



2026

# 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 Lin Hongsui	Ng Jian Hao
Goh Shu Jin	Dns April Ding
Faith Goh	Megan Chan
Ding Si Han	Esther Tay
Kyla Chua	Dn Amos Chia
Hannah Ong	Ng Jianzhi
Kristin Ng	Goh Boon Cher
Emily Cheng	Dns Clarissa Leong
Tan Chong Hoe	Ng Wai Yoong
Lau Wen Min	Chia Hua Song
Kimberly Goh	Eldick Tan
Sheri Goh	
Ps Wendell Chua	
Nicolette Yu	
Brendan Toh	

## NEXT WEEK

**From Prayer to Proclamation**  
1 Timothy 2:1-7  
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 8-12)

**Book Circle: Mission Emphasis Month**

## ORDER OF SERVICE

Worship Theme *Christian Duty*

### Prepare for Worship

Prelude

### Exalt His Name

Call to Worship  
Invocation  
Gloria Patri  
Opening Hymn  
Responsive Scripture Reading

**Exodus 19:1-8**

Worship in Song

### Listen to His Word The Christian Soldier

1 Timothy 1:18-20

Pastoral Intern  
Kok Ting Han

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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## The Christian Soldier

1 Timothy 1:18-20



- i. **Christians are entrusted with instructions**
- ii. **Christians are engaged in a spiritual warfare**
- iii. **Christians can suffer spiritual shipwreck**

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### Reflections...

*How are we living our lives as Christians who are constantly in a spiritual war?*

*Have we prayed for a brother or sister in Christ today?*

*Have we prayed for our church leaders?*

# WEEKLY PRAYER GUIDE

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## **Mission Emphasis Month: “Living Missionally as Gardeners” (16 & 23 May)**

- » Pray for open and responsive hearts, that the congregation will not merely hear the Word, but take practical steps to live missionally.
- » Pray for the speakers: for clarity in their sharing, sensitivity to the Holy Spirit, and that their testimonies will speak directly to those attending.
- » Pray for wisdom, energy, and the smooth completion of all final preparations.

## **Labour Day Walk (1 May)**

- » Thank God for the opportunity for fellowship and exercise together on Labour Day.
- » Pray that the divine appointments and missional opportunities that occurred would serve as a platform for the gospel seed to keep growing.

## **ZS Church Camp 2026 (21 - 25 June)**

- » Thank God for the opportunity to come together as God’s family at this year’s church camp.
- » Pray that campers will have a refreshing time of learning from God’s Word, sweet fellowship, and safety while travelling.
- » Pray for Rev. Dr Desmond Soh as he prepares to share God’s truth with us during the camp.
- » Pray for the camp committee (Ps Wendell Chua, Dns Joy Poh, Michael Tay, Ng Jianmin, Bong Ru Hui, Laraine Lim, and Titus Soh) as they continue to prepare for the camp.

# CHURCH NEWS AND ACTIVITIES

## SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

### English Service

8.45am - Sanctuary 1 (Level 2)  
11am, 5pm - Sanctuary 2 (Level 3)

### Holy Communion

3rd Sunday of the month

### Family Sunday Worship

4th Sunday of the month

*No Sunday School,  
Children's Sermon at 11am Service*

### Myanmar Service

8.45am - Sanctuary 2 (Level 3)

## FELLOWSHIP GROUPS

### International Fellowship

*3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month, 5.30pm*

Elder Chua Hung Choo 9010 2893  
Pinky Guite 8015 9481

### Youth Fellowship

*Every Saturday, 4pm*

Pastoral Intern Kok Ting Han 9646 3462  
Ng Jianmin 9168 3971  
Esther Ng 9834 9256

### Senior Adult Fellowship

*1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month, 10.30am*

Roland 9338 8054  
Joanne 9780 8641

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

### AWANA

*Every Saturday, 2.30pm  
(except PH & Holidays)*

### Sunday School

*Every Sunday, 11.15am  
(except 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays & Holidays)*

Dns Joy Poh 9786 6215

## DISCIPLESHIP GROUPS (DG)

If you'd like to be part of a DG, please contact Asst Ps Joseph Tee 9088 0077 or Bernard Yim 9232 6909

## BIBLE READING PLAN 2026

Date	Chapters	Further Reading
3-May	1 Chronicles 16	1 Chronicles 15-17
4-May	1 Chronicles 21	1 Chronicles 18-21
5-May	1 Chronicles 22	1 Chronicles 22-24
6-May	1 Chronicles 25	1 Chronicles 25-27
7-May	1 Chronicles 28	1 Chronicles 28-29
8-May	2 Chronicles 1	2 Chronicles 1-4
9-May	2 Chronicles 5	2 Chronicles 5-8

## Prayer Fellowship

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

6, 13, 20 May  
Wednesday @ 8.00pm

Join in prayer together for our  
church and the community:

<http://tiny.cc/ZSPF>

Meeting ID: 881 8621 6365

For queries, please contact  
Ps Lawrence Ong @ 9146 8277

## ZS70 Heritage Project

We are building a heritage  
portfolio for our **ZS70  
Heritage Exhibition** starting  
in January 2027! So if you  
have any photos, memorabilia,  
recordings, or stories stretching  
from 1950-2000, please contact  
**Emmanuel (8368 1883)**

# CHURCH NEWS AND ACTIVITIES

MAY 2026 MISSION EMPHASIS MONTH

## LIVING MISSIONALLY as Gardeners

**D1 16 MAY SAT 4-6 PM** GOD AT WORK  
**THROUGH HIS PEOPLE**  
 Hear how God worked His mission through others near and far from home!

**D2 23 MAY SAT 4-6 PM** GOD AT WORK CULTURAL FAIR  
**THROUGH YOU**  
 Learn and consider more about the cultures around us. Join us in prayer!

**D3 24 MAY SUN SERVICE TIMINGS** MISSIONAL CHURCH:  
**"GENTILES" AMONG US?**  
 by Ps Alvin Tan  
 Dean, Discipleship Training Centre

Come discover how **missions** can play a part in your life!

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## MISSION EMPHASIS MONTH Living Missionally as Gardeners

16 & 23 May 2026 (Sat), 4pm - 6pm

God IS working to further His Kingdom!! How so? Over two weekends in May, see for yourself how God is bringing His gospel to the ends of the earth through His people (including you!).

Sign up here: <https://tally.so/r/XmZRg>

For more info, please contact **Pinky (8015 9481)** or **Emmanuel (8368 1883)**

## ZS CHURCH CAMP 2026 The Mission of God's People

21 - 25 June 2026 (Sun - Thu)  
 St. Giles Southkey, Johor Bahru  
 Speaker: Rev Dr Desmond Soh

Registration is now OPEN!  
 Come to our camp booth after worship services to register in-person or online at: <https://tinyurl.com/zschurchcamp26>

Registration closes on **24 May**.

For more info, please contact **Dns Joy Poh (9786 6215)** or **Jianmin (9168 3971)**

21<sup>st</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup> June CHURCH CAMP 2026 St. Giles Southkey Johor Bahru

### The Mission of God's People

What does it mean to learn and grow in understanding the **Mission of God's People**? Come and find out yourself at church camp this year!

**Highlights:** • Fellowship • Food • Fun

**Camp Fees (Per Pax)**

	Adult	Children (6-12 y/o)
Single	\$750	Child w/ host \$420
Double/Twin Sharing	\$495	Child w/o host \$265

• **50% OFF** Seniors above 60 years old • **FREE** Children below 6 years old

Registration closes on **24<sup>th</sup> May (Sun)** Sign up now at [tinyurl.com/zschurchcamp26](https://tinyurl.com/zschurchcamp26)

For more queries, please contact **Dns Joy (9786 6215)** or **Jianmin (9168 3971)**

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# CHURCH NEWS AND ACTIVITIES



sign up by 16 May!

**step out**

**beach event @ sentosa**  
30 May 2026, 12pm-6pm (dinner to follow)  
newcomers welcome!

for enquiries, contact:  
8837 2911 (Evan)  
9180 8619 (Kayla)  
or @stepout  
instagram @zsa.yf

beach games    food    christian message    friendly community

## Step Out

30 May 2026 (Sat), 12pm-6pm

Calling all youths to bring your friends and join us at Sentosa on 30 May! YF's annual outreach will prompt us to step out and consider Who keeps us afloat through a message and games.

Register by **16 May** at <http://tinyurl.com/zsstepout>

For queries, please contact **Evan (8837 2911)** or **Kayla (9180 8619)**



## Deepest Condolences to...

the family of **Mdm Lim Ah Phong (1MS)** on her Homegoing on 25 April 2026.

### 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 (Community Partnerships & Youth)  
9834 9256

**Dns Joy Poh** (Children's Ministry Coordinator)  
9786 6215

**Megan Loong** (Community Outreach, Engagements & Partnerships)  
9182 2577

**Nicolette Yu** (Accounts, Finance, Building)  
8786 2418

**Ng Jianmin** (Youth, Sports & Music)  
9168 3971

**Ng Peiyi** (The Deck @ Tavistock, Music & Worship)  
8598 5967

**Paul Low** (Building Maintenance)  
9876 9154

**Pinky Guite** (Missions Coordinator)  
8015 9481

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

**Rev Eric Tay**  
9666 5917

## ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY

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Worship Service (26 Apr)	Worshippers & Volunteers
1MS	206
2MS	90
ZES	53
<b>Total</b>	<b>349</b>
Sunday School	35

## FELLOWSHIP TEA CONTRIBUTIONS

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3 May	Helen Tan	Thanksgiving
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## WEEKLY OFFERING

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### General and Missions Fund

(Received 20 Apr - 26 Apr)

**\$28,799.19**



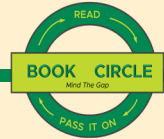
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### Bank Transfer

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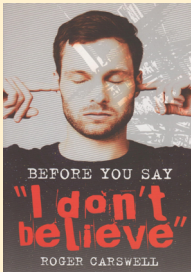
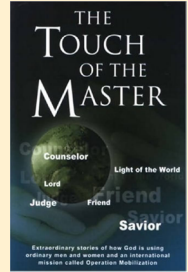


## MISSION EMPHASIS MONTH

***“Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature” Mark 16:15***

***The Touch of the Master: Extraordinary Stories of How God Is Using Ordinary Men, Women and Operation Mobilization – Deborah Meroff***

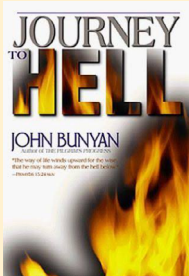
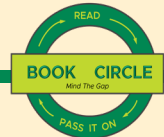
Just how much does the Creator of the Universe concern Himself with the daily lives of the people He has created? Would He step in to rescue someone from unjust imprisonment? Deliver an innocent child from a life of prostitution? These are the real-life accounts of men and women who took the Good News of Christ to the ends of the earth with a mission, and how each of them experienced His unique touch in crisis situations. The stories will fill you with a sense of awe and delight but most of all that God can be trusted anywhere, anytime, with anything.



It has become fashionable to believe that Christians are deluded, naïve, following myths; and that science has debunked the need for God in society today. But Christian faith is not a leap in the dark. It is founded on so much evidence that the non-believer is the one who has questions to answer. In ***Before You Say “I Don’t Believe”***, ***Roger Carswell*** asks 34 questions to those who don’t believe. They are not questions usually aired in the media, but they are posed not to cause an argument, but to bring readers to the point where they put their trust in

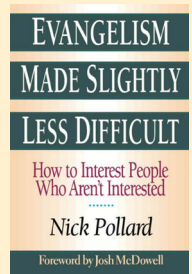
Jesus. Be warned: it will take courage to openly read this book, but if you do, it may change your life!

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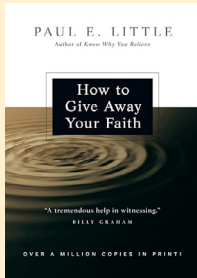
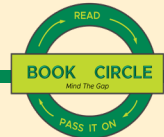


*John Bunyan* portrays one man's lifelong "**Journey to Hell**" and what we can do to avoid the same fate. In this fascinating allegory, the wickedness, depravity, and carnality in the life and death of Mr Badman are contrasted with biblical standards of living and the path that leads to heaven. On the Day of Judgement, will you inherit the kingdom that has been prepared for you? You can live a successful life now and be ready to enter the eternal City of God. Millions have read *The Pilgrim's Progress* and received inspiration for their Christian walk. Now, you can follow another man, Mr Badman, on his life journey, which leads him ultimately to hell. In this allegory, the wickedness, depravity, carnality in the life and death of Mr Badman are contrasted with biblical standards of living and the path that leads to heaven. The wisdom of Mr Wiseman will strike you as he explains a godly life in all situations, including home, business, and in relationships.

Evangelism is difficult. Face it: most people just aren't interested in hearing about Jesus. They are quite satisfied with their lives, quite contented with their beliefs, and see no need to change. So how can you get them interested in the gospel? In this readable and accessible book, "**Evangelism Made Slightly Less Difficult**", *Nick Pollard* shows how to break through the barrier of disinterest. He shows why Jesus can and should make a difference for the people you know. And he shows how you can interest them in learning about Jesus. Along the way, Pollard examines why people think the way they do and provides help for better understanding and challenging non-Christian worldviews. He also answers skeptics' tough questions, offers practical methods for explaining the gospel, and gives suggestions for leading others in their first steps to faith in Christ. Evangelism may never be easy, but Nick Pollard's imaginative approach, infectious enthusiasm and field-tested advice will make it slightly less difficult.

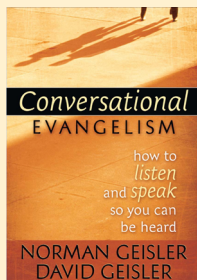
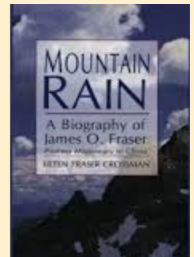


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“So you want to witness! I did too, but I didn’t have a clue about how to do it without stubbing my toe in the process.” So begins the book, **“How to Give Away Your Faith”**, that has helped more than a million people give their faith to others. **Paul Little’s** humour and down-to-earth approach help show how friendly and natural evangelism can really be. “Impossible!” you may say. “I just don’t know what I’d tell people. What if I can’t answer their questions? What if they think I’m just strange?” Paul Little has faced these same fears and found effective and biblical ways to overcome them. Here is the book to excite you about giving away your faith.

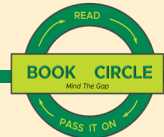
**“Mountain Rain”, A Biography of James O Fraser.** James O Fraser was only twenty-two when he abandoned a promising career and went to China. Living among the people of the Lisu tribe, he felt an immediate affection for them, and for the rest of his life, he labored to bring them to Christ and to Christian maturity. This insightful and riveting account of his missionary work in China will encourage you to live a life dependent on God, trusting Him through a life of service and prayer.



Witnessing used to involve laying out the truth and guiding a person to understand and accept it. But the awareness of basic Christian principles has changed, and so have the needs of pre-believers. With a passion for people, authors **David and Norman Geisler** in **Conversational Evangelism** share an engaging, conversational approach to evangelism as they address:

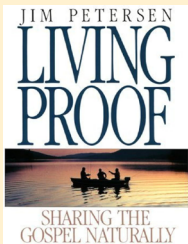
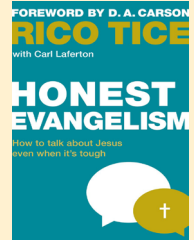
- What makes old models of witnessing ineffective in today’s culture?
- Why evangelism must start with relational pre-evangelism?
- How to ask questions, listen attentively, and understand what someone believes?
- Ways to identify the real barriers to belief in order to build a bridge to truth?
- How to keep dialogue going with different personality types?

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This refreshing, practical resource is ideal for churches and individuals. Readers will discover how God uses their everyday encounters for great things when they switch from trying to witness effectively to effectively being a witness through communication and compassion.

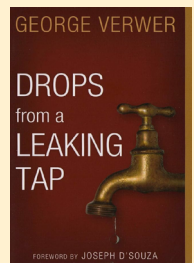
Most of us find evangelism hard. There is great hostility towards Jesus. But there is also great hunger for Jesus, and there is no greater joy than seeing people come to know Him. This realistic and humorous book, ***Honest Evangelism by Rico Tice*** will help prepare and encourage you to be honest and bold in your evangelism, presenting the gospel fully and properly, even when it's tough.



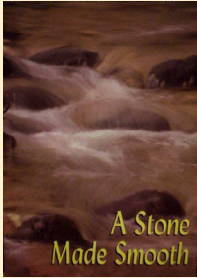
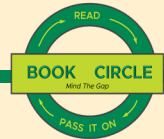
In ***Living Proof, Jim Petersen*** shares what he's learned from over 25 years of working with the unchurched. He shows that, although many people don't want to hear about our faith, they will talk about their own felt needs — needs that can only be met in Christ. Learn how to develop relationships with the unreached, model the Christian message, and eventually present the Bible's claims in a non-threatening manner.

This is an exposition of the most revolutionary message of God in the latter half of 20th century and the present days. It motivates us to embrace the pain and hurt and allows them to make us better people for His glory. ***"Drops From A Leaking Tap"*** narrates and assesses how, in spite of a mixture of the ups and downs, lives that are committed to Jesus can move forward in His purpose. It is:

- Our choices to walk with the Lord and to serve Him will bring us good as well as unpleasant experiences.
- God answers prayers, but not all prayers will be answered the way we want them.
- Victory is our privilege, but not all seeming defeats can be erased from our history.
- Obstacles are sure to come in our lives, yet all His sufficiency will help us overcome them all.



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No Chinese Christian leader in the twentieth century has more clearly articulated the power of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, or more poignantly experienced what the Apostle Paul described as “the fellowship of sharing in his sufferings”. Released after twenty-three years of imprisonment, **Wang Ming-Dao** in his book, ***A Stone Made Smooth***, told how the words of the prophet Micah had sustained him as he stood by his faith: “But as for me, I keep watch for the Lord, I wait in hope for God my Savior; My God will hear me.”

These books and magazines are brought directly to you by Book Circle. Hard copies of books and magazines are available in the Fellowship Hall and The Deck @ Tavistock on the second floor. E/Audio books are accessible on Zion Serangoon e-Library.

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*“Nurturing in each gardener a heart with a thirst to seek after Him”*