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Prayer

1 Corinthians 13:12 - "For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I have been fully known.

- The Father's wisdom is unfathomable, and he knows the things which we do not recognize within ourselves. May we find comfort and reassurance in his endless mercy and perfect plan.
- Let us continue to seek the Father in prayer and have greater faith to pray in such a way that truly aligns with the Father's will. Specifically, let us pray for unity and mercy throughout and over the church and world.
- Christ knows us and sympathizes with everything we have been through and are going through. Despite the pain that was set before him, he endured it for the joy and love that would come with his sacrifice, so let us rejoice in every situation and carry ourselves with the love and confidence of Christ's blood over us.

Prayer: Perfect Father, we rejoice in you and we give thanks every day for the life you have given us. We pray that we would be united as one body and together, we would walk and carry ourselves in righteousness and confidence through Christ's sacrifice. Thank you for loving us and knowing us first, and though we do not fully understand yet, let us wait and walk faithfully through this life. We love to praise you, and we long to be with you. Amen.

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Andrea (Youngmi) Di'Asio

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! 🎂

10/23 Kiujoy Kokko
10/24 Joseph Lee
Jerry Jang
10/25 Zoey Ho
10/28 Siyn Lee
11/1 Steven Park

Oasis:

Wednesdays 7pm
Morning Prayer:
Saturdays 6:30am
(currently on Zoom only)
Sunday Service:
Sundays 10:45am

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Reflections...

In this season, God is really teaching me to put my trust in Him into practice. It's one thing to just say I trust in God, yet something else entirely when we actually trust Him and it shows in how we live our *daily* lives. Do I really trust God to provide for me? I want to say wholeheartedly yes! But then I look and see where I have tried to step in and manipulate situations to benefit me when I felt like God had left and forgotten about me. When I have allowed my walk through this world to be driven by my insecurities and not what God said He would do for me, what He *promised* me. That being, that He would never leave me nor forsake me.

God showed me how my motivations for doing things were not always pure, no matter how much I told myself they were. The thing about God is, He knows more about us than we do ourselves. Up until recently, I had been doing things just because people asked, not that that's a bad thing, but I wanted to please people. Maybe, if people thought I was this great and amazing person and told me long enough, I would believe it too. That I wouldn't blame myself for drifting friendships and distant relationships that I had convinced myself was my fault because I wasn't good enough. I had to stop depending on people to tell me or show me who I was. People will always disappoint you, shoot... I disappoint myself all the time! Why? Because we are non perfect people with brokenness and voids that only God can come in to heal and fill. And he does! *If* we let Him. I have to trust that God is who He says He is and that I am who He tells me I am and live my life accordingly. At some point, we must put in the work. For me, it's protecting my relationships. It's not being committed to misunderstandings or holding onto bitterness. Speaking previously unspoken expectations and welcoming difficult conversations, leaving no room for the enemy to come in with the lies I for so long often believed. I am also learning to extend grace to myself all the while not running from accountability.

I need God every day. There is a reason our mercies are new each morning, but we also have help! Where does my help, your help, our help come from? It comes from the LORD! So in this season, in EVERY season... even in what we might consider to be our most blessed and thriving season, we need God. Let us be reminded that we are in need and by God's grace and mercy, in His unwavering and unfailing love for us, He has promised to be our help. To never leave us or forsake us. Now, if we would only go forth and believe it so that we can live it!

-Markisha Tatum

Andrea (Youngmi) Di'Asio



Age: 22

Life stage: Student at OSU

Birthplace: Elyria, OH

Places you've lived: Oberlin, Columbus

Major & Minor: major - Korean, minor - Linguistics

Occupation/Job: Student and OGP (online grocery personal shopper) for Walmart

Hobbies/how you spend your free time:

Watching youtube (animated television shows), reading fairy tales (Grimm brothers, Franz), crafting/artwork, which can include painting (my favorite), DIY crafts, sewing



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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

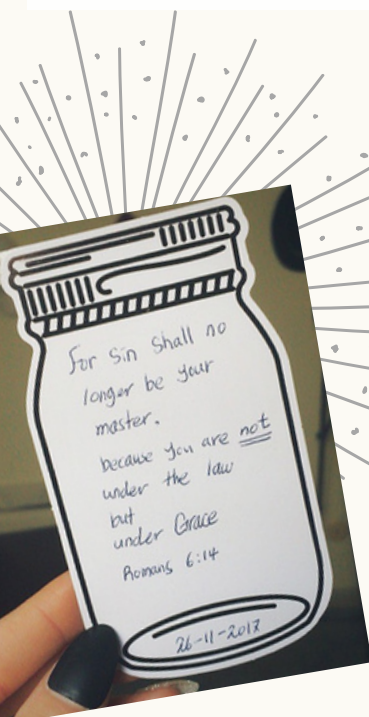
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What has been the biggest challenge you were faced with during this life stage?

This semester is more challenging due to being in upper level language courses. I feel unprepared for these courses but it is a good learning opportunity to improve my Korean. These courses are more challenging because of difficult topics (news articles, government, etc), vocabulary, memorizing, and heavy workload. Other students have a lot of experience in upper level courses so I'm trying to keep up.

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

- If you don't know what you want to do for the rest of your life, don't stress yourself out right now
 - You can learn what you want to do by taking classes and seeing what interests you
- Be a diligent student because it pays off in the long run
 - It's nice knowing you earned your success
 - And benefits you later in life
- Make time to be social and engage with people
 - Allow yourself time to meet with people and make time for social life
 - Don't be afraid to meet people in your classes- if you have the opportunity to talk to someone just do it
 - College is more enjoyable if you have people to talk to in your classes someone to related to and classwork even if your not friends with (engage wi professors too)
 - Makes class more engaging and interesting



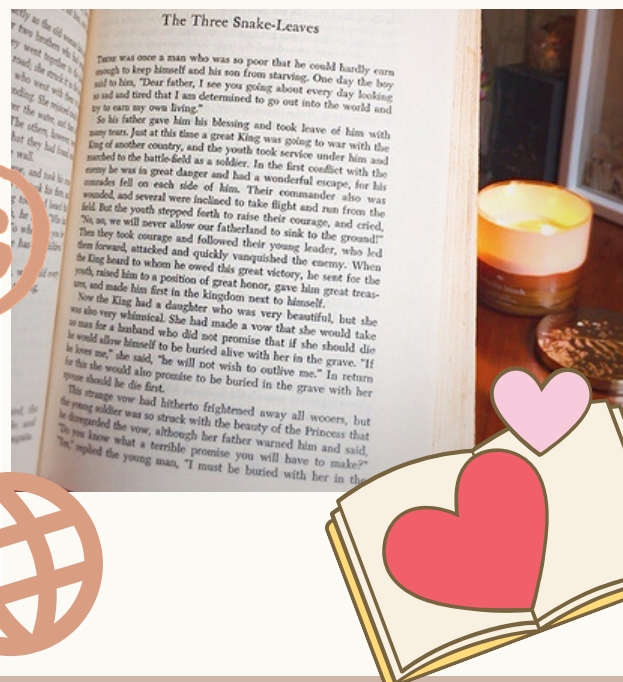
Your top spiritual gift, and how you think God utilizes it:

So after taking the spiritual gifts test, my top two gifts were knowledge and missionary. After learning the results, I do feel like God has used these in my prior experiences. For starters, with knowledge, I have a deep interest in apologetics, watching witnessing videos to people of other religions and backgrounds. I have found myself learning how to explain the Bible in ways that exhibit its truth, as well as studying the reliability of the Bible, especially through the historical and archeological contexts. This has definitely taken effect when I have witnessed to other people, which have usually been from cultures different than my own. At my previous church I did a lot of ministry work with IFI (International Friendships) in which I engaged with students from around the world. I have also had the privilege to witness to people from other religions such as from Catholicism and Mormonism, as well as people who identify as LGBTQ. With these experiences, I feel like God has definitely given me the desire for truth and the motivation to effectively share that with others that have a different background from my own.



My dream is...

- To enter a profession that engages a lot of people, allows me to bring smiles to people's faces, and to have a job that I really enjoy.
- I would love to be a mom and have a big family one day.
- Know more than 4 languages fluently (polyglot) Korean, English, Japanese, Italian, and then maybe Mandarin, Thai, French



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

- At the beginning of quarantine, I thought about Matthew 16:24, where Jesus tells His disciples to pick up their cross and follow Him daily. I ask myself, "What does my cross look like and am I picking it up daily? How am I going about my daily life and what weight am I picking up each day to follow Jesus?"
- I also think about the story of Abraham and Isaac- Abraham being asked to sacrifice his son and being totally willing to kill him. Reflecting on the day, there may be things that I don't want to do, but God wants me to. It's important to make that sacrifice and just do it. There are some things I really don't want to let go of, but I still have to submit to God and be willing to let go.
- I need to practice humility and obedience. Naturally, I want control over things in my life, but I know letting go may be the precursor for something better to happen and God's blessings in the future. I thought I handed over some parts of my life to God but when reflecting, I wonder if I really gave those up to God. I'm aware that God's plan is better than what I can do but sometimes my pride has gotten in the way.

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Be part of helping children in need around the world!

WHEN? COLLECT BY 11/13, PACK ON 11/14
FOR? 5-9 YRS BOYS & GIRLS ([OCC LINK](#))
GOAL? 20 BOXES (PLUS \$180 FOR SHIPPING)

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It's that time of the year again! OCC is here! And EVERYONE is welcome to participate.

Our 2020 goal is to pack 20 boxes!!

There will be a box set-up in the back of EM sanctuary as a collection point,

Please contact Diana Lee (dinnie899@gmail.com) for any questions!