



# **BECOMING A VIBRANT COMMUNITY OF PEOPLE THAT KNOWS CHRIST AND LIVES AUTHENTIC CHRISTIAN LIVES**

## **ORDER OF SERVICE**

### **BLESSED SUNDAY!**

*Thank God for the opportunity to  
worship together as God's family.  
As we worship, let's support fellow  
believers as we pray, give and serve  
one another using this week's bulletin.*

### **SERVING THIS WEEK**

Elder Hongsui, Dn Lin Ping  
& Dn Amos  
Brenda, David, Jianzhi, Edmund,  
Wan Jee, Si Han & Jianmin

### **NEXT WEEK**

#### **(Holy Communion Sunday)**

Vertical Wisdom In Horizontal Living  
1 Kings 4:1-19  
- Pastor Yap Kim Sin

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### **PREPARE FOR WORSHIP**

Prelude

### **EXALT HIS NAME**

Call to Worship  
Invocation  
Doxology  
Opening Hymn

### **LISTEN TO HIS WORD**

Scripture Text: 1 Kings 3:3-28  
Sermon: "Ask What I Shall Give You"  
- Pastor Lawrence Ong  
Response Hymn

### **GIVE TO HIS WORK**

Offering & Offertory Response

### **PRAY TO HIM**

Pastoral Prayer  
Closing Hymn  
Benediction  
Announcements & Postlude

## CONTINUATION OF IN-PERSON SERVICES

With the return of Phase 2 (Heightened Alert) measures from **22 July to 18 August 2021:**

- In-person services for all 3 services will continue during this period, limited to 50 pax per service.
- Register for Worship Service slots.
- The 8.45am Service is still livestreamed and will be available both on YouTube, and on our website.

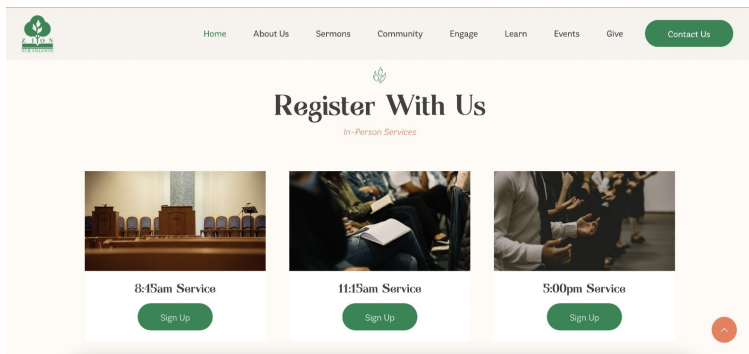
## ONLINE SERVICE ON SUNDAY

You may access the livestream service from 8.45am via <https://youtu.be/sdYkYw8e39Q> or on our website @ <https://zionserangoon.org.sg/>. The recording will only be accessible until the end of Monday.

## REGISTER FOR IN-PERSON WORSHIP SERVICES

Slots for **August** are open for registration! Head on over to our church's website and do register before 12.00pm on Fridays!

**Register here:** <https://zionserangoon.org.sg/>



\*All in-person worship services are capped at 50 attendees each.

\*Slots are given on a first-come-first-served basis.

## CHURCH OFFICE

The Church Office will be **closed on 9 August**, Public Holiday. In case of an emergency, please contact the pastors on their mobiles.

### **PRE-EVENT TESTING (PET)/VACCINATED WORSHIP SERVICES: Increasing of in-person worship service cap**

- Depending on the unfolding COVID situation, we aim to start our first PET/vaccinated worship services (8.45am and 11.15am) on **5th September**.
- In order to attend, you will need to be vaccinated or have done a PET.
- We will also have a non-PET/vaccinated worship service (5.00pm), capped at 50pax, to cater to those who are unable to get vaccinated or do not wish to get a PET.

We strongly encourage you to register and attend this service in-person if you are able to.

Alternatively, you may also choose to continue worshipping with us online.

*\*For PET status, you will need to show proof of PET taken on the day of service, either through the HealthHub app, or physical certificate of test results. Only PCR test is accepted and not more than 24 hrs before service, at your own expense.*

## ***AWANA Clubs***

NO Awana on **7 August** (Mid-Term Break)

Programme will resume on **14 August** via ZOOM

For queries, contact **Dness Sylvia** @ 9368 7064 or **Iris** @ 9338 2507

## ***Intergenerational Ministry Adult Bible Class*** (via ZOOM)

Today, **8 August @ 11.00am**

Conducted by: **Pastoral Intern Joseph Tee**

Log in @ <https://tinyurl.com/3yrwytz6> (Those who are still interested in joining are also welcome)

**Meeting ID:** 873 6112 9350

**Passcode:** 789972

## ***International Fellowship Ministry***

### **ONLINE BIBLE STUDY**

**10 August, Tuesday @ 8.00pm**

For queries, please contact **Elder Hung Choo** @ 9010 2893 or **Olga** @ 8158 1885.

## ***Prayer Fellowship Ministry*** (via ZOOM)

**11, 18 & 25 August, Wednesday @ 8.00pm**

(NO Prayer Fellowship on 1st & 5th Wednesday of the month)

\*To join, log in @ <http://tiny.cc/zsprayer>

**ALL ARE WELCOME!!!**

For queries, please contact **Ps Lawrence** @ 9146 8277.

## ***Youth Fellowship***

**14 August** — via ZOOM

For queries, contact **Hannah** @ 8830 6317 or **Cadence** @ 8189 4194.

# WEEKLY PRAYER GUIDE

## SINGAPORE'S NATIONAL DAY (9 August)

- \* Let us praise and thank God for watching over Singapore since 1965.
- \* The COVID-19 pandemic has unequally impacted the less fortunate around us. May our church continue to be sensitive and love those around us who are in need (1 John 3:17-18; 1 Thess 5:11).
- \* With the much that God has blessed Singapore with, let us continue to bless the nations around us. Let us be faithful to share the Gospel and demonstrate God's love by participating in overseas missions (e.g. Learn, Pray, Go, Send, Welcome, Mobilise).  
(See: <https://omf.org/singapore/omf-work/six-practices-of-mission/>)

## PRAYING FOR BPCIS CHURCHES: Mt Hermon

Mt Hermon will be holding their annual Covenant Group (CG) Open Month in August. This is an event where every member who is not part of a small group gets invited to experience the life of a CG. So the CG will meet more intensively.

**Ps Luwin Wong** will be preaching 5 sermons on 2 Peter (5 Sundays in August) and, in the afternoon, the CGs will meet to do a Bible Study on the sermon passage. This year is special because the Bible Study material (5 studies) are all written by an in-house team of young adults.

Please pray that:

- \* **Ps Luwin** will have the faith and strength to preach the Word faithfully, boldly and with integrity.
- \* The sermon and study series on 2 Peter will be transformative for the congregation so that God may be glorified in the godliness of His church.
- \* That those who are not in CGs (40%) will be moved to join a CG in August and will be convicted of the benefits of relational discipleship and commit themselves to a group.

## PERSONAL NEEDS

- \* **Mr Bay Kang Chwee (ZMS)**: Thank God for his timely discharge after 75 days of hospitalisation. Pray that he can receive his 4th cycle of chemotherapy as an outpatient on 13th August and clear the pre-treatment assessments before that. Pray for his family to have wisdom to care for his dietary needs. Please continue to pray for a heart to trust in God, despite trying circumstances.

## "ASK WHAT I SHALL GIVE YOU"

### 1 Kings 3:3-28

**1. Solomon asks for wisdom** vv 6-9

**2. God's promises to Solomon** vv 10-15

**3. Solomon demonstrates his wisdom** vv 16-28

#### **Applications:**

- Admit our inabilities.
- Pray for wisdom. We need godly wisdom.

#### **Summary:**

There are times in our lives that we need godly wisdom to make right decisions. Many decisions made are good but are they godly? True wisdom starts with a heart full of faith in Christ, not a head full of facts.

<b>SERVICES</b>	<b>Worshippers + Volunteers</b>
<b>ZMS</b>	53
<b>2MS</b>	29
<b>ZES</b>	41

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**WEEKLY OFFERING**

**GENERAL & MISSIONS FUND**  
(RECEIVED 26 JULY – 1 AUGUST)

**\$ 78,227.30**

**SCAN & PAY**

**PAYNOW**

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## **Let's ALL Put Our Spiritual Gifts to Use for God!**

*"To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit  
for the common good."*

**1 Corinthians 12:7**

A spiritual gift is an empowerment from the Holy Spirit to meet the needs of people. In 1 Corinthians 12, we read of how the body is diverse with our individual unique spiritual gifts, yet we are united in the same Spirit and as one body of Christ. Knowing that all of us Christians are given a gift or gifts to use to build up the body and God's kingdom, how well are we using these gifts, especially in the context of our church?

In Timothy Keller's *Ministries of Mercy*, he says "Every layperson is a minister and that ministry is finding needs and meeting them with the goal of the spread of the kingdom of Christ." I cannot help but to imagine the ideal, where each Christian embraces the manifestation of the Spirit. How vibrant and purposeful would that look! Although this sounds far-reaching and unrealistic, I look around in our church, on Christian article sites like *Thir.st* and *Salt&Light*, and am so encouraged by my passionate and purpose-driven brothers and sisters who are using their gifts to magnify God's name.

I used to sit in the pews growing up looking up at all the pastors, worship and song leaders, musicians, and other people actively serving, and this subtle thought would come by saying "wow these people must be qualified and 'have what it takes' to be up there". Until I realized that, as Christians,

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## SHARING BY MINISTRY STAFF MEGAN

we are all qualified equally as children of God and we can all be useful for God! Jesus says it Himself in Matthew 11:11 *"Truly, I say to you, among those born of women there has arisen no one greater than John the Baptist. Yet the one who is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he."* Because of the imputed righteousness that each one of us receives in Christ through faith, we are able to be used as instruments for God with whatever gifts we have, however old we are, and whatever language we speak. There is no such thing as an extraordinary Christian or ordinary Christian. We are either Christian or not.

If you would like to go deep and be guided on how to discover your spiritual gifts, you may take the **Divine Design Assessment** that our church does, which I have personally been blessed by after going through it. You may get in touch with **Ps Wendell Chua** ([wendell@zionserangoon.org.sg](mailto:wendell@zionserangoon.org.sg)) or **Dness April Ding** ([april@zionserangoon.org.sg](mailto:april@zionserangoon.org.sg)).

Especially in this difficult period where needs are many, as a church we want to support and hear your needs. If you are facing a difficult time or experiencing certain issues, we want to come alongside you. Come to any of the pastors, leaders or anyone in church.

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### Let's Reflect:

1. What needs are you more inclined to meeting? This helps you in identifying your spiritual gift as well.
2. How can I be more active in using my gifts in church?