



2025

# EVERY GARDENER A MISSIONARY

## WELCOME HOME!

We are glad that you are here today to worship the Lord as one family in Christ. May the Lord bless & keep you and be gracious unto you!

## SERVING THIS WEEK

Eld Lin Hongsui	Eld Chua Hung Choo
Ruth Ong	Dn Amos Chia
Caleb Ong	Ng Jianmin
Hannah Ong	Asst Ps Joseph Tee
Dns Joella Tan	Goh Boon Cher
Jonathan Chua	
Sally Teh	
Leonard Lee	
Dns April Wu	
Jonathan Ng	
Shalynn Koh	
Feryianto Ang	
Crystal Lim	
Isabel Siteo	

## NEXT WEEK

### Satan vs Christ

Mark 1:12-13

Ps Wendell Chua

### Lead Ps Wendell Chua

9027 7465

### Ps Lawrence Ong

9146 8277

### Asst Ps Joseph Tee

9088 0077

### Ps Yap Kim Sin (Advisory)

9862 4390

**Read** (pg 8)

## BPCIS UPDATE

## ORDER OF SERVICE

Worship Theme *Following Jesus*

### Prepare for Worship

Prelude

### Exalt His Name

Call to Worship

Invocation

Gloria Patri

Opening Hymn

Responsive Scripture Reading

Isaiah 40:1-11

Worship in Song

### Listen to His Word

#### A Cosmic Battle

Mark 1:1-11

Ps Lawrence Ong

Response Song

### Give to His Work

Offering

Offertory Response

### Pray to Him

Corporate Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

Closing Hymn

Benediction

Announcements

Postlude



# SERMON NOTES

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## Following Jesus

Mark 1:1-11



1. Anticipation of Jesus
2. Announcement of Jesus
3. Anointing of Jesus

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Reflections...

# WEEKLY PRAYER GUIDE

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## International Fellowship (IF) Ministry

*2025 will see some transitions in the IF ministry...*

- » In partnership with the Myanmar speaking church, we thank God that our Myanmar brothers and sisters can be better ministered to and their knowledge of our God and Saviour Jesus Christ deepened.
- » For the group of Filipino brothers and sisters, may the activities of the IF help them to understand the depths and the heart of Christian service as they learn weekly from the preaching of the word and the regular bible studies that will be ongoing.
- » We are beginning to see some friends from the Indian Continent - we want to pray that God will help us to respond to their spiritual need in the study of the word and fellowship with Jesus Christ.

## New Myanmar Worship Service - Partnership with Judson Baptist Church Singapore (JBCS) (Starting 12 Jan 25, 5pm)

- » We praise God for the opportunity to partner with JBCS to start a fortnightly Myanmar Worship Service in Zion Serangoon!
- » Please pray that the Myanmar people around our area are able to join in worship and proclaiming the Gospel.
- » Pray for wisdom as our church continues to partner and support JBCS in this gospel partnership.

## 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.

## Tavistock-Ready (TSR) Prayer

- » In this final stages of furnishing the Fellowship Deck, please pray that the physical renovations will mirror the spiritual transformation of our members.

# CHURCH NEWS AND ACTIVITIES

BIBLE READING PLAN 2025		
Date	Chapters	Further Reading
12 Jan	Genesis 35	Genesis 35-37
13 Jan	Genesis 39	Genesis 38-40
14 Jan	Genesis 41	Genesis 41-42
15 Jan	Genesis 45	Genesis 43-45
16 Jan	Genesis 46	Genesis 46-47
17 Jan	Genesis 48	Genesis 48-50
18 Jan	Exodus 1	Exodus 1-3



## New! Fortnightly Myanmar Worship Service

Starting on 12 Jan (Sun), 5pm @ Chapel 2

In partnership with Judson Baptist Church Singapore, we will be starting a fortnightly Myanmar Worship Service in Zion Serangoon to reach the Myanmar brothers & sisters around us!

Invite your Myanmar brothers & sisters for this new service!

## Prayer Fellowship

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

15, 22 January  
Wednesday @ 8.00pm

Join in prayer together for our church:

<http://tiny.cc/ZSPF>

Meeting ID: **881 8621 6365**

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

## IF Online Bible Study

14 Jan  
8pm @ Zoom

ALL FOREIGN FRIENDS ARE WELCOME!!!

We encourage the employers to let their helpers join this Zoom BS.

Please contact **Elder Hung Choo @ 9010 2893** or **Pinky 8015 9481** for the Zoom link!

# CHURCH NEWS AND ACTIVITIES



INTERNATIONAL FELLOWSHIP MINISTRY

**11<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration** New Year, New Heart

All foreign friends are welcome for dinner, sharing & fellowship!

**18 Jan 2025 (Sat)  
5.30pm - 7pm, Chapel 1**

For queries & RSVP:  
Elder Chua 9010 2893,  
Pinky Guite 8015 9481

*Speaker: Dn Tony Seah*

## IF In-Person Gathering (11th Anniversary Celebration)

18 Jan (Sat) 5.30-7pm @ Chap 1

All foreign friends are welcome for dinner, sharing & fellowship! Dn Tony Seah will speak on the topic of 'New Year, New Heart'.

For queries & RSVP please contact **Elder Hung Choo @ 9010 2893** or **Pinky 8015 9481**

## NEW! CATECHISM CLASS

Classes commence on 18 January, 11am (Saturday)

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.

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**Prayer & Praise**

## Prayer & Praise: My Portion

25 Jan (Sat) 4pm - 6pm @ Sanc 2

Let us come together for a meaningful time of prayer & praise as we meditate on what it means for God to be our portion. **Dinner will be provided.**

If you are coming, please contact **Asst Ps Joe 9088 0077** for catering purposes.

# CHURCH NEWS AND ACTIVITIES

## APPEAL FOR CHILDREN'S BOOKS



The Book Circle will have a Children Section and is appealing for good Christian books for children to read or to be read to. They can be books on:

- Stories from the Bible
- God's Creation
- God's Love
- God's Attributes
- The Gospel
- Prayers
- Grace & Mercy
- Love
- Forgiveness
- Mission

*Please contact the church if you have good Children Books to donate.*

## BOOK CIRCLE: APPEAL FOR CHILDREN'S BOOKS

We are appealing for good Christian books for children to read. Contact the **Church office (8463 2186)** if you have good Christian books to donate!

**Ps Wendell Chua** is away this morning preaching at Grace B-P Church.

## SESSION CONTACT

**Eld Lin Hong Sui** (Stewardship)  
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**Eld Timothy Soh** (Missions)  
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**Eld Reuben Ang** (Worship)  
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## MINISTRY STAFF CONTACT

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9694 3276

**Esther Ng** (Church coordination, Youth & Admin)  
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8786 2418

**Ng Jianmin** (Youth Ministry Head, Sports & Music)  
9168 3971

**Ng Peiyi** (Music, Worship & AV)  
8598 5967

**Paul Low** (Building Maintenance)  
9876 9154

**Pinky Guite** (Missions Coordinator)  
8015 9481

**Rachel Cham** (Communications & Engagement)  
9787 8932

# ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY

Services	Worshippers & Volunteers
Dedication Sunday Combined Worship Service	339

# FELLOWSHIP TEA CONTRIBUTIONS

12 Jan	-	-
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# WEEKLY OFFERING

## General and Missions Fund

(Received 30 Dec 2024 - 5 Jan 2025)

**\$33,141.38**

## Donation to Gladiolus Place

*(Christmas Village @ Tavistock Coupon card & Thrift proceeds)*

**\$4,474.60**



### PayNow

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### Bank Transfer

DBS Bank Ltd

003-938549-8

5 Jan 2025

## THE HAND IS BETTER THAN A LIGHT

As the new year begins, we remember, “In the beginning, God...” (Gen 1:1). That’s how the Bible begins: with God, and for the rest of the chapter, God speaks, creates, and blesses. May it be so that in 2025, we will heed God’s Word, give thanks for His creation, and seek to live under His blessing.

Several horrific tragedies took place around Christmas: an attack on a Christmas market in Germany, and two plane crashes in Azerbaijan and South Korea. Again, we are reminded that despite the season’s celebration of peace and goodwill, the world is far from what it should be.

What will 2025 hold for us? None of us can know for certain. You may have received this quote with new year greetings:

*“And I said to the man who stood at the gate of the year: ‘Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown.’ And he replied: ‘Go out into the darkness and put your hand into the Hand of God. That shall be to you better than light and safer than a known way.’”*

Indeed, the hand is better than a light. Let us keep close to the Lord to ensure our hand rests in His hand.

In the coming year, we look forward to the following events of BPCIS:

### 18 April

#### **Combined Good Friday Services**

English: ACSI (Dover Rd), 10.30am

Speaker: Pastor Yap Kim Sin

Chinese: Zion Bishan, 10.30am

Speaker: Rev Dr Caleb Su

### 20 April

#### **Easter Sunrise Service**

MacRitchie Reservoir, 6.30am

Speaker: Pastor Alby Yip

### 7-8 July

#### **Pastors & Leaders Retreat**

Opera Hotel, JB

Speaker: Rev Ivan Chow

### 20 Sep

#### **Annual Presbytery Meeting, 10am**

Mount Gerizim, Woodlands 11

Please note the dates. We look forward to listen to God’s Word, watch Him at work, and hear Him say, “*I will bless and keep you, I will make my face to shine on you and be gracious to you. I will look with favour on you and give you peace.*” Amen, may it be so!

### **Ps David Wong**

General Secretary, BPCIS