



2024

EVERY GARDENER A MISSIONARY

WELCOME HOME!

We are glad that you can join us today to worship the Lord as one family in Christ. May we continue to trust Him, and glorify Him in all that we do!

SERVING THIS WEEK

Eld Reuben Ang	Hazel Chiang
Arcci Amor	Dn Tony Seah
Dns Joella Tan	Eld Chua Hung Choo
Sally Chan	Ng Jianzhi
Sonja Chua	Bernard Yim
Jonathan Chua	Dns Clarissa Leong
Ruth Ong	Dns Yim-Kow Meng
Ng Peiyi	Choo
Nicolette Yu	Dns Sylvia Ong
Jonathan Ng	
Cadence Chua	
Elliot Aruldoss	
Adrian Koh	
Shalynn Koh	
Cassia Ong	

NEXT WEEK

The Unstoppable Gospel
Acts 8:1-25
Ps Wendell Chua

Lead Ps Wendell Chua

9027 7465

Ps Lawrence Ong

9146 8277

Assistant Ps Joseph Tee

9088 0077

Ps Yap Kim Sin (Advisory)

9862 4390

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Pastoral Update - Further Academic & Theological Training
by Ps Wendell Chua

ORDER OF SERVICE

Worship Theme *Sacrifice*

Prepare for Worship

Prelude

Exalt His Name

Call to Worship
Invocation
Doxology
Opening Hymn
Responsive Scripture Reading

Acts 7:51-60

Worship in Song

Listen to His Word
An Exemplary Servant
Acts 6:8-13

Ps Lawrence Ong

Response Hymn

Give to His Work

Offering
Offertory Response

Pray to Him

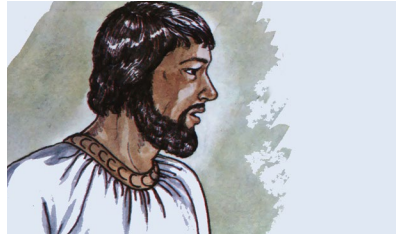
Corporate Prayer
Pastoral Prayer

Closing Hymn
Benediction
Announcements
Postlude



SERMON NOTES

An Exemplary Servant Acts 6:8-8:3



1. His Calling
2. His Character
 - i. Faithful
 - ii. Spiritual
 - iii. Graceful
 - iv. Powerful
 - v. Committed, Courageous, Compassion, Competence, Countenance



Reflections...

WEEKLY PRAYER GUIDE

International Fellowship (IF) Ministry

- » May God help the ministry to fervently reach out to the foreign workers around ZS.
- » May the Committee and helpers continue to seek God's favour to this work He entrusted to them.
- » Thank God for opening the door to minister to the Myanmar workers, especially to the domestic helpers. May God uphold the BS teachers to teach this group.
- » Thank God for the employers who have allowed and encouraged their foreign helpers to join in the BS and IF meetups.
- » Thank God for His faithfulness and guidance over the IF that they are able to reach and celebrate their 10th Anniversary this year on 20 Jan.

Bible Reading Club 2024

- » Let us give praise for revealing Himself through His Word, and for this Word of Life to live for Him everyday!
- » Pray for all of us, especially those who want to read God's Word regularly, to have the joy of tasting and seeing that the LORD is good!
- » Pray for Ps Joe, Eld Siah-Chuan, Eld Oswald and Helen Tan as they help to coordinate this ministry.

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WEEKLY PRAYER GUIDE

New Catechism Classes

- » Pray for the Spirit to continue working in the hearts of adults and youths to join our upcoming Catechism classes.
- » Pray for clarity, understanding and love for the catechumens as they learn the basics of our Christian faith.
- » Pray for the Session as they conduct these classes throughout the year.

CHURCH NEWS AND ACTIVITIES

Bible Reading Plan 2024

Jan Week 3 Schdule

- 15 Jan: [Nehemiah 5](#)
- 16 Jan: [Nehemiah 6](#)
- 17 Jan: [Nehemiah 7](#)
- 18 Jan: [Nehemiah 8](#)
- 19 Jan: [Acts 19](#)
- 20 Jan: [Nehemiah 10](#)
- 21 Jan: [Acts 21](#)

Bible Reading Club

The Zion Serangoon Bible Reading Club is BACK!
Interested in starting your bible reading plan for 2024? It's not too late!

Join our **2024 Bible Reading Club** via this WhatsApp invitation:
<https://chat.whatsapp.com/IF4B4Kx5jWyAdhOdLQIjBf>

Speak to **Asst Ps Joseph Tee** for more details!

Prayer Fellowship

**PF takes place every Wednesday except on public holidays or as announced!*

17, 24, 31 January
Wednesday @ 8.00pm

Join in prayer together for our church:
<http://tiny.cc/zionPF2024>

Meeting ID: **881 8621 6365**
Passcode: **017821**

For queries, please contact
Ps Lawrence Ong @ 9146 8277

UPCOMING SERVICES

Family Sunday Worship
28th January 2024

Please note that there will be **NO Sunday School**.
Children Sermon will happen concurrently with the Service.



Chinese New Year Combined Service
11th February 2024 8.45am
Sanctuary 1



PRAYING FOR
**TAVISTOCK
READY PROJECT**

WEEKLY POST-SVC PRAYER
BEGINS ON 21 JAN (SUN)

SAVE THE DATE

CHURCH CAMP 2024
16 TO 20 JUNE

CHURCH NEWS AND ACTIVITIES

Tavistock Ready Project Update

The tender process has been delayed as the tenderers have requested for further clarifications on job specifications.

Due to this unforeseen delay, we are now able to use the **Fellowship Hall** for **simple refreshments after ZMS & ZES till further notice**. The Church Office will make the necessary arrangements.

Head to tavistockready.org for the latest updates!





10th

ZS International Fellowship

Anniversary

20 January @ Sanc 2

5.30pm - 7.00pm

Message by: Ps Joseph Tee

ALL FOREIGN FRIENDS ARE WELCOME!!!

For query & to RSVP, contact:

Elder Chua Hung Choo 9010 2893

Olga Amor 81581885

CHURCH NEWS AND ACTIVITIES

NEW CATECHISM CLASS

Classes commence on 27 January, Saturday

Adult Catechism Class
By: Session

Youth Catechism Class
By: Ps Joseph Tee


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


For details and registration, please contact the **Church Office 62841987** or inform **Ps Lawrence** for Adult Cat Class & **Ps Joe** for the Youth Cat Class.

DONATION OF MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

We are looking for musical instruments in good working condition to donate to a church in Cebu!

Please contact **McPaul Wee @ 87112533** by 11th Feb (Sun)





Deepest Condolences to...

Ps Yap Kim Sin, June Yap, Erica & Lindsay on the Home-going of **Mdm Tan Soo Hoon**, mother of Ps Yap, on 10 January 2024.

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY

Services	Worshippers & Volunteers
Combined Ordination & Dedication Svc	374

WEEKLY OFFERING

Watchnight Svc
(Received 31 Dec 2023)

\$5,277.00

Combined Ordination & Dedication Svc
(Received 1 Jan - 7 Jan)

\$26,683.00



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PASTORAL UPDATES

FURTHER ACADEMIC & THEOLOGICAL TRAINING

by Ps Wendell Chua

Since January 2016, prior to joining the church as a pastoral staff in January 2017, I've had the wonderful blessing of undergoing online theological training at Covenant Theological Seminary, located in St Louis, Missouri. In the years since then, I've undergone two taught post-graduate degrees (Master of Arts in Theological Studies & Master of Arts in Biblical and Theological Studies, Hebrew focus). Throughout this time, the LORD has given me the discipline and love for ongoing theological training despite the often-difficult task of having to balance work and studies.

For most of 2022 and 2023, I prayed for the LORD's directing as I sought to continue pursuing post-graduate academic training. I prayed specifically for three things. First, for an area of Biblical research that would also be highly practical in ministry, especially in supporting Biblical historicity. Second, for a good supervisor to journey with me through the next lap of studies. And third, for unfettered and unanimous support from our Church Session.

After enquiring at a myriad of universities and seminaries, the LORD began to grant clarity by leading me to **Edinburgh Theological Seminary, Scotland**. After making applications, I was formally accepted into the **Master of Theology (MTh) research program** in December 2023. My course starts on 22 January 2024 and I'll be researching ancient **Egyptian cosmology** (creation accounts) and the place and purpose of Genesis 1-2 in the pagan, polytheistic, ancient Near-Eastern world. God-willing, I'll be able to use this research thesis as a platform to advance into PhD research sometime in the future, as God wills.

Given my ministry commitments, I'm mindful that I may not have sufficient time to read, research, and write. However, I know that because the LORD has clearly led me to this, He will likewise supply all my needs and grant wisdom to carefully order each of my days (*Philippians 4:19; Matthew 6:33*). During this next lap of academic and theological training, I hope to also further enhance my ability to handle God's WORD so I can teach and preach more effectively. **Do keep me in your prayers.**

"I give thanks to my God for every remembrance of you, always praying with joy for all of you in my every prayer." (Philippians 1:3-4)