

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 Reuben Ang David Chua Erica Yap Sally Chan Arnci Amor Lau Wen Min Jonathan Foo Rebecca Oh Hannah Oh

Dns April Dina Bong Ru Hui Eld Chua Hung Choo Cecilia Arokiam Ng Jianzhi **Dns Clarissa Leong** Ng Wai Yoong Chia Hua Song

Ps Wendell Chua Nicolette Yu Jonathan Ng Keagan Leong Feryianto Ang Ng Jian Hao

#### **NEXT WEEK**

Open My Eyes That I May See Mark 8:22-26 Ps Lawrence Ong

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 9-11)

**BOOK CIRCLE: BOOKS ON PRAYER** 

#### ORDER OF SERVICE

Worship Theme Spiritual Blindness

#### **Prepare for Worship**

Prelude

#### **Exalt His Name**

Call to Worship Invocation Gloria Patri Opening Hymn

Responsive Scripture Reading

John 3:1-15

Elder Lee Soon Tai

Worship in Song

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

Seeing Yet Blind: Jesus' Call to Spiritual Sight

Mark 8:1-21

Response Song

#### Give to His Work

Offering Offertory Response

#### **Pray to Him**

Corporate Prayer Pastoral Prayer

Closina Hvmn Benediction Announcements Postlude





## **SERMON NOTES**

## Seeing Yet Blind: Jesus' Call to Spiritual Sight Mark 8:1-21



- I. Introduction
- II. Jesus' Compassion: Reveals Our Blindness (8:1-9)
- III. The Pharisees' Blindness: Demanding Signs (8:10-13)
- IV. The Disciples' Blindness: Missing the Point (8:14-21)
- V. Overcoming Spiritual Blindness
- VI. Conclusion

#### Reflections...

Ask God to reveal areas of spiritual blindness. May we pray for our eyes to see His work and heart to trust His Word.

#### **WEEKLY PRAYER GUIDE**

#### Praying for Our Nation (Singapore's National Day - 9 Aug)

- » We thank God that Singaporeans can stand together as God's people in this land He has appointed called Singapore.
- Ask humbly for our forgiveness as we repent of any lukewarmness, knowing that "Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people". (Proverbs 14:34).
- » As the LORD have urged us in Scripture, we pray too, especially, for our elected leaders and all those in authority to steer the country wisely in the way that pleases and honours Him, so that we may lead "peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness" (1 Timothy 2:1-4).

#### Blk 123 Community Haircut (16 August, 9.00am-12.30pm)

- » Praise God for the hairdressers who have willingly volunteered their time and skills to provide free haircuts for our Blk 123 residents. Pray for Godgiven opportunities to build friendships and show His love to both the hairdressers and the residents attending the event.
- » Pray for God to raise up more volunteers with hearts to serve—especially in areas like registration, befriending, and ushering—so that every resident feels welcomed and cared for on that day.

#### **Building and Grounds**

- » Thank God for blessing us with this space where we can come to worship and fellowship as His people.
- » Thank God for brother Paul Low to us as our Building and Grounds Supervisor. May God continue to bless him with the necessary talents and skills to take care of our building.
- » Pray for wisdom and unity of mind between Zion Serangoon and Faith BPC as we work together to manage and steward well what God has so richly blessed us with.

## Month of August: ZS Prayer Month!

» Let us pray to the LORD to cultivate the joy of speaking to Jesus in His presence of the Holy Spirit! (2 Chronicles 7:14)

<b>BIBLE READING PLAN 2025</b>			
Date	Chapters	Further Reading	
3-Aug	Isaiah 55	Isaiah 54-38	
4-Aug	Isaiah 59	Isaiah 59-62	
5-Aug	Isaiah 65	Isaiah 63-66	
6-Aug	Jeremiah 1	Jeremiah 1-3	
7-Aug	Jeremiah 4	Jeremiah 4-6	
8-Aug	Jeremiah 7	Jeremiah 7-9	
9-Aug	Jeremiah 10	Jeremiah 10-13	

Family Sunday Worship (3/8) 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).



IF National Day Celebration 16 August 2025 (Sat), 5.30pm

Come volunteer with us and celebrate national day with our foreign friends!

To volunteer/ RSVP, please contact Elder Hung Choo @ 9010 2893 or Pinky 8015 9481

#### **Prayer Fellowship**

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

6, 13, 20, 27 August 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



## Volunteers needed for Blk 123 Community Haircut

16 August 2025 (Sat), 9.00am Blk 121 Void Deck

We need volunteers for registration, ushers and befrienders. Refreshments will be provided.

To volunteer, please contact **Dness April Ding @ 9694 3276**.



#### **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



#### **COMING SOON!**

**R2** Conference: In Christ Alone 25 October 2025 (Sat), 9am - 2pm Zion Serangoon B-P Church

The second-edition of Rethinking Reformation (R2) Conference is back this Reformation Weekend! Come reflect on the profound power of the Cross and the salvation secured in Christ alone.

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Justin Joon Lee (Singapore Bible College)

Registration fee is at **\$10**! Inclusive of booklet, lunch and refreshments.

Register today at reformationsg.org



# **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).



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

Brandon Looi (1MS) on the passing of his father, **Mr Looi Fook Seng**, on 26 July 2025.

#### **SESSION CONTACT**

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Eld Timothy Soh (Missions) 9180 1819

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Eld Oswald Goh 9754 3094

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Nicolette Yu (Accounts, Finance, Building) 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

## BLK 123 CHAPLAIN (PART-TIME) CONTACT

Rev Eric Tay 9666 5917

## **ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY**

Worship Service	Worshippers & Volunteers
1MS	193
2MS	118
ZES	52
Total	363
Sunday School	44

## **FELLOWSHIP TEA CONTRIBUTIONS**

3 Aug	-	-

## **WEEKLY OFFERING**

## **General and Missions Fund**

(Received 21 July - 27 July)

\$39,673.67



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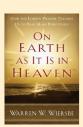


## **Books on Prayer**

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

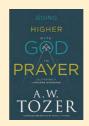
God and His righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you (Matthew 6 vs33). We seek as we pray to the One to whom the Kingdom belongs" Quote by Deacon Tony Seah

This August is 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.



The basic element of prayer found in the Lord's Prayer are a helpful guide to Christians hoping to enrich their prayers. In "On Earth as it

is in Heaven", Warren Wiersbe explains and applies the elements of the Lord's Prayer to everyday prayer, so readers get excited about maturing in their personal prayer ministries. Any reader wanting to experience a more satisfying and effective prayer life will cherish this thoughtful book.



In "Going higher to God in Prayer", A.W Tozer points out that the Church's greatest curse is unanswered prayer, and many people

do not seem bothered by that. Maybe they don't understand what answered prayers is all about. Tozer outlines this as only he can, describing the kind of prayer God answers and the kind of prayer that leaves Him silent. Ultimately, you must ask yourself whether: are my prayers today more powerful and effective that they were a year ago? Our good Father wants them to be! This book opens with Jacob's Ladder and its theme of ascending into God's very presence. What better place to begin dialoging with God? Only He can teach us what is on His heart, what His will is, and what our part in it could be.

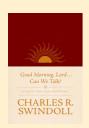
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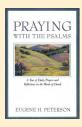
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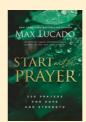
Do you long for daily encouragement and inspiration? Do you wish your quiet times filled with power and purpose? Discover the joy and ease of meeting

God each day in a meaningful way with this year-long devotional, "Can wetalk?" by the world's premier Bible teacher, Charles Swindoll, connects you to the restorative promises God speaks in His Scriptures.



"Praying with Psalms" can help Christians become fluent in the language of prayer, encouraging us to pray even when we don't feel like it, and to learn

prayers that are both honest and right. Based on the life and words of David, the Psalms provide insightful reflections on depression, anger, frustration, fear and insecurity, as well as joy, exhilaration. **Eugene Peterson** in this book offers daily reading to guide us in expressing to God the wide range of human emotions. Through this enriched communication with God, we are led to deeper understanding and a true following of His will.



"Start with Prayers" by Max Lucado is a trustworthy resource that you can turn to no matter what season of life you're in right now, reminding you

that starting with prayer is always the right answer. It helps to foster prayers that impact every aspect of life. with pravers centered around: clarity and creativity. healing and safety, inspiration and encouragement, preservation and endurance, wisdom and leadership. It helps prayer become a triedand-true practice in our lives and change the way you think about vour relationship with God.

These books are available on Zion Serangoon e-Library. You can contact **Bee Hong (HP 91711009)** or Pek Hong (HP 98188220) or Dns Meng Choo (HP 96156853) for an access to our e-Library.

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