

**Jean Kim's**

## **2020 SPRING NEWS**

### **GREETINGS**

My dear friends! I hope all of you and your families have been well in the grace of loving God. I hope none of you were attacked by the virus, and you all have been able to maintain your good health. Thank you for your prayers, cards, letters, phone calls, flowers, ethnic food/ groceries, and visits prior to quarantine. I have been able to breathe and laugh through your love and support. THANK YOU!



### **NEWS**

As usual, my bronchitis came back after the 2019 Thanksgiving Service and lasted for 3 months. It prevented me from preaching at Brookdale's Sunday Services. However, I was able to preach two Sundays in March 2020. I was prepared to do it again on the third Sunday but then, due to coronavirus, we were told there will not be any activities including worship service at Brookdale from the middle of March. For the whole month of April, we were quarantined to our rooms. Families and friends bring things, leave them at the front desk which is then delivered to our room by the staff.

I experienced swelling legs, insomnia, ill digestion, acid reflux, poor appetite, returning back pain, and coughing again with some fevers which compelled Brookdale to put a precaution on me. However, all these conditions are under some control. I look forward to having warmer weather to be free from the residual cough. Quarantined to my room for so long is the most difficult thing to tolerate. Ever since 2018, my chance to serve needy neighbors seems to be gone forever.

However, my spirit is filled by the sense of gratefulness of **GOD** and **YOU** and the care and support of the **Brookdale** staff. Using this time of confinement that coronavirus brought, I have been working on my other three books on which I had done some groundwork in the past. It has not been easy to bring them to fruition in my condition. However, the steadfast grace and love of God sustained me to complete them even at an insufficient level. I appreciate the help of my publisher and editor. I wish I could rewrite them all again. But I did reluctantly let it go to final publication.

We had two residents and an employee who tested positive for the coronavirus, and they were taken to the hospital, treated, got well, and returned home. We thank God for them!

### **Time to Pray. Time to Repent and Time to Prepare**

**The coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19)** brought me to have a better sense of reflection on my life; it gives me a time to pray and repent. I am amazed to notice how many wrong things I've said and done to many people. It is extremely hard to live as I preach. It is heartbreaking to know how many people I have hurt. I am sure God forgave, but I am the one who has a terrible time to forgive myself. Please forgive me if I have done wrongs to **YOU**. I am gratefully preparing to take whatever comes. I lived 85 years, much longer than I have ever anticipated with all my chronic health issues. It has been only the grace of God/Jesus who carried me on their backs thus far. God blessed me with many talents, motivations, strengths, and perseverance. I am especially blessed with many friends like **YOU**.

# Invitation for Celebration by Sam Kim (Jean's son)

**Date:** Saturday, September 12, 2020, 6:00-8:00 p.m. (Dinner will be provided)

**Place:** Maplewood Presbyterian Church. 19523 84th West. Edmonds, WA.98026.  
(at the corner of 196th SW and 84th W).

**Occasion:** We would like to celebrate my mother's **85th birthday**, **her Jubilee** (50th year) immigrating to the United States, **her Jubilee** of Homeless Mission, and **her publication** of four books.

**My mother would say:** This occasion will be to honor GOD and Jesus for their hard work and YOUR Love and support in marching with her all these years.  
**She would also say, No cards, No flowers, No gifts.**

As we are not over with the virus yet, we don't know what the situation on September 12 will be like. However, **please save the date and time.** We will let you know before August what the alternative will be in case our physical gathering on September 12 is not possible.

**All four books will be sold through Amazon.com. E-books of all 4 will be available also.**  
**As she had done in the past, the entire proceeds from the book sales will go to missions that strive to end homelessness.** People may also make a contribution to **Hope in Color Purple Fund.** and mail it to: c/o Nina Kim, 15228 72nd Dr. SE, Snohomish, WA 98296.



**My mother is grateful to those who wrote forewords and book reviews on the above four books.**

**September 12th event is sponsored by our entire family**

**Co-Sponsors of the event** Maplewood Presbyterian Church, Jean Kim Foundation to End Homelessness thru Education, The Nest Mission, Ewha Girls High School Alumni Association, Kidok News, Lanphear Design (Publisher), Samuel Lim, CPA, Mr. Steve Hong, a businessman, Rev. Dr. Pat Wright, Director of the former Total Experience Gospel Choir,

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