

2023

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 Lin Honasui Dominic Lim Sharon Chua Joo Neo Jaswantlal Dn Amos Chia Sally Teh Lau Wen Min Dns Joella Tan Dn Ding Si Han Ps Wendell Chua Chia Hua Song Manfred Ong Hazel Chiang Christopher Wu Cassia Ong Isabel Chng

Sonia Chua Elliot Aruldoss Eld Chua Hung Choo Ng Jianmin ATP Joseph Tee Dns Clarissa Leong Ng Wai Yoong Xavier Arokiam Cecilia Arokiam

NEXT WEEK

Do You Trust King Jesus? 2 Kings 13:10-25 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) 9862 4390

Read (pg 10-11) **BPCIS UPDATE** By Ps David Wong

ORDER OF SERVICE

Worship Theme Grace that Abounds

Prepare for Worship

Prelude

Exalt His Name

Call to Worship Invocation Doxology Opening Hymn

Responsive Scripture Reading Romans 6:1-14

Worship in Song

Listen to His Word

Same Same No Different? Eld Reuben Ang 2 Kings 13:1-9

Response Song

Give to His Work

Offering Offertory Response

Pray to Him

Corporate Prayer Pastoral Prayer

Closina Hvmn Benediction **Announcements** Postlude





SERMON NOTES

Same Same No Different? 2 Kings 13:1-9



Introduction & Recap of 2 Kings

I. Not Again?! (v1-3)

II. A faithful God's abounding grace (v4-5)

III. I want to break free! (v6-9)



Reflections...

As God's people wrestle in the mire of their sin cycle, He faithfully sustains them in grace. What is our response to His abounding grace?

WEEKLY PRAYER GUIDE

Prayer for the World: "Drop in COVID-19 deaths"

- » Thank God that World Health Organization (WHO) has said that COVID-19 deaths had dropped by 95% since the start of the year.
- » We pray for God's mercy as the WHO has warned the virus was still on the move.
- » Pray for those who are suffering from "Long-Covid" or other Covid-related long term effects that they can receive God's grace during this period.

Book Circle

- » Please pray for God to use the Book Circle, a Word Ministry to minister to those who seek to enrich their lives.
- » Pray for participants to learn how God can use His children, both men and women as they pledge to worship and edify Him in their lives through good, bad and ordinary times.
- » May the Holy Spirit continue to inspire, motivate and enrich His children as they serve Him.

PASAR SERANGOON: An Outreach to the Seniors (3 June)

- » Thank God for this nostalgic 'pasar malam' event to reach out to the seniors in our surrounding neigbourhoods and friends of members.
- » Pray for strength and foresight for the committee (Ps Wendell Chua, Dns April Ding, Dns Joella Tan, Chen Jinling, Nicolette Yu, Victor Seah & ATP Joseph Tee) as they plan the publicity, logistics, food, programme and oversee the event.

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WEEKLY PRAYER GUIDE

PASAR SERANGOON: An Outreach to the Seniors (3 June)

- » Ask the LORD for wisdom in publicizing and spreading the word to our neighbours, and to work in their hearts to bring them to join us for this outreach!
- » Keep Ps Eric Kwan in prayer as he prepares to share the Gospel at this event.

CHURCH NEWS AND ACTIVITIES

Family Sunday Worship next in July 2023!

A Marriage Enrichment Workshop by the Family Ministry: "Weather-Proof Your Marriage"

20 May, 3pm - 4.30pm Chapel 1

All marriages experience cycles of highs and lows. There are times when everything is rosy and when we get upset and angry. So whether you are engaged, or married for decades, you are strongly encouraged to join!

This workshop is conducted by Ms Isabelle Ng, a marriage counsellor and family life educator from Fei Yue Community Services. ATP Joseph will also be providing some biblical perspectives.

Register here:

http://chms.zionserangoon. org.sg/eventmodule/ registration/29/module

For queries, please contact: **ATP Joseph Tee**

Prayer Fellowship

*Starting from May onwards, PF will take place <u>every</u> <u>Wednesday</u> except on public holidays!

3, 10, 17, 24 & 31 May Wednesday @ 8.00pm

Join in prayer together for our church: http://tiny.cc/zionPF2023

Meeting ID: **865 4863 7670**

Passcode: **017541**

For queries, please contact Ps Lawrence Ong @ 9146 8277

SAF Bible Study

4 May, 10.30am Sanctuary 2

Truths that Promote
Effectiveness in Ministry
2 Timothy 2:8-12

by Eld Oswald Goh

CHURCH NEWS AND ACTIVITIES

IF x YF Combined Fellowship

20 May, 3.30pm - 7pm Bishan Park



ALL INTERNATIONAL WORKERS
ARE WELCOME!

We encourage employers to allow their helpers to join.

RSVP by 8 May: Olga Amor @ 8158 1885 Hannah Ong @ 8830 6317

Book Circle



To encourage reading as part of Christian learning, the Book Circle is starting a regular review of selected books chosen by topics, starting 7 May.

Look out for it and pick up a book!

Worship as Entertainment ELIJAH Anabos Marine An

PASAR SERANGOON

3 June, 5.30pm - 8.30pm

Pasar Serangoon is an **outreach targeted at seniors** in our community and friends. There will be food stalls, nostalgic games, an outdoor movie screening, and sharing of the gospel message. *Come dressed in your 60s best!*



Tickets go on sale at **\$10 each**, and priority will be given to members bringing non-believing friends.

We are also **looking for volunteers** to join us in distributing cards to invite people in our neighbourhood to this outreach. If you'd like to volunteer, please contact **Dns April** @ **6284 1987**.

CHURCH NEWS AND ACTIVITIES

A WARM WELCOME TO...

Our new Church Office staff, Rachel Cham, who joined us on 25 April and will be serving in the Communications & Youth Ministries!



Ps Lawrence Ong is away this morning (30 Apr) preaching at Galilee BP Church.

Congratulations to...

Darren Cheong and Natalie Goh,
(parents Vincent & Lena Goh) on
their marriage on 29 April 2023!

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY

Services	Worshippers & Volunteers
ZMS	177
2MS	101
ZES	44
Total	322
Sunday School	54

FELLOWSHIP TEA CONTRIBUTIONS

30 Apr	Mr/Mrs Ng Kheng Ghee	Thanksgiving

WEEKLY OFFERING

General and Missions Fund

\$17,976.50

(Received 17 Apr - 23 Apr)



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BPCIS UPDATE: APRIL 2023

by Pastor David Wong *General Secretary* Bible-Presbyterian Church in Singapore (BPCIS)

A third of the year has gone by. The recent Lent season leading to Good Friday reminds us to keep our eyes on the Cross and Christ crucified for us. We also lift our eyes to see Christ risen and coming for us.

GOOD FRIDAY & EASTER SUNDAY

We thank God for the **decentralised Good Friday services held at nine locations with one theme** and guest speaker Pastor Simon Murphy of Redemption Hill Church. Onsite attendances came to 2,541 (last year: 1,497), and offering for BPCIS: was \$38,092.52 (last year: \$27,594.35). **Easter Sunrise Service** resumed at MacRitchie Reservoir with 220 present and offering of \$5,824.90 for Turkey earthquake relief given through Operation Mobilisation.

God willing, we will have a **combined onsite Good Friday service next year.** Pray for us as we look for a suitable venue that is central and accessible by public transport. **Bishop Emeritus Robert Solomon will be our speaker.**

PASTORS AND LEADERS RETREAT

Our next "main event" will take place at Frasers Place, Puteri Harbour, Johor Bahru. This is our annual Leaders Retreat, 10-11 July, with the theme, "Strengthening Our Churches: Discipling & Mentoring" and speaker Pastor Benny Ho of Faith Community Church, Perth, Australia. All pastors and elders, ministry staff and leaders, especially from our younger generation, are encouraged to attend.

After the Retreat last year, Janelle Yeo wrote, "Thank you for organising this Retreat, and bringing back together all the BP churches. I left the Retreat feeling so proud to be part of this BP community. I have never really understood the significance of the BP Church until coming for this Retreat, especially during the sharing of brief history of BPCIS at the start."

BPCIS UPDATE: APRIL 2023 (CONT.)

SECOND PRESBYTERY

"Presbytery of Singapore Bible-Presbyterian Churches" (PSBPC) comprising Abundant Life, Life, New Life, Calvary (Jurong) and Sharon BP Churches, was registered with Registry of Societies on 3 Oct 2022, with public announcement made on 19 Feb 2023. BPCIS extended our congratulations and hand of fellowship when General Secretary Ps David Wong met the new Presbytery's Protem Moderator Ps Peter Chua for lunch. They were roommates in Bible College and were ordained on same day in 1977.

MOUNT GERIZIM

Our 11th BPCIS member and only Chinese-speaking church voted at the recent congregational meeting, 23 April, to take steps to acquire an industrial unit to grow the church's ministries. Mount Gerizim is a congregation of 50-60 members worshipping at 1pm at Hebron BP Church in Choa Chu Kang. As we have done in the past, BPCIS churches will rally around with prayer and practical help.

VISIT WEBSITE

Please visit <u>www.bpcis.org</u> for pictures of Good Friday and Easter Sunrise services, as well as stories of God at work in the lives of our members.