



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	Eld Lim Siah Chuan
Lily Goh	Dns Clarissa Leong
Dns Joella Tan	Angela Tan
Janet Ang	Zach Lim
Joo Neo Jaswantlal	Josh Lim
Tan Chong Hoe	Ivy Leong
Lau Wen Min	
Chen Jinling	
Merissa Ng	
Sharon Tan	
Ng Jianmin	
Dns Joy Poh	
Adrian Koh	
Shalynn Koh	
Dns April Wu	

NEXT WEEK

From Excuses to Experience

Mark 12:18-27
Ps Joseph Tee

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

ZS-APS Partnership Update (pg 10)

Books on Discipleship (pg 11-13)

ORDER OF SERVICE

Worship Theme *Godly Wisdom*

Prepare for Worship

Prelude

Exalt His Name

Call to Worship
Invocation
Gloria Patri
Opening Hymn
Responsive Scripture Reading

Daniel 3:8-18

Worship in Song

Listen to His Word

Following Christ in Caesar's World
Mark 12:13-17

Ps Wendell Chua

Holy Communion

The Bread and The Cup

Pray to Him

Pastoral Prayer

Give to His Work

Offering
Offertory Response

Closing Hymn
Benediction
Announcements
Postlude



SERMON NOTES

Following Christ in Caesar's World Mark 12:13-17



1. Introduction – Setting the Context
2. Jesus Confronted (12:13-17)
 - a. The Trap: A Question with No Safe Answer (12:13–14)
 - b. The Exposure: Deadly Hypocrisy Revealed (12:15)
 - c. The Wisdom: Give to Caesar, Give to God (12:17)
5. Conclusion – The Coin and the Cross

Reflections...

What or who do you value more than Jesus Christ? We all value and worship people, things, and relationships. Following Christ means Jesus has first place in your heart. Is he truly your King of kings and Lord of lords?

WEEKLY PRAYER GUIDE

Praying for the World: Cebu & Our Mission Partner, Grace Evangelical Church (GEGC) - Typhoon Kalmaegi, Philippines

"The floodwaters have subsided, the rain has slowed down, and some power lines have already been restored. But after the storm, we can see the damage it left behind — houses destroyed and damaged, belongings washed away by the flood, and many families left without roofs over their heads. Sadly, there are 52 fatalities and still counting... Despite all of this, we trust that our God will never abandon us, and that He will restore and bring order to our land once again." - As

Please pray...

- » For Strength and Comfort – Let us pray that the Lord will grant strength and peace to the families who lost their homes or loved ones in Cebu, Talisay, Lapu-Lapu, Mandaue, Liloan, and Consolacion.
- » For Blessings and Restoration – Let us ask God to provide for their needs: food, water, shelter, and financial assistance. Let us pray that every community will be restored and healed.
- » For Unity and Hope – Let us pray that everyone will help one another, unite in rebuilding, and be filled once more with hope even amid hardship.



Praying for the World: SRI LANKA

This beautiful tropical country of 21 million people in South Asia is home to majority Sinhalese and minority Tamil communities. The Christian community is about 8% of the population, mostly Catholic, and declining. More than 250 people were killed by Islamic suicide bombers who targeted Catholic churches and hotels in 2019. The churches have also suffered at the hands of Buddhist extremists in the past few years. Evangelicals are growing.

- » Thank God for the nation of Sri Lanka, its rich religious diversity, and the unity it aspires to and strives to have in and through its diversity, even when it is never perfect.
- » Pray for a return to the tolerance and non-violence.
- » Pray that the Church will lead the way in peace-making and forgiveness and grow numerically and in unity and maturity.

WEEKLY PRAYER GUIDE

Youth Mentorship

- » Thank God for all the youth mentors who have dedicated themselves to mentor the youths in church. Pray for the youth mentors to be strengthened as they journey with the youths and point them towards Christ.
- » Pray that the youths will be willing to be shepherded by their mentors and are open to share their lives with them.
- » Pray that God will lead more people to be youth mentors in the coming year!

ZS Women's Gathering (16 Nov 2025)

- » That God will bring more women who desire to grow in Christ or be part of a Christian community to come together for this gathering, and that His presence may be among us, working in and through us.
- » Pray for a time of mutual encouragement and fellowship as we hear from other women on their discipleship journey over tea, and for openness to share our own stories.
- » Pray that the Holy Spirit may stir in us a deeper love for Him and others around us.

Kids Family Camp (27 - 29 Nov 2025)

- » Pray that parents will be encouraged to attend KFC with their children and be inspired to build strong, covenant-centered families.
- » Pray that the children will come to know and understand Jesus more through the camp
- » Pray for unity, wisdom and shared purpose for all those serving and planning for the camp

CHURCH NEWS AND ACTIVITIES

BIBLE READING PLAN 2025

Date	Chapters	Further Reading
16-Nov	Romans 1	Romans 1-2
17-Nov	Romans 3	Romans 3-4
18-Nov	Romans 5	Romans 5-6
19-Nov	Romans 7	Romans 7-8
20-Nov	Romans 11	Romans 9-11
21-Nov	Romans 12	Romans 12-13
22-Nov	Romans 15	Romans 14-16

No Parking at LKH

Please note that
Ling Kwang Home carpark
will be unavailable from
13 October - 21 November 2025
due to major upgrading works.

Kindly note that the **Evening Service (5pm) on 16 November** will take place in **Sanctuary 1**, as Sanctuary 2 will be closed for carpet replacement.

Infant Baptism (25 Dec)

For parents who intend to present their child/children for Infant Baptism on 25 Dec, please inform Dns April Ding by 16 Nov 2025 & Submit completed application forms by 23 Nov 2025

Prayer Fellowship

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

19, 26 November
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

Myanmar Worship Service NEW TIMING!

**Every Sunday, 8.45am @
Sanctuary 2**

We thank God for the strong partnership in the gospel we have with Judson Baptist Church. The Myanmar Worship Service will now be on every Sunday, 8.45am at Sanct 2!

We invite all our Myanmar brothers and sisters to worship God together!

For more information, please contact **Elder Hung Choo @ 9010 2893 or Pinky 8015 9481.**

CHURCH NEWS AND ACTIVITIES



Women's Gathering

Come and hear from other women in their discipleship journey & make a new friend over tea!

**16 November 2025, Sunday
1:30pm - 3:00pm @ The Deck**

Sign up [here!](#)

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Sign up [here](#)

Care Associate (Full-time/ Part-time)

Ling Kwang Home for Senior Citizens is looking for compassionate individuals to join their team in supporting elderly residents.

For more information, please head to the job listing [here](#).



A CAPELLA // SING-ALONG //
HOT COCOA // CHRISTMAS TRIVIA

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

**20th December (Sat)
7.30pm - 8.30pm**

Free Entry.
Priority will be given to guests.

[carolsbycandlelight.peatix.com](#)

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Carols by Candlelight

**20 December 2025, Saturday
7.30pm - 8.30pm @ The Deck**

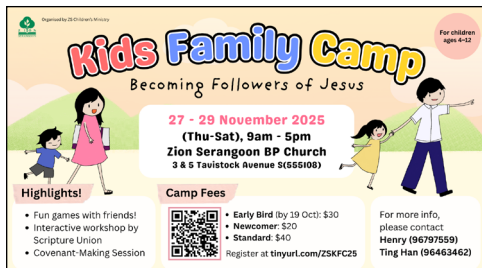
Come experience the heart of Christmas with a beautiful a cappella performance and a community sing-along to familiar carols.

We'll also have a cozy hot cocoa station and a fun Christmas trivia game with prizes!

Free Entry. Limited seats available, Seating will be first come first serve. Priority will be given to guests, church members coming without guests will be on the waitlist.

Get your tickets today at:
[carolsbycandlelight.peatix.com](#)

CHURCH NEWS AND ACTIVITIES



Organized by Children's 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

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

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
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All parents are invited!

7 GODLY HABITS OF COVENANT FAMILIES

Come and learn, share, and discuss how you can nurture a strong covenant family culture in your homes

29 November 2025 (Sat)
9am - 12.30pm

Register at
tinyurl.com/covenant-family

Lunch & light refreshments provided.

7 GODLY HABITS OF COVENANT FAMILIES

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! This session will be conducted by Ps Wendell, Eld Hongsui and sister Rebecca Oh.

Parents of teens are welcome too! Lunch & light refreshments will be provided. **Register at** tinyurl.com/covenantfamilies

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

CHURCH NEWS AND ACTIVITIES



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: \$85

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



Deepest Condolences to...

the family of **Mdm Florence Heng-Tan**. Mdm Florence went home to be with the Lord on 12 November 2025.

Asst Ps Joseph Tee is away preaching at Evangel Baptist Church this morning.

SESSION CONTACT

Eld Lin Hong Sui (Stewardship)
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Eld Reuben Ang (Worship)
9638 8841

Eld Oswald Goh
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MINISTRY STAFF CONTACT

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9834 9256

Dns Joy Poh (Children's Ministry Coordinator)
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Nicolette Yu (Accounts, Finance, Building)
8786 2418

Ng Jianmin (Youth Ministry Head, Sports & Music)
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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	196
2MS	109
ZES	55
Total	360
Sunday School	44

FELLOWSHIP TEA CONTRIBUTIONS

16 Nov	Anonymous	Thanksgiving for the gift of salvation
	Stephen Chua	Thanksgiving

WEEKLY OFFERING

General and Missions Fund

(Received 3 Nov - 9 Nov)

\$27,101.36



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DBS Bank Ltd

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LETTER FROM THE SESSION



Zion Serangoon–Anglican Preschool Services Partnership Update

“Many are the plans in a person’s heart, but it is the Lord’s purpose that prevails.”
(Proverbs 19:21)

On 24 October 2025, we received word from Anglican Preschool Services (APS) that they will not be proceeding with plans to start a Christian preschool at our premises. This marks the conclusion of nearly two years of prayerful discussion and discernment between Zion Serangoon (ZS) and APS.

APS has shared that the environment for Christian preschools in Singapore remains challenging, and they have chosen to focus their efforts on strengthening their existing schools. We thank God for giving clarity and closure in this matter.

While the APS preschool will not be moving forward, our calling as a church remains unchanged. The Lord continues to prepare us to be **“Tavistock-ready”**—where every gardener is a missionary. With the new MRT station opening soon, we are still being positioned by God to reach our neighbourhood with the Gospel.

Let us therefore pray and seek the Lord together:

Should Zion continue being involved in early childhood preschool Christian education and discern another Christian partner?

If not, how might we continue growing toward this vision even without a preschool?

How can each ministry use our space and resources more fruitfully for the Kingdom?

How can we more intentionally and passionately share Christ with our friends, neighbours, and community?

Scripture reminds us that **“Unless the Lord builds the house, those who build it labour in vain.”** (Psalm 127:1)

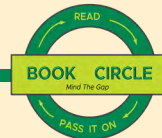
Over the past year, the Lord has brought various community partners to our doorstep. Let us pray for wisdom to work alongside them for the sake of the Gospel.

We invite the congregation to pray with the Session – for patience, for clarity, and for renewed burden for those still outside the Kingdom of God, especially within our Tavistock community. We trust that the Lord will continue guiding us step by step as we labour in the work of the Gospel.

Let us pray together, as one church in Christ: **“Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.”** (Matthew 6:10)

May the Lord lead us forward in His time and may all that we do be for His Kingdom and glory.

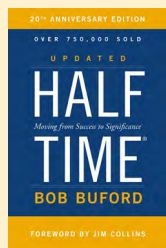
In Christ’s Love,
The Church Session



A DISCIPLE'S JOURNEY: BOOKS ON SERVICE, FELLOWSHIP & PRAYER

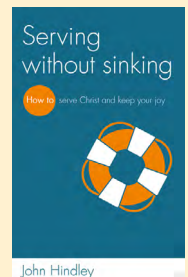
We aren't meant to wait for holiness - we're meant to pursue it. God commands Christians to actively "be holy," but what does that look like in daily life? Rather than overwhelming legalism or loose boundaries, Don Whitney in his book, *Spiritual Disciplines for Christian Life* encourages us to find a practical middle ground through biblical habits of **Worship, His Word, Service, Prayer, Fellowship** and many more.... Below are books on **Service, Prayer and Fellowship** for our discipleship journey to be like Christ.

BOOKS ON SERVICE

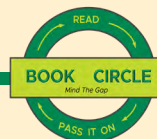


In *Halftime*, **Buford** provides the encouragement and insight to propel your life on a new course to true significance - and the best years of your life. Buford focuses on this important time of transition to the second half of your life, leading you to: take stock of your successes and accomplishments thus far, redefine significance and what it means to you, identify your personal goals, develop a mission for serving God in the second half of your life and more.

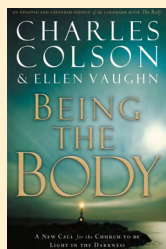
Serving Without Sinking by **John Hindley** challenges our motivations for serving and to have a right view of God, ourselves and others we serve, and the importance of prayer as we serve. It honours Christ by focusing on Him, rather than us. Hindley reminds us that if we're serving Jesus to be good enough for Him, or to get something from Him, or to repay Jesus in some way, then we have forgotten the heart of the good news. Jesus came to serve us, as stated in Mark 10:45. This is His free gift to us. We don't have to measure up, earn our way, or repay the debt. Serving is not jobs that have to be done, but gifts to be unwrapped. These gifts are not for our sake, but gifts to be enjoyed by the church body.



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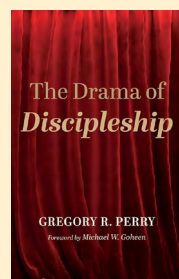
BOOKS ON FELLOWSHIP



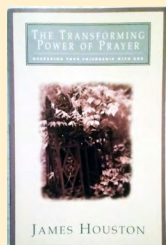
***Being the Body* by Charles Colson and Ellen Vaughn** calls Christians to live out their faith by being a light in the world. It explores how Christians can move beyond a purely individualistic faith to embody the communal vision of the church through engaging with contemporary culture and global issues. Before all of us, daily, are the realities of life and death, terror and hope, light and darkness, brokenness and healing. We cannot withdraw to the comfort of our sanctuaries...we must engage with one another in the body of Christ. *Being the Body*

inspires us to rise above a stunted “Jesus and me” faith to a nobler view of something bigger and grander than ourselves--the glorious, holy vision for which God created the church.

How do Christ’s followers reach across the dividing lines of our culture to offer hospitality and hope? How do local congregations worship God faithfully on Sunday and bear witness to their neighbours with fitting words and deeds during the week? ***The Drama of Discipleship*** is a resource for being and making disciples of Jesus in the everyday tasks of being human. Each episode offers at least one group activity that is designed to catalyse group action on your local stage and build your congregation’s practice of taking off the old ways of being human and putting on the true image of God—Christ. *The Drama* concludes with additional tools for those who lead small groups in the heart work of discipleship, as well as a neighbourhood survey for those who lead congregations in the fieldwork of discipling the nations.

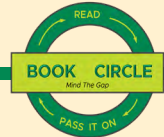


BOOKS ON PRAYER



“Prayer is a matter of theology and ethics, both thinking and doing” writes James Houston. “It is guided by what we believe and how we believe.” How we pray is deeply determined by how we perceive God. But no matter how we see God, prayer is something that seems to come only with difficulty. We tend to view prayer as a rigorous discipline or a required spiritual exercise. Houston wants us to see that prayer is simply keeping company with God. ***“The Transforming Power of Prayer”*** closely examines the true nature of prayer and helps

us view prayer not as a dreary exercise or a skill to be mastered, but as a valuable chance to deepen our friendship with God and be transformed in the process.

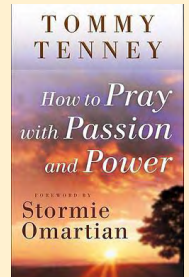


BOOKS ON PRAYER



Your Kingdom Come... The next great move of God will come as a result of Prayer & Obedience by the body of Christ. Discover how God made us partners with Him for the fulfilment of His purpose on earth. In **Daniel Kolenda's book, *Your Kingdom Come***, you will learn that ***Prayer that Open Doors; Prayer that Delivers; Prayer that Brings Heaven to Earth; Prayer that Releases the Miraculous; and Praying with Expectancy Prayer.***

How to Pray with Power and Passion according to **Tommy Tenney**, focus on heartfelt desire and desperation for God, not just formal or intellectual prayer. His teachings suggest embracing a passionate, intimate conversation with God through different types of prayer, such as intercession and surrender, believing that heartfelt prayers are more impactful than those merely professional or routine. Cultivating a strong prayer life involves making it a passionate, dedicated and transformative part of your relationship with God. This gathering of biblical, historical, and contemporary prayers inspires and leads the reader into life-changing and purposeful communication with God.



Books and magazine are available in the Fellowship Hall and TheDeck@Tavistock on the second floor. E/Audio books are also available to you anytime from Zion Serangoon e-Library.

Please contact **Bee Hong (HP 91711009)** or **Pek Hong (HP 98188220)** or **Dns 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.

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