

#### 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 Oswald Goh Yap Foon Lyn Erica Yap Arnci Amor Lau Wen Min Hannah On Bona Ru Hui Dns Joella Tan Merissa Ng Ng Jianmin Elliot Aruldoss Zach Lim Esther Tay

Dns April Wu

Chris Wu

Eld Chua Hung Choo Cecilia Arokiam Ng Jianzhi Goh Boon Cher

#### **NEXT WEEK**

"I was blind, but now I see" Mark 10:46-52 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

Ps Wendell Writes... (pg 10) Books on Discipleship (pg 11-12)

#### **ORDER OF SERVICE**

Worship Theme Our Servant King

#### **Prepare for Worship**

Prelude

#### **Exalt His Name**

Call to Worship Invocation Gloria Patri Opening Hymn

Responsive Scripture Reading Mark 10:17-31

Worship in Song

#### Listen to His Word

Marks of a True Disciple Ps Wendell Chua Mark 10:17-45

Response Song

#### Give to His Work

Offering Offertory Response

#### **Pray to Him**

Corporate Prayer Pastoral Praver

Closing Hymn Benediction **Announcements** Postlude





# **SERMON NOTES**

# Marks of a True Disciple Mark 10:17-45



- 1. Introduction What money and power can't buy
- 2. Christian Discipleship
- a. Radical Love: Jesus and the Rich Young Ruler (10:17-31)
- b. Radical Greatness: James and John's Ambition Rewired (10:35-45)
- c. Radical Servanthood: What the Son of Man came to do (10:45)
- 3. Conclusion A Call to Journey Towards Discipleship Together

#### Reflections...

# **WEEKLY PRAYER GUIDE**

# Praying for the World - Mental health

(Adapted from https://lausanne.org/pray)

- » Pray that Christians will break the cultural taboos and stigmas associated with mental health issues, and address them in a holistic and loving manner.
- » Pray that care for the mentally ill and traumatized will become a hallmark of the Christian Church. 'The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit' (Psalm 34:18 NIV).

# **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**

# Praying for Fellow Bible-Presbyterian Church in Singapore (BPCIS) Churches: Hebron B-P Church

- » Thank God for his faithfulness to Hebronites during this time of renovation and relocation to other worship premises.
- » Pray for Hebronites to continue to respond in faith by deepening discipleship and love for one another.

# Wheeling Ministry

- » Pray for our worshippers at Ling Kwang Home and Cheshire Home to continue to be a blessing to those that they live with. They have a privilege of spending every day with the rest of the residents from these homes and the unique opportunity to impact these lives
- » Pray for more volunteers to help share the load amongst the existing volunteers

# R2 Conference 2025 (25 Oct 2025)

- » Thank God for the opportunity to bless fellow believers in Singapore with our annual reformation lectures, the "R2 (Rethinking the Reformation) Conference."
- » Pray for Dr. Justin Joon Lee (Singapore Bible College), as our keynote speaker, to have wisdom and clarity as he teaches on our unity in Christ.
- » Pray that the Holy Spirit work in the hearts of our participants as we commerate and remember the Reformation and the relevance of it for today's world.

BIBLE READING PLAN 2025			
Date	Chapters	Further Reading	
5-Oct	Matthew 23	Matthew 22-23	
6-Oct	Matthew 24	Matthew 24-25	
7-Oct	Matthew 26	Matthew 26	
8-Oct	Matthew 27	Matthew 27-28	
9-Oct	Mark 1	Mark 1-3	
10-Oct	Mark 5	Mark 4-5	
11-Oct	Mark 6	Mark 6-7	

# 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 5 Oct (Sun). 10.45am

Myanmar Worship Service
12 & 24 Oct (Sun), 5pm @ Chapel 2

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!

# No Parking at LKH

Please note that Ling Kwang Home carpark will be unavailable from 13 October - 21 November 2025.

# **Prayer Fellowship**

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

8, 15, 22, 29 October 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



# Deepavali Walk

20 Oct 2025 (Mon), 8am Botanic Gardens

Invite your friends and family for a guided nature walk & journey through the south of Singapore this Deepavali!

Register at tr.ee/zswalk



# Befriending Your Emotions 18 Oct 2025 (Sat), 4pm-6pm

"What do you feel?" Some of us find it difficult to respond when we are asked this question. Why is it important to know and befriend our emotions? How does trauma prevent us from connecting with our emotions in a healthy way?

Join us for a special workshop by Pamela Koh from ThriveSg, as we grow in befriending our emotions and coping with them in healthy ways.

Pamela is a registered counsellor who specialises in working with trauma and grief-related issues that often underlies mental health issues. She is passionate about helping people heal from their past traumas, and grow emotionally so that they can reach their fullest potential to thrive significantly in life.

Register at <a href="http://chms.zionserangoon.org.sg/">http://chms.zionserangoon.org.sg/</a> eventmodule/registration/37/module/public



# COMING SOON! R2 Conference: In Christ Alone

25 October 2025 (Sat), 9.30am - 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 reformationsg.org



#### **ZS KIDS FAMILY CAMP**

27 - 29 November 2025 (Thu - Sat), 9am - 5pm

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'.

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

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



# **ZS KIDS FAMILY CAMP**

29 November 2025 (Sat), 9am - 12.30pm

All parents are invited to come and learn, share, and discuss how you can nurture a strong covenant family culture in your homes!

Parents of teens are welcome too! Lunch & light refreshments will be provided.

Inclusive of all meals, materials and camp tee. **Register at** tinyurl.com/covenant-families

For more info, please contact Eld Hong Sui (9199 9063)



# 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.

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

Isaac Foo, Sonja and family wish to express our thanks to pastors, leaders, church staff, and members for their prayers, love, support and comfort at this time of bereavement, specially their presence at the Wake of Mr Foo Hee Liang.

#### **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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# BLK 123 CHAPLAIN (PART-TIME) CONTACT

**Rev Eric Tay** 9666 5917

# **ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY**

Worship Service	Worshippers & Volunteers
1MS	205
2MS	112
ZES	67
Total	384
Sunday School	39

# **FELLOWSHIP TEA CONTRIBUTIONS**

5 Oct	Isaac & Sonja Foo	Thanksgiving
	Sally Chua	Thanksgiving

# **WEEKLY OFFERING**

# **General and Missions Fund**

(Received 22 Sept - 28 Sept)

\$27,942.00



# **PayNow**

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# **Bank Transfer**

DBS Bank Ltd 003-938549-8

## **PS WENDELL WRITES...**

#### Church Leaders' Retreat 2025 and our Disciples' Journey

Last Saturday (27 September 2025), 35 of us, including our Pastors, Elders, Deacons/Deaconesses, ministry leaders and staff, met for our annual Church Leaders' Retreat. This retreat is a precious time for us, and this year, it was no different as we retreated into God's Word and reflected what the Holy Spirit was teaching all of us about what it means to be a disciple and follower of Jesus Christ.

As we journeyed through the first ten chapters of Mark's Gospel, we were challenged to carefully reflect on the cost and immediacy discipleship, the authority Christ has given to his followers and the cross that comes with that. We thought about the place of suffering in the entire discipleship equation and how we experience that every day as we learn what self-denial means.

As I shared during our Annual Congregational Meeting in April this year, the Holy Spirit has clearly guided us to focus on our personal discipleship and having Gospel stories to tell. As we move towards being a Tavistock-ready, missional church, it is inevitable that we must first become genuine, mature disciples of Jesus Christ. There simply is no other way.

Preaching through Mark's Gospel has been instrumental in guiding us towards discipleship: "For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many" (Mark 10:45). Week after week, we've heard from the pulpit how Jesus models discipleship and servanthood – the last shall be first, the humble shall be great, the one who loses his life will gain eternal life. Have well have you personally grown as a disciple even as you've heard the Word week after week?

From October to February next year, we will embark on a discipleship journey to further deepen our emphasis on personal discipleship. The church office as lovingly prepared a Discipleship Journal for all of us. Please take a copy, keep it, and more importantly, make use of it. You'll also find complementary activities, books, and other reading material on The Deck that will also be helpful for your discipleship journey. I strongly encourage you to spend some time there so you can engage with some of these activities and material.



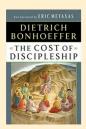
Through this and every season of our lives, I hope and pray that we will continue growing and maturing as disciples of Christ. May the Holy Spirit continue shaping our hearts as we surrender more and more of ourselves to Him. Jesus says, "If anyone wants to be My follower, he must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow Me" (Mark 8:34).

# **BOOK CIRCLE**



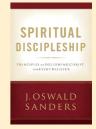
#### DISCIPLESHIP

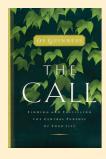
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In his book, "The Cost of Discipleship" Dietrich Bonhoeffer emphasises the cost, which entails self-denial, suffering, and voluntary forfeiture of your civil rights. Bonhoeffer emphasize that as a disciple of Christ, you need to be humble, to serve Christ without ulterior motives. Discipleship will cost you your comfort, because denying yourself earthly luxuries is a key part of discipleship. Suffering is too the hallmark of discipleship.

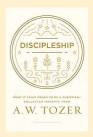
In "Spiritual Discipleship", Sanders points out that true discipleship is more than intellectual assent to a belief in Christ; it involves the whole person and lifestyle. It examines Jesus' teaching on what it means to follow Him, helping you to be – not one devised by man or other Christians but an imitator of Him.





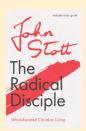
This book, "The Call by Os Guinness" is for everyone! No matter what stage of life we are in, we need to be reminded of God's call on our life. To be a disciple of Jesus is to be" called one" and so to become "a follower of the Way". Our primary calling as followers of Christ is by him, to him, and for him. Our secondary calling, considering who God is as sovereign, is that everyone, everywhere, and in everything should think, speak, live, and act entirely for him.

Discipleship lies at the center of Christian life and practice. It is our most important task on earth, but often it is neglected or misunderstood. **A. W. Tozer**, in the book "Discipleship" knew exactly what it meant to disciple and to be discipled. In it you will learn about: the call, terms, and marks of discipleship; devotional practices; obedience and reproducing disciples.



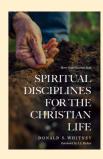
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John Stott in "The Radical Disciple" relates what it means to be a disciple of Christ, i.e. we let Jesus set the agenda of our lives. We don't pick what is cozy and stay away from what is costly. He is Lord of all of life. He explores eight aspects of Christian discipleship that we need to pay attention to. Jesus is Lord. He calls. We follow. The message is simple, classic and personal.

We aren't meant to wait for holiness--we're meant to pursue it. **Don Whitney** encourages us to find a practical middle ground through biblical habits. His convicting insight on **Spiritual Disciplines** will challenge you to grow in new ways as a Christian. This book offers practical suggestions for cultivating spiritual growth, diving into practices such as: Absorbing Scripture, Prayer, Worship, Evangelism, Serving, Fasting, Silence and Solitude and more





In "Call to Discipleship", TableTalk Series by Ligonier Ministry, Sinclair Ferguson defines "What is a Disciple"; Edward Welch writes about "When Experience doesn't match Reality"; Adriel Sanchez expounds on "Living Stones in the Temple of God"; David Perry on "The Priesthood of Disciples" and many, many more articles.

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