

My grandmother's faith in God became a seed from what is now North Korea. It blossomed with my Dad's quiet, unwavering faith, especially throughout his difficult life as an elderly immigrant to the USA. All of his children are following in his footsteps, of believing in Jesus as our personal Savior. In 1976, we began harsh immigrants' lives in USA. We became founding members of the Korean United Presbyterian Church of Seattle (UPC – PC USA) 35 years ago.

In 1994 I was baptized after accepting Jesus Christ as my personal savior. At UPC I learned more about God through a two-year Bible study course and served with enthusiasm in the church. I was ordained a Deacon in 2003. Praying through my Dad's long illness and facing his death, my relationship with God became very personal and I dedicated my life to God. In 2009 I was ordained an Elder at UPC.

To serve God in earnest, my wife and I sold our Allstate Insurance Agency. I received my calling to His ministry in 2010 during early daily prayer services at UPC. Holy Spirit's true guidance led me to formally study the Word at Seminary so that I may better understand God and I enrolled in Northwest Presbyterian Theological Seminary where I finished the Masters in Divinity in January, 2015.

Jesus died on the cross to pay for my sins and I believe He rose again from the dead. I believe He will come again. I believe God made the universe and governs the world with endless love. God has been pouring miraculous blessings upon me, a weak and undeserving person, and He is making what I have, and who I am now, possible.

I believe in not only listening to the Word, but also in God's service. I served as District and Small Group Leader of 15-20 church members, led Bible studies, and we tithe. I served as President of Daniel Missions, assisted with attendance records and outreach to absentees. I drove church vans and directed parking.

I am amazed at God's graciousness and providence, who led me in June, to the Korean Presbyterian Church in Fairbanks. I have come to love its members who are patient with my improving sermons. With the steady guidance provided by Ruling Elders Denise and Mark Wartes, Rev. Curt Carns, and the Presbytery of Yukon, I look forward to stability within this congregation, strengthening of its spirits, and growth in Jesus Christ, our Lord.