



# Prayer News and Updates

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## New Staff for Josh McDowell Ministries

We want to wish you a blessed, joyful and Happy New Year! Thank you to all our partners who pray, give regularly, and give special gifts. We are so thankful to share that God has met all of our needs through your generous giving! You are such a blessing to us!

We want to introduce you to 2 very special people who are joining staff with the Josh McDowell Ministries which is part of Cru. I, Rochelle, am serving as the Applicant Liaison for any new staff who joins this ministry. In case you haven't heard of Josh McDowell before, he is a trailblazer for truth and relationships through his books and speaking opportunities. Josh shares the essentials of the Christian faith in everyday language so that groups of all ages and backgrounds are prepared for the work of the Gospel.

I was able to help Young and Young Ju Lee join Josh McDowell ministry (JMM) and I got to meet them at our Winter New Staff Orientation. They were both born in Korea. Young Ju came to the States with her family when she was 8 years old. Young came here as a college student. Young has served the Lord in ministry as a pastor for 17 years while also working in the telecom field for 35 years.

After retiring from his pastorate, Young moved to Korea in 2019 with the purpose of providing biblical training and teachings to church leaders in parts of the world where this training is not readily available. He was able to teach and minister in Cambodia, Thailand, Nepal, Hong Kong and Korea during this time.

During 2023, the Lord opened the door for them to serve with JMM in their global department. JMM specializes in Apologetics ministry around the globe and the Lees have been developing a curriculum based on "12 Crucial Truths of the Christian Faith," written by Josh McDowell. They will help write the curriculum and also help take it around the world for use by seminary students, Cru staff, and churches and pastors. They are very excited about this new door that has opened to them.

It was a joy for me to get to know them and visit them during the registration time for their conference. I know that God has great plans for them. It is exciting to see how God will use people even after they retire to reach the world for Christ!



Rochelle, Young Ju Lee, and Young Lee

Thank you for partnering with Steve and me as we help send out laborers like the Lees to reach the world with the Gospel. We praise God for you!

#### PRAYER REQUESTS

- 1) Pray that thousands of students will consider going on Summer Missions this summer.
- 2) Pray for qualified staff like the Lees to be called by God to work with Cru, filling critical roles in our Cru ministries.
- 3) Pray for us as we prepare for a mission trip to the Dominican Republic or another Caribbean island this summer with a Cru partner, Filters of Hope!
- 4) Pray for Rochelle as she discipless Sachiko, Fumiyo, Jessica, and Emily using the Love Un-Vieled materials.
- 5) Pray for Steve as he teaches and encourages men involved in our church's men's ministry and a class called Way of the Disciple this semester.

*With love in Jesus,  
Steve & Rochelle*