



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

Dn Tony Seah	Goh Boon Cher
Hannah Ong	Ng Jianzhi
Caleb Ong	Dns Clarissa Leong
Erica Yap	Ng Wai Yoong
Joo Neo Jaswantlal	Chia Hua Song
Lau Wen Min	Eldick Tan
Kimberly Goh	
Sheri Goh	
Ng Peiyi	
Brendan Toh	
Feriyanto Ang	
Emmanuel Ong	
Megan Chan	
Ng Jian Hao	
Dn Amos Chia	

## NEXT WEEK

**Shepherding Shepherds**  
1 Timothy 5:17-25  
Eld Reuben Ang

### 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

## ORDER OF SERVICE

Worship Theme *God's Family*

### Prepare for Worship

Prelude

### Exalt His Name

Call to Worship

Invocation

Gloria Patri

Opening Hymn

Responsive Scripture Reading

**Ruth 2:8-12**

Worship in Song

### Listen to His Word

**Building God's Families God's Way** Ps Lawrence Ong

1 Timothy 5:1-16

Response Song

### Pray to Him

Pastoral Prayer

### Give to His Work

Offering

Offertory Response

Closing Hymn

Benediction

Announcements

Postlude



# SERMON NOTES

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## Building God's Families

### God's Way

1 Timothy 5:1-16



**I. Treat One Another as Family (vv.1–2)**

**II. Honor and Care for Widows (vv.3–8)**

**III. Guidelines for Widows in Ministry (vv.9–15)**

**IV. Shared Responsibility in God's Household (vv.16)**

**Conclusion**

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## Reflections...

*How am I treating fellow believers—as acquaintances who attend the same church, or as brothers and sisters, fathers and mothers in God's family?*

*In what practical ways is God calling me to share responsibility for the care, encouragement, and support of others within His household?*

# WEEKLY PRAYER GUIDE

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## **Intercession for Venezuela: Twin Earthquakes Aftermath (24 June 2026)**

- » Pray for our brothers and sisters in Venezuela as they recover from this devastating natural disaster.
- » Pray that God will comfort those grieving the loss of loved ones and homes, and protect those who remain in danger.
- » Pray for first responders, medical teams, and aid workers, that the LORD will grant them strength, resilience, and safety as they carry out rescue and relief efforts.
- » Pray that the global and local Church will be a faithful witness to Christ's compassion, bringing hope to those affected, and that God's presence will be deeply felt amid the suffering.

## **Praying for Our Mission Partner: Grace Evangelical Gospel Church (GEGC)**

- » Praise the LORD for His faithful provision and for strengthening GEGC's ministries in Cebu City, enabling the church to reach new milestones.
- » Pray for God's wisdom and blessing upon GEGC's outreach ministries in Guba, Liloan, and Toledo, that they may continue to impact lives and strengthen local communities.
- » Pray for the ongoing partnership between GEGC and ZSBPC, that the LORD will use it to raise workers and advance the Gospel throughout Cebu City.

## **BPCIS Retreat (7 - 8 July)**

- » Thank God for the leaders of the Bible-Presbyterian Church in Singapore (BPCIS) as they gather for their annual retreat.
- » Pray for safety as the attendees travel to Johor Bahru for the 2D1N retreat.
- » Pray that the Holy Spirit will build a spirit of unity and mutual encouragement among the leaders as they serve together as a presbytery.

# WEEKLY PRAYER GUIDE

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## Praying for Our Vision: “Every Gardener a Missionary”

- » May the Holy Spirit transform our hearts, enabling us to love others because Christ first loved us and gave His life for our sake (1 John 4:19).
- » Pray for evangelistic opportunities as we continue to prepare to be “Tavistock Ready.”
- » Above all, pray that we will know Jesus intimately as we seek to share Him with our neighbours.

## SAF 45th Anniversary (4 July 2026)

- » Give thanks to God for His faithfulness in blessing the Senior Adult Fellowship (SAF) for more than four decades as they celebrated their anniversary yesterday.
- » Pray for our seniors to continue serving the LORD as they draw closer to Him in their golden years.
- » Pray for the SAF committee as they plan meaningful spiritual activities to help our seniors grow closer to Christ.

# 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
5 Jul	Psalm 144	Psalms 140-145
6-Jul	Psalm 146	Psalms 146-150
7 Jul	Proverbs 1	Proverbs 1-4
8 Jul	Proverbs 6	Proverbs 5-9
9 Jul	Proverbs 10	Proverbs 10-11
10 Jul	Proverbs 12	Proverbs 12-13
11 Jul	Proverbs 14	Proverbs 14-15

## Prayer Fellowship

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

8, 15, 22, 29 July  
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**

# CHURCH NEWS AND ACTIVITIES

## ZS70 Heritage Project

We are still gathering stories, artefacts, pictures and videos for the ZS70 Heritage Exhibition! We are specifically looking for past **Zion Kindergarten uniforms and photos**. If you have these or anything related please do not hesitate to contact **Emmanuel (8368 1883)**.

Any story, item, picture and video, big or small, will be a great help!

Organised by Zion Serengoon

## CAPTAIN'S BALL TOURNAMENT



Sign up now!



18 JULY 2026  
SUTD SPORTS HALL

Contact Jianmin or Nicolette @ 91683971 or 87862418 for more info

9.30am - 1.30pm  
Transport & Lunch provided!

## ZS Captain's Ball Tournament

18 July 2026 (Sat), 9.30am - 1.30pm

Registration has opened!  
2-way transport from Church to SUTD Sports Hall & Lunch is provided.

Sign up here: [tinyurl.com/ZSCaptainsBall](https://tinyurl.com/ZSCaptainsBall)

For queries, please contact **Jianmin (9168 3971)** or **Nicolette (8786 2418)**



### DONATIONS FOR COLLEGE MATERIALS!

The Deck is collecting:

- Magazines
- Picture Books
- Other *visually interesting* printed material eg. postcards, gift wrap

Drop them off here at The Deck! (Lvl 2)

For queries, contact Pelyi (8598 5967)

Do you have any magazines, picture books or other visually-interesting material lying around? We want them!

Donate to our bin at **The Deck** for an upcoming paper collage workshop!



Congratulations to **Daniel & Michelle Chay** on the birth of their son, **Noah Chay Ze En**, born on 2 July 2026.

# CEBU MISSION TRIP REFLECTION

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## God's Glory Over Personal Preference

By Emmanuel Ong



There are many things that are good about this trip, such as the timing of the flight and the proximity of the mall. And there are many bad things as well, like the hot weather and the hotel toilets. During the trip, my mind was filled with thoughts about the good and the bad, but after the trip, I realised how little it mattered. What continues to stay in my mind is the faith required to follow God and the faith God had to allow us to follow Him.

On 4th June 2026, seven of us [Eld Oswald, June Goh, Ps. Wendell, Peiyi, Pinky, Don Torres, me] flew to Cebu to support our partners at Grace Evangelical Gospel Church (GEGC). We had a few purposes for the trip: to run a Bible study, record video and audio of their choir for ZS70, and check in and encourage Ps Jonathan, GEGC and its members. The main bulk of the trip was the Bible study on Jonah. Ps Wendell has conducted a Bible study at Cebu annually for a few years now, and the GEGC members always appreciated more spiritual food. It was also good to spend extended time with our Filipino brothers and sisters, especially in the context of opening the word of God. There were so many things that God had so graciously privileged us to experience in this trip, but I can only share a handful here. (feel free to chat with us about it!)

The main overarching theme of the trip seemed to be God's sovereignty. In Jonah, we read how God appointed things to enact His will: a storm, a fish, a plant, a worm and even Jonah himself. God's will to save the "great" city of Nineveh was inevitable. And as we talked about God's sovereignty in our group discussions, God was doing so on the trip - everything was exactly as God planned it to be. One amazing instance of provision was when we wanted to film a few shots for the video at sunset; we were chasing the remaining daylight and were hoping for good weather. We honestly forgot why we picked this particular date to film, but everything went well, even with bad traffic on the way there and a few slips and mishaps. It was chaotic while we were filming, but God had appointed good weather and the ability to film something that glorifies God.

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## CEBU MISSION TRIP REFLECTION

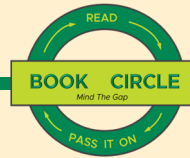
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Another theme of Jonah was God's command to "Get up... go... and preach". God called Jonah to do that, but he got up and went as far as he could away from God. As I talked with some of the GEGC members about the sacrifices they had to make to share the gospel, I realised that in some ways, they struggle with the same things, and in others, they do not. They shared the fear of being judged and the desire for money, but they also shared instances of persecution; families who shun them and friends they had to disassociate with. The cost of following God is different for us all, but God always desires to show mercy to the repentant, as he did to the Ninevites. In Cebu, there was striking unity in that pursuit of God's will. Of course, the stark cultural differences point more obviously to the unity, but I hope for a similar unity here in Zion Serangoon because the world is a hard place to "get up... go... and preach" in. We need each other - our provided family of God.

We also reflected on the reasons why Jonah decided to go down and away from God. In the last few verses, God reasoned with Jonah; he was more concerned for a plant that lived and died than for the 120,000 lost people in Nineveh. He did not see the Ninevites as worthy of salvation. He could only see his own desires, opinions, comfort and survival. Looking back at myself, there were times I put my needs over God, even before the trip, I was complaining about the packed month of June I had. Sometimes when we are self-absorbed, we miss the glory of God. God saved hundreds of thousands of people through a half-hearted prophet; what immeasurable, glorious grace. Yet sometimes in our self-centered nature, we forego that experience of glory because we want to be right or comfortable or happy for a little while.

We returned to Singapore on 11 June, greatly encouraged by the faith of GEGC, a growing church that boldly serves the needs of more rural areas, even with its limitations. A church that seeks to share God's love despite the physical, emotional and mental cost. We thank God for GEGC, and I hope you keep praying for them and their outposts in Liloan, Guba, and Toledo. I also hope that you can seek to act on God's call in your life, putting away your comforts, desires and opinions to experience God's glory.

# BOOK CIRCLE UPDATE



## Christian Apologetics:

*What do we know & what do we do about it?*

Last month, campers spent five blessed days at the Church Camp in Johor Bahru. Pastor Wendell conducted a workshop on '**Basic Christian Apologetics**', equipping us to explain why the gospel is true and trustworthy, and to respond to questions from seekers and non-believers.

Campers were introduced to several recommended books on Christian apologetics, including:

- *Dictionary of Christianity and Science*
- *Did God really command Genocide*
- *God, Freedom and Evil*
- *How long, O Lord?*
- *Covenantal Apologetics*
- *Can we trust the Gospels?*
- *The Challenge of Jesus*
- *Knowing God*



As 1 Peter 3:15–16 reminds us, we are to be ready to give a reason for the hope we have in Christ, with gentleness and respect.

These and other recommended titles are available in the Zion e-Library. We encourage you to borrow them as you grow in your faith and become better equipped to share the gospel.

These books and magazines are brought directly to you by Book Circle.

Hard copies of books and magazines (*Impact & TableTalk*) are available in the Fellowship Hall and The Deck @ Tavistock on the second floor. E/Audio books are accessible 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. Alternatively, fill up this online form ([tinyurl.com/ZSelibrarycard](http://tinyurl.com/ZSelibrarycard)) to provide your email address for the password to gain access to our e-Library.

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

# ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY

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Worship Service	Worshippers & Volunteers
Combined Service (21 June)	362
Anniversary Service (28 June)	495

# FELLOWSHIP TEA CONTRIBUTIONS

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5 July	Helen Tan	Thanksgiving
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# WEEKLY OFFERING

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## General and Missions Fund

(Received 15 June - 27 June)

**\$35,145.29**

(Received 28 June)

**\$13,459.50**



### PayNow

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### Bank Transfer

DBS Bank Ltd

003-938549-8

# CHURCH CONTACTS

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## SESSION

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*Missions*  
**Eld Timothy Soh**  
9180 1819

*Worship*  
**Eld Reuben Ang**  
9638 8841

**Eld Oswald Goh**  
9754 3094

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

*Missions Coordinator*  
**Pinky Guite**  
8015 9481

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

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

## MINISTRY STAFF

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*Church Coordination, HR*  
**Dns April Ding**  
9694 3276

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**Esther Ng**  
9834 9256

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*Accounts, Finance, Building*  
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*Building Maintenance*  
**Paul Low**  
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**Rev Eric Tay (Part-Time)**  
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