

Peace and joy of from God – Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace (Isaiah 9:6) be with you this joyous season of Advent and Christmas. This is last Christmas of the first quarter of the 21st century. Time flies. I wish you a Merry and Magnificent Christmas and Happy and Hopeful New Year – the first year of the new quarter of the century. Hope you have a good start of your next 25 years be blessed.



For our family the year of 2025 was a year of new adventure. I, DaeHwa, started the year for the first time in my life without both parents. On the second Tuesday of April, I received a phone call for a new appointment at Covenant UMC, Montgomery Village and had to wrap up 12 years of ministry at Savage Campus and 5 years of work at Good Shepherd Campus. The pastoral work at Covenant has kept me being busy to fit for ministry.

YoungHoon continues teaching music at PGCP. Working now like a pro in Public Health, Gideon, 27, looks now mastered what is doing for living. Jeremy, 25, as solutions engineer at Siemens seems to be confident and comfortable at work. As a rising senior Theodore has a busy year, as Project Management Director, Engineering for Montgomery County, Co-President of National Tech Honor Society, School Rep Deputy, SMOB Advisory Council, and Section Leader and Marching Band Drum Major. He was unable to play golf for Magruder Golf Team at the Senior year, with schedule conflicts from several leadership positions. He played Pit Orchestra for a drama, and worked as a waiter for Simply Fresh several weekends. As of now, he kept straight A in all subjects, along with eight AP classes in the 12th year of study. He hopes to attend one of engineering colleges next fall.



During summer in June, prior to new appointment, YoungHoon and I had a good experience in the Seven Churches of the Book of Revelation (Rev. 2-3) and Corinth and Athens in Greece. It was a first pilgrimage to the Christian churches of the first century in the Greco-Roman world. With many insights and information on the followers of Jesus Christ, who lived in East Rome, YoungHoon and I experienced a car-jack. In a local old bookstore, I bought Η ΑΓΙΑ ΓΡΑΦΗ, the Bible in modern Greek at Athens, in Greece on June 30. In July, a family union took place at North Wildwood beach (shore, as people of NJ preferred to call it), NJ.

The annual meeting of AAR-SBL at Boston, MA a few weeks ago was fun and fabulous with the academic encounter of world leading scholars and serious readers of the Bible. Helping kids to access to biblical scholarship without hardship, revisiting the ancient Christian sites in Cilicia, and listening to the

presentation of young scholar was promising for the continuous work of the Holy Spirit in our generation and other ones to come. I am looking forward to read scriptures with “A Textual Commentary on the Greek New Testament Greek, written by Hue A.G. Houghten (Deutsche Biblelgesellschaft, 2025) in the years to come.

We hope God will continue to bless us and you, my friends in Jesus Christ, Immanuel, God-with-us.



Advent 2025,

from the Park family

Δόξα ἐν ὑψίστοις θεῷ καὶ ἐπὶ γῆς εἰρήνη ἐν ἀνθρώποις εὐδοκίας.
ΚΑΤΑ ΛΟΥΚΑΝ 2:14