

# 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

Worship in Songs

AM: The Servant King; He Calls Me Friend; Tis So Sweet to Follow Jesus

PM: The Servant King; Tis So Sweet to Follow Jesus; He Calls Me Friend

Scripture Reading: John 1:35-51 (ESV)

Message: Personal Discipleship

Response Hymn: He Calls Me Friend

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/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: [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:** Ps Dev Menon

### **8.30am**

*Service Coordinator:* Dn Lim Nan

*Worship Leader:* Dn Justin Low

*Vocalist & Musicians:* Music AM Team 2

### **10.30am**

*Service Coordinator:* Dn Charles Chia

*Worship Leader:* Dn Tiew Chew Meng

*Vocalist & Musicians:* Music AM Team 2

### **4.30pm**

*Service Coordinator:* Vanessa

*Worship Leader:* Eld Roland Low

*Vocalist & Musicians:* Music PM Team 2

## Pastors and Ministry Staff

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

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

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

## **Personal Discipleship**

John 1:35-51

### **Intro: One by One**

### **Seek, See, Stay**

### **Knowing You, Knowing Me**

### **Why Personal Discipleship?**

#### **Discussion Questions:**

1. List down a few things you remember from the sermon or passage.
2. Why did John take pains to record how the first disciples started following Jesus? What lessons is he trying to teach us? How can we get to know Jesus for ourselves?
3. Would you say you know Jesus personally? If yes, how did that happen? If no, then is it something you would want to do in 2025? How could that happen?

## *Prayer Points*

### **Our Church**

#### **Basic AG Leaders Equipping (BAGLE)**

– Praise God for the 13 participants in this round of BAGLE! Pray that our Lord will minister to their hearts during the upcoming retreat (18 Jan, Sat), that the good news of Christ will nourish them first as they are equipped in caring for the sheep in their AGs. Pray also that the Spirit will exhort and nurture many more members to maturity in Jesus as we heard last Sunday over the pulpit - may many more future leaders joyfully come to embrace the privilege of teaching and shepherding God's people in our AGs.

**Action Groups (AGs)** – As many of our AGs resume meeting regularly around God's word again, let us pray that the Lord will continue shaping our minds and lives by His Spirit. In this year especially where many AGs are journeying through the book of Romans, we pray that Christ and His glorious Gospel will capture and transform our hearts in deep and powerful ways!

### **Our Denomination**

Please pray for at least 3 BPCIS churches that have requested for help from us and from the wider denomination. As we enter our #getsent year, may more of us here at Zion Bishan be moved by the Lord to serve our brothers and sisters there, as we are doing for Emmanuel BP. Do consider taking a year out to help (check with Ps Dev for details).

### **Our World**

#### **Himalayas / Tibet** – (BBC, 7 Jan)

At least 126 people were killed, with another 188 injured, after the earthquake on 7 Jan hit the foothills of the Himalayas (in a remote region of Tibet, near Everest). As temperatures are expected to fall to -16 deg celsius overnight, pray for the survivors who are affected by this disaster who have lost their loved ones and homes. Pray that the relief and rescue operations can be carried out smoothly. Thank God that our partners in Nepal have not be adversely affected by the tremors which they felt. Brother Sambhu was in Nepal at that time and also felt the tremors. May the Lord enable believers in affected areas to be able to reach out in support and love to those in need.

## Last Week

Sunday Service	Attendance	Offering
English Service Livestream*	18	
English Service 8:30am	162	\$1,846.00
English Service 10:30am	584	
English Service 4:30pm	232	
Chinese Service livestream*	5	
Chinese Service 8:30am	97	\$1,566.00
Cant/Mand Service 10:45am	67	\$375.00
Mand/English Service 10.30am	61	\$1,359.00
Hokkien Service	64	\$450.00
Tamil Service	16	\$721.75
DHF	21	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1327</b>	<b>\$6,317.75</b>

\*Livestreaming peak concurrent viewers.

Electronic Transfer	\$92,537.00
Tamil New Year Service	\$601.00
<b>Weekly Total</b>	<b>\$99,455.75</b>

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

### GENERAL PROJECTS FUND

Electronic Transfer	\$7,374.61
Christmas	\$500.00
Watchnight	\$3,035.00
<b>Weekly Total</b>	<b>\$10,909.61</b>
<b>Total General Projects Fund:</b>	<b>\$5,554,934.81</b>

## Church Family News

1. Ps Zhiwen is preaching at Katong Presbyterian Church this morning.
2. Ps Vernon is on ICT from 8 - 24 Jan.
3. Ps Alby, Ps Zhiwen, and Dr Tze-Ming will be attending the Prayer Summit from 13 - 16 Jan.

## 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, 17 Jan

**8.00pm:** Prayer Meeting

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

### Sat, 18 Jan

**4.00pm:** Youth Fellowship

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

### Sun, 19 Jan

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

## The Next Lap Series

### 19 Jan – Gospel Culture

*Mr Danny Chua*

### 26 Jan – Missional Communities

*Ps Ng Zhiwen*

## Roman Series

### 2 Feb – Romans Intro

*Dr Quek Tze-Ming ( 8.30 & 10.30 am )*

*Ps Vernon Quek ( 4.30 pm )*

### 9 Feb – Romans 1:1-17

*Ps Alby Yip ( 8.30 & 10.30 am )*

*Ps Dev Menon ( 4.30 pm )*

## 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.

### THE YEAR OF GETTING SENT

*And he went up on the mountain and called to him those whom he desired, and they came to him. And he appointed twelve (whom he also named apostles) so that they might be with him and he might send them out to preach*  
(Mark 3:13-14)

Over the last two years, we have covered Personal Discipleship (**#GetDeep**) and having a Gospel Culture (**#GetReal**). These are the first two pillars of our church's Next Lap vision. The third pillar is on Missional Communities (**#GetSent**).

These three are essential for our lifelong journey of being more like Jesus. We want everyone to be mature in Christ.

So, this is the year of getting sent.

There are many passages in Scripture on getting sent. The one I've printed above has been especially meaningful to me this past year. That was the passage that the Lord impressed on my heart when my team and I were planning for the Antioch Summit 2024 last year. This was the annual missions conference of the Antioch21 movement.

You might have thought that a missions conference would be all about challenging people to missions by citing statistics, sharing powerful testimonies, and by describing the urgent needs in the world right now.

But we were convicted by the Lord that the conference had to begin with our call to intimacy with Christ.

To behold His beauty and glory.

To love Him and enjoy His presence.

To learn from Him and grasp what is on His heart.

To come away utterly certain that Jesus, the Lamb of God, is worthy of worship among all the nations.

And so the first evening of the conference was given entirely to Scripture-based worship and prayer.

And then to hear our personal call from the Lord to get sent. He is the one who sends.

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Mark 3:13-14 describes such a time that Jesus had with His followers.

He went up a mountain (think “Summit”). Biblically, the mountain is where God meets with His people. Here, Jesus (being God) called His people to come to Him. This is the first calling: To come to Jesus. It’s remarkable how Jesus’ people are described as the ones He ‘desired’.

He longs to be with His people.

Then Jesus appointed the twelve. We know them as Jesus’ twelve disciples. Here, they are named “apostles” which means “the sent ones”. Clearly, to be “sent out” would be a part of their identity and calling. And they will go on to be sent out to preach the good news of Jesus and do many wonders in His name.

But notice with me that prior to being sent out, the appointment of the “sent out ones” is firstly that they *be with* Jesus (Mark 3:14).

This is a call to intimate fellowship with Jesus. And it comes first.

Throughout this year, we will hear much about God’s mission and about being a missional community.

But let this also be a year of deep intimacy with the Lord. I pray that you will grow deeper in your walk with Jesus, and sweeter in your love for Him.

And out of this intimacy, I pray you will be ready to give your whole-hearted YES to Him: YES to whatever He asks you to do, and to wherever He sends you (and your community).

Isn’t this what Jesus also did? He gave His YES to the Father, who sent the Son.

Let’s follow Jesus in His example.

Have a truly blessed 2025.



## *Announcements*

### **Next Lap Response**

How are you responding to the Lord's call to know Jesus more and mature in Him this year?

Your Congregational Shepherding Teams - **pastors, elders, ministry staff** - are committed to serving and supporting you in this. Reach out to them soon!

### **Church Camp 20-23 June 2025**

**Venue:** ParkRoyal A'Famosa Melaka Resort

**Speaker:** Rev Henry Eatock-Taylor  
( <https://www.zionbishan.org.sg/ZBCampSpeaker2025> )

**Registration is still OPEN until 31 Jan 2025.**

Sign up at  
<https://bit.ly/2025ZBCamp>

### **Catechism Class 2025**

**Are you looking to join the Zion Bishan church family as a member?**

The first round of Catechism Class will start on 15 February, every Saturday from 1.30pm to 3pm over 14 weeks. Get the sign-up form from **Lydia** ( [lydia@zionbishan.org](mailto:lydia@zionbishan.org) ) or **Dns Debbo Lee**.

### **Looking for Table Hosts!**

If you want some spiritual refreshment or interested to befriend and serve the catechumens, we will love to chat with you! This is a perfect opportunity for members looking to serve in this new year!

Contact **Ps Dev Menon** ( [dev@zionbishan.org](mailto:dev@zionbishan.org) ) or **Dns Debbo Lee** ( **90625348** ) to express your interest and for more info.