>	<b>\$65,275.40</b>

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

### GENERAL PROJECTS FUND

Electronic Transfer	\$3,150.00
<b>Weekly Total</b>	<b>\$3,150.00</b>
<b>Total Gift Received To-Date</b>	<b>\$178,605.06</b>

## 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, 28 Jun

**8.00pm:** Prayer Meeting

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

### Sat, 29 Jun

**4.00pm:** Youth Fellowship

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

### Sun, 30 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

### **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](http://zionbishan.org.sg/rf)

Or email us at

[office@zionbishan.org.sg](mailto:office@zionbishan.org.sg)

Confidential care & counselling matters, please email

[care@zionbishan.org.sg](mailto: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.*

## **'Back' from College!**

By the Lord's kindness and some unbelievable support from my wife, Charis (and other family members), I've managed to completed my (formal) theological studies last month – thank you, Jesus! As I was looking back on the 5-year long journey\*, I realize it has been a long journey. If I could sum up what the point of the last 5 years was, it would probably come down to these 2 verses that were read aloud during an Old Testament module on the book of Isaiah:

<sup>1</sup> Thus says the Lord:  
"Heaven is my throne,  
and the earth is my footstool;  
what is the house that you would build for me,  
and what is the place of my rest?  
<sup>2</sup> All these things my hand has made,  
and so all these things came to be,  
declares the Lord.

***But this is the one to whom I will look:  
he who is humble and contrite in spirit  
and trembles at my word.*** (Isaiah 66:1-2)

In the spirit of #GettingReal – and I hope this is a gospel posture we never 'move away from' – I must confess that these are rather scary words. To be honest, over the course of my time in theological college, it was a constant struggle and wrestle to grow into a child of God who "trembles at His word."

To be clear, that was my genuine desire and it was 100% an immense privilege to be supported by my church family and many brothers and sisters in Christ to study God's word 24/7! And indeed, college, especially full-time studying with all the joys of daily fellowship with other Jesus-





*Figure 1 With my batchmates at ETC Asia*

seeking saints, was a wonderful time. I'll always remember the precious moments we had with faculty and fellow students, communing with our Heavenly Father, fellowshiping over meals, praying over real heartaches or faith struggles, and watching the Lord transform our slow and stubborn hearts day by day into Christlikeness.

**Nonetheless, there was the danger or occupational hazard – as is the case with paid Gospel ministry work – to merely study the Scriptures that testify about Jesus but refuse to go to Him daily for true life and joyous relationship with the Father (John 5:39-40).** With the wrong posture and mentality, some of my classmates and I would find ourselves simply working to check off a box, complete an assignment or meet a deadline.

What was it that helped us the most in this unending and sometimes unconscious challenge? There were a few factors but I think it came down mainly to one: **seeing the gospel and the life of Jesus modelled incarnate-ly in our lecturers / the college faculty.** Whether it was during

my part-time studies at the Biblical Graduate School Of Theology or full-time studies at Evangelical Theological College of Asia, I'm honestly very glad to say that each person who taught me was ultimately a sinner in need of the Savior, and that they reflected that in their interactions with me.

I heard much about the passion many of my lecturers had to do the work of ministry or build the Lord's house (Isa. 66:1) as it were – and those intentions arose from a heartfelt desire and love for Christ, no doubt. At the same time, I can remember ever so often, the lecturers' confession of their pride, self-reliance, gospel-forgetfulness, anything that got in the way of first sitting at Jesus' feet to "tremble at His word." How easily our zeal becomes plagued with the 'old life' built on human talent, trying hard enough, organisational efficiency and man-orchestrated fruit!

Thankfully, I saw in my lecturers and many brothers and sisters at college that only one thing or one Person had helped them repent of the ever so sneakily creeping in man-centered ministry mindsets that reek of the world's wisdom. **It was returning daily, weekly in study and communion and prayer to the only One who ever trembled at the Lord's word.** One who actually lowered Himself in humble and contrite spirit. One whose fearful obedience of His Father drove Him to bid his heavenly throne farewell. One who entered what is His earthly footstool, into the ruins of earthly sinners to raise up a house of God – His church. In this Jesus, I was reminded time and again, I saw true, heart-moving reason to tremble and marvel at God's word.

Please pray that that this will always remain my heart's posture before the Lord Jesus, in joyous trembling and awesome love for His word.

What's next? Well, I'm 'back' to local church ministry (though I've never really left) but that's another conversation for another time...



*Figure 2 With the fellow ZB graduands and church family at the BGST ceremony in 2022*

*\*Sincere thanks to brother Quek Tze-Ming and his friends and colleagues at the BGST. They saw me through my graduate diploma during those painful, COVID years from 2019-2022 before I completed my Masters of Divinity at ETC Asia as a full-time student from 2022-2024.*

## Announcements

### Enabling Ministry Parents' Dialogue

We want to be a church family that includes and disciples the differently-abled.

If you have a loved one with special needs, we hope to hear from you in this dialogue, so that we can understand your needs and your desires in you and your family member's walk with the Lord.

Date: **7 July 2024 (Sun)**

Time: **12-2.30pm**

Venue: **MPH**, lunch prior at Fellowship Hall

Sign up at [bit.ly/ZBEMdialogue](http://bit.ly/ZBEMdialogue) by **4 July 2024**.

Contact Dns Sherena Loh at 97345717 if you have any queries.

### Project Timothy Evening Expositions

**10 - 11 July, 7pm**

Project Timothy is running their yearly conference, and the speaker for this year is William Taylor. He will be giving talks over two evenings from 1 Cor 15.

Venue: Zion Bishan Bible-Presbyterian Church

Early Bird discount ends **28 June**

Visit [projecttimothy.com/events](http://projecttimothy.com/events) to sign up or for more details

### SENIORS360 Dim Sum Hour & Workshop

**Brain Training – Improving your memory (1)**

**20 July (Sat) 10.30am, Fellowship Hall**

Come join us at this upcoming SENIORS360 event with Ms Eunice Tan. She will be sharing with us:

- 4 secrets to growing new brain cells
- What are the lifestyle changes I need to make to improve my memory?
- Let's learn the Neurobic Exercises Workout together!

Do invite your non-Christian friends along!

Sign up by 13 July.

<http://tinyurl.com/DSTjul24>

### Church Camp 2025

SAVE THE DATE!!!

**20 – 23 Jun 2025 (Friday – Monday)**

Venue: **PARKROYAL A'FAMOSA MELAKA RESORT**

Speaker: Rev Henry Eatock-Taylor (St Helen's Bishopsgate, London)