I AM NOT ASHAMED OF THE GOSPEL, FOR IT IS THE POWER OF GOD FOR SALVATION TO EVERYONE WHO BELIEVES....

ROMANS 1:16

ENGLISH SERVICES

Order of Service

Call to Worship

Gloria Patri

Worship in Songs AM: Jesus Shall Reign; Hymn of The Saviour; All Heaven Declares PM: God the Uncreated One; You Are God Alone; I Worship You Almighty God

Scripture Reading: Romans 1:16-32 (ESV)

Message: The Wrath of God

Response Hymn: You Alone Can Rescue

Corporate Life & Prayer

Offering

Benediction

Announcements



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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: <u>www.zionbishan.org.sg/rf</u>

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 <u>www.zionbishan.org.sg/dhf</u>

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: <u>www.zionbishan.org.sg/cd-yd</u>

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 (8.30 & 10.30 am) Mr Danny Chua (4.30 pm)

8.30am

Service Coordinator: Dn Lim Nan Worship Leader: Dn Justin Low Vocalist & Musicians: Music AM Team 3

10.30am

Service Coordinator: Dn Mervyn Phan Worship Leader: Eld. Chuah Chin Yew Vocalist & Musicians: Music AM Team 3

4.30pm

Service Coordinator: Dn Peter Wang Worship Leader: Dn Herman Low Vocalist & Musicians: Music PM Team 3

Pastors and Ministry Staff

Rev Dr Alby Yip, Senior Pastor 9844 9536 Rev Dr Dev Menon, Pastor 9829 6051 Rev Lim Jit Thye, Pastor (Cant-Mand) 9182 6957 Rev Daniel Nge, Pastor (Mand-Eng) 8428 0525 Rev Vernon Quek, Pastor 9796 0196 Rev Ng Zhiwen, Pastor 9092 6095 Rev Paul Yeo. Pastor (Hokkien) 9751 1897 Rev Ebi Mohan, Assoc Pastor (Tamil) 8198 9696 Rev Chris, Asst Pastor (Tamil) 9446 7416 Mrs Emily Quek, Special Projects 9001 2926 Mrs June Tan, *Children's Ministry* 8388 1883 Ms Elizabeth Hira, Children's Min/DHF 9239 0680 Mrs Sha.ron Quek. Overseas Ministries 9788 0195 Mr Danny Chua, AG/Safequarding 9239 4160 Dr Quek Tze-Ming, Ministry Staff 9060 8340 Mrs Jacqueline Ong, Youth Ministry 9322 7629 Mrs Vanessa Khoo. Women's Ministry 9880 4507 Mr Joel Khoo, YAs/Discipleship 9368 9221 Mr Timothy Ong, Missions Education 9271 5785 Rev Dr David Wong, Advisory Pastor Rev Dr Quek Swee Hwa, Pastor Emeritus

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Sermon Notes

Ps Ng Zhiwen

The Wrath of God

Romans 1:16-32

Introduction

The Bitter Exchange

#1 #2

#3

A Divine Exchange

Questions for Reflection and Discussion:

- 1. Read the Scripture passage (Romans 1:16-32) again. What is Paul's main point? What has been revealed (v. 18)?
- 2. Imagine a society where everyone lived the way Paul described it in this passage. What would it be like to live in that sort of community?
- 3. In what ways have you failed to acknowledge God in your life? Spend a few moments to honestly ask God to search your heart, and help you recover the things that you had exchanged away.

The Wrath of God

Romans 1:16-32

Intro: "I am ashamed of the Gospel (Good News) ..."?

Good News that Paul is unashamed of...

Power of God for salvation... (1:16) – but from what?

Reveals God's righteousness... (1:17) – but how exactly?

Good News: We see God's righteous and just heart in...

- 1. His wrath against humanity's sin (1:18-23)
 - Unrighteousness/sin: Knowingly refusing to honor the Creator God as God
 - Pause to Reflect: Am I unashamed of the Gospel's definition of sin?

2. His giving up of sinful humanity to themselves (1:24-32)

- God's Judgment: the unrighteous get what they want (and deserve) more unrighteousness
- Pause to Reflect: Am I unashamed of God's judgment on sinful humanity?

Discussion Questions:

- 1. What was one thing from the Bible passage or message that stood out to you? Why?
- 2. What does Romans tell us sin (or unrighteousness) is at its core? How does this compare with your view of sin?
- 3. How does God's wrath on sin look like in this present world? (1:24-32)
- 4. How do you feel about God's present, ongoing judgment on sin? Why?

Prayer Points

Our Church

Please pray for sister **Elizabeth Hira** as she joins our staff. Pray for her as she settles into her new role and into our Zion Bishan community. May the Lord give her favour and wisdom. Uphold the church too as we welcome her into our family.

Heartlands Ministry – 2 pilot runs will take place over the next 2 Thursday evenings. Pray for the core team and volunteers as we gather to seek the Lord, firm up our plans and submit them to Him. Pray also for more willing hearts to #getsent in this way - to come alongside seekers in friendship, helping them come to know Jesus and God through the stories in the Bible.

Our World

Nepal – Last week, 2 from our church left to run some Discipleship Training with our Mission Partner's network in Nepal. This week, another 1 more will join them to do the same training in a different part of E. Nepal. Pray for journey mercies and good health as they travel and stay in a small remote town in E. Nepal. May trusted relationship form between us and this community of brothers and sisters in Christ despite language and cultural barriers

Lebanon – Pray for our partner in Beirut as they continue providing food and shelter for internally displaced peoples (IDPs) fleeing the war that began there in Oct 2024. They report that even though there has been a fragile ceasefire since 27 Nov 2024, many of the IDPs still cannot return to their homes as many areas in South Lebanon remain occupied and many homes unliveable. Their centre has provided 200 meals each day and given 300 families food packages. Pray for God's provision for their kitchen project which hopes to set up a kitchen to provide meals for families in need.

Last Week

Sunday Service	Attendance	Offering	
English Service Livestream*	21		
English Service 8:30am	184	\$673.90	
English Service 10:30am	562		
English Service 4:30pm	213		
Chinese Service livestream*	6		
Combined Chinese Service	283	\$2,964.00	
Tamil Service	11	\$619.00	
DHF	21		
TOTAL	1301	\$4,256.90	
*Livestreaming peak concurrent viewer	s.		
Electronic Transfer	\$78,597.73		
Weekly Total	otal \$82,854.63		
Weekly offering to meet budget for 2024/25: \$82,235			

GENERAL PROJECTS FUND

Electronic Transfer	\$6,806.50
Weekly Total	\$6,806.50
Total General Projects Fund:	\$5,602,917.48

Church Family News

- We welcomed Ms. Elizabeth Hira, who joins our church staff (on training) as of Tuesday 11 Feb. She'll primarily serve in the Children's and Domestic Helpers' Fellowship Ministries.
- 2. Ps Alby will be on a six-month sabbatical from 1 Mar 2025 onwards.

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, 21 Feb 8.00pm: Prayer Meeting Register at <u>www.zionbishan.org.sg/fpm</u>

<u>Sat, 22 Feb</u> 4.00pm: Youth Fellowship Register at <u>www.zionbishan.org.sg/yf</u>

<u>Sun, 23 Feb</u>

Worship Services at 8.30am, 10.30am & 4.30pm 1.00pm: ECM (Sanctuary)

Romans Series

23 Feb – Romans 2

Ps Ebi Mohan (8.30 & 10.30 am) Mr Danny Chua (4.30 pm)

2 Mar – Romans 3:1-20

Dr Quek Tze-Ming (8.30 & 10.30 am) Ps Dev Menon (4.30 pm)

9 Mar – Romans 3:21-26

Ps Vernon Quek (8.30 & 10.30 am) Ps Dev Menon (4.30 pm)

16 Mar – Romans 3:27-4:25

Dr Quek Tze-Ming

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.

A Brother

Proverbs 17:17 A friend loves at all times, and a brother is born for adversity.

Over the last few weeks, I have been reminded of the preciousness of having friends... more so, brothers in Christ. People whom you can call in moment's notice, and they will be there. Yes of course, they share in the joys and accomplishments, but it is interesting that the proverb says they become 'brothers' when there is adversity. How true.

I think many of you know I am an advocate of **321s**, three (or max. four) friends meeting once a month, for 2 hours (usually over a meal) – to share about life, work, family and ministry. We take turns to share, and the others just listen and ask helpful questions, before praying for one another. This active listening presence is very powerful.

This regular investment in spiritual friendship over the years has turned into many tangible deeds. I saw these brothers help me when I was not doing well. I saw these brothers come alongside me in difficult ministry situations. I saw these brothers even advocate for me when I was attempting to start something new or change a prevailing culture. They sacrificed time, energy and convenience for one another.

Just last week there were 3 specific occasions where 3 different sets of these brothers yet again were so present and reassuring... it made life so much more bearable.

Yet what motivates these brothers, is not just friendship, it is the gospel.

I wonder if you noted in Romans (e.g. 1:12 & 15:32) how Paul was confident that he would be encouraged and refreshed by the Roman church – a group of believers he had never met! There's something about being so aligned in the gospel, in the knowledge of Christ, that allows strangers to become encouraging brothers – at first contact even!

A brother in Christ can be there for you in adversity – even if he's never met you. Hard to believe, no? But it seems to be the gospel truth. A truth, glad to say, I am more and more experiencing, the more I follow Christ.

Announcements

Notice of Extraordinary Congregation Meeting (ECM) 2025

To all communicant members:

ECM will be held in-person on 23 Feb 2025 (Sun) at 1pm in the Main Sanctuary.

You should have already received the Notice of Meeting along with the respective financial documents and proxy form in your email. If you are a communicant member and have not received the email please inform Lydia at **lydia@zionbishan.org.sg**.

If you are unable to attend, please appoint a proxy (by filling up the proxy form) to attend and vote on your behalf. Copies of the proxy form will be available at the entrance to the sanctuary after each service.

Registration starts at **12.30pm** at the Fellowship Hall. Appreciate every member's punctuality so we can start by **1pm** and end by 2.30pm.

Heartlands Project Befrienders Recruitment

Beginning March on Thurs evenings, 7.30 - 9pm at the Living Room

We are calling for befrienders to come alongside seekers from the heartlands, helping them learn about God and Jesus from the Bible.

Find out more or sign up with **Tim Ong** (**timothy@zionbishan.org.sg**).

WOZ Missions Explored – Start Somewhere!

8 Mar 2025 (Sat) 2 - 4.30pm, Music Room, Level 3 Speakers: Sharon Quek & Christy Lim

Find out more about:

- The role of our church in worldwide evangelism
- How you can be involved, in big or small ways

Please register with Lydia at 8338 3982 by Mar 4

Registration for 2026 @ Zion Bishan Kindercare (ZBK)

Full-Day & Half-Day Childcare Programme

Phase 1 Registration:

3 - 7 Mar 2025 for Church Members, Siblings of ZBK Students and Alumni

Age Group: PG, PN, N, K1, K2 (18 months old to 6 years old)

Applications received after the Phase 1 deadline will not be given priority for registration.

Call 63538083 for more information.

HURRY! LIMITED VACANCY

SENIORS360 Dim Sum Hour & Talk

Living Out Graceful and Purposeful Years

8 Mar (Sat) 10.15am Fellowship Hall

Come join us at this upcoming SENIORS360 event with Rev Dr Koh Nam Seng (许南盛 博士), one of the pioneers in the Xin Yao (新谣) movement in the eighties, and "Good Morning Singapore" (早安, 您好) TV show host in the nineties. Ps Koh will share on how to live out

Ps Koh will share on how to live out graceful, purposeful and meaningful senior years.

Do invite your non-Christian friends along!

Sign up by **3 Mar**: http://rebrand.ly/s360mar25