

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 God of hope fill you with all joy and peace!

#### **SERVING THIS WEEK**

Dn Amos Chia Lily Goh Ng Peiyi Selene Wee Sally Teh Lau Wen Min Chen Jinling

#### **NEXT WEEK**

Worship God Alone and Serve Him Only Psalm 100 Ps Yap Kim Sin

Lead Ps Wendell Chua

9027 7465

Ps Lawrence Ong

9146 8277

Asst Ps Joseph Tee

9088 0077

Pastoral Intern Kok Ting Han

9646 3462

Ps Yap Kim Sin (Advisory)

9862 4390

Read (pg 8-9)

BLK 123 MINISTRY UPDATES BY REV ERIC TAY

#### **ORDER OF SERVICE**

Worship Theme Gospel Evangelism

#### **Prepare for Worship**

Prelude

#### **Exalt His Name**

Call to Worship Invocation Gloria Patri Opening Hymn Responsive Scripture Reading

Isaiah 53:1-12

Worship in Song

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

Go to the Desert Road Acts 8:25-40

Rev Daniel Chua

#### **Holy Communion**

The Bread and The Cup

#### **Pray to Him**

**Pastoral Prayer** 

#### Give to His Work

Offering
Offertory Response

Closing Hymn Benediction Announcements Postlude



#### **SERMON NOTES**

## Go to the Desert Road Acts 8:25-40



How do we fulfil our calling as a gospel witness today?

- 1. We must start out in obedience
- 2. We must stay near a seeker by building genuine friendship
- 3. We must ask questions to facilitate serious conversations about Christ
- 4. We must share the gospel when the seeker is open

#### Reflections...

- 1. "The longer we are as a Christian, the smaller is our circle of non-believing friends." Do you agree with this statement? How can we ensure that we continue to build bridges with non-believers?
- 2. Think about your circle of friends. Are there people whom God is burdening you to reach out to?
- a. What are some ways you can 'start out' in faith and 'stay near' the seeker?
- b. Is there a 'question to ask' that can prompt the seeker to do some serious thinking about Christ?
- c. Can you recognize the right moment to share the gospel?

## **WEEKLY PRAYER GUIDE**

#### Praying for Displaced People (https://www.unhcr.org/refugee-statistics)

At end-2024, 123.3 million people have been forced to leave their homes worldwide:

- = 73.5 million have fled to somewhere else in their own country
- = 36.8 million have left their country as refugees
- = 8.4 million are seeking asylum and argue they can never return home
- » Pray for protection of the lives and dignity of all those who leave their homes as migrants or refugees. The path they take is blighted by exploitation, illegal border crossings, rape, torture, imprisonment, and death; that they consider such risks worth taking should tell us something.
- » The presence of large numbers of migrants usually creates tensions and strains in receiving countries; pray for a balance between compassionate care for local people in need as well as refugees.
- The Christian faith has often taken root among refugees and in refugee camps. Pray for all who seek to serve refugees in Christ's name. Pray that Christ will build his Church among those who have lost everything, turning ashes into beauty. (Adapted from https://lausanne.org/pray)

#### ZS 68th Church Anniversary (22 June, 5.00pm)

- » We praise the LORD for His faithfulness in sustaining our church since 1957!
- » May we use this time to also confess areas where we can grow to become a church that Christ desires of us.
- » Pray that we can truly be missionaries for Christ that is fueled by our love for Jesus.

## Church Camp 2025: 15 - 19 June

- » Thank God that we have an opportunity to come together as God's family at this year's church camp!
- » Pray that campers will have a refreshing time of learning from the Word, sweet fellowship and safety while travelling.
- » Pray for Rev Daniel Chua as he prepares to share God's truth to us during the camp.
- » Pray for the camp committeee (Ps Wendell Chua, Pl Kok Ting Han, Dn Tony Seah, Ken Tharm, Michael Tay, Ng Jianmin, Lim Hann Lee, Ruth Lee, Shermaine Lim) as they continue to prepare for the camp.

## **CHURCH NEWS AND ACTIVITIES**



BIBLE READING PLAN 2025			
Date	Chapters	Further Reading	
15-Jun	Psalms 42	Psalms 40-45	
16-Jun	Psalms 47	Psalms 46-50	
17-Jun	Psalms 51	Psalms 51-57	
18-Jun	Psalms 62	Psalms 58-65	
19-Jun	Psalms 67	Psalms 66-69	
20-Jun	Psalms 73	Psalms 70-73	
21-Jun	Psalms 77	Psalms 74-77	
22-Jun	Psalms 78	Psalms 78-79	
23-Jun	Psalms 80	Psalms 80-85	
24-Jun	Psalms 89	Psalms 86-89	
25-Jun	Psalms 90	Psalms 90-95	
26-Jun	Psalms 101	Psalms 96-102	
27-Jun	Psalms 104	Psalms 103-105	
28-Jun	Psalms 106	Psalms 106-107	

#### **Prayer Fellowship**

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

25 June 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

## International Fellowship (IF) Gatherings in June

Due to the upcoming camp & anniversary service, please note the following:

# IF In-Person Bible Study We will take a break on 15 & 22 June, and resume on 29 June.

#### IF In-Person Gathering

There is no gathering this month. Join us for the next one on 19th July.

#### **Myanmar Worship Service**

Worshippers are encouraged to attend the anniversary service on 22nd June and join the dinner after. Myanmar Service will resume on 13th July.

## **CHURCH NEWS AND ACTIVITIES**



Living for God's Kingdom: ZS 68<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Service & Dinner 22 June 2025 (Sun), 5pm

Registration for Anniversary Dinner is now open! Register at tinyurl.com/ZSanniversary.

Limited spaces are available on a first-come, first-serve basis. Registration ends <u>15 June (Sun)</u>.

For queries, please contact Dness April Ding via Church Office (Call: 6284 1987/ WA: 8463 2186).



Creativity in Gospel Sharing 12 July 2025 (Sat), 4.30-6.00pm @ Sanctuary 2

How can we share the good news of Christ confidently and compassionately? Join us as Rev Eric Tay leads the first of many regular evangelism training sessions to help equip us for gospel work.

Sign up link: <a href="http://chms.zionserangoon.org.sg/">http://chms.zionserangoon.org.sg/</a> eventmodule/registration/35/module/public

For queries, please contact Dness April Ding via Church Office (Call: 6284 1987/ WA: 8463 2186).

#### **CHURCH NEWS AND ACTIVITIES**

## Book Circle: Launch of e-Library

We are now on Libby, a digital library with over 250 titles curated by the Book Circle.

You may borrow up to 4 books for 21 days. If you would like access to the electronic/audio books, please head to tinyurl.com/ZSelibrarycard

For more info, please contact Bee Hong (91711009) Pek Hong (98188220) Dns Meng Choo (96156853).



Church Office is away from 15 to 19 June 2025 for Church Camp. If you have any urgent matters, please kindly contact the Pastoral Team. Thank you for your understanding!

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## **ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY**

Worship Service	Worshippers & Volunteers
1MS	181
2MS	107
ZES	46
Total	334
Sunday School	26

## **FELLOWSHIP TEA CONTRIBUTIONS**

8 June	Sally Chan	-

## **WEEKLY OFFERING**

## **General and Missions Fund**

(Received 2 June - 8 June)

\$29,974.21



## **PayNow**

UEN: S86SS0063K555

## **Bank Transfer**

DBS Bank Ltd 003-938549-8

#### **BLK 123 MINISTRY UPDATES**

June 2025 Rev Eric Tay

"Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!" - 2 Corinthians 9:15

Time flies—it has already been two months since our last ministry update. We want to thank each of you for your continued prayers and participation in Outreach123. Here's a summary of what God has been doing in and through us during this period:

# New Ministry Launch at AWWA Community Home (Blk 123)

By God's grace, the church has been officially granted the opportunity to conduct activities at the AWWA Community Home at Blk 123. This allows us to reach not only the residents but also about 20+ full-time staff including admin personnel and nurses .

Starting 10 June, my co-worker Yee Ling and I will be conducting sessions every Tuesday from 2:30–4:00 PM.

Our capacity to serve and impact this community depends heavily on volunteer support. Please pray with us that the Lord will provide both the manpower and resources needed.

As it is a secular setting, we are limited in how directly we can share the gospel. We ask for prayers that God would give us wisdom and creativity to be effective witnesses for Christ in both word and deed.

#### **Upcoming Events**

1. Community Haircut @ Blk 123 – 16 August (Saturday Morning)

We are organizing a community haircut for the residents, to be held at the void deck of Blk 121. A team of professional hairstylists has kindly agreed to volunteer their services.

With the support of the Residents' Network, we have successfully booked the Resident Corner at Blk 121 as the venue. Praise the Lord for this provision!

2. Evangelism Training – 12 July

To better equip brothers and sisters for gospel work, we will be holding regular evangelism training sessions throughout the year. The next session is scheduled for 12 July.

Our hope is that more church members will be trained and ready to share the good news of Jesus Christ confidently and compassionately. (Cont on Next Pg)

#### **BLK 123 MINISTRY UPDATES**

## **Upcoming Events** (Continued)

#### 3. Database Project for Blk 123

We are thankful for the many volunteers who have served faithfully at Blk 123 over the past 4 to 5 years. Looking ahead, we plan to visit each household to build a comprehensive resident database to support more effective ministry planning.

We also pray that these visits open new opportunities to share the love of Christ with the residents

#### **Prayer Points**



AWWA Home Activities

Pray for more regular volunteers to join the weekly ministry at AWWA Home.



Community Haircut Event (16 August)

Pray for wisdom in planning, sufficient volunteers, and open hearts among the residents.



Learning (12 July)

Pray for a good turnout and for God to stir a passion in our members to be bold witnesses for Him.



Blk 123 Database Project

Pray for the smooth collection of resident data, and for opportunities to share the gospel during these visits.

Thank you once again for journeying with us in this outreach. Let's continue to press on in faith, knowing that "your labour in the Lord is not in vain" (1 Corinthians 15:58).