



ROMANS 5:8

GOD SHOWS HIS LOVE FOR US IN THAT  
WHILE WE WERE STILL SINNERS,  
CHRIST DIED FOR US.

ENGLISH SERVICES

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## ***Order of Service***

Call to Worship

Gloria Patri

Worship in Songs:

AM: Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven; The Wonderful Cross; All I Have is Christ

PM: Before the Throne of God Above; Refiner's Fire; All I have is Christ

Scripture Reading: Romans 6:1-14 (ESV)

Message: Dead and Alive in Christ

Response Hymn: This Life I Live

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 Vernon Quek

### **8.30am**

*Service Coordinator:* Sharon Quek

*Worship Leader:* Dn Lim Nan

*Vocalist & Musicians:* Music Am Team 2

### **10.30am**

*Service Coordinator:* Jacqueline Ong

*Worship Leader:* Dn Mervyn Phan

*Vocalist & Musicians:* Music Am Team 2

### **4.30pm**

*Service Coordinator:* Dn Peter Wang

*Worship Leader:* Dn John Chua

*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>	<i>Sabbatical</i>
Rev Vernon Quek, <i>Pastor</i>	9796 0196
Rev Ng Zhiwen, <i>Pastor</i>	9092 6095
Rev Paul Yeo, <i>Pastor (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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Ms Elizabeth Hira, <i>Children's Min/DHF</i>	9239 0680
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Mr Danny Chua, <i>AG/Safeguarding</i>	9239 4160
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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
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Rev Dr Quek Swee Hwa, <i>Pastor Emeritus</i>	

**Confidential Care & Counselling e-mail:**

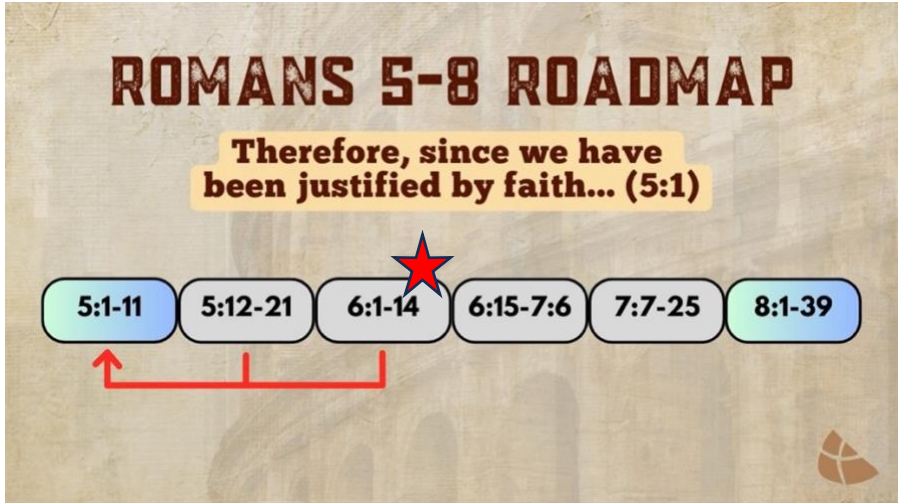
[care@zionbishan.org.sg](mailto:care@zionbishan.org.sg)

**Dead and Alive in Christ**

Ps Vernon Quek

Romans 6:1-14

Recap: So far in Romans 5 – 8...



‘...where sin increased, grace abounded all the more’ (5:20)

So...Sin more in the Present?! ❌ By no means! ❌ (v1-2)

Dead to Sin!

The definition of sin (1:21)

## **Why? Because of our Unity with Christ (v3-11)**

The Past Death

\*The Present Life

The Future Resurrection

## **Conclusion: A New Reign (v12-14)**

No longer under Sin's reign and dominion

Presenting our Present Lives

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

1. What does sin look like in your present life? \*Remember 1:21's definition of sin.
2. Has today's passage convinced you to do something about that sin? Why or why not?
3. How exactly does unity with Christ help us with sin in our present lives? Try expressing this in your own words.
4. What exactly does presenting your members to God as instruments for righteousness look like? Share some specific ways you are planning to do so with someone and ask them to keep encouraging you in these areas.

## *Prayer Points*

### **Our Church**

**ZB Youths** - Pray for our ZB youths in polytechnics, as they start their new academic year mid-April, and especially for the Year 1 students transitioning into a new environment. Pray that as Christian students, they not only grow in their learning, but also in their identity as salt and light wherever God has placed them, even amidst worldly culture and influences.

**Nepal Sharing Missions Prayer Night (25 Apr)** - Hear the lessons and experiences of some of ZB members who ran a discipleship training with our Nepal mission partner in February. Pray for our hearts to be aligned with God's heart, to hear what He is doing in that region and see with His eyes - may the Lord stir up more obedient hearts to go where there is no Gospel.

### **Our World**

**Indonesia** – Thank God for Sister B and her husband A who were graduates of our Missiology School. This school in Indonesia was started by us in collaboration with Indonesian partners years ago but has since merged with another school. We have followed the graduates and supported some of them who have a faithful ministry sharing God's love to people in their city and beyond in the island of Java. The newlywed couple will soon be moving to another city and will need to find a suitable house to rent there. Pray for one that is within their budget and that their transition there will be smooth.

**MENA (Middle East North Africa) Gathering** – (See last page of bulletin for details) In light of the fragile ceasefire and news of ongoing conflict for both Gaza and Lebanon, let us pray for peace to come to this region. Pray also for the body of Christ to persevere in faith and love despite the trauma of war. Our team that visited MENA recently heard many stories of such faithfulness and courage but also of the great weariness of our brothers and sisters there.

## Last Week

Sunday Service	Attendance	Offering
English Service Livestream*	10	
English Service 8:30am	208	\$1,757.00
English Service 10:30am	588	
English Service 4:30pm	216	
Chinese Service livestream*	6	
Chinese Service 8:30am	90	\$1,325.00
Cant/Mand Service 10:45am	84	\$668.00
Mand/English Service 10.30am	58	\$1,031.00
Hokkien Service	65	\$721.00
Tamil Service	14	\$1,779.75
DHF	27	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1366</b>	<b>\$7,281.75</b>

\*Livestreaming peak concurrent viewers.

Electronic Transfer	\$79,876.11
<b>Weekly Total</b>	<b>\$87,157.86</b>

Weekly Offering to meet estimated expenditure for 2025/26: \$94,181

### GENERAL PROJECTS FUND

Electronic Transfer	\$14,296.50
<b>Weekly Total</b>	<b>\$14,296.50</b>
<b>Total General Projects Fund:</b>	<b>\$5,710,051.40</b>

## Church Family News

1. Congratulations to Joel & Jessica on the birth of their 2nd child, Evan Quah, on 7 Apr 2025!
2. Ps Dev is attending the 54th Anniversary of Hebron BP today. We thank God also for the ordination of Peter Low as a Minister of the Gospel!

## 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

### **Thurs, 17 Apr**

**8.00pm:** Maundy Thursday Service  
*at Sanctuary*

### **Fri, 18 Apr**

**10.30am:** Good Friday Service  
*at ACS (Independent), Auditorium 2*

**8.00pm:** **No** Prayer Meeting

### **Sat, 19 Apr**

**4.00pm:** Youth Fellowship

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

### **Sun, 20 Apr**

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

## Romans Series

### **20 Apr – Romans 6:15-7:6**

*Ps Dev Menon ( 8.30 & 10.30 am )*

*Ps Ng Zhiwen ( 4.30 pm )*

### **27 Apr – Romans 7:7-25**

*Mr Danny Chua ( 8.30 & 10.30 am )*

*Ps Ng Zhiwen ( 4.30 pm )*

### **11 May – Romans 8:1-17**

*Dr Quek Tze-Ming ( 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.

## **Jesus the Victorious King, a Palm Sunday Reflection**

Today is Palm Sunday, the beginning of, what some traditions call, Holy week or the week leading up to Easter Sunday. All 4 gospels record the account of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem riding on a donkey, instead of a horse or on foot, fulfilling a prophecy (Matt 21:5 quoting Zechariah 9:9), symbolizing humility and peace. His intention for the city was peace and his manner, one of humility.

How different Jesus is from other Kings in history who won their victory through military might. This is what Jesus was like, He came in peace, simplicity and humility, proclaiming a Kingdom where love, mercy and peace reign over status, strife and power.

Many in the crowd took off their cloaks to line the streets. Others cut branches off trees and spread them on the road. All this in honour of Jesus as they shouted,

*“Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!” (Matt 21:9b)*

Jesus would receive a very different reaction from the crowd later that week, one which called for His crucifixion and by Friday, Jesus was crucified as a common criminal on a Roman cross. This progression of events for Jesus does not seem like a 'victory' for a King. The disciples also did not get it, in John 12:16, John records this.

*“At first his disciples did not understand all this. Only after Jesus was glorified did they realise that these things had been written about him and that they had done these things to him.” (John 12:16).*

From the hindsight of Easter Sunday, we clearly see that Jesus' victory was one of a different kind, over an enemy that has followed mankind from Adam all the way to Jesus. And one which was conquered through Jesus' humble submission to His Father's will. In Romans 5:12-15 (NIV), Paul writes about this,



*“Therefore, just as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way, death came to all people, because all sinned—To be sure, sin was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not charged against anyone’s account where there is no law. Nevertheless, death reigned from the time of Adam to the time of Moses, even over those who did not sin by breaking a command, as did Adam, who is a pattern of the one to come. But, the gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died by the trespass of the one man, how much more did God’s grace and the gift that came by the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, overflow to the many!” (Romans 5:12-15)*

Such is the love of God for all of mankind. So, Jesus’ victory is so much MORE than we think of. He came in humility and gentleness and His victory was one very different from our normal understanding of victory.

In my recent trip to MENA (Middle East North Africa), I realised how our brothers and sisters in Christ here experience in a greater way what it means to live in Christ’s humility and gentleness (in the face of great challenges and persecution) and also to know Christ’s victory in very different terms from the world’s.

Many of them had to live a life of greater risk and suffering BECAUSE of their faith. For some, they were cast out by their families because of their faith. For others, it was choosing to stay in a country that greatly needed their presence even when they had the opportunity to go to safer places. Many brothers and sisters demonstrated God’s love through holistic ministries such as special needs therapy, good quality education for all and relief and development.

Do consider signing up for “Peacemakers in Ancient Lands” MENA gathering which is happening here at our church from 1-3 May 2025 to hear and know more about what God is doing in this region so that you can participate and pray better for them. More details are in the announcements section of our bulletin.

Church, as we reflect on Jesus’ humility and love this Palm Sunday and into Maundy Thursday and Good Friday, let us be encouraged by Jesus’ example of humility and love when we endure suffering and humble circumstances in this life as our King demonstrated in His life, even to the end of it.

## Announcements

### ZB WhatsApp Channel

We are moving to the official ZB WhatsApp Channel for all our church announcements and bulletin updates.

This will replace the current WhatsApp broadcasts. Telegram Channel will remain the same, and we will continue sending updates there as usual. This switch is only for WhatsApp.

After 31 May 2025, all WhatsApp announcements will only be sent through the new WhatsApp Channel.

**Join our new Channel:**

**[www.zionbishan.org.sg/whatsapp](http://www.zionbishan.org.sg/whatsapp)**

### Chinese Service Parent's Day Gospel Rally

**10 May (Sat) 4.30pm, Sanctuary**

Speaker: **Rev Peter Chng**

Do invite your non-Christian family or friends along!

Sign up with **Dns Stella @ 85220601**

### Empathy Lab

In Connection with The World Autism Month presents: **Autism Awareness Day**

Come join us and experience the challenges faced by individuals with autism spectrum disorder

**27 Apr (Sun) 12 – 12.45pm**

**MPH & Fellowship Hall** (near tile wall)

EMPATHY LAB is an awareness programme of the Enabling Ministry of Zion Bishan BP Church

### Maunder Thursday Evening Service

**17 Apr, 8 pm – 9.30pm @ Sanctuary**

A reflective Evening Service with Holy Communion.

### BPCIS Combined Good Friday Service

**18 Apr 2025 (Fri) 10.30am**

**ACS (Independent), Auditorium 2**

**EMBRACING THE CROSS OF JESUS**

Speaker: **Rev (Dr) Yap Kim Sin**

Note that you will need a physical ticket to attend the service.

**This Sunday, 13 Apr** is the last day for registration at <https://bit.ly/ZBgoodfriday> and tickets collection at fellowship hall booth after service.

Those who have signed up for coach transportation (from and back to Zion Bishan) will receive more details about reporting time via WhatsApp.

Contact **Tim Ong** for any enquiries.

### Easter Sunrise Service

**20 Apr 2025, 6.30am**

**MacRitchie Reservoir**

near Lim Bo Seng Memorial

**Sweetest Sound on Easter Morning**

Speaker: **Pastor David Wong**

*Organised by Bible-Presbyterian Church in Singapore*

## Cookmania!

WOZ is organising a healthy cooking session on **26 Apr (Sat) 10am - 1pm** at our church fellowship hall.

Come to learn simple healthy cooking & have fellowship over lunch. The cost per participant is \$10.

Kindly sign up with **Lydia @ 83383982** by **16 Apr**.

## Men's Ministry Meeting

As men & soldiers, we need to be engaged in warfare in the power of His might and strength of His grace. In our areas of operation, we fight with the promises of God given to us.

**Men of Zion**, join us in the next MM Meeting:

### 'Engagement' - Acknowledging the Battle

Ps. Hon Chin Foang, Sr. Pastor  
Good News Baptist Church

**26 April (Sun) 8am – 9.30am**

**Zion Bishan Chapel, Level 4**

Breakfast Fellowship @ 7.30am

<https://tinyurl.com/MMEG2025April>

## MENA Gathering

**14 Apr (Tomorrow) is the closing date for MENA Gathering "Peacemakers in Ancient Lands".**

Do sign up. If you cannot make it for the whole programme, you can see a draft programme here.

MENA GATHERING 2025: PEACE-MAKERS IN ANCIENT LANDS				Interserve	
1 MAY: HEAD		2 MAY: HEART		3 MAY: HANDS	
9AM	Registration		Worship		
9 30AM TO 1PM	Devotion: Unraveling MENA: Kingdom of God		Devotion: Revealing God's Heart: Beatitudes		Panel: SG's Roles & Partnership Principles
	Tea break				
	Regional Interest Groups & Lunch		Workshop 1		Regional Breakouts for Collaboration
			Lunch		ENDS AT 12PM
1 45PM TO 5PM	Panel: Understanding MENA: Seeing with Eyes Unclouded		Workshop 2		
	Tea Break		Tea break		
	Session: Living Witnesses out of MENA		Workshop 3		
	Worship and Prayer		Offering of the Nations		
5- 6PM			Session: Living Witnesses out of SG: Past, Present, Future		

Sign up: <https://bit.ly/pmial2025?r=q>