

# 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 Reuben & Elder Hung Choo Joella, Erica, Si Han, Manfred, Megan & Peiyi

# NEXT WEEK (Dedication Sunday)

2022 New Year Priorities Psalm 95 & selected texts - Pastor Yap Kim Sin

#### PREPARE FOR WORSHIP

Prelude

#### **EXALT HIS NAME**

Call to Worship Invocation Doxology Opening Hymn

#### LISTEN TO HIS WORD

Scripture Text: Genesis 3:16–19; John 1:1 & 14; Revelation 21:1–4

Sermon: Bringing God's Message of Love to a Suffering World

- Pastor Yap Kim Sin

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#### **GIVE TO HIS WORK**

Offering & Offertory Response

#### **PRAY TO HIM**

Pastoral Prayer Closing Hymn Benediction Announcements & Postlude

#### **Church News & Activities**

#### IN-PERSON WORSHIP SERVICES

Register for In-Person Worship Services

Slots for **January 2022** are now open for registration!

8.45am (VPWS): http://tiny.cc/zsmorning [240 cap]

11.15am (VPWS): http://tiny.cc/zs2morning [150 cap]

5.00pm (non-VPWS): http://tiny.cc/zsevening [50 cap]

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

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

• The livestream at 8.45am will continue to run weekly.

#### ONLINE SERVICE ON SUNDAY

You may access the livestream service from 8.45am via <a href="https://youtu.be/IIIKB8GWJc4">https://youtu.be/IIIKB8GWJc4</a> or on our website @ <a href="https://zionserangoon.org.sg/">https://zionserangoon.org.sg/</a>. The recording will only be accessible until the end of Monday.

#### Youth Fellowship

1 January - Opening of YF2022

**8, 15, 22, 29** January — TBA

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



#### Watch Night Service 2021 Registration

Register to join us this New Years' Eve on 31 December (Friday) @ 10.30pm @ Sanctuary 1 as we usher in the New Year together in worship.

Registration Link: tinyurl.com/WatchNight21

#### **New Catechism Class**

Classes will commence on 15 January, Saturday @ 11.00am

#### Ephraim Room, Level 3

Those seeking baptism, transfer of church membership, re-affirmation or profession of faith are required to attend.

For details and registration, please contact **Pastor Lawrence @** 9146 8277.

#### **Church News & Activities**

#### Prayer Fellowship Ministry (via ZOOM)

#### 12, 19, 26 January, 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.

#### Deepest Condolences to . . .

**Kenneth & Blandina Lee (ZMS)** on the passing away of **Vida Leong Wai Siew,** mother of Kenneth, on 15 December 2021.

Marites Chua (ZMS) on the Home-going of her husband, Mr Michael Chua Ka Wee on 25 December 2021, and to her children, Mayette, Sarah & Angelo.

#### **WEEKLY PRAYER GUIDE**

#### INTERNATIONAL FELLOWSHIP MINISTRY

We thank the Lord:

- \* For those who responded to our invitation for the in-person Christmas Gathering on 18 December @ 5.30pm. Grateful also to the employers who allowed their house help to join. It was a wonderful time of meeting up in person with so many.
- \* That everything went smoothly in spite of the COVID restrictions. As it was put in place during the pandemic, the attendees were more focused on the Gospel videos and attentive to the speakers. They enjoyed the Kahoot games and learnt from the questions based on the Gospel videos.

#### We pray that:

- \* The Christmas message of God's love for us and the blessed hope of salvation will touch the hearts of those who have yet to come to know Him.
- \* More will be encouraged to join IF BS in 2022.
- \* The Committee will be able to reach out to more Foreign Workers in our neighbouring areas.

## FOREIGN MISSIONS - Philippines

- \* Last Thursday, 16 December, super Typhoon Rai, known locally as Odette, wreaked havoc across the archipelago. It was the 15th typhoon to hit the country this year. It made landfall on Siargao Island, a popular tourist and surfing destination on the central east coast.
- \* Communication and power are still out in several parts of the country. The storm hit several heavily populated areas, including Cebu, a city of nearly 1 million people. More than 30 transmission lines were down in the Visayas and Mindanao region, a major group of islands. Pray for quick restoration of power, water and telco services.

#### **WEEKLY PRAYER GUIDE**

- \* Humanitarian and aid agencies are working with local authorities helping to organize first-aid teams, food and water, and supplies such as blankets and safety equipment. Pray that these supplies will reach those who really need them.
- \* Rai's arrival has compounded the struggles of people still recovering from typhoons earlier this year. Millions are still rebuilding their homes and livelihoods, especially after several devastating storms late last year. May the Lord help His people not to despair but trust the Lord to provide for all these needs.

#### Grace Doctrinal Christian Fellowship, Cebu

- \* Ask the Lord to grant **Rev Jonathan** spiritual wisdom, strength and grace as he shepherds the youths and mentors the leaders of the church.
- \* Pray for **Rev Boy** who has assumed the role of interim chairman to lead the church. Pray to the Lord to raise up a permanent replacement.
- \* Continue to pray for the effective ministry of the Youth Centre as it seeks to reach out to the students of the universities and colleges in the vicinity.
- \* Half of the church members had their homes damaged by the recent typhoon. But thank God there was no report of injury. Pray for financial provision for those who have to rebuild their damaged homes.

#### House of Hope (A Christian Halfway House)

- \* Uphold the staff members led by Executive Director, **Ginno Amodia**. Pray for good health, protection and perseverance to continue the ministry during these trying times.
- \* Pray for the residents undergoing the rehabilitation programme. May they experience the transforming power of Jesus in enabling them to overcome their bondage to drug abuse.
- \* The income for HOH has been adversely affected during this pandemic. Pray that their new income-generating project of water-refilling would supplement the financial needs of the ministry.

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#### **PERSONAL NEEDS**

Remember in prayer:

- \* Joseph Ng (son of Philip and Nancy Ng ZMS): Joseph went for an outpatient chemo treatment on Tuesday and came down with side effects of severe headache and nausea. Pray for rest and restoration as he recuperates at home. Pray for God's continued shield of protection upon the bone marrow donor and himself as they approach the transplant date.
- \* Micaiah Koh (daughter of Adrian and Shalynn Koh 2MS): Micaiah's family thank God that her edema has come down after one week on ciclosporin. She still does not sit but is more mobile now. She is still unable to sleep at nights or stay asleep. It is most itchy at nights. Most times, she falls asleep in the early mornings only for a few short hours. Thankfully, her itch attacks have been less frequent. But they are just as intense. Bath times are still dreadfully painful for her. Please pray with us that God will heal her completely and spare her from a life of blood works and injections. We are thankful for the improvement and thank you all for praying for her!
- \* **Mr Tan Thoo Chia** (a regular worshipper and participant of SAF BS, father of **James Tan ZMS**). He is warded at TTSH after a fall. Initial finding shows a clot in the brain. More CT scans are needed to determine whether the neck and brain blood vessels are constricted to adjust the medication accordingly. Pray for God's peace to be upon **Mr Tan** and that he will continue to call on Jesus in time of need.

## **SERMON NOTES**

# Bringing God's Message of Love to a Suffering World Genesis 3:16-19; John 1:1 & 14; Revelation 21:1-4

1. What does it mean to be human (Genesis 3:	5-19)
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2. Jesus and the reality of human suffering (John 1:1 & 14)

3. Suffering can be redeemed (Revelation 21:4)

4. Our response (Isaiah 43:1-3)

#### ATTENDANCE

SERVICES	Worshippers + Volunteers
zms	120
2MS	73
ZES	37
SUNDAY SCHOOL (In-person)	42

#### WEEKLY OFFERING

GENERAL & MISSIONS FUND (RECEIVED 13-19 DECEMBER)

\$ 32, 819.70

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#### **DG14**

# Sharing by Laura Lim

Our DG consists of eight to nine regular persons and we meet fortnightly, on the second and fourth Fridays of each month. Some of our members work at Ling Kwang Home for the Elderly and make it a point to join us when they can. Others work late and often make an attempt to join the meeting at eight.

At present, the group is studying Judges and members have gleaned many lessons from the studies, which are still applicable today. The notes and questions to the studies are usually sent one week ahead either through members' email or through texts of the mobile phones for those who do not have access to a computer. Members are encouraged to read the relevant materials in advance, to familiarize themselves with the materials and to bring up significant points or questions which they need to clarify during the Bible study session.

We try to approach the studies in an interactive manner, with members contributing to the insights and significant lessons that they see which can be applied in our everyday lives. Members have found the lessons to be enriching and it is hoped that more members can join us, in time to come.