

**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**

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***Order of Service***

Call to Worship

Gloria Patri

[ MORNING ]

Worship in Songs: Only a Holy God; Lord have Mercy; Everybody needs You

Scripture Reading: Romans 3:1-20 (ESV)

Message: No One is Righteous

Response Hymn: You Alone Can Rescue

Holy Communion: Turn Your Eyes

[ AFTERNOON ]

Worship in Songs: Crown Him with Many Crowns; Shine into Our Night; Lord have Mercy

Scripture Reading: Romans 3:1-20 (ESV)

Message: All Under Sin & Judgment

Response Hymn: You Alone Can Rescue

Holy Communion: Judge of the Secrets

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](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

### **Speakers:**

Dr Quek Tze-Ming ( 8.30 & 10.30 am )

Ps Dev Menon ( 4.30 pm )

### **8.30am**

*Service Coordinator:* Dn Tay Beng Hwee

*Worship Leader:* Eld Sonny Tan

*Vocalist & Musicians:* Music AM Team 1

### **10.30am**

*Service Coordinator:* Dn Tiew Chew Ming

*Worship Leader:* Eld Foo Say Chiang

*Vocalist & Musicians:* Music AM Team 1

### **4.30pm**

*Service Coordinator:* Vanessa Khoo

*Worship Leader:* Dn Junaidi Nyoto

*Vocalist & Musicians:* Music PM Team 1

## Pastors and Ministry Staff

Rev Dr Alby Yip, <i>Senior Pastor</i>	<i>Sabbatical</i>
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>YAs (Hokkien)</i>	9751 1897
Rev Ebi Mohan, <i>Assoc Pastor (Tamil)</i>	8198 9696
Rev Chris, <i>Asst Pastor (Tamil)</i>	9446 7416
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Mrs June Tan, <i>Children's Ministry</i>	8388 1883
Ms Elizabeth Hira, <i>Children's Min/DHF</i>	9239 0680
Mrs Sha.ron Quek, <i>Overseas Ministries</i>	9788 0195
Mr Danny Chua, <i>AG/Safeguarding</i>	9239 4160
Dr Quek Tze-Ming, <i>Ministry Staff</i>	9060 8340
Mrs Jacqueline Ong, <i>Youth Ministry</i>	9322 7629
Mrs Vanessa Khoo, <i>Women's Ministry</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)

**No One is Righteous**

Romans 3:1-20

**Introduction**

Recap: A “true” Jew is not a matter of outward signs but inward obedience (2:28-29). *Then what’s the point about being a Jew?*

**Advantage ... Jew? (3:1-8)**

“entrusted with the oracles of God” (v. 1) ... BUT Israel is unfaithful

If Israel is unfaithful, is God unfaithful?

**Advantage ... Anyone? (3:9-20)**

The Charge: All, Jews and non-Jews, are *under sin* ... (3:9)

The Evidence: From the Scriptures (3:10-18)

The Verdict: The whole world ... accountable (3:19)

Then what?: If Israel and Moses’ Law cannot be the solution, what is?

**Game, Set, and Match?**

3:20 For by Works of the Law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the Law comes knowledge of sin.

**Questions for Reflection and Discussion:**

1. Read Rom 2:25-29, then ask yourself: so, what’s the point of being Jewish? How does Paul answer this question in Rom 3:1-2? (Clue: what does the word “entrusted” mean?)
2. When one party to an agreement fails, what can make the agreement continue? What do we learn about God and His character in His dealings with the unfaithful in Rom 3:1-8?
3. Paul reaches the point where he says no one can avoid the judgment that hangs over the world – neither Jews who had the Law, nor Gentiles who didn’t. If relying on the Law is not the answer, how will God fulfil His promises to rescue the world (through Israel)?
4. How is your life presently fulfilling the calling of being entrusted with good news of God?

**All Under Sin & Judgment**

Romans 3:1-20

**Recap: You Have No Excuse**

**Wait... I Still Got! (3:1-8)**

**No. You Confirm Don't. (3:9-20)**

**Questions for Reflection and Discussion:**

1. List down a few things you remember from the sermon or passage.
2. Why do both Jew and non-Jew (Gentile) have no excuse before God?
3. What other excuses is the Jew trying to claim? How does Paul respond to this?
4. What excuses may we try to give God – to 'get out' of being judged?

# Prayer Points

## Our Church

**ECM** – We thank God for the meeting last Sunday, where we passed the budget with almost 99% approval from close to 700 members (including proxy forms). We announced significant changes in terms of the remuneration of apprentices and our mission workers, moving us towards a much more people-centred rather than program-heavy budget. We pray now that God will supply all our financial needs for the coming year, through the weekly giving of our members and regular worshippers.

**English as Second Language (ESL)** - Thank God for 27 new students that signed up for classes this year. Pray for the teachers to be sensitive to the spiritual needs of our students and for friendships and bonds to form and deepen throughout the year. Pray that each one will come to see and know God's love for them through this ministry.

## Our World

**Mrs E Biswas** – We had prayed for Mrs Biswas two weeks ago. On 19 Feb, she was called Home to the Lord, aged 85. We thank God for her faithful service alongside her husband who founded the work in NE with which we have been blessed to be a Gospel partner for about 30 years. We praise God for the growth of the work throughout that region. Pray that the legacy of faith of Rev & Mrs Biswas will be passed on to faithful men and women, extending beyond their own region to other parts of India and even overseas.

**Nepal** – Thank God that our church group of 3 have returned safely to Kathmandu from their visit to a community of brothers and sisters in E Nepal. It was a difficult journey of long jeep rides and some trekking in order to arrive there, braving mud, rockfalls and flight cancellations. Thank God everyone took it in their stride and had a fruitful and blessed time with this community. May the gospel continue to transform lives here, where the weather is harsh and life hard. Pray that they may “Yandon” = “Discover” (in Tibetan) His love and truth.

**Ukraine** – (The Straits Times, 25 Feb) It has been 3 years since Russia's invasion of Ukraine on 24 Feb 2022. While many war crimes are committed against civilians by military forces, pray for God's peace and justice to come. Pray for renewed hope, and continued heart to serve those suffering, from the Christian community so that the God of love may be known in this war zone. May our gracious God reveal Himself to all who cry for help in their time of need. God have mercy. Christ have mercy.

## Last Week

Sunday Service	Attendance	Offering
English Service Livestream*	16	
English Service 8:30am	189	\$485.00
English Service 10:30am	525	
English Service 4:30pm	206	
Chinese Service livestream*	8	
Chinese Service 8:30am	87	\$1,000.00
Cant/Mand Service 10:45am	70	\$2,590.00
Mand/English Service 10.30am	57	\$1,514.00
Hokkien Service	61	\$2,395.00
Tamil Service	12	\$267.00
DHF	26	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1257</b>	<b>\$8,251.00</b>

\*Livestreaming peak concurrent viewers.

Electronic Transfer	\$35,529.92
<b>Weekly Total</b>	<b>\$43,780.92</b>

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

### GENERAL PROJECTS FUND

Electronic Transfer	\$3,589.50
<b>Weekly Total</b>	<b>\$3,589.50</b>
<b>Total General Projects Fund:</b>	<b>\$5,611,093.98</b>

## Church Family News

1. Ps Daniel will be on sabbatical from 12 Mar till 30 June.
2. Ps Vernon is speaking at the ME Congregation's 10th Anniversary Service this morning.
3. Ps Zhiwen is speaking at Paya Lebar Methodist Church 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, 7 Mar

**8.00pm:** Prayer Meeting

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

### Sat, 8 Mar

**4.00pm:** Youth Fellowship

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

### Sun, 9 Mar

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

## Romans Series

### **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*

### **23 Mar – Romans 1-4 Review & Reflect**

*Ps Ng Zhiwen ( 8.30 & 10.30 am )*

*Ps Vernon Quek ( 4.30 pm )*

### **30 Mar – Romans 5:1-11**

*Ps Ebi Mohan ( 8.30 & 10.30 am )*

*Mr Danny Chua ( 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.

### God's Household

This year, I have been especially thinking about God's Household. This is a phrase that comes from 1 Timothy 3:1-7, where the Apostle Paul instructs us on the qualifications for overseers (or elders and pastors in our context).

As you might have heard last year, the Lord has led our church leaders and led me to explore the process of ordination for pastoral ministry. Yes, the formal process includes a few important matters such as council meetings with various BPCIS pastors. The process also requires me to reflect upon and write some short papers on ministry and theology.

However, nothing is perhaps more formative for my heart than reflecting on this little passage in 1 Timothy 3. I have even taken a step further to read this letter with others in my 1-to-1 Bible reading friendships! The overseer, or elder/pastor-to-be must seriously grapple with what the Lord requires of those who under-shepherd His flock.

There are many qualifications in this passage that seem daunting to me. One of them is this – which Paul dedicates the most words to: *“He must manage his own household well, with all dignity keeping his children submissive, for if someone does not know how to manage his own household, how will he care for God's church?”* (3:4-5).

To be honest, there are so many ways in which I don't do these things well. Despite 7 years of marriage, and 4 years of parenthood, I often find myself stumbling in how to manage my household in a godly way, shepherd and love my wife well, discipline and parent my children in a gospel way.

By the grace of God, and the Gospel that tells me “Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners” like myself (1 Tim 1:15), I trust that our Father will grow me in these areas with much prayer and discipline. Hopefully, this comes also with much help and support from many of my fellow brothers and sisters, and co-workers in this church family of course!

And so, week after week, and month after month, I continue to pray this for myself, and I continue to ask my church family to pray this for me and for my family too. As I grow in this, and indeed as each of our elders and pastors grow in these matters, we will hopefully have many mini gospel households that reflect God's desired household. In the end, may Zion Bishan be a household of God filled with many mini households that “know how one ought to behave in the household of God, which is the church of the living God, a pillar and buttress of the truth.” (3:15).



## *Announcements*

### **MENA Missions Gathering: Peacemakers in Ancient Lands**

**1 – 3 May 2025**

Sign up through the link below to hear stories of God's work, and about the gospel need in the Middle East North Africa (MENA) region from brothers and a sister, from the region. Expect to engage in worship, prayer and helpful workshops in our time together.

<https://tinyurl.com/MENAGathering2025>

### **Open Homes, Open Hearts**

Volunteers and homes wanted to help host our friends from overseas coming for the MENA Gathering. Click on the link for more information:

<https://tinyurl.com/openhouseandhearts>

### **Terusan Guest Workers Outreach**

Weekly worship services begin in **March!**

Calling all brothers to prayerfully consider helping in the area of logistics, music and befriending! Join us in this outreach on a fortnightly basis, pray that these guest workers will come to know Jesus and His love.

Find out more or sign up with **Ps Ebi ( 81989696 )** or **Ps Chris ( 94467416 )**

### **Dedication List 2025**

Visit the link below to view the Dedication List for our church community:

<https://www.zionbishan.org.sg/dedicationlist25>

Password: zbdedi25\*