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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 Jonathan
Dness Clarissa, Dn Jonathan,
Ps Wendell, Dn Ivan, Jonathan,
Catherine, Si Han & Jianmin

NEXT WEEK

(Holy Communion Sunday)

"Walking Through the House of God"

1 Kings 6:14-38

- Pastor Wendell Chua

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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 6:1-13

Sermon: What Does God Want from You?

- Pastor Yap Kim Sin

Response Hymn

GIVE TO HIS WORK

Offering & Offertory Response

PRAY TO HIM

Pastoral Prayer

Closing Hymn

Benediction

Announcements & Postlude

REGISTER FOR VACCINATED/PRE-EVENT TESTED WORSHIP SERVICES [VPWS]

**WORSHIPS SERVICES
FOR VACCINATED /
PRE-EVENT TESTED ATTENDEES
(VPWS)**

**FROM
29 AUGUST 2021**

845AM & 1115AM

(240 PAX)

(150 PAX)

Fully vaccinated, or have undergone either an ART or PCR* test no earlier than 24 hours before the end of the worship service.

5PM non-VPWS

(50 PAX)

If you are unable to get vaccinated or do not wish to go for PET, you may attend this service.



*The ART/PCR test must be done at a Ministry of Health approved clinic.



Up to 20% of the maximum capacity of a VPWS can be made up of children under 12 who cannot be vaccinated or get PET.

REGISTER @:

8.45AM Services: <http://tiny.cc/zsmorning>

11.15AM Services: <http://tiny.cc/zs2morning>

5.00PM Services: <http://tiny.cc/zsevening>

***8.45am Online YouTube livestream will continue** for those unable to join the in-person services.

***September In-person Service slots are now open.** Do register before 12.00pm on Friday.

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

ONLINE SERVICE ON SUNDAY

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

Pastoral Intern Joseph Tee is away today. He is preaching at the Hermon B-P Church, 11.00am service.

No Intergenerational Ministry Adult Bible Class

Today, 12 September

(Next Zoom Lessons are on 19, 26 September & 10 October)

Youth Fellowship (In-person)

11 September — Home YF

18 & 25 September — To be confirmed

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

International Fellowship Ministry

ONLINE BIBLE STUDY

14 September, Tuesday @ 8.00pm

For queries, please contact **Elder Hung Choo** @ 90102893 or **Olga** @ 81581885.

AWANA Clubs

Resumes on-site on **18 September**

For queries, kindly contact **Dness Sylvia** @ 9368 6074 **Iris** @ 9338 2507

Church News & Activities

Prayer Fellowship Ministry (via ZOOM)

15 & 22 September, Wednesday @ 8.00pm

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

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

Meeting ID: 746 999 515

Passcode: 012422

ALL ARE WELCOME!!!

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

New Covenant Bible School Course

OLD TESTAMENT SURVEY

by Professor Aaron Goldstein

Starting 21 October 2021 for 8 Thursdays, 7.30-9.30pm

Does the Old Testament feel like a random mix of people, events and ideas to you? Join us and gain a big picture overview of the Old Testament story, and how each of its four sections – The Pentateuch, Historical Books, Prophetic Books, Psalms and Wisdom Literature – come together as an interrelated whole.

Sign up now at www.covenantbibleschool.org/register or contact Dness April Ding @ april@zionserangoon.org.sg, for more information.

Old Testament Survey

21 Oct - 16 Dec



Thursdays, 7.30pm - 9.30pm
Registration closes on 19 Oct



by Dr. Aaron Goldstein

Senior Adult Fellowship In-Person Talk

25 September, Saturday

3.00pm @ Sanctuary 2

"I Have Parkinson's Disease (PD), But It Must Not Have Me"

Speaker: Mr Johnson See

(Parkinson's Disease Star Award Winner and Member of FERC)

For those unable to join us for the in-person talk, please refer to the link:

Zoom Link : [https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86773837831?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86773837831?pwd=S2xJTIRReWkiSFliS3JhdEMyYUdoZz09)

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Meeting ID: 867 7383 7831

Passcode: 346974

Deepest Condolences to . . .

Matthew, Mark and Mitchell Tan & their families on the Home-going of their mother, **Mrs Tan-Wong Mee Neun, Jenny** on 7 September 2021.

WEEKLY PRAYER GUIDE

EFFECTIVE OUTREACH IN ZION SERANGOON

- * Thank God for a fruitful time of sharing and discussion among the different ministries engaged in outreach activities on 28 August. Pray that more members will be mobilized across the different ministries to be engaged in reaching out to those who do not yet know Christ.
- * **International Fellowship:** Pray for more members to be open to sending their domestic helpers to join the online Bible studies, and for more volunteers to befriend the foreigners in our midst.
- * **Devotions at Ling Kwang Home:** Pray for more of our senior adults to be convicted to offer their time to befriend the elderly at LKH.
- * **AWANA:** Outreach events have been affected by COVID-19, so pray for wisdom to still reach out to non-believing children and parents.
- * **YF Outreach to Migrant Workers:** Pray for greater guidance and support from adult congregation members for the youths as they go to the construction site each month.
- * **S3P:** Pray for wisdom as we continue to befriend and follow up with stayers.
- * **Blk 123:** Thank God for last week's visit and the new contacts who have requested for future visits. Pray for more long-term committed volunteers to join us in befriending the residents.
- * **Drama Outreach:** Pray for perseverance for the cast and organizers as they encounter delays in preparations, to trust God's timing and perfect will.

WEEKLY PRAYER GUIDE

PERSONAL NEEDS

- * **Mr Bay Kang Chwee (ZMS):** Thank God that the fifth chemotherapy had been administered on Friday. Pray for his blood count to be stabilized and hopefully, no adverse side effects.
- * **Mrs Helen Chan (ZES):** Thank the Lord she has been doing fairly well since she resumed her chemotherapy treatment. Some days she feels tired and uncomfortable in her tummy area. She feels more tingling in her feet and arms recently. Pray that she will respond well to treatment with minimal side effects. Pray also that she will be able to eat and rest well with little pain and discomfort.

WHAT DOES GOD WANT FROM YOU?

1 Kings 6:1-13

1. Solomon's intention (vv 2-10)

2. God's evaluation (vv 11-13)

ATTENDANCE

SERVICES	Worshippers + Volunteers
ZMS	146
2MS	70
ZES	35
SUNDAY SCHOOL	42

WEEKLY OFFERING

GENERAL & MISSIONS FUND

\$ 29,057.94

(RECEIVED 30 AUGUST–5 SEPTEMBER)

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Hello fellow Christian! Quick question: What is **hope**?

That's easy to Google: We find the root words **παρ** (batach) and **ἐλπίς** (elpis), meaning along the lines of "confidence, security, and being without care".

Good! Next question: What is our **hope**?

Now this question does make us burst into song – What is our hope in life and death? Christ the Lord, Christ the Lord...

We're even led to sing the next few lines – What is our only confidence? That our souls to Him belong...

Yet we might sing this with slight discomfort this week. We may have been disappointed with our current state in COVID restrictions, especially after the recent doorstep meeting announcing efforts to bring the reproduction rate and ICU numbers down, and the possibility of going back to Heightened Alert restrictions. All this after most of us got vaccinated, with the initial **hope** that restrictions will be further lifted once we hit 80%.

See how that word was used there? We may have gone through our lives **hoping** for stuff. I **hope** I get good grades for my exams. I **hope** I get that promotion. I **hope** restrictions will be lifted.

Don't mean to be an English teacher now, but these are **wishes**. There is a blurry line between the things we **hope** for, and the things we **wish** for – things which are not (fully) in our control, and yet we yearn for its fulfilment. We have been overjoyed when we see wishes fulfilled, and disappointed when they're not.

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I'm sure memories of wishes are filling our heads now, the times of joy and/or disappointment. But we can agree that these events lack that "confidence, security, and being without care".

Instead we **hope** in God. We even find this ἐλπίς hope in Hebrews 11:1 – "Now faith is being sure of what we **hope** for and certain of what we do not see." This well-known 'faith' chapter begins with this very confidence. This confidence in what God has promised in His Word, and confidence that's founded upon the Cornerstone – the One who died for us and rose again victorious.

What do we do with this faith and hope then?

Hebrews 12:1 – "Therefore... let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us."

We can run this race in this fallen world, certain of a future Kingdom where rest (and certainly COVID) is won, and with the assurance that God is before us, behind us, beneath us, and beside us.

I am by no means discounting any dread we might feel from constant restrictions. I certainly still feel this way. **But my prayer for all of us is that we may place our hope in the right places. And that this hope may spur us to live our lives for Christ regardless of our situation.** Whatever state we may be in, let us grow, let us be moulded, and let us not waste our lives. All due to this confidence we have in the triune God who laid our paths ahead, paid our ransom, and also showed us **hope** by example.

Hebrews 12:2 – *"Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God."*