



2022

## LOVING BEYOND | BOUNDARIES

### BLESSED SUNDAY!

We are glad to worship God together with you! May we continue to be a light and blessing to one another and others beyond boundaries!

### SERVING THIS WEEK

Eld Chua Hung Choo  
Lau Wen Min  
Erica Yap  
Catherine Ding  
Eld Daniel Ang  
Leonard Lee  
Ps Wendell Chua  
Dn Ivan Lee  
Ng Jianmin

### NEXT WEEK

A 'Model' of Evil  
1 Kings 16:29-34  
Ps Wendell Chua

Sr Ps Yap Kim Sin  
9862 4390  
Ps Lawrence Ong  
9146 8277  
Ps Wendell Chua  
9027 7465  
Ps Int Joseph Tee  
9088 0077

### ORDER OF SERVICE

Worship Theme *Victory in Jesus*

#### Prepare for Worship

Prelude

#### Exalt His Name

Call to Worship  
Invocation  
Doxology  
Opening Song  
Responsive Scripture Reading  
**1 Corinthians 15:50-58**

Worship in Song

#### Listen to His Word

**Our Success in Christ Alone**  
1 Kings 16:21-28

Ps Int Joseph Tee

Response Song

#### Give to His Work

Offering  
Offertory Response

#### Pray to Him

Corporate Prayer  
Pastoral Prayer

Closing Song  
Benediction  
Announcements  
Postlude



# SERMON NOTES

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## Our Success in Christ Alone

1 Kings 16:21-28



1. Failure in Our Unity (vv 21-22)
2. Failure in Our Accomplishments (vv 23-28)
3. Our Victory in Jesus Christ (1 Cor 15:56-58)



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**We are to live according to God's standard of success because Jesus has already won the ultimate victory for us.**

# WEEKLY PRAYER GUIDE

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## Season of Lent 2022

- » According to the historical Christian calendar, we are now in the season of Lent (2 March to 14 April 2022). Traditionally, this has been a season of self-examination, sorrow for sin, and commitment to following Jesus.
- » Pray for a **sensitive and repentant heart** during this season for renewal, especially in preparation for Easter.



## Prayer for Ukraine

- » Pray for **comfort and grace** to the Ukrainian people during their time of tragedy.
- » May God give them **adequate food, clothing, and housing**.
- » May God give them the **spirit of perseverance and hope** in such times as these.



## Praying for Our Fellow BPCIS Churches: **Mt Horeb BP Church**

- » Pray for **unity and love** for the Horeb Church family at their 2022 AGM in 1/5/2022 for the Election of the Church Council.
- » Pray for Horeb's **"Light and Salt" effect** on their family and community. (Matthew 5)

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# WEEKLY PRAYER GUIDE

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## Welcome | Hospitality | Visitors

- » Pray that as a church, we will continue **to be a welcoming one to new visitors** to our community.
- » We thank God for those who have recently joined our community at Zion Serangoon. May God continue to grow and guide them through the people and ministries of our church.
- » Pray that we, as the church of Christ, will continue to **be a light to the nations, demonstrating God's love** wherever we are placed in the world.



## Marriage & Parenting Sharing Session

19 March 2022

- » Thank God for the opportunity for married couples to **share their spiritual needs** on 19 Mar, 3 - 430pm.
- » Pray that the Spirit will **provide discernment and grace** for the committee to organise relevant activities after this sharing session.

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# WEEKLY PRAYER GUIDE

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## Personal Needs

### Joseph Ng

This round of chemo has taken out most of his strength from him. He feels constantly faint and drained. Every movement to the toilet needs to be nurse assisted. Most of his time is spent on bed recovering. But thank God his appetite is good and he is eating well.

Pray for continued effectiveness for this round of chemo, and God to straighten the path to transplant.

Pray that their family will continue to love God in the midst of all the spiritual battles they may be fighting.

# CHURCH NEWS AND ACTIVITIES



## In-person Worship Services

*Register for March!*

**8.45am** (VDWS, 240 cap): <http://tiny.cc/zsmorning>

**11.15am** (VDWS, 140 cap): <http://tiny.cc/zs2morning>

**5.00pm** (VDWS, 140 cap): <http://tiny.cc/zsevening>

\* Please register **before 12.00pm on Fridays.**

*The 8.45am livestream will continue to run weekly.*



## Annual Church Camp - Loving Beyond Boundaries

19-22 June

Village Hotel Katong

Going with our 2022 theme of *Loving Beyond Boundaries*, this year's Church Camp will be based on this theme as well. We are excited to have our messages given by **Rev. David Wong**.

**Registration will be from 27 March to 15 May.**

*Please note: Room bookings will only be made through the church unlike last year.*

### Room Pricing

\$140 per night (*twin/double*) x 3 nights = **\$420**

\$170 per night (*family - same household*) x 3 nights = **\$510**

*\*There are only 2 family rooms available*

*Extra bed - **\$80** (only for persons of the same household)*

*\*Breakfast is included*

For queries, please email [zschurchcamp@gmail.com](mailto:zschurchcamp@gmail.com) or contact **Peiyi @ 6284 1987** or **Hann Lee @ 9451 5034**

# CHURCH NEWS AND ACTIVITIES

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## 65th Annual Congregational Meeting

24 April, 11.00am

Our Annual Congregational Meeting will be **conducted over Zoom**. It will be a **combined Sunday Service** on that day at 8.45am.

For those who require a **hard copy of the ACM papers**, please WhatsApp or SMS the office mobile or call Church Office at **6284 1987**.

## Youth Discipleship Group (YDG)

Every Sunday, 10 am - 11 am

Join our youths for weekly interactive Bible studies on the **Book of Judges**! For ages 13 - 16 years old.

For queries,  
Contact **Ivan Feng @ 9667 7275** or  
[ivan\\_feng@mymail.sutd.edu.sg](mailto:ivan_feng@mymail.sutd.edu.sg)

## Prayer Fellowship

16 & 23 March, Wednesday @ 8.00pm

Join in prayer together for our church: <http://tiny.cc/zsprayer>

**Meeting ID:** 746 999 515

**Passcode:** 012422

*Please note:*

There is **no** Prayer Fellowship on 1st & 5th Wednesday of the month

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

# CHURCH NEWS AND ACTIVITIES

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## **Marriage & Parenting Ministry Sharing Session**

19 March, Saturday

3pm - 430pm @ Library

As the church forms the marriage and parenting ministries, **we want to hear from you!**

Whether you are married with or without children, we want to invite you to share how the church can better equip and encourage you and your family.

**Register here:** <https://tinyurl.com/ZSFamily>

For queries, please contact

**Ps Int Joseph Tee** @ [josephtee@zionserangoon.org.sg](mailto:josephtee@zionserangoon.org.sg)

## **Intergen Workshop: “They Really Like That Meh?”**

2 April, Saturday

4pm - 6pm @ Sanctuary 2

Starting in April, the Intergenerational Focus team is launching a new series entitled “They Really Like that Meh?”.

This series aims to **address intergenerational misconceptions** that younger and older believers may have of each other.

Through these interactive dialogues and activities, we hope to develop closer relationships between the generations in our church.

**Register here:** <https://tinyurl.com/ZSIntergen>



# CHURCH NEWS AND ACTIVITIES

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## Family Sunday Worship (FSW) 20 Mar 2022 (3rd Sun)

There will be **NO Sunday School** on 20 Mar.  
Children are invited to join the church family for corporate worship. Parents are reminded to **register** for themselves and their children for this upcoming FSW.

More information can be found [here](#).

## Awana Clubs & Sunday School URGENT CALL for MORE Volunteers

We have an URGENT need for more labourers due to a growing number of children:

**Awana Clubs** – We need Handbook Leaders, Game Leaders/ Assistants, and Secretaries.

**Sunday School** – We need teachers and teacher assistants for the Pre-Nursery/Nursery and P1/P2 classes.

Kindly contact **Dns Sylvia @ 9368 7064** or **Iris 9338 2507** to respond to this urgent call for volunteers. Thank you!



## Our deepest condolences to

**Grace Pong (ZMS)** on the passing of her sister, **Mdm Pong Sai Chee**, aged 70, on the morning of 7 March, 2022.

**Mdm Janet Fong (ZMS)**, aged 97, went Home to be with the Lord on 8 March, 2022.

## CHURCH NEWS AND ACTIVITIES

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**Amy Seah** (ZMS) and her family would like to thank the church and members for the support and prayers during their bereavement.

**Peng Koon and Emily**, son and daughter-in-law of Mdm Janet Fong, are appreciative and would like to thank church members as well.

# ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY

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Services	Worshippers & Volunteers
MS	122
2MS	71
ES	26

  

Sunday School <i>(in-person)</i>	39
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# WEEKLY OFFERING

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**General and Missions Fund**  
(Received 1 - 6 Mar)

\$24,216.93



**PayNow**  
UEN: S86SS0063K555

**Bank Transfer**  
DBS Bank Ltd  
003-938549-8

# MOVING BOUNDARY STONES

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**Rev Dr David Wong**  
General Secretary, BPCIS

*“Do not move an ancient boundary stone set up by your ancestors.”  
Proverbs 22:28*

The Law of Moses (Deuteronomy 19.14; 27.17) warns against moving boundary stones which mark where one’s territory begins and ends. Once these ancient lines are drawn, they must be respected. Such respect for territorial integrity is fundamental to justice and peace in any society, and for the world.

## RUSSIAN INVASION OF UKRAINE

The recent Russian invasion of Ukraine is clearly a **violation of another country’s territorial sovereignty**. God’s Word condemns it: *“‘Cursed be anyone who moves his neighbor’s landmark.’ And all the people shall say, ‘Amen.’”* Deut 27:17 (ESV) Indeed, a loud “Amen” was sounded at the United Nations when Singapore joined 140 other nations in condemning Russia’s action.

## RETENTION OF 377A

But the principle of boundary stones goes beyond the physical. Just as lines are drawn on land, showing where we live, boundaries are also marked out in morals, prescribing how we should live. In this regard, we welcome the recent decision of the Court of Appeal in dismissing the latest legal challenge to Section 377A which the Government decided in 2007 to retain in the Penal Code.

Not repealing the limits set on the practice of sexuality respects the moral position of a significant segment of our population. At the same time, not enforcing such limits respects others in our wider society who do not hold to such a moral position. The Government has noted that for a “large majority” in Singapore, “the heterosexual stable family remains the social norm,” and that the current legal position reflects “our society’s norms, values and attitudes”. We stand with and support these observations as reported in the news media.

# MOVING BOUNDARY STONES

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## DIVORCE BY MUTUAL AGREEMENT

One more matter calls for our concern: the boundary stone that governs marriage and divorce. The recent passing of a bill introducing “No-Fault Divorce” or “Divorce by Mutual Agreement” (DMA) aims to reduce acrimony between divorcing spouses and the fallout on children and other affected parties. It makes divorce “a joint responsibility” with both partners taking the blame.

While it sounds humane, it overlooks the sanctity of marriage as a lifelong commitment, not only to each other but also to God. Jesus affirms what was taught by Moses: *“So they are no longer two but one flesh. What therefore God has joined together, let not man separate.”* On divorce, He adds, *“Because of your hardness of heart Moses allowed you to divorce your wives, but from the beginning it was not so.”* Matthew 19:6,8 (ESV).

The boundary stone, set “from the beginning” should not be moved. The “joint responsibility” of a challenging marriage should be directed at honouring and safeguarding the union. For the Christian couple whose union is hallowed by God and witnessed by His people, divorce should not be an option. That said, acknowledging our sinful nature (“hardness of heart”), divorce does happen, and as God’s people we want to pray and help towards the healing of all who are hurt.

## GOING FORWARD

BPCIS has commissioned BGST\* to study the legal and theological aspects of the DMA, and present implications for the church. A seminar will be held on 30 April 2022, 10am, to share their findings. More details later.

As for the crisis in Ukraine, BPCIS is sending \$10,000 from our Relief Fund through Operation Mobilisation which has been working with local communities there since 1994. Please refer to our website for “Prayer for Ukraine” based on Psalm 46, and join us in prayer.

# MOVING BOUNDARY STONES

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*“Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!”* Psalm 46:10 (ESV)

\*Biblical Graduate School of Theology