

#### 2022

# LOVING BEYOND | BOUNDARIFS

#### **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 Oswald Goh Lily Goh Erica Yap Goh Shu Jin Elliot Aruldoss Sally Teh Irene Koh Eld Reuben Ang Bong Ru Hui Dness Joella Tan Ng Peiyi Megan Loong Ding Si Han

Samuel Tan Ng Jian Hao Hazel Chiang Cassia Ong Marcus Ong Eld Timothy Soh Dness Sylvia Ong Eld Chua Hung Choo Na Jianzhi Dness Clarissa Leong Bernard Yim Josh Lim

**NEXT WEEK** Family Sunday Worship **Humble Submission to God** 

James 4:1-12 ATP Joseph Tee

Lead Ps Wendell Chua 9027 7465 Ps Lawrence Ong 9146 8277 Assis-to-Ps Joseph Tee 9088 0077 Ps Yap Kim Sin (Advisory)

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**Read** (Pg 8-9) Pastoral Word on Repeal of 377A by The Bible-Presbyterian Church in Singapore

#### ORDER OF SERVICE

Worship Theme



#### **Prepare for Worship**

Prelude

#### **Exalt His Name**

Call to Worship Invocation Doxology Opening Song Responsive Scripture Reading

Ephesians 4:20-25

Worship in Song

#### **Listen to His Word**

**Growing Together for Good** James 3:13-18

Eld Lim Siah Chuan

Response Song

#### Give to His Work

Offering Offertory Response

#### **Prav to Him**

Corporate Prayer **Pastoral Prayer** 

Closina Hvmn Benediction **Announcements** Postlude





# **SERMON NOTES**

# **Growing Together for Good** James 3:13-18



- 1. What's the issue?
- A faulty 'take' on wisdom
- 2. What's the truth?

Revisiting the nature of Jesus

3. What are we called to do?



Reflections...

## **WEEKLY PRAYER GUIDE**

### Zion Serangoon's Welcome & Hospitality Team

- » Pray for Zion Serangoon to cultivate a culture of welcoming visitors and seekers into our community.
- We thank God for the visitors that have entered our doors thus far this year.
- » As members volunteer for our Welcome Team, we pray for all members to reach out to visitors with a welcoming heart.

## **Zion Serangoon Music Team**

- » Thank God for the **dedication and joyful serving** of our music team roster
- » Pray that more members may step forward to serve as musicians and song-leaders

# **Christians@Work: Real Estate Agents**

- » Let us commit our fellow Christian brothers and sisters serving the LORD as real estate agents.
- » May they have the wisdom of God to have buying and selling strategies that are in line with His kingdom values.
- » May they reflect Christ-likeness as they provide quality service to their clients.

### **CHURCH NEWS AND ACTIVITIES**

## **Family Sunday Worship (FSW)**

4 September

Our next Family Sunday Worship will be on 4 September. This means that there will be **NO Sunday School** that Sunday. Children are invited to join the church family for corporate worship and children's sermon.

## 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,

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# **SAF In-person BS**

1 September, Thursday 10.30am @ Sanc 2

### **Labouring Hard For the Lord Jesus**

Colossians 1:24 – 2:5 By ATP Joseph Tee

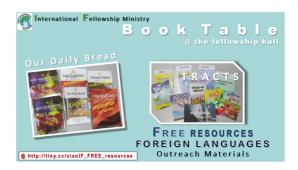
## **CHURCH NEWS AND ACTIVITIES**

## International Fellowship (IF) Book Table

Fellowship Hall, 4 September (after each service)

Head over to the book table for outreach and devotional resources in various languages!

Pick up some for yourself or pass it on to someone.



# Intergen Workshop: Human Library II

10 Sept (Sat), 4pm - 6pm Sanctuary 2

Back by popular demand, the Human Library is back again! Come join us to hear stories from the different generations!

**Register here**: <a href="http://chms.zionserangoon.org.sg/eventmodule/registration/22/module">http://chms.zionserangoon.org.sg/eventmodule/registration/22/module</a>

### **CHURCH NEWS AND ACTIVITIES**

#### **New ABC Series:**

# A BRIEF INTRODUCTION TO CHURCH DOCTRINE Beginning 3 and 4 September, for 7 weeks

This short series gleans the best and most distinctive convictions of the Westminster Confession and see their relevance to our current circumstance of deep uncertainty; confusion and turmoil.

With this new series, we will be introducing a new SATURDAY EVENING class time; from 5.00-6.30 pm, at Chapel 3; OR the usual SUNDAY MORNING class time; from 11.00-12.00 noon, at Chapel 1. You can sign-up for EITHER time periods.

## Register by:

Emailing Eld Oswald Goh: <a href="mailto:ooholeth@yahoo.com.sg">ooholeth@yahoo.com.sg</a>

or clicking on this link: https://forms.gle/

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# **ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY**

Services	Worshippers & Volunteers
MS	242
2MS	131
ES	34
Sunday School	-
Total	407

## **FELLOWSHIP TEA CONTRIBUTIONS**

28 August	Josh Lim	Thanksgiving	_
	Hector Goh	Thanksgiving	_
	Jack Choong	Thanksgiving	ES

# **WEEKLY OFFERING**

# **General and Missions Fund**

(Received 15 - 21 August)

\$24,235.13



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## **PASTORAL WORD ON REPEAL OF 377A**

# By The Bible-Presbyterian Church in Singapore

#### **PREAMBLE**

By now, the government and the public have been made aware of the positions and concerns of the Christian community in Singapore over the repeal of 377A. Statements have been issued by different Christian councils denominational bodies. Our Pastoral Word addresses the flocks under our care, and draws our attention to four main areas for urgent prayer and action.

#### 1. GOD's WORD

It bears repetition that BPCIS considers the homosexual act and lifestyle to be contrary to God's Word and therefore a sin. That said, the sin of homosexual act or lifestyle is not greater than any other sin. All who desire to follow Jesus Christ as Lord must confess and repent of all known sins in their lives, whatever the sins may be. The ground is level at the foot of the Cross.

#### 2. GOD'S CHURCH

All persons, regardless of the nature of their sin, are in need of the Saviour and will be judged by Him. As pastors, we lovingly welcome into our churches all persons who desire to worship the Lord with us, but on the condition that all who approach God in worship renounce and repent of their sins and strive to live godly lives. We recognise that our flesh may still strain under the forces of same-sex attraction or homosexual orientation but it is not a sin to be tempted. We pray for all who are tempted sexually to receive God's grace in order to remain chaste and have a lively fellowship of Christian brothers and sisters to support them and hold them accountable.

#### 3. GOD'S WITNESS

The mandate of the Church and of every Christian is the Great Commission of Matthew 28:19-20, which is to make disciples of all nations. As we do so, we are to teach them to observe everything that Christ has commanded us. These things include

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the biblical model for marriage and family. Let us continue to uphold and teach the good sense, value and relevance of such a model, not only in our churches but also in the communities where our churches are situated. This we do through the way we live, and so persuade as many people as possible to agree and embrace it.

#### 4. GOD'S WORLD

Since the mandate of the Church and of every Christian is the Great Commission, we do not focus on "culture wars" that alienate us from those who need the gospel. Neither do we engage in social activism to force our views on those who do not share our beliefs. We thank God that the Government has consistently shown itself to be consultative in its policy-making and has discharged itself responsibly. We pray that God continues to raise godly men and women to the leadership in our country.

#### CONCLUSION

We recognise that the Church and Christians have been and will always be a minority in society and therefore, we cannot expect the rest of society to live by the values that we espouse and hold dear. Nevertheless, our hope is in God to protect us where he has placed us to represent him and to provide for us so that we may be effective witnesses for him there.

Finally, with the repeal of 377A, may God help us navigate the path ahead of us with wisdom and courage, heeding the words of our Lord Jesus, "In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven." Matthew 5:16 (ESV)