

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

Eld Timothy Soh Brenda Soh Catherine Ding Ng Wen Hooi Chen Jinling Lau Wen Min Jonathan Chua Irene Koh Sheri Goh Erica Yap Ng Jianmin Merissa Ng Adrian Koh Shalynn Koh

Louis Tee

Chris Wu Eld Oswald Goh Angela Tan Bernard Yim Dns Clarissa Leong Dns Yim-Kow Meng Choo

NEXT WEEK

Mark 8:1-21 Elder Lee Soon Tai

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Ps Lawrence Ong
9146 8277
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Ps Yap Kim Sin (Advisory)

ORDER OF SERVICE

Worship Theme Jesus Hears

Prepare for Worship

Prelude

Exalt His Name

Call to Worship Invocation Gloria Patri Opening Hymn

Responsive Scripture Reading Isaiah 35:1-10

Worship in Song

Listen to His Word

Jesus is Near, Here and Hears Ps Joseph Tee Mark 7:31-37

Response Song

Give to His Work

Offering Offertory Response

Pray to Him

Corporate Prayer Pastoral Prayer

Closing Hymn Benediction Announcements Postlude





SERMON NOTES

Jesus is Near, Here and Hears Mark 7:31-37



- I. Jesus Whom You Want (vv. 31-32)
- II. Jesus Who Graciously Answers (vv. 33-35)
- III. Jesus Who Challenges Your Assumptions (vv. 36-37)
- IV. Jesus Who Is Your Lord and Saviour

Reflections...

How are you comforted that Jesus is near, here and hears you? What will you share with Him?

WEEKLY PRAYER GUIDE

KPod Crisis in Singapore (https://www.channelnewsasia.com/today/big-read/kpods-drugs-vapes-legal-grey-areas-5230556)

- » Let us acknowledge and cry out to God regarding the increasing rise of "KPod" (drug-laced vapes) cases in Singapore.
- » We pray for those addicted to KPod that they will find true freedom in Jesus alone.
- » Pray for the families and marriages affected by this addiction, that God's truth and hope will shine through by the Spirit's conviction.
- » Continue to pray for our nation's leaders as they have wisdom and discernment to tackle this issue.

ZS Prayer Month: Aug 2025

- » Thank God for the opportunity to highlight prayer and praying for one another in August 2025.
- » Pray for those who are sharing during the worship services and at Prayer Fellowship
- » Pray for "Prayer & Praise" and "Sunset Prayer" on 23 August as we come before the LORD as His people.

Praying for our retires

- » We give thank God for retirees in our midst and this new season of retirement.
- » With retirement being a new beginning, may the LORD's hope arise, and His vision be their guide.
- We remember the tremendous blessing that has come from the work of many years, and that He will still anoint and use retirees always, in all seasons.
- » May the LORD provide a new rhythm emerge, one that forms a beautiful balance between rest and engagement with life.

CHURCH NEWS AND ACTIVITIES

BIBLE READING PLAN 2025			
Date	Chapters	Further Reading	
27-Jul	Isaiah 24	Isaiah 23-27	
28-Jul	Isaiah 28	Isaiah 28-30	
29-Jul	Isaiah 35	Isaiah 31-35	
30-Jul	Isaiah 37	Isaiah 36-39	
31-Jul	Isaiah 40	Isaiah 40-43	
1-Aug	Isaiah 48	Isaiah 44-48	
2-Aug	Isaiah 53	Isaiah 49-53	



Prayer Fellowship

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

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

Myanmar Worship Service
27 July (Sun), 5pm @ Chapel 2
In partnership with Judson Baptist
Church.

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!

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SAVE THE DATE!

Community Fun Fair @ Tavistock

13 September 2025 (Sat), 10am - 5pm Zion Serangoon B-P Church

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

Look forward to...

Carnival Food, Arcade Games & Bouncy Castle

Learn more about the Voluntary Welfare Organisations in Serangoon

Step into the lives of the beneficiaries and become an 'Agent of Change' - an interactive activity for the young and old.

Tickets are at **\$5**! Includes 5 Food/ Activity items + 1 FREE SCOOP from Celine's Gelato (1-5pm)

Get your tickets now at communityfunfair.org

CHURCH NEWS AND ACTIVITIES



Book Circle: Launch of e-Library

We are now on Libby, a digital library with over 700 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).



Congratulations to **Dn Ivan** & **Jamie Feng** on the birth of their daughter, **Heather Feng** Qian Ning, on 21 July 2025.

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ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY

Worship Service	Worshippers & Volunteers
1MS	225
2MS	107
ZES	47
Total	379
Sunday School	39

FELLOWSHIP TEA CONTRIBUTIONS

27 July	Au Na-Chuang	Thanksgiving

WEEKLY OFFERING

General and Missions Fund

(Received 14 July - 20 July)

\$46,522.03



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BOOK CIRCLE



Books on Prayer

Synopsis of E/Audio Books from E-Library on prayers to help you in your prayer lives

"If God is all-knowing, why should we pray? If God is all-powerful, why would He listen if we do? God loves to hear us when we pray to Him. And He chooses to work through our prayers." Quote by Elder Oswald Goh

As we head into August, our Prayer Emphasis Month, may we be more intentional in our prayer lives. We warmly invite you to join Prayer Fellowship (Every Wednesday, 8pm). We also hope these books will support and enrich your prayer journey.

1) How To Pray

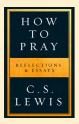
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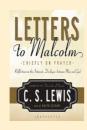
"How to Pray" showcases C. S. Lewis's enduring wisdom on prayer and its place in our daily lives and provides practical wisdom and instructions to help readers nurture their spiritual beliefs and embraces prayer in all its forms. He guides us through the practice, illuminating the significance of prayer and why it is central to faith. It offers a deeper understanding of our personal tradition of prayer, our faith and what it is means to be a Christian.

2) Letters To Malcolm

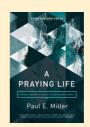
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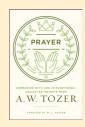
In the beautiful, conceived meditative "Letters To Malcolm" on prayers and praying to a close friend, C. S. Lewis, mediates on the intimate dialogue between man and God. He considers practical and metaphysical aspects of prayer, such as when we pray and where. Lewis never intended for this book to instruct readers how to pray but rather wanted to illuminate the purpose of prayer and what really happens when we take the time to communicate with our Heavenly Father.











(From Left to Right) How To Pray by C. S. Lewis, Letters to Malcom by C. S. Lewis, The Intercessory Prayer of Jesus by Warren W. Wiersbe, A Praying Life by Paul Miller & Prayer by A. W. Tozer



3) The Intercessory Prayer of Jesus by Warren W. Wiersbe

"The Intercessory Prayer of Jesus" by Warren W Wiersbe addresses the most pressing concerns of contemporary Christian living, including understanding salvation, making disciples, utilizing spiritual resources, becoming mature in Christ, creating a genuine community of believers, and balancing truth and love. The result is an expository and devotional study reflecting the doctrinal integrity and relevant teachings of Jesus' prayer recorded some two thousand years ago – and still very much relevant to Christian life today.

4) A Praying Life by Paul Miller

Prayer is hard. Often, unless circumstances demand it—such as illness or saying grace before a meal, we do not make it an essential part of our daily life. "A Praying Life" by Paul Miller is a prayer guide that encourages Christians to peruse a vibrant prayer life full of joy

and power and helps them learn how to pray faithfully and courageously. The book invites you to a life of connection to God and reminds us that prayer is simply making conversation with God, a rhythm of daily Christian life.

5) Prayer by A. W. Tozer

A. W. Tozer understood prayer as few do: as a way of life. "Prayer" combines the best of Tozer of God in one book. Tozer was captured by the great wonder of God, and he regarded prayer as the primary means of coming into His Presence. But if our everyday life is filled with the barrenness of busyness and there is no serious urgency to pray, we forfeit the wonder of being conformed to the image of Christ and knowing our God more intimately. Prayer is doable. God is accessible. Tozer provides the wisdom and encouragement to help us encounter Him daily. 'Prayer" takes our understanding of prayer to new depths and helps us have a life that prays.

These books are available on Zion Serangoon e-Library. You can contact Bee Hong (HP 91711009) or Pek Hong (HP 98188220) or Meng Choo (HP 96156853) for an access to our e-Library. Alternatively, fill up this online form (tinyurl.com/ZSelibrarycard) to provide your email address for the password to gain access to our e-Library.

"Nurturing in each gardener a heart with a thirst to seek after Him"