

# 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**

Eld Lin Hongsui Louis Tee Dns Joella Tan Louis Tee Arnci Amor Lau Wen Min Kimberly Goh Leonard Lee Dn Ding Si Han Dns April Ding Jonathan Ng Elliot Aruldoss K-shane Chan Adrian Koh Chris Wu Ps Lawrence Ong Eld Chua Hung Choo Ng Jianzhi Dns Clarissa Yim Ng Wai Yoong Chia Hua Song Issac Foo Sonja Foo Ethan Baey Ethan Baey Evan Baey Chioe Lin Kayla Lin Jedediah Koh

#### NEXT WEEK

Do or Done? Mark 7:1-23 Ps Wendell Chua

Lead Ps Wendell Chua 9027 7465 Ps Lawrence Ong 9146 8277 Asst Ps Joseph Tee 9088 0077

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#### Read (pg 10)

TRACT OF THE MONTH: 'STONE COLD HEART'

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### **ORDER OF SERVICE**

Worship Theme Take Heart & Trust

#### **Prepare for Worship**

Prelude

#### **Exalt His Name**

Call to Worship Invocation Gloria Patri Opening Hymn Responsive Scripture Reading

Deuteronomy 31:1-8

Worship in Song

### Listen to His Word

"Take Heart, it is I." Mark 6:45-52 Ps Joseph Tee

**Response Song** 

#### **Give to His Work**

Offering Offertory Response

#### **Pray to Him**

Corporate Prayer Pastoral Prayer

Closing Hymn Benediction Announcements Postlude

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# **SERMON NOTES**

**"Take Heart, it is I."** Mark 6:45-52



I. Jesus Sees (vv. 45-48a)

II. Jesus Acts (vv. 48b-50a)

III. Jesus Calls us to Trust (vv. 50b - 52)

#### **Reflections...**

What life situation is causing you to fear? Be honest and confess to the Lord Jesus in faith and trust, knowing that He is with you in whatever circumstances you face.

# WEEKLY PRAYER GUIDE

## Praying for Our Vision: "Every Gardener a Missionary"

- » May the Holy Spirit do a heart-transformation for us to love out of the love that Christ first demonstrated to us by sacrificing His own life for our sakes (1 John 4:19).
- » Pray for evangelistic opportunities as we continue to prepare to be "Tavistock-Ready."
- » Fundementally, pray that we first know Jesus intimately as we seek to share about Him with our neighbours.

## DG Leaders Training (19 July 25)

- » Thank God for the opportunity to learn the "6 Ways of Missions."
- » Pray for missionary Rebecca Lee as she equips the attendees on this understanding of missions.
- » Pray for the hearts of all attendees to be softened to the needs of missions in ZS.

### Praying for Sports Ministry - Captain's Ball (26 July 25)

- » Thank God for the opportunity for ZS church members and friends to fellowship over sports.
- » Pray for the Holy Spirit to move in the hearts of members to invite newcomers and for the event to be safe, fun and marked by Christlikeness.
- » Pray for favour and wisdom as the committee (Ng Jianmin, Nicolette Yu, Lim Hann Lee & Shermaine Lim) as they continue to organise the event.

### Thanksgiving for Cebu Mission Trip

- » Praise and thanksgiving for God's faithfulness for the Cebu mission trip (for God's protection, provision and guidance), and for the opportunity to serve through equipping in His word and music.
- » We also lift up the GEGC leadership that they may walk in discernment and spiritual maturity as they lead their church. Help them to grow in wisdom, unity, and Christlikeness.

<b>BIBLE READING PLAN 2025</b>			
Date	Chapters	Further Reading	
6-Jul	Psalm 146	Psalms 146-150	
7-Jul	Proverbs 1	Proverbs 1-4	
8-Jul	Proverbs 6	Proverbs 5-9	
9-Jul	Proverbs 10	Proverbs 10-11	
10-Jul	Proverbs 12	Proverbs 12-13	
11-Jul	Proverbs 14	Proverbs 14-15	
12-Jul	Proverbs 16	Proverbs 16-18	
11-Jul	Proverbs 14	Proverbs 14-15	

Family Sunday Worship (6/7) Do take note that there will be no Sunday School today. Children are invited to join the church family for corporate worship and children's sermon (11am service only).

#### **Prayer Fellowship**

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

9, 16, 23, 30 July 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 July

We invite you to read the Word and fellowship together with our growing community of international brothers and sisters!

#### IF In-Person Bible Study

6, 13, 20, 27 July (Sun), 10.45am @ Chapel 1 Study the Word through the Discovery Bible Study!

#### Myanmar Worship Service

*13 & 27 July (Sun), 5pm @ Chapel 2* In partnership with Judson Baptist Church.

#### IF In-Person Gathering

19 July (Sat), 5.30pm @ Chapel 1 Come join us for a time of dinner, sharing and fellowship!

To RSVP for the upcoming gatherings and bible studies, please contact **Elder Hung Choo** @ **9010 2893 or Pinky 8015 9481.** We look forward to meeting new international friends!





### **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: <u>http://chms.</u> zionserangoon.org.sg/ <u>eventmodule/registration/35/</u> module/public

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



### **Captain's Ball Tournament** 26 July 2025 (Sat), 9am -1pm @ SUTD Sports & Recreation Centre

Sports Ministry is organising the annual Captain's Ball Tournament this July. Attractive prizes to be won!

**Registration Details:** 

- 1. Open to all 14 years old and above.
- 2. Limited to 48 participants.
- 3. Priority will be given to newcomers.
- 4. Teams will be allocated by organisers
- 5. All participants will receive a goodie bag!
- 6. Registration closes on 18 July.

# Sign up link:

https://tinyurl.com/ZSCBT25

For queries, please contact **Jianmin (9168 3971)**.



SAVE THE DATE! Community Fun Fair @ Tavistock 13 September 2025 (Sat), 10am - 5pm

This September, come have fun and make a difference in the community!

Look forward to ...

Karnival Food & Arcade Games (Ticketed)

 Learn more about the Voluntary Welfare Organisations in Serangoon

Experience the spirit of
volunteering at 'Agents of Change'
a utopia for children 5 - 12 y/o

Stay tuned for more details!



# 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).



### **Deepest Condolences to...**

Michael, Esther & Brandon Tay on the passing of **Mdm Tan Kim Heyok** on 2 July 2025.

#### **SESSION CONTACT**

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**Rev Eric Tay** 9666 5917

# ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY

Worship Service	Worshippers & Volunteers
1MS	187
2MS	100
ZES	61
Total	348
Sunday School	32

# **FELLOWSHIP TEA CONTRIBUTIONS**

6 July	Helen Tan	Thanksgiving

# WEEKLY OFFERING

# **General and Missions Fund**

(Received 23 June - 29 June)

\$30,961.05



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# TRACT OF THE MONTH - 'Stone Cold Heart'

This month, we'll feature **David Chua**'s testimony to share the power of gospel literature in the ministry of evangelism. May the testimony encourage church members to use the gospel literature resources to share the gospel.

This little tract was the seed that brought me to Christ when I was 13. Its title is **Stone Cold Heart**. At the time I was what many people called a "problem" child—mischievous, delinquent, and very rebellious (some would say I still am). The strangest part is that the tract wasn't given to me by a missionary or evangelist; I found it on the roadside. Someone's apparent rejection had become my seed.

Written by Stephen Hill, Stone Cold Heart is his personal testimony of drug addiction and an eventual descent to rock bottom. One chapter in particular caught my attention-mainly because it was about cookies. Titled "Two Voices at the Cookie Jar," it traces the origins of the voices in his head and his struggle to obey the voice of reason. The whole booklet read like a novel, and I kept turning the pages until I reached the part where, desperate and in jail, he simply kept calling "Jesus" over and over again. Alone in his cell, a peace that surpassed all human understanding flooded him.

That scene hit me hard because it mirrored exactly how I felt: thinking God would never accept me, feeling utterly alone, and believing no one would ever forgive me for the wrongs I'd done. In that moment our heavenly Father reminded me that **no stone-cold heart is ever too cold to be received by the Lord**. I broke down and prayed the sinner's prayer—multiple times, because I was *kiasu (not kidding)*. From that moment, things slowly began to change.

I wish I could say it has been happilyever-after since then. If I'm honest, my story more closely resembles the seed that fell among thorns—a cycle of loss, redemption, loss, and redemption again. I sometimes ask myself, "Would I even forgive me that many times?"

Thankfully, that decision isn't mine to make; it rests purely on God's loving grace. I still firmly believe He has a plan for each of our lives and will carry it out in His perfect time and place. All I have to do is keep believing and keep trusting.

Stone Cold Heart by Stephen Hill

