



**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: Lord Have Mercy; Nothing But The Blood; Your Will Be Done

PM: Lord Have Mercy; Jesus Thank You; I Set My Hope on Jesus

Scripture Reading: Genesis 9:18-28; 10:1-2; 10:6; 10:21-22; 10:32 (ESV)

Message: Noah's Line

Response Hymn: Lord from Sorrows Deep I Call

Holy Communion: Come Thou Fount

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

**Speaker:** Dr Quek Tze-Ming

### **8.30am**

*Service Coordinator:* Dn Lim Nan

*Worship Leader:* Dn Tay Beng Hwee

*Vocalist & Musicians:* Music AM Team 1

### **10.30am**

*Service Coordinator:* Dn Mervyn Phan

*Worship Leader:* Eld Foo Say Chiang

*Vocalist & Musicians:* Music AM Team 1

### **4.30pm**

*Service Coordinator:* Timothy Ong

*Worship Leader:* Dn Nicklaus Yu

*Vocalist & Musicians:* Music PM Team 1

## Pastors and Ministry Staff

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Rev Daniel Nge, <i>Pastor (Mand-Eng)</i>	<i>daniel</i>
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## **Noah's Line**

Genesis 9:18-10:32

### **Introduction**

#### **This is my family ... Family Issues (9:18-29)**

What is going on? (cf. Lev 18:7-8; 20:11?)

The Curse (9:25-27, 28-29)

#### **This is my country ... Table of Nations (10:1-31)**

“These are the generations ...” (10:1; cf. 2:4; 5:1; 6:9 ... etc.)

The sons of Japheth ... (10:2-5)

The sons of Ham ... (10:6-20)

“Nimrod”, the mighty kingdom-builder (10:8-12)

“Egypt” (10:13-14)

“Canaan” (10:15-20)

The sons of Shem ... (10:21-31)

“Eber” (10:21, 25)

#### **Conclusion: We've come so far together ...? (10:32)**

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

1. Describe what happens in the story of Noah and his three sons (9:18-29). How does this story make you feel?
2. What are some things we discover about humanity after the flood? Hint: you can consider geography, nations, advancement of God's blessing, persistence of human sin.
3. In Noah's family line, which names are familiar to you? What do you think is the point of telling us this?

## *Prayer Points*

### **Our Church**

#### **Ministry Behind the Money**

Thank God for today's presentations and sharing on how Zion Bishan's money is being put to use for gospel ministry. Pray that our Father will continue to grant us wisdom and clarity regarding our financial resources, and also generosity from the wider Body of Christ whether in terms of resources, time and energy to make Jesus known.

**Men's Ministry Retreat** – which was held this past Thurs-Sat attended by around 50 men who spent time in God's word, fellowship and prayer. Pray that the Lord will continue to shape every man in Zion Bishan to grow in Christ and model Christ.

### **Our People**

#### **Pastor Emeritus Quek Swee Hwa**

Thank God for answered prayer for a quick recovery of bowel function and good wound healing from an emergency hernia and small bowel obstruction surgery last Wednesday. He was discharged this past Tuesday and is back home recovering. The family would like to thank everyone who has prayed and sent their well wishes.

### **Our World**

**India** – One partner shared - "Thank God for His faithfulness and protection. God protected us from the cyclone storm Dana. All our workers are alright".

In the northeastern hills, pray for the more than 550 youths, worship leaders and volunteers that are coming together for a time of personal reflection and drawing closer to God this week. May they grow in their faith and love for Jesus.

**Nepal** - "We are always amazed by the wonderful provisions of our dear Lord Jesus Christ for His people" - one partner who provides care and shelter for rescued children, shared that after the 3rd rented building in the last 14 years, God has provided them a suitable piece of land to build a permanent home for their children. Pray for the work in the Lord's harvest field for this children's home as there are 2 communities of believers here.

## Last Week

Sunday Service	Attendance	Offering
English Service Livestream*	20	
English Service 8:30am	184	\$904.00
English Service 10:30am	528	
English Service 4:30pm	203	
Chinese Service livestream*	9	
Chinese Service 8:30am	83	\$1,030.00
Cant/Mand Service 10:45am	72	\$520.00
ME Service	60	\$1,277.00
Hokkien Service	58	\$730.00
Tamil Service	13	\$971.00
DHF	18	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1248</b>	<b>\$5,432.00</b>

\*Livestreaming peak concurrent viewers.

Electronic Transfer	\$43,215.31
Love gift for ZB 30th Anniversary	\$20,087.60
<b>Weekly Total</b>	<b>\$68,734.91</b>

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

### GENERAL PROJECTS FUND

Electronic Transfer	\$7,239.00
<b>Weekly Total</b>	<b>\$7,239.00</b>
<b>Total General Projects Fund:</b>	<b>\$5,437,993.27</b>

## Church Family News

1. Ps Zhiwen is preaching at Shalom BPC this morning.
2. 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**

**ZION BISHAN BP CHURCH – GPF**

Please provide your **CONTACT NUMBER** on each cheque

## Looking Ahead

### Fri, 8 Nov

8.00pm: Prayer Meeting

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

### Sat, 9 Nov

4.00pm: Youth Fellowship

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

### Sun, 10 Nov

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

## Genesis Series

### 10 Nov – The Tower of Babel

*Ps Alby ( 8.30am & 10.30am )*

*Ps Dev ( 4.30pm )*

### 17 Nov – A New Hope

*Ps Vernon*

### 24 Nov – Genesis 1-11 Review

*Ps Zhiwen ( 8.30am & 10.30am )*

*Ps Vernon ( 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](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.

Did you know that Zion Bishan conducts English lessons? English as a second language (ESL) is a programme run by women for women of all ages and cultures. It started in 2016. The ESL programme not only helps build English Language skills but also includes a time of worship and the opportunity for students to listen to Bible stories and learn about our triune God. Classes are conducted on Monday mornings. Each year ends with a celebratory concert with students showcasing some of their English skills.



Photo taken at ESL Graduation Celebration on 14 Oct 2024.

This is what Teacher Jacqueline says about the programme:

*“The unique feature of the ESL community is how it is a melting-pot of cultures (We had eight nationalities in our class at one point!) yet also a consistent platform for ladies to practise their English and share personal stories. I am thankful indeed for how ESL lessons allow for a seamless transition between the teaching of the English Language and of the Word of God. A recent example was how we got our students to tell us about someone whom they looked up to, and how far they would go to meet and listen to him speak. We connected their sharing to the Bible passage where crowds flocked to John the Baptist who was pointing people to Jesus.”*

Teacher Olive says:

*I joined ESL as a Teacher since its inception in 2016, and have been teaching Level 2 followed by Level 4 students over the course of these 8 years. The Lord has indeed sustained this ministry through so many challenges and transitions especially by rebuilding it after COVID. My greatest joy has been getting to know the students, learning from them about their life's journey that brought them to ESL.*

*One of my past students was a lady from China in her 30s who joined our class during COVID. She hoped to give her 5 year-old daughter a Singaporean education. As she opened up about what led her to join ESL, we as teachers did our best to support her with additional English resources that she would find useful and practical. This friendship eventually grew and gave us the opportunity to share about Jesus with her and to read the Bible with her.*

*Such opportunities to step into my students' world, listen to them and love them in small ways – even for just a season - has been a blessing and privilege.”*

Here are some comments from the Level 5 students:

*“At the beginning of this year, I learned from the internet about Zion Church and the ESL classes and then enrolled. After a whole year of classes, I know how fortunate I am to be guided by a capable teacher. My skills have greatly improved and I have learned how to compose different genres of writing.*

*Our Bible study teacher is also so passionate in class. She explains the Bible stories clearly and patiently and responds to any of our questions related to Christianity. We can always see her kindness and her love for God from her smiling face.*

*I truly appreciate and cherish the opportunity to study here and am thankful to all the teachers and the church staff. Thanks to God.”*  
(Vivian from PRC)



*“I joined the ESL class because I wanted to improve my speaking and writing skills. The class provided me several opportunities to practice, and I really feel my skills have improved.*

*One of the most helpful aspects of the class was writing on various topics. Our teacher always gave detailed corrections of my mistakes, which helped me improve my writing skills. Another valuable experience was when students took turns being ‘the teacher’. Although preparing for the presentation took a lot of time, it was a rare opportunity to speak English in front of a group and I found it very rewarding.*

*Additionally, I have the chance to learn about the Bible, which broadened my perspective and gave me a better understanding of Christian beliefs.” (Kanako from Japan)*

The ESL classroom is where our ministry just begins. The initial connections made engender more areas of connectedness with person, home and heart. Someone said that the secret of ministry is that, *“You bring the power of God, the truth of God and the presence of Jesus into the lives of other people and you watch it work.”* This is the framework and motivation of the ESL volunteers.

## Announcements

### Ministry Behind the Money

**3 Nov 2024, 1-3pm (TODAY)**

**@ Chapel on Level 4**

This is an in-person session aimed at giving members a better understanding of just how the church is utilising her finances for the expansion of God's kingdom work.

There will be a focus on these **4 main areas** of interest:

1. Overall Proposed Budget for FY 25/26
2. Personnel Budget
3. Additions & Alterations (A&A) Building Project Update
4. Foreign Missions

Members are encouraged to attend and view the presentations so as to be better informed, ask clarifying questions and give suggestions on how to give meaningfully and support practically in prayer and participation.

### Seniors Retreat

( English Language )

**Theme: Right Walk in Christ**

(Eph 5:1-15)

**22 - 25 Mar 2025, Ipoh**

**Speaker: Ps Daniel Yaw**

Early Bird sign up by 15 Nov:

\$575/pax (twin sharing)

Sign up after 15 Nov: \$590/pax

<https://tinyurl.com/SRMar25>

### Zion Bishan Youth Camp

**16 – 21 Dec 2024**

Calling all youths! This year's 6D5N Youth Camp is now open for registration!

**REGISTER at [bit.ly/ZBYC24](https://bit.ly/ZBYC24) —**

Come, get to know the No Greater Friend!

If you have friends between 12 and 21 years old, do encourage them to join us! Sponsorship for camp is also appreciated.

Contact **Jacqueline (93227629)** for more info.