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Announcements

Cell Group Sign-up

Cell groups have started for this semester. If you are not part of a cell group already, sign up by clicking the link below! Be part of a family away from home where we share lives together.

[CLICK HERE](#)

Ministry Sign-up

Want to serve at KCC EM, but don't know where to start? Fill out a simple form by clicking the link below and we'll get you connected to the right team!

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Prayer

Joshua 1:9 - "Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go."

- Pray for the missionaries and evangelists across the world - especially in countries like North Korea where people risk everything - including their lives - to spread the good news.
- Pray for the election and the vacant Supreme justice position. May God teach us to respect the authority given to each position, and may we have the wisdom to support the people who God intends to use for his glory.
- Pray that our actions would be the natural outpouring of our love for God and the thanksgiving of salvation. Ask boldly, and pray for wisdom and patience - may we be the salt and light of the world that does not fade or lose its strength.

Prayer: Glorious and righteous Father, thank you for blessing us and giving us a new day. Thank you for allowing us to take part in your will and for giving us our purpose for living. We pray that we would live according to your will and that we would be citizens who further your kingdom. Please protect the missionaries around the world, please protect our nation, and please protect our faith - help us live more boldly and courageously. Please receive all the honor and glory. Amen.

Submit prayer request [here](#)

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY! 🎂

9/23 Haerim Kwon

Oasis:

Wednesdays 7pm

Morning Prayer:

Saturdays 6:30am

(currently on Zoom only)

Sunday Service:

Sundays 10:45am

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Reflections

As an upperclassman in college, one of the most relevant topics is career. Most people have gone through the job search process and like so many others, I am also experiencing the accompanying stress. The past few months have been filled with events like career fairs as I continue to job search. During this time, I have thought a lot about how my future would look, and found myself to be constantly stressed from the uncertainty and the direction that my career will go once I graduate.

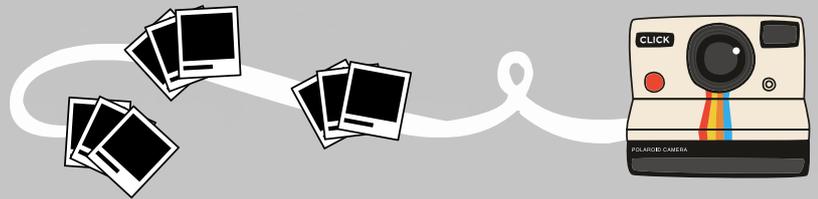
The stress came from the fact that I honestly had no idea what direction I will go, let alone if I will even have the opportunity for any sort of promising future. At that time, I felt hopeless and stuck about to do with my major and what steps to take to set myself up for future opportunities. I often became critical of myself and my work, thinking that my past experiences were not enough, and no company would really want me. Unfortunately, that time wasn't the brightest period in my life.

However, God is good. Thankfully, God saw that I was struggling and bringing myself down. He reminded me that he is always there for me. I think I was too focused on feeling that I needed to do this on my own, relying on my own strength rather than focusing my energy on God's will within the whole job/internship search and in turn relying on him. Someone reminded me that it's especially during these kinds of times that I should let the stress go (as best I can) and instead pray and try to find what God's will is.

This message was reinforced in cell group where we would discuss topics like trust, prayer, and faith. It really seemed to connect the dots so that I was able to remind myself that I need to truly have trust on top of faith in order to find freedom from the standards I held myself to and instead fully trust myself to God that he will seek to show a purpose within me. But job searching was making me feel like I was always doing the opposite of what I was so supposed to do: I was relying on myself rather than on God. In a way, that humbled me and really "put me in my place" to make sure that I learned not to doubt God's will or question my worth. That wake-up call has been extremely helpful and has encouraged me to keep pushing forward through all the networking, elevator pitches, and interviews. God will show me his will in my life, and I will be able to find my purpose in God through these times. Obviously, it's still hard to figure out where I will end up in terms of my career and future, but it's relieving to know in the back of my head that no matter what happens and what rejections I face, it's all God's will. One day, I'll get to know what my purpose for God is.

-Joy Kim

Haerim Kwon



Age: 24

Life stage: 2nd Year Nursing Student

Birthplace: Seoul, South Korea

Places you've lived: Denver, Colorado
Dublin, OH

Occupation/Job: PCA at Dodd Hall

Major: Women's Health NP

Hobbies/how you spend your free time:

Photography, spending time with friends & family

Your top spiritual gift, and how you think God utilizes it:

Faith: There have been specific situations I can recount where the only one in control or with any power to change the situation was the Lord. In some instances I saw the Lord working in the present moment and in others I saw this in retrospect. Either way, He's shown to me that no matter what I try to do, I am still so small and His ways are far greater than I can even imagine. Though I still have moments where I struggle with this, I am reminded of His unending faithfulness countless times and that He is trustworthy.

What has been the biggest challenge you were faced with during this life stage?

It's been a challenge balancing my time between school, work, cg, family, and friends, while also making sure I take time for myself to recharge. I have also been struggling with feeling incompetent as a nursing student and a future provider.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

SPEED ROUND

Early to bed or **Night owl**

Rainy day in or **Sunny day out**

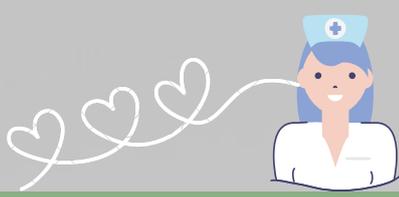
Basic neutrals or **Colorful**

Dreamer or **Realist**

Talking or **Texting**

Rule keeper or **Rebel**

Jjajang or **Jjampong**



During this quarantine, what do you think God has been pressing on your heart?

During quarantine, God has revealed my reliance on physically going to church to have a relationship with Him. My individual prayer life/relationship with God was very lacking, but His grace extends past that. He's definitely guided me in cultivating a more personal relationship with Him. Quarantine has also reminded me not to take things/time/people for granted. I'm more introverted than extroverted, so He's definitely still teaching me to be more okay reaching out to others and to be more intentional with those around me.



My dream is...

One of my bigger passions is to mentor younger ladies. So in the future I would love to be a mentor and help women grow in life and grow spiritually. I also want to take that into my practice as an WHNP: to advocate for women to take initiative of their own health and not be shy about their bodies, to provide education about their bodies, and to provide a safe space for women. Oftentimes, especially in the Korean American culture, talking about women's bodies is taboo, which it shouldn't be. We are all wonderfully and fearfully made, so I want to empower women to feel that way from both healthcare and spiritual perspectives.



What advice would you give to students trying to adjust to college life?

- GET PLUGGED IN! (small plug for cg hehe) This has helped me throughout grad school to provide accountability so I'm not blinded by school. I've definitely formed great friends from CG and also had great opportunities for spiritual growth/convo.
- SELF CARE: as a (future) nurse, I am not going to do anyone any good if I don't take care of my health. I have found exercising (resistance training or a 30 minute walk outside) has helped put me feel better physically and mentally. Find outlets to manage your stress, make time for your hobbies, talk to a trusted friend/mentor, get some fresh air (not just through a window), cherish the little things. Breathe. Have fun!

