



IN THE BEGINNING, GOD...

GENESIS 1:1

ENGLISH SERVICES

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Order of Service

Call to Worship

Gloria Patri

Worship in Songs

AM: For the Beauty of the Earth; Behold Our God; Psalm 62

PM: This is My Father's World; I Stand in Awe; Psalm 62

Scripture Reading: Genesis 1:26 – 2:3 (ESV)

Message: The Seventh Day

Response Hymn: For All the Saints

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, register at 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

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

8.30am

Service Coordinator: Dn Justin Low

Worship Leader: Dn Tay Beng Hwee

Vocalist & Musicians: Music AM Team 4

10.30am

Service Coordinator: Jacqueline Lie

Worship Leader: Eld Michael Gan

Vocalist & Musicians: Music AM Team 4

4.30pm

Service Coordinator: Vanessa Lee

Worship Leader: Dn John Chua

Vocalist & Musicians: Music PM Team 4

Pastors and Ministry Staff

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

Rev Dr Alby Yip, <i>Senior Pastor</i>	<i>alby</i>
Rev Dr Dev Menon, <i>Pastor</i>	<i>dev</i>
Rev Lim Jit Thye, <i>Pastor (Cant-Mand)</i>	<i>jtlim</i>
Rev Daniel Nge, <i>Pastor (Mand-Eng)</i>	<i>daniel</i>
Rev Vernon Quek, <i>Pastor</i>	<i>vernon</i>
Rev Ng Zhiwen, <i>Pastor</i>	<i>zhiwen</i>
Rev Paul Yeo, <i>Pastor (Hokkien/Mand)</i>	<i>paul</i>
Rev Ebi Mohan, <i>Assoc. Pastor (Tamil)</i>	<i>ebi</i>
Mrs Emily Quek, <i>Special Projects</i>	<i>emily</i>
Mrs June Tan, <i>Children's Ministry</i>	<i>june</i>
Mrs Sharon Quek, <i>Overseas Ministries</i>	<i>sharon</i>
Mr Danny Chua, <i>AG/Safeguarding</i>	<i>danny</i>
Dr Quek Tze-Ming, <i>Ministry Staff</i>	<i>tzeming</i>
Miss Jacqueline Lie, <i>Youth Ministry</i>	<i>jacqueline</i>
Miss Vanessa Lee, <i>Women's Ministry</i>	<i>vanessa</i>
Mr Joel Khoo, <i>YAs/Discipleship</i>	<i>joel</i>
Mr Timothy Ong, <i>Missions Education</i>	<i>timothy</i>
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

THE SEVENTH DAY

Genesis 1:26-2:3

Finished

Rested

Blessed

Made Holy

Conclusion: Above all, keep the Sabbath

Reflection Questions

1. What's the significance of God's people observing the Sabbath?
List all the ways as you find in Scripture.
2. Why is the seventh day holy?
3. How is God inviting you to observe the Sabbath (or the Lord's Day) today? How would you receive it as God's gift to you?

Prayer Points

Our Church

Antioch Summit – Antioch21 is a missions movement to nurture local churches to develop as missions-sending churches, and to see a new generation of long-term cross-cultural missions workers sent out in 2023 - 2033 (the "decade of missions"). Pray for the work of this ministry, and for Ps Zhi-Wen and his team as they steward this movement. Pray also for their major event, the Antioch Summit, happening on 3 - 5 Oct 2024 - that it will awaken and mobilize many in the Church for missions.

A&A Project Dialogue - Pray for a meaningful and fruitful discussion that will provide useful information to our consultant team, so that the eventual design will support the various ministries using these additional spaces.

Community Day (16 Nov) - Pray for our hearts as we prepare for this church-wide celebration of our 30th Anniversary. Whether in getting to know our neighbours in the Bishan neighbourhood by going door-to-door to invite them for this family carnival, or running a snack or game booth, pray that there will be

opportunities for people of all ages to get to know us as a church. May the dinner conversations we have with them also facilitate their getting to know Jesus better, and experience His love.

Our World

India – Thank God for the safe arrival of the group visiting the partners. Last week, there was some nationwide unrest on Wednesday. Pray for continued safe travels in that situation. Thank God for good times of learning and fellowship together so far.

Malaysia – As Malaysia celebrates its 67th Merdeka Day on 31 Aug, when the Federation of Malaya gained its independence from the UK, let's pray for them to experience God's love as it continues to enjoy God's blessings of peace and prosperity. Pray also for all Malaysian Christians to be ready to be God's light to their neighbours and the ends of the earth.

Last Week

Sunday Service	Attendance	Offering
English Service Livestream*	18	
English Service 8:30am	181	\$2,463.60
English Service 10:30am	530	
English Service 4:30pm	265	
Chinese Service livestream*	8	
Chinese Service 8:30am	92	\$1,896.00
Cant/Mand Service 10:45am	71	\$392.00
ME Service	63	\$1,257.00
Hokkien Service	65	\$592.00
Tamil Service	16	\$315.00
DHF	32	
TOTAL	1341	\$6,915.60

*Livestreaming peak concurrent viewers.

Electronic Transfer	\$82,086.37
Weekly Total	\$89,001.97

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

GENERAL PROJECTS FUND

Electronic Transfer	\$5,160.00
Weekly Total	\$5,160.00
Total Gift Received To-Date	\$223,037.88

Church Family News

Ps Dev is preaching at Emmanuel BPC 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**

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Please provide your CONTACT NUMBER on each cheque

Looking Ahead

Fri, 30 Aug

8.00pm: Prayer Meeting

Register at www.zionbishan.org.sg/fpm

Sat, 31 Aug

4.00pm: Youth Fellowship

Register at www.zionbishan.org.sg/yf

Sun, 1 Sep

Worship Services at **8.30am, 10.30am**

& 4.30pm

Genesis Series

1 Sep – God's Gardeners

Ps Dev (8.30am & 10.30am)

Ps Zhiwen (4.30pm)

8 Sep – Humanity Falls

Ps Alby (8.30am & 10.30am)

Mr Danny Chua (4.30pm)

15 Sep – God's Judgment; God's Grace

Ps Vernon (8.30am & 10.30am)

Ps Alby (4.30pm)

22 Sep – Cain and Abel

Dr Quek Tze-Ming

(8.30am & 10.30am)

Ps Dev (4.30pm)

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.

Joyful Action Group (AG) Ministry

As Zion Bishan presses on ahead with The Next Lap vision in mind – to present every member mature in Christ, we continue to face an immense task ahead of us. We are always in need of more godly men and women proclaiming Jesus, admonishing and teaching everyone with all wisdom from the Lord (Col. 1:28). Godly believers who personally disciple others, and who model a gospel culture are our God's way of forming missional communities.

But often, when faced with pressing Kingdom needs, it is easy for ministry to become functional or for people to become mere numbers. It is even easier for those who are in ministry leadership to lose sight of the big picture. So, we must be extra cautious to remember that ministry and gospel work flow from a life and union with Jesus, and that this is especially true for those who disciple and shepherd others in AGs.

In Luke 10:17-20, Jesus rebukes His disciples who return from 'successful' gospel work, warning them not to take pride in what they have 'achieved' even though the power of God was really working mightily! Instead, they should simply rejoice in their salvation and that "their names are written in heaven". For where their joy is found (in their God who has saved them) is what will continue to nurture and empower their faith and ministries. These were truths we reflected upon in our recent BAGLE course.



Here are some reflections from the participants:

Gary Lee (AG29): *God has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son, in whom we have redemption and forgiveness of sin (Colossians 1). I rejoice in my redeemer, greatest treasure, wellspring of my soul.*

Rachelle Low (AG77): *I am comforted that God is more interested in the maturing (or state) of my heart compared to the output / quantity of my service and outreach. Discipleship is never about getting just the main point right and lesson plan across, but helping others see and know who Jesus is more clearly.*

Ben Wong (AG73): *What was really helpful to not forget was that the end goal of reading God's word is to meet with and know Jesus more, and not to gain more biblical knowledge or theology. Was also intrigued to work out what 'meeting Jesus' in the scriptures mean for me as I read the bible (experiencing the 'click' or connection between Jesus & scripture)*

Dn Justin Low (AG81): *Our time in BAGLE gave me great insights and personal reflection on the importance of prayer. I also appreciated the bit of not 'forcing application' for every Bible passage and letting the Word of God speak to us.*

Ben Thio (AG73): *Easy to get disillusioned/ disheartened unless constantly seeking refreshment from God.*

Dn John Chua (AG77): *I learnt the importance of a healthy prayerful posture, having a healthy perspective of why we do ministry or rather the privilege to be doing ministry. Our reflection over Luke 10:17-20 ("do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.") helped me focus on the heart of why we do ministry.*

We appreciate your partnership in prayer for all our potential AG Leaders and current Leaders – that our Lord will sustain their joy in Jesus!

Announcements

A&A Project Dialogue

Date: Sunday, 25 Aug 2024 (TODAY)

Time: 1- 2.30pm

Venue: Chapel

Come and understand the plans behind the A&A Project and give your feedback and suggestions.

Mooncakes Distribution to Bishan East Seniors

In partnership with St Luke's ElderCare (SLEC)

Join us as we distribute mooncakes to seniors residing in the Bishan East neighbourhood.

Share with them about SLEC & ZB seniors' ministries.

15 Sep 24 (Sun) 1.15pm - 3.15pm

Meet at Fellowship Hall for a short briefing and prayer.

Sign up by **9 Sep:**

<https://tinyurl.com/zbmd24>

X3A

Struggling with sexual temptation?

X3A is a men's group for support and encouragement.

Contact **Benlee (9088 4264)** or **Wei Ming (9328 3067)** for more information.

Antioch Summit

3 - 5 October

St. John's - St. Margaret's Church.

We encourage all who are exploring missions to attend, to catch God's heart for the nations, and to discern God's call on your life. We already have 9 persons signed up, and want to see more.

Details are available at the conference website: <https://antioch21.sg/antioch-summit-24>

Please contact **Sharon Quek** for group registration.

Lost & Found Items

We have collected a number of water bottles among our "Lost and Found" items. If you have lost your bottle and it could be still with us, kindly approach the Visitor's Corner to check. For hygiene reasons, we will dispose of any unclaimed items after three weeks.

For other lost items, please contact **Yew Chye** or our warden, **Khaing** to find out.

Carpark Closed for Painting

In view of re-painting of the carpark lines with luminous strips next week from **Mon 26 Aug to Wed 28 Aug**, church carpark will have to be closed for use. We apologise for the inconvenience.