

The Sojournal

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Announcements

GOT TALENT?

We want to release a special issue on July 8 recognizing talent within our EM! From activities you've picked up during the quarantine season to crafts you've honed for years, we want to feature it all. Submit pictures of puzzles you've completed, knitting projects, professional hobbies, social media accounts to check out.. whatever it may be, complete the signup form

BY JULY 3RD!

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6/25 Sanghoon Ahn

6/26 Gayn Lee

6/28 Lauren Szymczak

Jordan Kahng

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Prayer

Psalm 69:13 - "But as for me, my prayer is to you, O Lord. At an acceptable time, O God, in the abundance of your steadfast love answer me in your saving faithfulness.

- We often fail to see God's bigger picture for our lives. Let us put our trust in God, even if you don't always understand or know.
- God hears our prayers and He is faithful to answer them. Whatever struggles we are facing now, He loves us and will save us according to his will.
- Our time on earth is so short compared to the eternity we will spend with the Lord. Let us remain resilient and patient, knowing that God's time is greater than our own plans.

Prayer: Father, these days have been difficult. I pray that you'd give the church peace and that you'd restore us. Thank you for your steadfast love and for faithfully answering our prayers. Let us turn to you with every circumstance and may we lay everything at your feet, for your will and ways are greater. Thank you for being our hope and joy, forever. In Your perfect Name. Amen.

Submit prayer request [here](#)

REGULAR GATHERINGS:

Oasis:

Wednesdays

7pm

Morning Prayer:

Saturdays

6:30am

Sunday Service:

Sundays

10:45am

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Letter from the editing team..

Beloved KCC Family,

We began in-person services this past week, marking a milestone for our church. Please be safe and continue to use your best judgement as we monitor the situation closely. Even as we begin meeting in person, we hope *The Sojournal* will serve as a medium for community building, springboarding larger discussions, and witnessing to God's faithfulness.

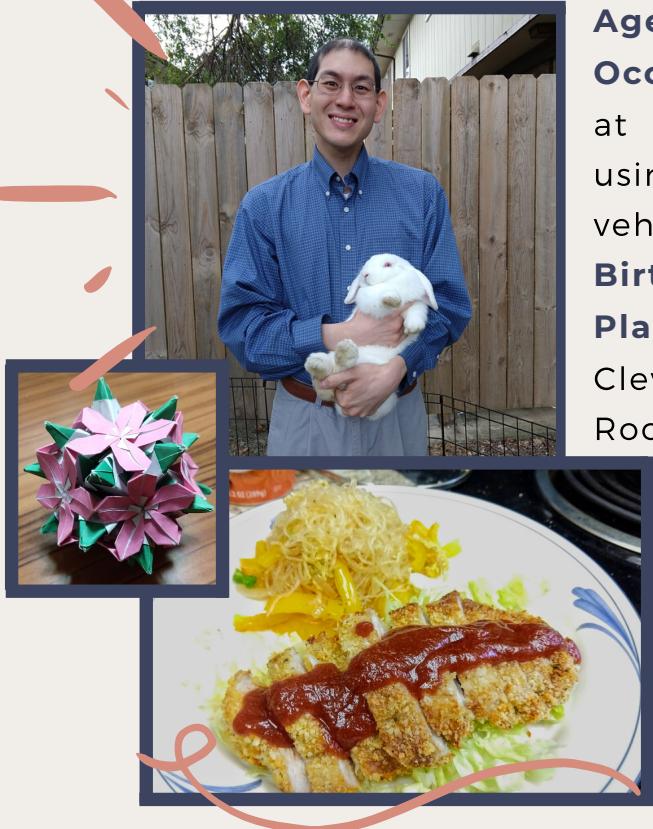
With this issue of *The Sojournal*, **we are expanding our plan** for publishing. As we sent out the first couple issues we quickly realized, there is too much to share and not enough space! We want to share more, but at the previous rate, it would have taken years! So it is our pleasure (Chick-fil-a hollaaaaa) to make *TSJ* into a weekly newsletter. The contents will be much the same but with Announcements & Events, Prayer Focus, and Member Profiles every week and a Personal Reflection every other week.

Thank you for reading and contributing to *The Sojournal*! It has been a blessing for us who are involved in curating the amazing testimonies, advice, and stories. We look forward to all those to come. Please share with us any feedback at thesojournal.kccem@gmail.com and submit questions, nominate your friends, using the links within the newsletter. We would love to hear from you!

In Love,
The Sojournal Editing team



Member Profile: Bryant Yung



Age: 33

Occupation: Director of Research & Development at a pharmaceutical company specialized in using nanotechnology to design drug delivery vehicles for cancer therapy

Birthplace: Red Bank, New Jersey

Places you've lived: Marlboro, NJ; Cleveland, Cincinnati, Columbus, OH; Rockville, MD

Hobbies: Playing with my bunnies, singing praise, reading, listening to radio pastors, playing with my bunnies, baking, board games, video games, action figures, origami, action figures, anime, manga, poetry, woodworking, PC building, laser tag, working out, walks in the park, cooking

Spiritual gifts, and how you think God utilizes them:

Service: As a young Christian, I knew that I wanted to serve God, but I did not know how He wanted to use me, so I volunteered for everything. This led to my participation in everything from moving furniture and babysitting to printing bulletins and baking pies. Over time, I found that I enjoyed

helping others because it freed them to pursue and engage more deeply in God's calling for their own lives..

Giving: When a sister or brother shares a burden with me, I consider it a great privilege and seek to meet their need however I can. I recognize the many ways that God has blessed me through talents and material resources, and I endeavor to use them as a means to bring encouragement to the body of Christ..

Teaching: Children's ministry has long been a passion of mine. Being able to take spiritual truth and make it accessible to an 8-year-old without diluting the potency of Scripture is no easy task and requires wisdom and discernment. I am blessed to have had great Sunday School teachers growing up as well as patient students who have helped me improve as a teacher.

Early to bed or night owl
Rainy day in or sunny day out
Basic neutrals or colorful
Dreamer or realist
Talking or texting
Rule keeper or rebel
Jjajang or jjamppong

Some of the biggest challenges during this life stage...

• Working at a small company, I often find myself wearing multiple hats. On any given morning I might be on a call with a stakeholder, preparing a budget, negotiating a contract with a vendor, writing an e-mail to a medical consultant, and reviewing a stability report—all before lunch. Coordinating across several disciplines where each one has its own jargon and acronyms like QbD, CPI, DSDM, PII, and CDA can be dizzying. It is important to remember however, that everyone is generally on the same team and wants to see the project succeed—they just have different metrics of success and ways of getting there.



• Whether it is my old lab mate who makes \$50K more or my high school friend who is happily married with two kids, it has been a constant temptation for me to play the comparison game. Sitting around contemplating the “what ifs” and “if onlys” of life however does not glorify God and only serves to make one feel empty and bitter. I often need to remind myself of the truths to find contentment & fulfillment in the Lord (Philippians 4:11; 1 Timothy 6:6-8).

• Finding work-life balance is an on-going struggle. There is a lingering sense of guilt on whether I should be doing more in one area or another. Should I go for that certification? Do I need to spend more time

ministering to that brother? Why are my quiet times getting shorter? Ultimately, I want to be a good steward of the time God has given me, but it is challenging when there are so many seemingly good and God-honoring opportunities presented to me.

What has God been pressing on your heart during quarantine?

• The value of good Christian community: Staying connected through corporate worship, prayer, and fellowship online has really been a source of encouragement for me and I really look forward to our gatherings each week.

• Persevere in doing good: Though the virus has changed the way we go about life, it has not changed our commission to make disciples, baptize, and teach the nations (Matthew 28:19-20). I've been encouraged by the creative ways that brothers and sisters have come together to serve by putting together videos, hosting online meetings, and sending supplies to the needy to name a few.

• The Lord is my rock: So often have I found my faith to be a product of my present circumstances. Despite my wavering faith, God remains the same, yesterday, today, and forevermore (Hebrews 13:8). Accepting the Lord's sufficiency is not a denial of the reality of my present struggles, but a declaration of his faithfulness and a recognition that He is the answer to my heart's deepest desire (2 Corinthians 12:9).

