

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 Chua Hung Choo Isabel Sitoe Louis Tee **Dns April Ding** Catherine Ding Ps Joseph Tee Ng Wen Hooi Ng Jianzhi Joo Neo Jaswantlal Dns Clarissa Leong Sonja Chua Bernard Yim Lau Wen Min Goh Boon Cher

Hannah Ong Eld Lin Hongsui Dns Joella Tan Ps Wendell Chua Emmanuel Ong Sheri Goh Manfred Ong Shalynn Koh

NEXT WEEK

Lessons from Mary's Song Luke 1: 46-55 Rev Tan Eng Boo

Lead Ps Wendell Chua 9027 7465 Ps Lawrence Ong 9146 8277 **Asst Ps Joseph Tee** 9088 0077 Ps Yap Kim Sin (Advisory) 9862 4390

Synopsis of Gospel Tracts (Christmas) (pg 11)

ORDER OF SERVICE

Worship Theme *Iesus*

Prepare for Worship

Prelude

Exalt His Name

Call to Worship Invocation Gloria Patri Opening Hymn

Responsive Scripture Reading

Ephesians 1:3-14

Worship in Song

Listen to His Word

A Son Born to Bless Luke 1:26-45

Rev Luwin Wong (Mt Hermon BP Church)

Response Song

Give to His Work

Offering Offertory Response

Prav to Him

Corporate Prayer Pastoral Prayer

Closina Hvmn Benediction **Announcements** Postlude





SERMON NOTES

A Son Born to Bless Luke 1:26-45



- 1. Who is Jesus?
- 2. How do the Spiritual respond?
- 3. How do the Blessed respond?

Reflections...

If you are a Christian, indwelled by the Spirit, how can you grow in your spirituality by daily rejoicing and submitting to Christ the Lord? What needs to be started, what needs to stop?

If you are not a Christian, who do you think Christ is, and do you believe he warrants a response? Would you be open to discovering a life of blessedness in him?

WEEKLY PRAYER GUIDE

Vision: Every Gardener a Missionary

- » With the Christmas season around the corner, pray for boldness and love in sharing Christian love to those in our families and neighbourhoods.
- » With events like the Christmas Village@Tavistock and the evangelistic Christmas service, let us invite our non-beliving friends to share the Christmas season with us.

Christians@Work: Business

- » We thank God for brothers and sisters-in-Christ serving the LORD in their businesses.
- » Pray that they will have godly wisdom and sensitive hearts to lead the business well.
- » Pray that they have will continued compassioate and care for their employees.
- » May their testimony at work be edifying to the LORD and point others to Christ!

Praying for YF Camp 2024 (Camp Illuminate) 15-21 December

- » The committe members (Artri Amor, Laraine Lim, Chloe Lin, Ethan Baey, Evan Baey, Jedidiah Koh) and advisors as they continue to plan for the camp, that we will be well-prepared to run the camp smoothly!
- » The campers that their hearts will be ready to receive the Word. Pray also for good fellowship and bonding among the campers!
- » The speaker (Rev Luwin Wong from Mt Hermon BPC) that he will be able to bring the Word.

WEEKLY PRAYER GUIDE

Christmas Village @ Tavistock (Evangelistic Event)

- » Pray for the Christmas village outreach, that we are willing to invite our friends over for the event, especially those who have not heard the gospel.
- » For our hearts to be loving and willing to welcome people as the Christmas Village draws near.
- » More members will volunteer as Befrienders and take on the role of being a host and befriend the visitors, with gospel sharing as the end-goal.
- » Pray that through this event, Zion will more deeply engaged with the people in and around our Serangoon Garden community.

Tavistock Ready Renovation Updates

We thank God that the renovation works have been advancing well. Moving forward, we will be sharing key progress fortnightly. May we continue to keep this project in prayer!

- » Nursing Rooms in progress
- » Kitchen furnishings in progress
- » Thank God for the opportunity to thank the contractors and workers through an appreciation buffet lunch.

Should you have any questions, or concerns, or require more information regarding the renovation, you may reach out to the **Church Office @ 8463 2186**. Please note that our land line (6284 1987) will be *unavailable*, until further notice.



(Pic. 1) Nursing Room



(Pic. 2) Kitchen



(Pic. 3) Appreciation Lunch

Bible Reading Plan 2024

Dec Week 1 Schedule

1 Dec: Nahum 1
2 Dec: Luke 18
3 Dec: Luke 19
4 Dec: Habakkuk 1
5 Dec: Habakkuk 2
6 Dec: Habakkuk 3
7 Dec: Zephaniah 1







Prayer Fellowship

*PF takes place <u>every</u>
<u>Wednesday</u> except on public holidays or as announced!

4, 11, 18 December 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



IF Christmas Celebration

7 Dec (Sat), 5.30pm @ Chapel 1

Ps Eric (Faith BPC) will be sharing a message in the upcoming IF Gathering. All foreign friends are welcome!

For RSVP & queries, please contact Pinky (8015 9481) or Eld Hung Choo (9010 2893)

Season of Advent

Let us prepare ourselves for the Christmas season through the Word and Carols!

Spotify Advent Playlist

https://open.spotify.com/playlist/4R6FvhrcROJ2y2dmnEn-5pY?si=027141f643c24f6f

Bible Reading Club: Advent Edition

https://chat.whatsapp.com/ H7GxX4icqxu8hdOXWfSsut

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS 8.45am Service (ZMS)

- · AV/Livestream/Projectionist: 3
- Pianist / other musicians: 2
- · Song leader: 2
- · Responsive scripture reader: 2



Please contact

Dns Joella (98372941)

AV: Sonja (92274533)

if you would like to
serve/ find out more!

Volunteers needed at ZMS!

We need volunteers to serve at ZMS (8.45am Service)!

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- Pianist / other musicians: 2
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- Responsive scripture reader: 2

For more info, please contact **Sonja (92274533)** (for AV-related roles) or **Dns Joella (98372941).**



Calling for Donations: Popup Thrift Shop (Christmas Village @ Tavistock)

Donated items should be in good usable condition. Please label any items you are donating or lending us with your name and contact number. You may place your donations at the designated collection point in Truth/Peace Classroom on Level 1. Please kindly drop your donations by 8 Dec.

For more info, click <u>here</u> or contact **Dns April 9694 3276**



Christmas Village @ Tavistock (ZS Evangelistic Event)

19-21 Dec 2024, 5.30 - 9pm Zion Serangoon B-P Church

Invite your family & friends to hear the Christmas Story this December! Coupon cards are now available for purchase. Each Coupon Card is \$5 for 5 food items & Free Photobooth.

All proceeds from Coupon card & thrift sales will be donated to our beneficiary, Gladiolus Place.

Get your coupon cards at our booth after service this week! You can also head down to our website to order: https://www.christmasvillagetavistock.com/coupon-cards

For more info, Please contact Church Office (+65 8463 2186)



CALLING FOR VOLUNTEERS!

19-21 DECEMBER 2024, 5.30PM - 9PM

Christmas Village @ Tavistock is our largest outreach evangelistic event of the year. Let us use this opportunity to serve the community around us and share with them the Gospel this Christmas!

Backstage Crew

You will assist in managing props and backdrops, esssential to keep the show running!



10 X Booth Helpers

We need your help to engage young families in an activity & to encourage them to stay for the musical!



25 X Befrienders

Reach out and share the gospel to our visitors, as we strive towards "Every Gardener a Missionary"



6 X Food servers 10 X BBQ Chefs & Servers

Come serve if you have a passion for food!



Info Desk Helpers

Collection of pre-ordered coupon cards, sell coupons for walk-ins, point direction for activity locations



Clean up crew, Photobooth Crowd Control, Teardown crew

Help to keep the Christmas Village up and running!



SIGN UP AT

tinyurl.com/cvtvolunteer

Or on the sign-up board at the fellowship hall

PLEASE CONTACT THE COMMITTEE FOR QUERIES: PEIYI +65 8598 5967, ESTHER NG +65 9834 9256, TING HAN +65 9646 3462



YF CAMP 2024: CAMP ILLUMINATE

15-21 December 2024 Zion Serangoon (15-19 Dec) & Shalom B-P Church (19-21 Dec)

Camp Fee: \$80

Calling ALL YOUTHS to join us for our annual Youth Fellowship Camp!

For queries, please contact: Artri Amor (91243539) or Laraine Lim (96448983

Sally Teh (ZMS) & the family of the late Mdm Lim Koi @ Lim Soo Kooi, would like to thank everybody most sincerely for their expressions of kindness and sympathy during this period.

SESSION CONTACT

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Rachel Cham (Communications & Engagement) 9787 8932

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY

Services	Worshippers & Volunteers
ZMS	190
2MS	123
ZES	43
Total	356
Sunday School	-

FELLOWSHIP TEA CONTRIBUTIONS

1 DEC	Evangeline Chia	Birthday Thanksgiving
	Carole Lee	Birthday Thanksgiving

WEEKLY OFFERING

General and Missions Fund

(Received 18 Nov - 24 Nov)

\$25,142.35

Weekly offering to meet budget for 2024 (including A&A): \$79,450



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SYNOPSIS OF GOSPEL TRACTS (CHRISTMAS)

Written By: Kok Ting Han

As the Christmas season approaches, let us be intentional to share the gospel through the tracts! This Lord's day, you'll find a couple of fresh Christmas tracts on the Tract Rack. May you collect them and prayerfully distribute to people whom the Lord will lead you to.

The 'Christmas gift which everyone can receive' is a tract that goes straight into the topic of gifting. It sets the mood very well for readers to relate to the gift that God has given us through Jesus Christ.

The writer, Rev Hsueh, gives 4 different reasons why Jesus Christ is the perfect gift given by God to His creations. Each reason that he gives is coupled with an appropriate explanation. Some explanations have deep theological truths that I think would be really helpful if the friend explains alongside the reader.

Rev Hsueh also doesn't shy away from challenging his readers to consider their own sinfulness and the need for their own repentance. I personally think this tract would be better if there is a fuller picture of the gospel - from the creation to the consummation. But I guess that is where the friend can help in

opening up conversations with the reader.

The second tract is titled 'When love came down on Christmas'. I really enjoyed reading this tract. It has a really good introduction that keeps the readers wanting to read on. The 'star' in the sky provided such a good connection to the rest of the gospel. The writer doesn't shy away from the important truths about Jesus Christ and goes straight into sharing the wonderful Christmas story of Jesus Christ.

As the writer shares about Jesus Christ, I like how the writer manages to use simple concepts that humans are familiar with to explain the meaning of Christmas and how it all links to Jesus Christ. There are theological truths in what the writer has intended the readers to understand.

Overall, this tract is an enjoyable read for me and I believe it will be for your friend as well. Not only is the tract easy to digest, but it allows for conversations with the tract giver with header signposts like 'Love', 'Hope', and 'Life'.

Read the tracts, share them as we faithfully fulfill our vision to be missionary church.