



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

Elder Lin Hongsui	Amelia Lim
Ruth Ong	Cassia Torres
Caleb Ong	Chris Wu
Selene Wee	Elder Oswald Goh
Ng Wen Hooi,	Cecilia Arokiam
Hannah Ong	Ng Peiyi
Goh Shu Jin	Xavier Arokiam
Sonja Chua	
Jonathan Chua	
Lau Wen Min	
Leonard Lee	
Ps Wendell Chua	
Dns April Wu	
Shalynn Koh	
Zach Lim	

## NEXT WEEK

### From Broken to Bride

Mark 10:1-12

Ps Wendell Chua

### 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

### Foreign Mission Committee

Updates (pg 10-12)

## ORDER OF SERVICE

Worship Theme *Radical Warfare Against Sin*

### Prepare for Worship

Prelude

### Exalt His Name

Call to Worship

Invocation

Gloria Patri

Opening Hymn

Responsive Scripture Reading

Deuteronomy 13:6-11

Worship in Song

### Listen to His Word

**Radical Warfare Against Sin**

Mark 9:42-50

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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## Radical Warfare Against Sin Mark 9:42-50



### Introduction

#### I. Jesus Warns About Temptation

#### II. Jesus Warns About Hell

#### III. Jesus Warns Against Worldliness

#### IV. Jesus Pleads for Loving Unity

### Conclusion

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### Reflections...

*Reflection: Jesus' words in Mark 9:42-50 are unadulterated and unsettling. He speaks of radical measures to deal with sin: cutting off hands, feet, and plucking out eyes. These are not literal commands, but a call to radical spiritual warfare.*

*Challenge: What areas of your life need radical spiritual warfare? What sins do you need to confront and eliminate? Are you willing to take drastic measures to follow Jesus and live a life of obedience to Him?*

# WEEKLY PRAYER GUIDE

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## Praying for the World - Nepal

Currently, Nepal is in deep crisis. At least 21 people have been killed and hundreds injured as police opened fire on largely Gen-Z youth protesters. The protests began after the government banned 26 social media platforms (including Facebook, WhatsApp, YouTube, and X), claiming they spread unrest. The authorities have been very strict, but this has only fueled anger and pain among the young generation.

Please pray for:

- » Comfort for families mourning their loved ones
- » Healing for the wounded and traumatized
- » Peace in Nepal, that violence would not escalate further
- » Wisdom for government leaders to listen with humility and justice
- » Protection and guidance for the young generation to pursue change with peace
- » Strength for the Nepali Church to stand as peacemakers and intercessors.

## Praying for Our Youths Taking Major Examinations

- » Pray for our youths that as they study, they will not peg their worth to their grades but to their identity in Christ.
- » Pray that they may have clarity of mind and calmness of heart as they prepare and do their examinations.

### O levels

Gordon Chia, K-Shane, Kyla Chua, Megan Chua, Mingxuan, Roshni, Sarah Chua, Taylor

### A levels

Amalya Ruth, Chloe Lin, Emma Lee-Goh, Ethan Baey, Kayla Lin, Lucas Chan

### IB Exams

Jedidiah Koh, Micah Toh, Rebecca Toh

# WEEKLY PRAYER GUIDE

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## **Covenant Bible School: “Growing Together in Christ: Teaching and Learning in the Church” - Starting 25 Sept 25**

- » Thank God for the opportunity for both local and international students to dig deeper into the Bible through our latest course, especially in terms of how we learn and teach in church!
- » Pray for Dr. Jessie Swigart as she teaches this interactive class and be clear and applicable for all the students.
- » Pray for learners that their faith will be deepen as their minds are engaged in these five lessons, particularly for overseas students who may not have access to such quality teachings.

## **Christians@Work:Salespersons**

- » Pray for the Christians in our church working in sales.
- » May the LORD give them wisdom and insight in the development of their sales promotions and techniques.

## **Community Fun Fair @ Tavistock (13 Sept 2025)**

- » Thank God for the non-Christians family and friends who came for our Church Fun Fair yesterday. Please pray that the Gospel seed that has been planted will take root and reap fruit in God's perfect time.
- » Thank God for all the volunteers who gave of their time, energy, and effort in service to our Great King Jesus! We thank God for the many missional opportunities that came about during the Fun Fair and we pray for more to come as we follow up with our visitors.

# CHURCH NEWS AND ACTIVITIES

## BIBLE READING PLAN 2025

Date	Chapters	Further Reading
14-Sep	Hosea 11	Hosea 8-14
15-Sep	Joel 2	Joel 1-3
16-Sep	Amos 2	Amos 1-5
17-Sep	Amos 9	Amos 6-9
18-Sep	Jonah 1	Obadiah-Jonah
19-Sep	Micah 4	Micah 1-7
20-Sep	Nahum 1	Nahum 1-3

## International Fellowship (IF) Gatherings

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

### IF In-Person Bible Study

14 Sept (Sun), 10.45am

### Myanmar Worship Service

14 Sept (Sun), 5pm @ Chapel 2

### IF In-Person Gathering

20 Sept (Sat), 5.30pm

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!

## Prayer Fellowship

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

17, 24 September  
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**

**CHILDREN'S DAY SPECIAL**  
for kids 4yo - 12yo

Oct 4, 2025 (Saturday)  
2:30-4:30pm (Arrive from 2pm)  
Zion Serangoon BP Church  
(3 Tavistock Ave 555108)

Register at:  
[Tinyurl.com/ChDay25](http://Tinyurl.com/ChDay25)



## Children's Day Special: Who Am I?

4 Oct 2025 (Sat), 2-4.30pm  
Zion Serangoon B-P Church

For kids 4y/o - 12y/o.  
Contact Joy (97866215) or  
Pearl (96562828) for details.  
Register at  
[tinyurl.com/ChDay25](http://tinyurl.com/ChDay25)

# CHURCH NEWS AND ACTIVITIES

## Growing Together in Christ

Teaching and Learning in the Church

by Dr. Jessie Swigart



25 September 2025 - 30 October 2025\*

Thursdays 7.30pm - 9.30pm

\* Break on 16 October

### Covenant Bible School: Growing Together in Christ - Teaching and Learning in the Church

25 September 2025 -

30 October 2025\*

Thursdays 7.30pm - 9.30pm

How well are we learning and teaching in church? What could we do better grow together in Christ?

Join our upcoming Covenant Bible School's course, "Growing Together in Christ: Teaching and Learning in the Church." These five interactive classes by Dr. Jessie Swigart, from Covenant Seminary, will help with teaching and learning in the church.

**Register now at**  
[covenantbibleschool.org/  
register](https://covenantbibleschool.org/register)

For more info, please contact  
**Ps Joseph Tee (9088 0077)**

RETHINKING REFORMATION CONFERENCE

Reformation Weekends 2025

## In Christ Alone

"In Him, all things hold together."



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

Registration Fee: **\$10**  
(inclusive of booklet, lunch & refreshments)

25 OCTOBER 2025 (SAT)  
9.30AM - 2.00PM

ZION SERANGOON B-P CHURCH  
3 & 5 TAVISTOCK AVE SINGAPORE

REGISTER AT [REFORMATIONSSG.ORG](https://reformationssg.org)

### COMING SOON!

#### R2 Conference: In Christ Alone

25 October 2025 (Sat),

9am - 2pm

Zion Serangoon B-P Church

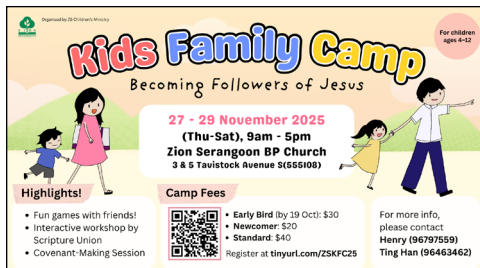
The second-edition of Rethinking Reformation (R2) Conference is back this Reformation Weekend! Come reflect on the profound power of the Cross and the salvation secured in Christ alone.

**Keynote Speaker:**  
**Dr. Justin Joon Lee**  
*Associate Professor of  
Systematic and Historical Theology  
at Singapore Bible College*

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

**Register today at**  
[reformationssg.org](https://reformationssg.org)

# CHURCH NEWS AND ACTIVITIES



Registered by 28 Churches Ministry

## Kids Family Camp

Becoming Followers of Jesus

27 - 29 November 2025  
(Thu-Sat), 9am - 5pm  
Zion Serangoon BP Church  
3 & 5 Tavistock Avenue S(656108)

For children ages 4-12

**Highlights!**

- Fun games with friends!
- Interactive workshop by Scripture Union
- Covenant-Making Session

**Camp Fees**

- Early Bird (by 19 Oct): \$30
- Newcomer: \$20
- Standard: \$40

Register at [tinyurl.com/ZSKFC25](https://tinyurl.com/ZSKFC25)

For more info, please contact  
Henry (96797559)  
Ting Han (96463462)

## ZS KIDS FAMILY CAMP

27 - 29 November 2025  
(Thu - Sat), 9am - 5pm  
Zion Serangoon B-P Church

This camp is a vital opportunity for us to ground our children in disciple-making truths as we learn what it means to 'Become Followers of Jesus'. ✨

**NEW - Parents (including parents of teenagers) are invited to learn about the "7 Godly Habits of Covenant Families" on 29th November, 9am - 4.30pm. Lunch & light refreshments provided.**

**Camp Fees:**  
Early Bird (by 19 Oct): \$30  
Newcomer: \$20  
Standard: \$40

Inclusive of all meals, materials and camp tee. **Register at** [tinyurl.com/ZSKFC25](https://tinyurl.com/ZSKFC25)

For more info, please contact  
**Henry (96797559) or**  
**Ting Han (96463462)**



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## YOUTH CAMP

18-23 Dec 2025

scan for form

Register by 16 Nov

**\$70**  
early bird  
til 31 Oct

DO YOU KNOW HIM?

Laraine | 9644 8983 / Evan | 8837 2911

Zion Serangoon BP Church

## ZS Youth Camp 2025

18 - 23 Dec 2025

Calling all youths! Come learn about the attributes of God, have fun and bond with youths at the upcoming youth camp!

**Camp Fee: \$70 (Early bird), \$85 (After 31 Oct)**

Scan the QR Code to register!  
Contact Laraine (9644 8983) or Evan (8837 2911) for details.

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**Ps Joseph Tee** is away preaching at Grace B-P Church this morning.



Congratulations to **Elliott & Tisha Aruldoss** on the birth of their son, **Elias James Aruldoss**, on 10 September 2025.



## Deepest Condolences to...

the Sng family on the home-going **Mrs Rose Sng-Soong Siu Hing (ZES)**, on 11 September 2025.

### **SESSION CONTACT**

**Eld Lin Hong Sui** (Stewardship)  
9199 9063

**Eld Timothy Soh** (Missions)  
9180 1819

**Eld Reuben Ang** (Worship)  
9638 8841

**Eld Oswald Goh**  
9754 3094

### **MINISTRY STAFF CONTACT**

**Dns April Ding** (Church coordination, HR)  
9694 3276

**Esther Ng** (Church coordination, Youth & Admin)  
9834 9256

**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	168
2MS	106
ZES	48
Total	322
Sunday School	-

# FELLOWSHIP TEA CONTRIBUTIONS

14 Sept	Emily Chua	Thanksgiving
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# WEEKLY OFFERING

## General and Missions Fund

(Received 1 Sept - 7 Sept

\$48,954.26



## PayNow

UEN: S86SS0063K555

## Bank Transfer

DBS Bank Ltd  
003-938549-8

# FMC UPDATES: REBECCA LEE

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*Report Jan to Jun 2025*

## **Completion of Research Project at OCMS**

After Home Assignment (HA, Apr to Nov 2023), I applied for Administrative Leave of Absence from OMF with the approval of ZS. ZS kindly supported me in different ways as I embarked in March 2024 on a program at Oxford Centre for Mission Studies, UK as a means to reflect and review the past 20 years or so on the field. I learnt to understand and do basic research and on 1 March 2025, submitted a 45-page paper entitled “5 loaves and 2 fish: An offering from 13 Singapore missionaries”, exploring how the culture and values of Singaporean missionaries impact the way the gospel is shared to other cultures. I received a simple certificate of completion and am grateful for the whole challenging process of research and realise that it will be helpful as I teach at Discipleship Training Centre (see 2 paragraphs down).

## **The loss of Wan Jee**

On 8 Mar 2025, at Wan Jee’s deathbed, Siah Chuan asked me to be the link person between OMF Singapore and ZS in the matters relating to the wake and funeral details. It was one of the hardest thing I’ve ever done, and can only thank God for His grace and enabling. I am ever grateful that, together with Chris Tan, we formed the think-tank – it allowed me to get to know these 2 very special fieldworkers and to find support that all returnees need. I believe we are just now beginning to see some fruit, coming out from their emphasis and Wan Jee’s reminder to pray and pray. Her loss is great.

## **Discipleship Training Centre (DTC)**

In Mar 2023, before I headed back to Singapore for HA, the Dean of Discipleship Training Centre approached me to consider a role at DTC. Alvin Tan was formerly an OMFer serving in Cambodia with his family. Then, although everything was topsy turvy as I packed and sorted, I was struck immediately with a sense of excitement and the possibilities at the school, even though I questioned my qualifications and what the role demanded. Alvin did not pressure me to give an immediate reply. Slowly I asked questions of those connected to DTC, in particular Jenny Fung as DTC Board member, who helped me see that I was in a place to contribute to the school with my field experience and as a female.

It was only in Jun 2024, when I was at a 3-week-long retreat that catered specifically for missionaries, that God gave me the freedom to close the door on Cambodia. That also meant I could start exploring DTC in earnest. I had returned

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to Singapore with the sense that I should live with and be the main caregiver for my mother, who was living on her own then. Providentially, my brother and his family said they would move in with her, which then freed me to consider DTC. Nonetheless, it remained a matter of prayer for some months, set aside as I worked on the project and also as I got involved in various ZS ministries.

If you want to get hold of DTC news, here is the link to their newsletter. The most recent one included an introduction of me. [https://www.dtc.org.sg/\\_files/ugd/4973b9\\_baa8f8a100264cc39e2a3cc8d293bc8a.pdf](https://www.dtc.org.sg/_files/ugd/4973b9_baa8f8a100264cc39e2a3cc8d293bc8a.pdf)

The new academic year begins on 15 July and I will teach one course per term (4 altogether). Since end April, I have been helping a few students to build up their proficiency in English. There are 9 new ones altogether from Cambodia, China, Indonesia, Japan, the Philippines, Thailand and Timor Lester.

### 6 ways of getting involved in missions at ZS

Never had I imagined that ZS would embark on a direction for the church to see “Every Gardener a missionary”. Nonetheless, a shortness of imagination can’t but leave room for man to marvel at God’s purposes. The Children Ministries approached me to run some programs for them and as I was convicted that it would need to be more a series than a mere one-off, they accommodated me and I believe now the children and the teachers have a clearer grasp of their place in God’s mission. This year, the most rewarding thing was to see the teachers themselves and former short-term team members passing on the vision and lessons learnt. Last year’s best equipping sessions happened when the FMC and I reviewed past practices and in the light of current trends in the world impacting the church’s mission, we also found some ways forward – not all realised, but it was part of the learning process.

It was immensely important to Wan Jee and I that the short-term teams be equipped for what they would do in Cambodia and the Philippines – with a Biblical understanding of mission and crossing cultures. I led some of the sessions with her and I believe they are bearing fruit. In July, I facilitated one session for DG leaders on the 6 ways; and am prepared for a 2nd session to reach other leaders of ministries. Eventually, I want to see the whole church grow in understanding of *Missio Dei* as well, and actively applying the 6 ways as families, Fellowships and Discipleship Groups.

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## OMF Singapore on the move

Post-Covid, staff at OMF Singapore have noticed a surge of interest in missions to our surrounding nations, including Cambodia. Praise God! The Memorandum of Understanding between DTC and OMF allows me to help support this interest in various ways.

\*In February at an event organised by OMF Singapore, I was on a panel of 3 to introduce the range of ministries in OMF Cambodia. The other countries were China and Thailand.

\*In mid-June I ran 2 sessions of learning Khmer with a very capable Khmer student from DTC. There were 22 attendees for the first one, representing at least 3 churches and individuals.

\*On July 30, I will share on Cambodia at OMF and plan to involve more Khmer students and missionaries with active involvement there.

\*Between Oct 17 to 20, I will bring a team of up to 6 persons to Cambodia to do prayer walks and cultural exploration, to open the way for interested individuals. Ideally, such a trip should be administered by the team in OMF Cambodia but they are short-handed and the Field Director of Cambodia has agreed that I could be of help. Of course I have also cleared this trip with DTC.

## Other matters

a) I continue to enjoy the privilege of wheeling ZS members from Cheshire Home and also plan to keep up with the Block 123 visits as well.

b) I have been studying Scripture (Precept upon Precept) with missionary friends online, and am also in a prayer trio meeting online once a month.

c) I have had opportunities to encourage and make spiritual input into the lives of young ones at ZS (and elsewhere) and am grateful for their openness and for a few, an eagerness to grow in Him.

Thank you for your patience as you read this longer than usual report, as it is my first one after returning from Cambodia. Thank you too for your prayers for the events between July to October. And thank God for each of you in this committee – I believe God has put us, each with unique personality, perspectives and gifts to serve together at a time like this.

**Rebecca Lee**

Zion Serangoon B-P Church missionary