

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 Louis & Dness Jamie Peiyi, Emmanuel & Jianmin Sharon

NEXT WEEK

What Should We Pray For? 1 Kings 8:22–53 – Pastor Yap Kim Sin

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ORDER OF SERVICE

PREPARE FOR WORSHIP

Prelude

EXALT HIS NAME

Call to Worship Invocation Doxology Opening Hymn

LISTEN TO HIS WORD

Scripture Text: 1 Kings 8:1-21 Sermon: The Presence of God

- Pastor Lawrence Ong

Response Hymn

GIVE TO HIS WORK

Offering & Offertory Response

PRAY TO HIM

Pastoral Prayer Closing Hymn Benediction Announcements & Postlude

STABILISATION PHASE: (27 September to 24 October)

SUSPENSION OF IN-PERSON ZMS AND ZES

Due to the current situation, there will be a few changes to worship services:



8:45am and 5.00pm In-person Worship Services will be suspended. Live-streamed services will continue at 8:45am



11.15am VPWS In-person Worship Service will continue. Capped at 100pax.



We strongly encourage those above 60, and the unvaccinated to stay at home during this period.

If you would like to come for In-person Worship Service @ 11.15am, register @ http://tiny.cc/zs2morning

Please register **before** 12.00pm on Fridays. Seats are given on a first-come-first-served basis.

[There is no need to re-register for those who have already registered.]

If you require any assistance or support, you may send a message to Zion Church hp @ 8463 2186 during office hours.

See you this Sunday online at 8.45am or physically at 11.15am!

ONLINE SERVICE ON SUNDAY

You may access the livestream service from 8.45am via https://youtu.be/I -0F3OY4ELw or on our website @ https://zionserangoon.org.sg/. The recording will only be accessible until the end of Monday.

Intergenerational Ministry Adult Bible Class (via ZOOM) 10 October @ 11.00am Conducted by: Pastoral Intern Joseph Tee Log in @ https://tinyurl.com/3yrwytz6 Meeting ID: 873 6112 9350

Youth Fellowship (via ZOOM)

9 October – Welcoming P6's

16 October - Youths & Elders Dialogue

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

International Fellowship Ministry ONLINE BIBLE STUDY

12 October, Tuesday@8.00pm

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

Prayer Fellowship Ministry (via ZOOM)

13, 20 & 27 October, 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.

Mental Health Matters

And so let's talk about it!

Join us over 2 Sundays as we break down the stigma of mental health and invite conversations regarding mental health in Zion Serangoon!

17 & 24 October, 2.15-4.00pm (on ZOOM) Two Sundays of talks, Q&As, testimonies, and prayer Register here!

http://tiny.cc/mentalhealthmatters

We look forward to seeing you there!



For more information contact: Dness April @ **april@zionserangoon.org.sg** Megan @ **megan@zionserangoon.org.sg**

Children's Ministry

Awana Clubs

Meetings will continue to be held on Zoom on 16 and 23 October

Sunday School

Classes will continue to be held on Zoom on 17 and 24 October

Children's Camp

The plan to hold an on-site camp has been postponed to 2022 due to the current COVID-19 situation.

For queries, contact Iris @ 9338 2507.

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, Prophetical Books, Psalms and Wisdom Literature – come together as an interrelated whole.

Registration Closes: 19 October

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

New Adult Bible Class (via ZOOM) Will commence on 17 October @ 11.00am A 10-week study of the books of 1 & 2 Timothy Conducted by: Elder Lee Soon Tai

WEEKLY PRAYER GUIDE

CHILDREN'S DAY

10 October (Sunday School Online Celebration @ 11.15am-12.15pm)

Please pray:

- * That the children will be blessed by the message and come to know and experience Jesus as the Shepherd of their lives.
- * For added strength and grace for the speaker, teachers and helpers to facilitate the planned activities successfully so that God's name may be glorified.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Please pray for those taking the National Exams:

- O Level: Roxanne Eng, Ruth Ong, , Arcci Amor, Ben Tan, Brandon Tay, Brendan & Aidan Toh, Nicklaus Goh, Samuel Tan, Titus Soh and Sui Yi En & Yi Jie
- A Level: Rachel Tan and Shanice Ho

N Level: Gabriel Kok

- * May the Lord help our youths to trust in Him, believing that He is almighty, sovereign and that He will see them through this period.
- * Pray for the youths to rely on God for strength, wisdom and motivation as they revise and encourage their friends around them.
- * Pray for their safety as they continue to head back to school for their revisions and the exams in the midst of the rising COVID-19 cases.

MENTAL HEALTH MATTERS

17 & 24 October, 2.15-4.00pm (on ZOOM)

- * It's Mental Health Day this Sunday! We pray that our church will be willing to grow in understanding of mental health this month, and support one another in this area as a body of Christ.
- * Pray for our speakers, **Pamela Koh** and **Dr Eu**, as they prepare for the session, and for our own members as they prepare to share their mental health journeys and experience with us. May we all be blessed to bless others through their sharing!

WEEKLY PRAYER GUIDE

PERSONAL NEEDS

- * **Mrs Helen Chan (ZES):** She was admitted to NUH last Tuesday because she threw up and her stomach appeared a little swollen. After some tests, the doctors suspected she has an infection near the liver and stomach region. She is being treated with antibiotics. Pray for smooth recovery.
- * Mr Bay Kang Chwee (ZMS): Thank God for His grace, enabling Mr Bay to complete his 6th chemotherapy cycle. Pray for current side effects to be abated and for endurance as he looks forward to his last chemotherapy session currently scheduled for 22 Oct 2021.
- * Remember Joseph Ng in prayer (son of Philip and Nancy Ng ZMS): Thank God Joseph's blood counts have seen marked improvements. He was discharged to spend time with his wife (Christina) and three little children before he returns to the hospital on 18 October for another round of chemo, and eventually has his bone marrow transplant. Continue to uphold Joseph in prayer for God's mercy and grace. He and his family deeply appreciate our prayers.
- * **Mr Peter Yeo (ZMS)**: He has not been well recently. His recent MRI indicated some undesirable tissues in the pancreas which might be malignant. The doctor has recommended a scope. But the family is unsure if it is safe enough for him as the scope poses risks. Please pray for wisdom and discernment on the best possible procedure and treatment going forward.

THE PRESENCE OF GOD

1 Kings 8:1-21

- i. Must be a Priority
- ii. Requires Purity
- iii. Right Placement
- iv. God's Power
- v. Results in Praise

Do you desire the Presence of God?

- **Psalm 84:4** "Blessed are those who dwell in your house, ever singing your praise!"
- **Psalm 16:11** "You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore."

ATTENDANCE

SERVICES	Worshippers + Volunteers
ZMS	suspended
2MS	33
ZES	suspended

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WEEKLY OFFERING

GENERAL & MISSIONS FUND

\$ 25,727.90

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SHARING BY DN LIN PING

Greetings in the Name of our LORD Jesus. Some of us might be really disheartened by the recent turn of events (last week's DG had a bit of sian-ness haha). Was led to share a small reflection that our God is sovereign and always in control – just what we have been going through in Judges! God is more than capable to use evil to achieve His ultimate good.

Of course, the pandemic isn't an archetypical "evil". Even so, the truth is that we can trust our creator God even in the midst of tragedy, pain and suffering in any form. Affirming God's sovereignty acknowledges that things do not come to pass simply because of the randomness of the universe, or the blind causality of nature, but by His perfect and good will!

Between the "already" of our acceptance of Jesus and the "not yet" of our Home-going, God has called us to follow Him in this broken world. This means that every hardship faced is not an interruption or a failure of God's grand plan – it is an integral part of it. These hardships do not mean that the world is out of God's control. Yes, it may be out of our control, but the Bible tells us that God knows. He is there and understands the situation in which He has placed us.

As we cry out to Him, we find our Creator who is amazingly tender and understanding. He does not turn His back on your confusion, or tells you to quit your crying, but extends His mercy in times of need (Heb 4:14-16). May we continue to rely on His goodness all the days of our lives!

The Lord is my light and my salvation;

whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the stronghold of my life;

of whom shall I be afraid?

Psalm 27:1