



Living Hope Kids 2023-2024 Staff



Directors



Rachel Cho

Birthday: February 22

Hobbies/Interests: Cooking, reading, and going to the beach!

3 of my favorite things: Dumplings, Madewell, diet coke

I'm in LH Kids because: the Lord LOVES His children and I never want to stop being able to witness what He is doing in their lives! I love LH Kids! <3



Caleb You (Assistant Director)

Birthday: December 15

Hobbies/Interests:, Grabbing coffee with friends, Watching EPL & NBA games

3 of my favorite things: Chelsea FC, Indiana Pacers, and podcasts

I'm in LH Kids because: We are all called to be missionaries and it is a privilege to minister to my younger brothers and sisters.

Ministry Leads



Esther Kang (Staff Support)

Birthday: September 29

Hobbies/Interests: New experiences, Learning, Meeting new people

3 of my favorite things: Coffee, Soup, Hawaii

I'm in LH Kids because: I am thankful for Ms. Rachel, Mr. Caleb, and all our staff who faithfully serve, teach, and pray, for our next generation.

Emily Park (Deacon)

Birthday: March 18

Hobbies/Interests: Tennis, pickleball, going to the movie theater, working at cafes, picnicking

3 of my favorite things: Traveling, KBBQ, My Community!

I'm in LH Kids because: God's children are so precious! I have a heart to serve His kids as they build the foundation of their faith.

Jacob Ghil (Intern)

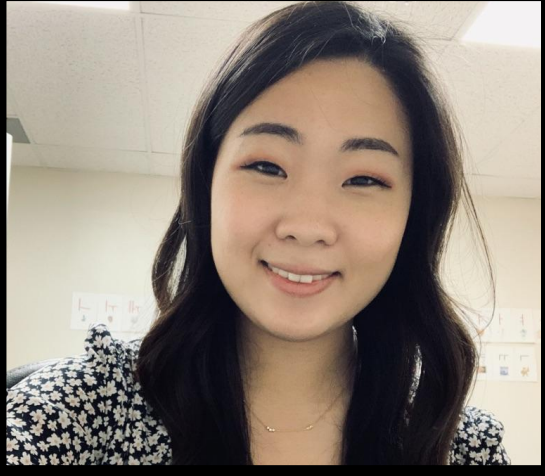
Birthday: May 19

Hobbies/Interests: Working out, going to museums, cooking, and listening to music while walking.

3 of my favorite things: Family, friends, and fried chicken.

I'm in LH Kids because: I want to see the process of my kids growing up in God.

Team Leads



Anna Nam (Kinder-1st)

Birthday: June 30

Hobbies/Interests: Trying new coffeeshops, taking walks, and meeting friends.

3 of my favorite things: Vanilla Latte, French Fries, Ice Cream

I'm in LH Kids because: I love being around kids and want to walk with them in their faith & show them God's love for them!



Airi Fukushima (2nd-3rd)

Birthday: October 31

Hobbies/Interests: watch movies/shows/anime, Paint my nails, and playing Mario Kart

3 of my favorite things: Hotpot, Anything with raw salmon, nap time

I'm in LH Kids because: It has been a great pleasure to serve LH Kids and seeing God's work through our children!



Heidi Park (4th-5th)

Birthday: February 19

Hobbies/Interests: playing tennis, drinking coffee, and eating yummy food, watching NBA games

3 of my favorite things: Iced Americano, family, and food

I'm in LH Kids because: God loves His children and I want to serve faithfully to help kids know that truth.

Kindergarten



Hannah Lee

Birthday: Sept 22

Hobbies/Interests:Target, cooking/baking shows, the Royal family, USC football

3 of my favorite things:yummy food, good conversation,coffee ice cream

I'm in LH Kids because: I love kids (especially Kinder!) and serving in LH Kids gave me the space to truly call Living Hope my HOME



April Kunowski

Birthday: August 9

Hobbies/Interests: baking, going to coffee shops, pickleball, spending time with friends, trying new things.**3 of my favorite things:**

nature, game nights, a nice crusty loaf of bread.**I'm in LH Kids because:** the longer I walk with God, the more precious His children become! I want to serve God by loving His children and sharing the gospel with them.



Erin Lee

Birthday: August 21

Hobbies/Interests: cooking, dancing, anything related to art, spontaneous drives/walks

3 of my favorite things: family, coffee, and worship :)

I'm in LH Kids because: I have a big heart for kids and I want to reveal God's love to those in this ministry by serving amongst them in the church that helped me experience God's love too <3

Kindergarten



Justin Kim

Birthday: January 23

Hobbies/Interests: Working out, Planning trips, Finding good food places, Finding new music, Playing sports,

3 of my favorite things: My midnight Macbook, My dog, and Blackberries

I'm in LH Kids because: I was so blessed in my time as a Living Hope Kid and would love to provide the same if not better experience for the Kids today!



Jeremy Swagerty

Birthday: November 14th

Hobbies/Interests: Video games, reading, basketball

3 of my favorite things: Legos, Korean music, coffee

I'm in LH Kids because: I felt called by God to serve in kids ministry and I also LOVE working with kids

Kindergarten



Natalie Han

Birthday: July, 1, 2009

Hobbies/Interests: Running, trying new food, and traveling.

3 of my favorite things: Korean dramas, my family/friends, and boba.

I'm in LH Kids because: I wanted to share the love and care that I received when I was in LH kids. I also want to show the kids how amazing our god is.



Rachel Fong

Birthday: October, 25

Hobbies/Interests: Volleyball, listening to music, crochet, playing the piano and viola

3 of my favorite things:

Family/friends, Spam Musubi, Kpop

I'm in LH Kids because:

I love little kids and want to help them learn about the gospel.



Erin Kang

Birthday:

September 9

Hobbies/Interests: Bowling, Park Days, and Pool parties

3 of my favorite things:

Reading, Listening to music, Spending time with my dog

I'm in LH Kids because:

I love volunteering and being helpful. I enjoy meeting the kids, they are all so unique and different!!

1st Grade



Jungah Jo

Birthday:

October 20th

Hobbies/Interests: Reading, having coffee, golfing, sleeping

3 of my favorite things: My family, Kbbq, dessert

I'm in LH Kids because: I want to serve God by loving on his precious children.



Esther Dwyer

Birthday:

February 25

Hobbies/Interests: small crafts, trying new foods, catching up with friends

3 of my favorite things: my family, coffee, my MK community

I'm in LH Kids because: I want to serve God by serving our LH Kids for his children are most precious!



Julianne Kwon

Birthday:

May 1, 2010

Hobbies/Interests:

I love to watch TV shows, dance to Kpop, and play basketball.

3 of my favorite things:

Asian food, books, and friends.

I'm in LH Kids because:

I love to play with little kids and connect with the church.

2nd Grade



Lex Marques

Birthday: September 10

Hobbies/Interests: Soccer, playing video games, and KDramas

3 of my favorite things: Family, Apple Pie, and Soccer

I'm in LH Kids because: I want to be a witness to how the kids will come to know God and his love for them.



Jacob Mangsat

Birthday: May 8

Hobbies/Interests:Weight lifting, listening to music, water polo

3 of my favorite things:Nerds gummy clusters, kbbq, banana milk

I'm in LH Kids because: I love seeing God change the lives of children through his message.



Ian Kim

Birthday: 8/5

Hobbies/Interests: anything active, eating good food, spending time with friends and loved ones

3 of my favorite things: God, family, and friends

I'm in LH Kids because: I believe that we should always try and teach and lead the next generation in the Lord.

2nd Grade



Deborah Moon

Birthday: June 12, 2007

Hobbies/Interests:

Figure skating, exploring new pieces of literature, writing articles

3 of my favorite things: My two cats, Barnes & Nobles, working out

I'm in LH Kids because: I love to help teach the kids and get to know them better!



Chloe Kim

Birthday: April 18

Hobbies/Interests: Shopping, finding new music, spending quality time with family & friends

3 of my favorite things: Chipotle, live music, the ocean

I'm in LH Kids because: I want to glorify God by being used to further advance His Kingdom, in hopes that these children will grow to love and in their consciousness for Jesus Christ!

2nd Grade



Jonathan Kwon

Birthday:September 29, 2008

Hobbies/Interests:XC, volleyball, tennis, robotics, listening to music, and playing saxophone and flute

3 of my favorite things:time with friends, music, and food

I'm in LH Kids because: I love being with kids and to help them learn about God's Plan for them.



Madison Gil

Birthday:January 31

Hobbies/Interests:baking, singing, journaling

3 of my favorite things:Korean skincare, Taylor Swift, my family <3

I'm in LH Kids because: I want to continue to serve in this ministry and do God's work.

3rd Grade



Caleb Mangsat

Birthday: May, 8 2002

Hobbies/Interests: movie enthusiast, weight lifting, running

3 of my favorite things: spending time with friends/family, new music, my doggies

I'm in LH Kids because: I want to be an influence in their lives and show them how great God really is.



Jane Lee

Birthday: March 20

Hobbies/Interests: trying new foods and playing games with friends and family

3 of my favorite things: the color green, noodles, and sleeping

I'm in LH Kids because: it's a joy to interact with young ones as they not only become their own persons but also learn about their identities in Christ



Mckenzie Gil

Birthday: January 31

Hobbies/Interests: Reading, writing, listening to music

3 of my favorite things: Spotify Premium, books, my headphones/airpods

I'm in LH Kids because: I enjoy seeing the kids' perspectives on the Gospel and the messages because they perceive the information in ways that are simple and uncomplicated.

4th Grade



Luciano Faria

Birthday: October 9th

Hobbies/Interests: Vinyl collecting, cooking, playing soccer, watching basketball

3 of my favorite things: Listening to music with my headphones, trying new foods, learning about and experiencing new cultures

I'm in LH Kids because: God has given me the opportunity to share of His word and the gospel to the next generation of believers



Jason Cho

Birthday: January 8

Hobbies/Interests: Rock climbing, exploring new coffee shops or food spots, and pretty much anything related to the outdoors

3 of my favorite things: Spending quality time with friends and family, ice cream especially Jeni's, and early morning solitude

I'm in LH Kids because: I love kids and being apart of this ministry to witness the incredible work of God firsthand



Adam

Hobbies/Interests: working out, video games, golf, volleyball

3 of my favorite things: my two dogs, music, and my family

I'm in LH Kids because: I enjoy volunteering and it was pretty fun volunteering at other events like VBS.

4th Grade



Charissa Schlensker

Birthday: May 23

Hobbies/Interests: Reading, baking, fostering kittens, spending time with friends

3 of my favorite things: My family & friends, animals, a good movie or tv show

I'm in LH Kids because: Seeing how children learn about and prioritize God in their lives is inspiring.



Winnie Huo

Birthday: May 23

Hobbies/Interests: Reading, baking, fostering kittens, spending time with friends

3 of my favorite things: My family & friends, animals, a good movie or tv show

I'm in LH Kids because: Seeing how children learn about and prioritize God in their lives is inspiring.



Samantha Cho

Birthday: April 22

Hobbies/Interests: Tennis, spin class, cooking new recipes, and easy hikes
3 of my favorite things: Quality time with family & friends, Disneyland, and live music

I'm in LH Kids because: I want to help kids grow in their relationship with God!

5th Grade



Lauren Park

Birthday: October 11

Hobbies/Interests: House plants, movies/shows, spending time with friends over a yummy meal

3 of my favorite things: My dogs, good coffee at cute cafes, traveling

I'm in LH Kids because: I love serving in LH Kids and am excited to see my class grow deeper in their understanding and love for God!



Chelsie Yuan

Birthday: January 7

Hobbies/Interests: running, hiking, museums, beading, watching shows/movies

3 of my favorite things: tiramisu, in n out, family & friends

I'm in LH Kids because: I want to help guide and support the kids at LH as they develop a foundation of faith and spread His love to them!

5th Grade



Alex Lee

Birthday: March 27

Hobbies/Interests: Golfing, playing board games, traveling, and spending time with friends

3 of my favorite things: My dog (Pochacco), my family, and beef noodle soup

I'm in LH Kids because: I want to witness what God can do for his kids!



Richard Min

Birthday: September 10

Hobbies/Interests: Eating good food, Basketball, & Watching movies

3 of my favorite things: Gym, KBBQ, Adventures

I'm in LH Kids because: It brings me joy to see the kids wanting to know God so I hope to help the kids develop a relationship with God along with my own!

Service Host



Joy Lee

Birthday: August 28

Hobbies/Interests: Baking, Singing,
Dancing, Eating

3 of my favorite things: Disney, Spending
time w/ friends, Food

I'm in LH Kids because:

I love being able to see the youthfulness and childlike heart/faith these children have for God and am inspired to be like them in my own faith.

Coordinators



Kevin Ko - AVL

Birthday: July 18

Hobbies/Interests: Tennis, Climbing, Watching movies, Going to coffee shops, Going to Disneyland

3 of my favorite things: My wife, My dog, Food

I'm in LH Kids because: I can never say no to Ms. Rachel. God tells us to have childlike faith, and there is so much that we can learn from serving the children.



Angela Hom - Worship

Birthday: October 1

Hobbies/Interests: K-pop dance covers, Singing, Coffee shop people-watching, Disney trips!

3 of my favorite things: Boba, K-pop, and Disney!

I'm in LH Kids because: I want to help the kids learn to love God and also teach them different ways to worship!

Worship Team



Avery You

Birthday: June 21

Hobbies/Interests: dancing, cheering, skiing, and trying new foods!

3 of my favorite things: family and our dog, trader joe's snacks, and k-dramas

I'm in LH Kids because: I love using my gift of dance to praise God and share my love for him with the kids!



TJ Onias

Birthday: July 29

Hobbies/Interests: Food, K-dramas, and basketball.

3 of my favorite things: The Lakers, Coffee, Disneyland

I'm in LH Kids because: To share my joy for praise with God's Children!

Worship Team



Sammi Chung

Birthday: June 27

Hobbies/Interests: Dance, shopping, listening to music

3 of my favorite things: Kpop, Korean BBQ, boba

I'm in LH Kids because: I want to share my love for God with the kids through praise and worship!



Charis Park

Birthday: May 28

Hobbies/Interests: Shopping, dancing, baking, hanging out with friends & family

3 of my favorite things: my dog, kpop, and acai bowls

I'm in LH Kids because: I hope to spread God's love and joy to the kids through worship!



Emma Kim

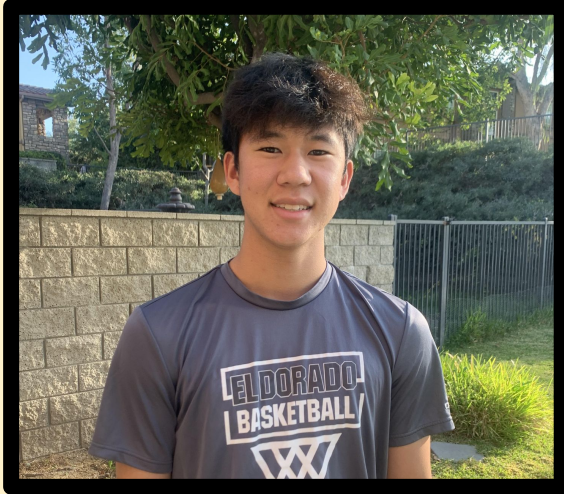
Birthday: August 17

Hobbies/Interests: Dancing, hanging out with friends and family, going to library

3 of my favorite things: BTS, boba, and matcha

I'm in LH Kids because: I want to serve God and spread His love to the kids!

AVL Team



Ethan Chi

Birthday: October 8

Hobbies/Interests: Basketball and eating

3 of my favorite things: My family, fruit, and God

I'm in LH Kids because: I enjoy serving the church and feel that this opportunity will make me closer with God.



Caleb Chung

Birthday: February 11

Hobbies/Interests: Sports and video games

3 of my favorite things: Sleep, korean food, and hanging out with friends

I'm in LH Kids because: I think that it will be a good way to become more active in the church.

AVL Team



Andrew Ko

Birthday:

Hobbies/Interests:

3 of my favorite things:

I'm in LH Kids because:

Connor Cho

Birthday: October 3

Hobbies/Interests: Shoes and singing
3 of my favorite things: Korean snacks,
hanging out with friends and family,
and Dodgers

I'm in LH Kids because: I had a great
experience in LH Kids and this felt like this was
a good first step into volunteering for the
ministry I've come to love.