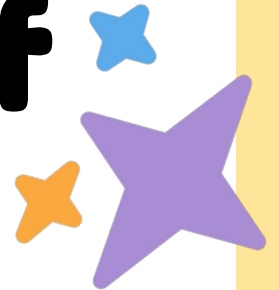




# **Living Hope Kids 2024-2025 Staff**



# 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 (Deacon)**

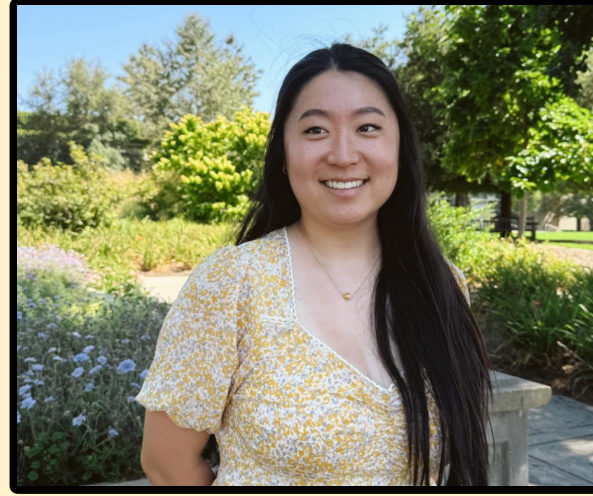
**Birthday:** September 29

**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.

# Ministry Leads



## **Jungah Jo (Intern)**

**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.



## **TJ Onias (Intern)**

**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!

# Team Leads



## Hannah Lee (Kinder)

**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



## Janet Chung (1st-2nd)

**Birthday:** July 3

**Hobbies/Interests:** Cooking, Arts & Crafts and Working Out/Boxing

**3 of my favorite things:** Family, Kuma (my dog), & Sitcoms

**I'm in LH Kids because:** To serve God and love seeing our kids learning about God at an early age. Plus, I love kids and the fun, endearing interactions with them.

# Team Leads



## **Airi Fukushima (3rd-4th)**

**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!



## **Alex Lee (5th)**

**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!

# Kindergarten



**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!



**Jimmy Diep**

**Birthday:** June 14

**Hobbies/Interests:** reading, swimming, camping

**3 of my favorite things:** fried chicken, family, old theologians

**I'm in LH Kids because:** "Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me."

Mark 9:37

# 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!



## 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.



# Kindergarten



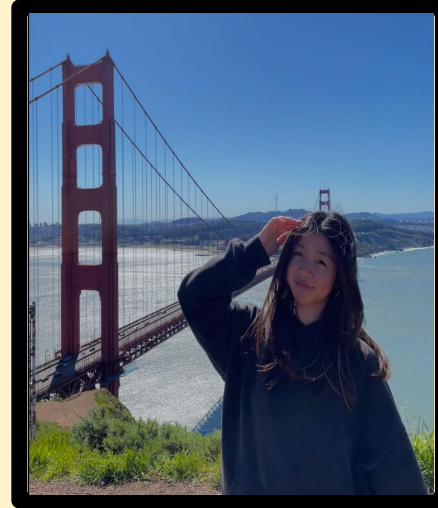
**Rachel Lee**

**Birthday:** May 30

**Hobbies/Interests:** Baking, Origami, and picking flowers

**3 of my favorite things:** My family and friends, the beach, and sunsets

**I'm in LH Kids because:** I love taking care of kids and seeing them grow.



**Kaitlyn Chung**

**Birthday:** July 10

**Hobbies/Interests:** shopping, listening to music, and performing in orchestra groups and jazz combos

**3 of my favorite things:** macarons, fluffy blankets, and aquaphor

**I'm in LH Kids because:** I want to inspire a love for God in the kids' hearts and give back to the ministry that I grew up in!

# 1st Grade



**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.



**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!

# 1st Grade



**Liz Au**

**Birthday:** September 13

**Hobbies/Interests:** travelling, going to the beach, Kdramas, board games

**3 of my favorite things:** pasta, Disney movies, spending time with family/friends

**I'm in LH Kids because:** children are precious to the Lord! It's a joy to share God's love with them & be a small part in building their foundation of faith.



**Eva Do**

**Birthday:** April 30

**Hobbies/Interests:** crocheting, embroidering, doing my nails, and hanging out with my friends

**3 of my favorite things:** korean food, elephants, strawberry matcha

**I'm in LH Kids because:** I love kids so so much! God has given me a heart for children and I want to spread His love onto them and allow myself to be a vessel for the Lord.

# 1st Grade



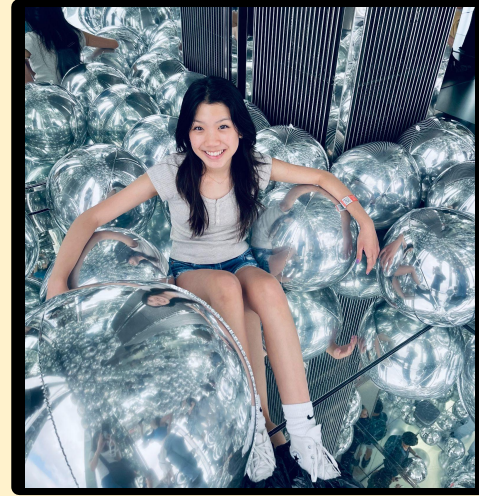
**Erin Kang**

**Birthday:** September 9

**Hobbies/Interests:** Playing guitar, singing, reading, and baking.

**3 of my favorite things:** Music, my mom, and my dad

**I'm in LH Kids because:** I am thankful for the teachers I had in LH Kids, and want to pass this on.



**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.

# 2nd Grade



**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!



**Rachel Kim**

**Birthday: March 4**

**Hobbies/Interests:** anything artsy, cafe hopping, figure skating, pilates

**3 of my favorite things:** coffee/matcha, good food, quality time with people i ❤️

**I'm in LH Kids because:** I want to share the gospel with the little ones and love on them so that they may get a glimpse of how much God loves them!

# 2nd Grade



**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.



**Jaxen Kim**

**Birthday:** January 9, 2009

**Hobbies/Interests:** tennis, hanging out with friends, and listening to music

**3 of my favorite things:** family, watching tv, and play tennis

**I'm in LH Kids because:** I was in LH kids and loved the experience and want to give back and help other kids have the same good experience I had and spread the word of God

# 2nd Grade



**Michael Lee**

**Birthday:** January 15

**Hobbies/Interests:** Weightlifting, Music, Valorant, Brawl Stars

**3 of my favorite things:** My friends and family, going to the beach, Jasmine milk tea

**I'm in LH Kids because:** I want to return the love and mercy that God has given me by serving His children!



**Alena Mangsat**

**Birthday:** June 12

**Hobbies/Interests:** Basketball, Music, and being out with friends

**3 of my favorite things:** My friends/family, summer vacations, and boba

**I'm in LH Kids because:** I enjoy the and love the younger ministry and would love to leave impact with them, whilst leading them to Christ



**Madelyn Chi**

**Birthday:** August 8

**Hobbies/Interests:** drawing and reading  
**3 of my favorite things:** hanging out with my family, Annie's cheddar bunnies, and kdramas.

**I'm in LH Kids because:** I love working with kids, and I believe that God is calling me to serve in the children's ministry & share his love.

# 3rd 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.



# 3rd Grade



## Deborah Moon (+worship)

**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!



## Jonathan Son

**Birthday:** June 2

**Hobbies/Interests:** Photography, digital painting, watching good movies, hanging out with friends.

**3 of my favorite things:** Parents/fam, Kbbq, my dog, watching LOTR

**I'm in LH Kids because:** As a follower of Christ, I want the Gospel to be made known to the little kids so that they may find purpose, hope, and love that is in Christ Jesus.

# 4th 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.



## 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.

# 5th 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



## 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.

# 5th Grade



**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!



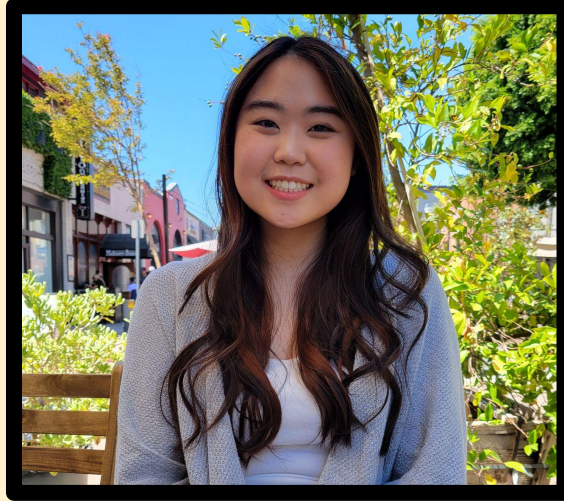
**Samantha Cho**

**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!

# 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.



**Dennis Kang**

**Birthday:** January 27

**Hobbies/Interests:** Sitting, sleeping  
**3 of my favorite things:** Taco Bell, my  
dog, and sleeping

**I'm in LH Kids because:**

I love making the kids laugh and hopefully have them get them ready to worship and get to know who God is.

# Coordinators



## **Andrew Ko - AVL**

**Birthday:** July 20, 1998

**Hobbies/Interests:** Weightlifting, Swimming, Coffee, Going to the beach  
**3 of my favorite things:** Coffee, All fields of Science, and my family

**I'm in LH Kids because:** I want to help the kids to know God more through any and all means and enjoy seeing them from behind the scenes.



## **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!

# AVL Team



## Frida Aguilar

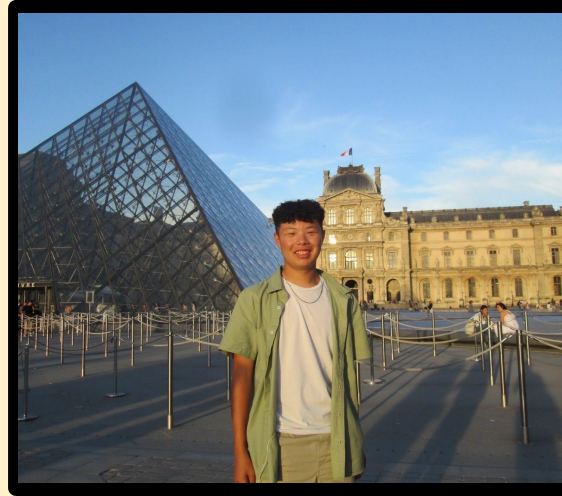
**Birthday:** September 27

**Hobbies/Interests:** Thrifting, Fashion, Yoga, Reading

**3 of my favorite things:** My 3 pets, coffee and bookstores

**I'm in LH Kids because:**

I want to be able to witness the work God does in the lives of his precious children



## Ben Park

**Birthday:** November 7th

**Hobbies/Interests:** playing volleyball, listening to music, reading

**3 of my favorite things:** playing in a jazz band, watching/playing sports, and travelling around the world.

**I'm in LH Kids because:** It brings me joy to be a part of something bigger than myself and for the kingdom of God.



## Connor Cho

**Birthday:** October 3

**Hobbies/Interests:** listening to music, hanging out with family and friends, and playing tennis

**3 of my favorite things:** korean food, shoes, and hanging out with my family and friends.

**I'm in LH Kids because:** I grew up in this program and want to make sure that the kids get the same holy experience that I got.

# Worship Team



**Jessica Hong**

**Birthday:** December 23

**Hobbies/Interests:** yoga, watching TV,  
being with friends and family

**3 of my favorite things:** my husband, my  
kids, animals

**I'm in LH Kids because:** I love to see  
kids building their faith in God and  
joyfully worshipping Him.



**Jamine Kang**

**Birthday:** September 16

**Hobbies/Interests:** baking, dancing,  
film photography

**3 of my favorite things:** exploring new  
cafes, sunsets, karaoke

**I'm in LH Kids because:** I want to help  
plant seeds in the next generation :)



# Worship Team



**Rachel Kim**

**Birthday: March 4**

**Hobbies/Interests:** anything artsy, cafe hopping, figure skating, pilates

**3 of my favorite things:** coffee/matcha, good food, quality time with people i ❤️

**I'm in LH Kids because:** I want to share the gospel with the little ones and love on them so that they may get a glimpse of how much God loves them!



**James Lai**

**Birthday: 10-18-2000**

**Hobbies/Interests:** cooking and eating and taste testing

**3 of my favorite things:** Jesus, Rayray, my bible, food and bev

**I'm in LH Kids because:** I LUV TO WORSHIP

# Worship Team



**Kindle You**

**Birthday:** February 21

**Hobbies/Interests:** playing with my dog, traveling, skiing, eating, dancing

**3 of my favorite things:** My family and friends, Ben and Jerry's cookie dough ice cream, my dog.

**I'm in LH Kids because:** I want to serve in the ministry that I love so much!!



**Juliette Lee**

**Birthday:** August 6

**Hobbies/Interests:** dancing, crafting, k dramas, shopping, going to the beach

**3 of my favorite things:** spending time with family/friends, starbucks, takis/hot cheetos

**I'm in LH Kids because:** i want to help the kids be excited to worship God.



**Keira Lee**

**Birthday:** Dec 16, 2011

**Hobbies/Interests:** Kpop, boba, shopping & dancing with friends

**3 of my favorite things:** Family & friends, kpop & boba!

**I'm in LH Kids because:** I want to serve the younger kids through body worship!

# Worship Team



## 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.



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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!

# Access Team



## Candice Surh-Cho

**Birthday:**

**Hobbies/Interests:**

**3 of my favorite things:**

**I'm in LH Kids because:**

## Taishi Inoue

**Birthday: 05/24**

**Hobbies/Interests: Reading and eating**

**3 of my favorite things: My wife, kids,  
and Shin ramen (Red) :D**

**I'm in LH Kids because: God gave me  
opportunities**

# Access Team



**Katie Yi**

**Birthday:** 12/15

**Hobbies/Interests:** baking, cooking different foods, golf, tennis, traveling, and trying new restaurants

**3 of my favorite things:** going to new coffee shops, exploring new areas with my husband, good food

**I'm in LH Kids because:** people of all abilities should feel welcomed and accepted by the body of Christ



**Tim Min**

**Birthday:** 11/18

**Hobbies/Interests:** anything and everything. The endless possibilities of curiosity shall never be tamed.

**3 of my favorite things:**

1. Airi Fukushima
2. Hearing laughter
3. Hearing laughter from airi

**I'm in LH Kids because:**  
God opened the door to Access ministry and it has been such a blessing!!!!