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Annual  
Report



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# BECAUSE GOD IS...

## a letter from scott

executive pastor of strategy and operations

### Many of us thought the pandemic would have been far in our rearview window by now.

Proverbs 19 sums up 2021 well when it reminds us that though we make plans, it is God who directs our steps.

Throughout this Annual Report, you are going to see God working in ways we would have never seen if everything went the way we planned.

### BECAUSE OF THIS PROFOUND TRUTH, WE'VE ENTITLED EACH SECTION OF THIS REPORT "THE GOD OF..." AS A WAY TO HONOR WHO BROUGHT US THROUGH 2021.

There is a true temptation and deception of our spiritual enemy to focus only on how bad things may have been and believe they will grow worse. Friends, this is a lie. We have a God who is for us—so who can actually be against us? Yes, in this life we will experience trials and tribulations, but our Lord reminds us, "Take heart. I have overcome the world."

As you read this report, we pray you note the efforts made by our Board and staff to ensure we are living out our mission amid constant change and prioritizing the needs of our people and our community. From a financial standpoint, we're humbled to once again affirm that our 2021 expenses did not exceed our income. Because of this and your generosity, we're set up strong for 2022.

Everything you are about to read is a direct result of who God is and a reflection of the countless ways you have made an investment towards the Fellowship family.

Praising God and thanking you,  
Scott

# THE GOD OF

BECAUSE HE IS THE  
GOD OF INVITATION,  
WE ARE A PEOPLE  
OF TRANSFORMATION.

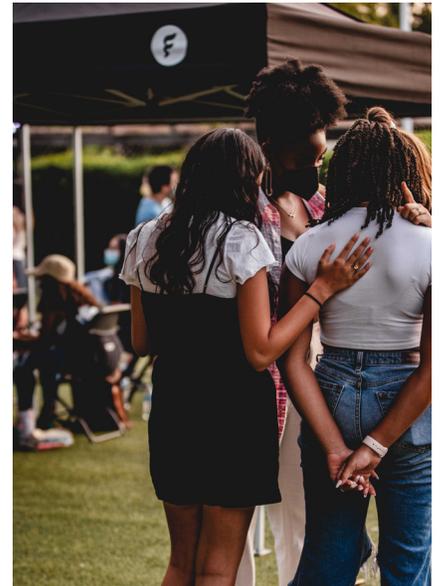
The good news of Jesus meets  
us exactly where we are and  
as we are, then invites us into  
redemptive transformation.

# INVITATION





# WE WERE TRANS- FORMED BY THE GOSPEL



**The  
fascinating  
thing about the story of the Gospel is the  
God of all creation deeply desires to be  
in a relationship with us.**

In 2021, we felt God meet us in a similar place from the year prior, still tired and anxious from a global pandemic and desiring for things to go back to "normal". Still, wherever we found ourselves throughout the year, God continued to pursue us in a season of uncertainty and met us on Sunday mornings, in our Life Groups, Youth Camps, and all the spaces we were in to be transformed by His good news.



WEEKLY ONLINE VIEWERSHIP IS AVERAGING 1,700 UNIQUE DEVICES EACH WEEK WITH AN AVERAGE OF 200-225 AT PEAK TIME DURING OUR GATHERINGS.

WEEKLY IN-PERSON ATTENDANCE

since august 2021

885

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PASTORAL CONNECTIONS  
700

SUMMER CAMP ATTENDEES  
202

COUNSELING HOURS  
2800

PRAYER REQUESTS  
914

WINTER CAMP ATTENDEES  
150



JEANETTE'S  
STORY

When God invites us to be transformed by the Gospel, it almost always involves loving community.

**For Jeanette, a wife and mother of 3, saying yes to following Jesus involved both loving community and a fancy cheese board.**

Jeanette got connected at Fellowship in an unconventional way. She's in the business of making charcuterie boards, and had offered to bring one to a friend of hers who attends Fellowship who was grieving the loss of her husband. That friend had recently decided to start a LifeGroup for married women, and she invited Jeanette to join. Maybe Jeanette could even bring a

cheese board to the group's first meeting! She showed up to the first LifeGroup gathering with charcuterie in tow, and has been attending ever since.

**AFTER A FEW WEEKS, THE CONVERSATION AT LIFEGROUP ONE NIGHT TURNED TO SALVATION.**

What does it mean for us to follow God? What does it mean to say "yes" to the redemptive Gospel of Jesus Christ? The LifeGroup had a deep and meaningful discussion, and at the end up the night, Jeanette decided to give her life to Christ and step into the family of God.

Even though she's since moved out of state, this LifeGroup has pivoted to a hybrid model so Jeanette can continue to be surrounded by community as she is transformed by the Gospel. We praise God for using community and charcuterie to invite us into His family!



# THE

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# GOD

BECAUSE HE IS THE GOD  
OF RHYTHMS, WE ARE  
A PEOPLE OF PRACTICE.

Spiritual disciplines shape us;  
we aren't just a people of faith,  
but a people who rhythmically  
practice the way of God  
on earth as it is in Heaven.

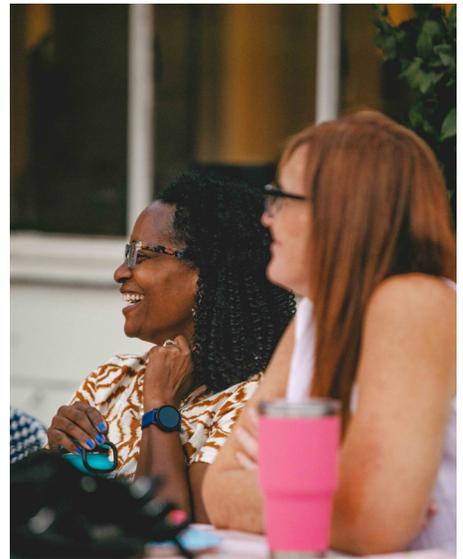
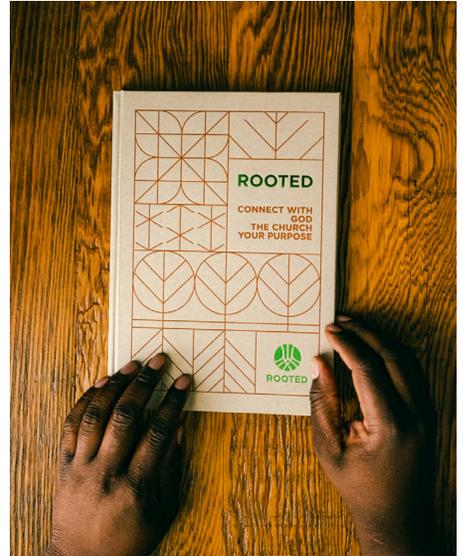
# OF RHYTHMS



# As followers of Christ, we're a people of faith, but we're also a people of practice.

## WE GREW IN A LIFE OF WORSHIP

Whether you've walked with God for years or are new to faith, becoming like Jesus comes from a commitment of being with Jesus. This year, we leaned into becoming a people of practice by engaging spiritual disciplines or rhythms like prayer, fasting, solitude, service, and confession. From our Vessels, Entrusted, A Different World series' to our 21-Day Fast and 8-Week Challenge, God shaped us and took us deeper in 2021.



QUOTES  
FROM  
PEOPLE  
WHO ENGAGED  
SPIRITUAL  
PRACTICES WITH  
US IN 2021

“WITH THE REST OF THE GROUP LEADERS FROM FELLOWSHIP I PARTICIPATED IN TWO SABBATH RETREATS OVER THE SUMMER.

THE RETREATS WERE AN INTENTIONAL TIME TO SLOW DOWN, REFLECT, AND RECHARGE MY SOUL AFTER LEADING MY LIFE GROUP THROUGH ANOTHER PANDEMIC YEAR.

I HAD BEEN FEELING BURNT OUT, BUT THAT RETREAT WAS SUCH A GIFT. WE WERE GRATEFUL THAT FELLOWSHIP CARED MORE FOR OUR SOULS THAN FOR FULFILLING A VOLUNTEER QUOTA.”

“The daily practice of prayer and scripture reading are like my nutrition. If I have not ingested the good spiritual food of the Word during my day, I find that I have that same empty feeling as though I ate junk food all day. When I take time to read my Bible, listen to worship music, and practice silence in nature, the things that try to steal my peace seem easier to release into God’s hands.”

**“Even though I’ve been a follower of Jesus for a long time, the rhythms of Rooted were beneficial to my faith in big ways. Reading through the devotionals and hearing the thoughts of my group allowed me to more clearly hear from God. The practice of confession gave me a rich experience of freedom in community, too.”**

“My LifeGroup was deeply impacted by the Advent Series, and by ‘Peace in the Waiting’ in particular. Two educators in our group shared about how they were having a hard time with the ongoing uncertainty of COVID-19. The Henri Nouwen devotional helped them practice waiting in God’s peace and reset their eyes on Jesus.”



# THE EXAMEN

**As we continue to become a people of practice, we invite you to join us in engaging the spiritual discipline of Examen.**

The Examen is a practice of coming into the presence of God to discern the voice and activity of God throughout the past day, month, or year. It is a vehicle that creates deeper awareness of God's presence in our lives, and is a flexible spiritual tool that can be practiced as an individual or in community.

We encourage you to share your practice of Examen with a trusted friend, family member, or your Fellowship Group. There is great power in practicing the rhythms of Jesus together in community.

## To engage the Examen for 2021, use the following guide:

### THANKSGIVING

Begin by giving God thanks for all the things you are grateful for over the last year. Allow your mind to wander as you reflect on the ways God has blessed you in the past year. Allow big things and small things to come to mind, thanking God for what arises.

### INVITATION

Ask the Holy Spirit to help you pay attention to your emotions throughout the last year. What were your experiences of joy, fear, sorrow, elation? Recall a time in the last year when your feelings were intense. Ask the Spirit, "What does this mean?"

### REVIEW

Think back over the last year to review and recognize your

shortcomings. Ask God to reveal the moments you fell short. What do you need to confess? What bothered you? Where have you been hurt?

### FORGIVENESS

As you bring your confessions and shortcomings to the feet of Jesus, ask God for forgiveness and healing. Receiving the freeing and healing power of God's grace to you.

### ANTICIPATION

Pray about the coming year. Pay attention to the feelings that surface as you anticipate the happenings of 2022. Write those down to surrender them to our loving God. As God for vision and discernment as you face each day of this year.

## Additional Examen Questions

For what moment in the last year am I most grateful?  
For what moment am I least grateful?

When did I give and receive the most love in 2021? When did I give and receive the least love?

When did I have the deepest sense of connection with God, others, and myself?  
When did I have the least sense of connection?

Where was I living out of the fruit of the Spirit (Galatians 5:22-23)? Where was there an absence of the Spirit's fruit?



To hear more about spiritual disciplines, check out our sermon series "A Different World" online.

# OF LOVE

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BECAUSE HE IS THE GOD  
OF LOVE, WE ARE A  
PEOPLE OF COMMUNITY.

We were not made to do life  
alone, so we courageously  
and graciously step into  
beloved community where we  
experience the presence of God.

THE GOD



# WE GATHERED IN COMMUNITY



## We believe life is not meant to be done alone.

Something transformational happens when we come together with our different backgrounds, experiences, and journeys with God. We begin to understand and experience Him in rich and powerful ways. In 2021, we continued to gather in spaces that were both full of life and full of grief. Whether it was meeting in a Rooted group to grow deeper in relationship with God or gathering around the table to talk about race in America, we showed up and stayed at the table.



LIFE  
GROUPS  
104

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AVG WEEKLY  
YOUTH  
IN-  
PERSON  
ATTEN-  
DANCE  
66

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INTERNAL +  
EXTERNAL  
RACIAL  
REC  
WORK-  
SHOPS  
+WEB-  
INARS  
25

NEW  
CON-  
NECT  
GROUP  
MEMBERS  
163

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AVG WEEKLY  
KIDS IN-  
PERSON  
ATTEN-  
DANCE  
90

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RECOV-  
ERY  
GROUP  
MEMBERS  
160

TABLE  
TALK  
PART-  
ICIPANTS  
524

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ROOTED  
PART-  
ICIPANTS  
590

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NEW LIFE  
GROUP  
MEMBERS  
270

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ALPHA  
PART-  
ICIPANTS  
47



Dear Fellowship Family,

**You often hear us ask the question, “Who are you doing life with?” Over the last year, it has been one of our deepest honors to watch you answer this question.**

From Alpha to Rooted to Connect Groups to LifeGroups to Table Talks and more, you have continued to gather in community. In backyards, living rooms, Zoom Rooms, parks, group texts, and beyond, you have gathered. There have been salvations, celebrations, meal trains, births, deaths, and everything in between. And there, in that blessed in-between, you have shown up and lived out our call to do life together.

A  
LETTER  
FROM  
OUR  
PASTORS

Recently, we lost a beloved member of our church family to cancer. Her family members were not followers of Jesus, but over and over again, they kept saying how wonderful it was to witness how their sister and daughter’s LifeGroup showed up for them during the hardest season of their lives. The LifeGroup was there with and for her while she was on her deathbed and until the very end.

We have also seen you gather around the family table through our Center for Racial Reconciliation. You heard us when we said that we believe that racial reconciliation is a part of our spiritual formation.

You didn’t just take our word for it; you came to the table and found out for yourself.

**YOU STEPPED INTO UNCOMFORTABLE SPACES, ALLOWING THE SPIRIT OF GOD TO SHAPE AND FORM YOU TO REFLECT MORE AND MORE OF THE FATHER’S HEART FOR JUSTICE AND MERCY.**

Our gatherings are the places where tears and laughter often coincide, and where we get to be fully known and loved. It’s our privilege as Pastors to be in community with you. We’re so proud of you and all the ways you’ve continued to gather this year.

If you’re not in community yet, join today! You’ll quickly discover that this is truly the best part of our church: the gift of life together.

We love you so much,  
The Fellowship Pastoral Staff

# THE GOD OF GENEROSITY

BECAUSE HE IS THE GOD  
OF GENEROSITY, WE ARE A  
PEOPLE OF STEWARDSHIP.

We trust God with our time,  
our talent, and our treasure,  
believing that His abundant  
generosity will transform us as we  
give our lives away on mission.





# WE GAVE OUR LIVES AWAY ON MISSION

We always  
say the best  
part of

**Fellowship is you, our people, and that  
couldn't be more true in 2021.**

Over the year, you continued to give away your time, talents, and treasures to help us love our extended church family, our city, and the world. From volunteering your time to serve an in-person gathering, leading a Youth LifeGroup, or going above and beyond your regular giving to support our justice initiatives, we're thankful for your radical generosity that kept us on mission.



THE  
CHAN  
FAMILY

It's been nearly 7 years since the Chan family began attending Fellowship.

**Daniel, Hely, Stephanie, and William are some of the most generous, consistent, and compassionate people we've ever known.**

Their presence has been a tremendous blessing to the Fellowship family through their participation in LifeGroups, Rooted Groups, Fellowship Kids, local Outreach, Table Talks, the

Fellowship Internship Program, and more. In the midst of balancing busy school and work schedules, the Chan family has given their life away on mission in more ways than we can count.

Some of our favorite memories of the Chans come from our season of relaunching in-person gatherings in 2021. After hearing that we would begin

meeting in-person on a weekly basis again starting in August 2021, the Chan family signed up to be part of our Greeter team. Every week since our relaunch they have served faithfully; after attending our 9a service, they head outside with a welcome sign to greet the Fellowship family as they come to church.

**IN A SEASON MARKED BY A LOT OF GRIEF, CONFUSION, AND WEARINESS FOR SO MANY OF US, IT'S PEOPLE LIKE THE CHANS WHO ARE MAKING DEEP IMPACT.**

They ensure that every member of the Fellowship family receives a warm greeting and a smile as they park their cars and walk onto campus for our in-person services, creating an environment where all people are welcomed into the presence of God.

Chan family, your dedication to Gospel hospitality has made Fellowship feel like home. We are so grateful for your investment.

**We love you!**

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# FINANCIALS



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## Because He is a God of generosity, we are a people of stewardship.

As we celebrate God's generosity and your financial commitment to Fellowship's mission, we want to share the challenges we faced as a church throughout 2021, how they impacted our finances, and what we did in response to stay on mission.

Compared to last year, we saw a decrease of 13% in general income. While there are universal truths that account for why income was down during an ongoing pandemic, we would like to call some out by name.

2021 was a year of financial hardships. Multiple individuals in our church family were laid off or took a reduction in pay, and while that may reflect in our reduced income, the realities of that hit much harder on their families. Beyond finances, we also navigated the complexity of meeting in person. In response to all of this, we made decisions that some agreed with and others did not. As we stayed online, some members sought churches that could hold in-person gatherings. While we were sad to see them leave, we are so grateful they found a house of worship to continue their faith journey.

But through all the challenges, God remained faithful, and so did you! We were able to keep our expenses 2% lower than our income. Meaning,

we spent less than what we were given. In a season where so many churches and businesses needed to close, we praise God for your giving as it allowed us to stay on budget and avoid having to lay anyone off for financial reasons. We still saw transitions off-staff take place in 2021, as the pandemic brought a level of clarity to team members around their future desires and passions. But we're grateful to report even in those transitions, we maintained healthy relationships and helped champion people to follow the Lord's direction. These transitions became opportunities for us to intentionally and strategically hire new team members that meet our church's current and future needs. We're grateful to introduce them later in this report.

Because of your commitment to this ministry, we could also love our church and our cities in tangible ways. We were able to keep families in their homes as we worked with landlords, covered medical treatments and overwhelming burial costs, and invested in the next generation of disciples by hosting camps. We couldn't have done any of this without you, and we're thankful for your sacrifice during this season.

If you have any questions regarding this report or our finances, please do not hesitate to reach out to Scott Hitzel directly at [scott.hitzel@madeforfellowship.com](mailto:scott.hitzel@madeforfellowship.com)



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GENERAL  
INCOME+  
EXPENSES

2021 General Income

\$6.5M

2021 General Expenses

\$6.4M

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GENERAL  
EXPENSE  
BREAK  
DOWN



Outreach + Missions  
7%

Discipleship  
15%

Kids + Youth  
6%

Communications  
7%

Campuses +  
Fellowship at Home  
22%

Operations +  
Administration  
43%

2021	DESIGNATED FUNDS	2021	TOTAL	INCOME
Designated	\$291K	2021 General		\$6.49M
Distributed	\$173K	2021 Designated		\$291K
<p>Given to one of the Designated accounts: Relief Fund, Restorative Justice Initiative, and Camp Scholarships.</p>		2021 Total		\$6.78M

2021 CASH  
IN HAND

This amount includes of designated giving towards Camp Scholarships, Relief Fund, and Restorative Justice Initiative Fund. Each of those 3 funds are held in separate accounts and are not used for anything outside of their designations.

\$1.7M



## In any great story, we find a moment where nothing is easy, nothing is clear, and the ending we're hoping for is a long way off.

It's Simba from the Lion King. After the death of his father and before his return to his rightful place as king. It's the Israelites wondering through the desert. After the escape from Egypt and before the promised land.

It's not the beginning. It's not the end. It's the in-between.

For us as a people and as a church, 2021 has been a year of the in-between. Not the start of a global pandemic, but not the end either. Not fully shuttered in our homes, but not back to life as we knew it before the world shut down. The temptation is to long for the past or to hurriedly grasp for the future. The in-between is not easy, friends. But the in-between is so deeply important.

## THE IN-BETWEEN

### a letter from michael

executive pastor to staff and ministries

AS A CHURCH FAMILY, WE KNOW THAT WE ARE LOVED BY A GOD WHO IS NOT JUST ALPHA AND OMEGA, BUT HE IS GOD WITH US. HERE. AND NOW. THAT MEANS HE IS GOD OF THE IN-BETWEEN.

We believe that He has been growing and developing something in our lives and in this church in an in-between season that could not be grown or developed in any other season. There is some fruit that can't grow on hilltops, it must be grown in the valley.

So as we have started the process of gathering in person to worship in masks and continue to worship together online, we believe God is up to something. As we gather in homes and on zooms to grow in a life of worship together, we believe God is up to something. As we find new ways to serve and love our community, we believe God is up to something. And as we long for a world with less restrictions, we trust that we have a God who is using these restrictions in the in-between to shape and form us in ways we'll only fully know in the years to come.

We love you so much, Fellowship Fam.  
Michael

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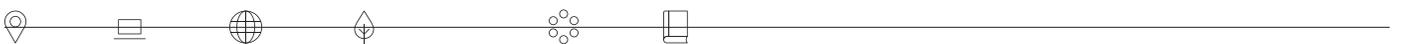
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# OUR NEW TEAM MEMBERS



## Sam Aguirre

**middle school pastor**

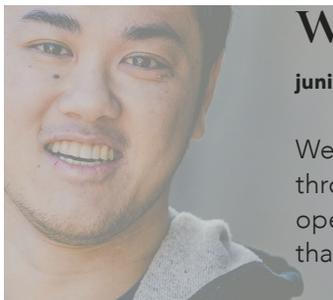
Samantha (Sam) is a SoCal native who has served in various capacities of ministry over the past decade of her life. She is a single, Latina woman who is passionate about preaching the gospel, spiritual formation and is dedicated to developing the next generation of leaders. With her experience in church ministry, seminary background and her heart for Jesus and people, she hopes to continue to serve Fellowship Monrovia and build the church for God's glory. Fellowship has been a place where diversity is not only celebrated but a place where Sam has found belonging and encouragement to live out her calling as a pastor.



## Daniel Ceballos

**film+tv editor**

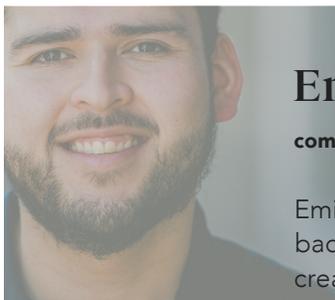
Daniel grew up in Southern California with dreams of working in entertainment. He has been an actor, a musician, a visual effects artist, and over the last 10+ years, a video editor. Daniel loves telling a visual story and connecting audiences through the medium of film and television. Daniel is a father of 3, Daniel Jr. (23), Lucas (6), and Oliver (3). His wife Audrey also works in ministry as a global outreach administrator. Since joining the Fellowship family, Daniel has been honored to use the gifts and talents that The Lord has given him to serve God and His people.



## Wesley Ching

**junior designer+illustrator**

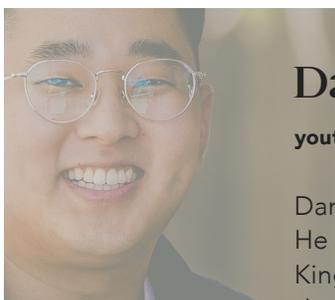
Wesley was born and raised in Los Angeles. He was introduced to Fellowship through his brother and after attending for a while, a Graphic Designer position opened up. Wesley is really excited to expand his skills and talents in such a way that grows him as an artist, a person, and a child of God.



## Emilio Cortez

**communications manager**

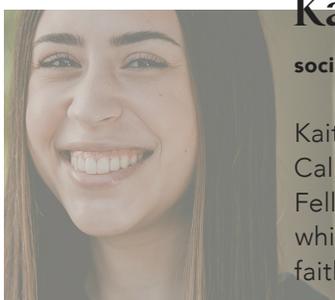
Emilio was born and raised in Oxnard, California, and found his way to Fellowship back in 2015 when he started attending Azusa Pacific University. He's a passionate creative who loves to tell stories through writing and photography. After volunteering on Sundays as a photographer and serving at Youth, he gladly accepted an opportunity to work on the Art and Comms team to tell the greater story of what God's doing through Fellowship.



## Daniel Namkung

**youth director**

Daniel was born in Koreatown and spent most of his adolescence in Glendale, CA. He and his wife, Elizabeth, currently live in Pasadena, CA. He is following God's Kingdom calling on his life to provide safe spaces for individuals of all abilities to develop and live out their God-given identity.



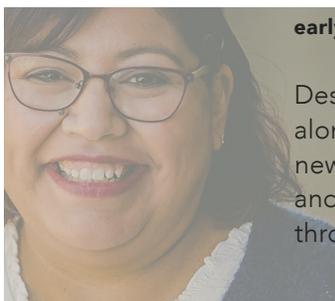
## Kaitlyn Ventenilla

**social media manager**

Kaitlyn was born and raised in Southern California and is a recent graduate of California Baptist University. She and her husband, Joshua, have been attending Fellowship for around 4 years. Kaitlyn has always felt a desire to pursue ministry while incorporating her love for art, and is so blessed to have seen God's faithfulness as He's led her to working at Fellowship on the Creative team.

## Desiree' Wong

**early childhood director**



Desiree' was born and raised in the San Gabriel Valley. She and her husband, along with their 3 kids, found a home in Fellowship during the pandemic. Although new to Fellowship, she is not new to Kids Ministry. Her heart to create a fun, safe, and loving environment for kids to learn about the deep love of Jesus shines through best when she's with preschoolers.

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# OUR BOARD

SINCE ITS INCEPTION,  
THE FELLOWSHIP BOARD  
HAS BEEN IN PLACE  
TO WALK CLOSELY  
WITH OUR FOUNDING  
SENIOR PASTOR.

The team is made up of individuals who attend the church and people from across the country who are leading experts in their fields. By doing this, Fellowship gets the best of both worlds: we are being viewed from the inside-out and the outside-in.

The Board serves 4 year terms and meets quarterly. Their roles are to approve budgets, manage performance, provide financial oversight, ensure legal compliances, monitor conflicts of interest, all while lending insights, accountability, and encouragement to the Senior and Executive Pastors.

STEPPING INTO 2021 THESE  
3 BOARD MEMBERS WERE IN  
THE MIDST OF THEIR TERMS:



**Christian Washington**  
Multi-Ethnic Church Planter,  
Church Consultant



**Greg Nettle**  
President of Stadia  
Church Planting



**Judi Shupper**  
Community Leader,  
Fellowship Attendee

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# OUR NEW BOARD MEMBERS



## Dorothy Hammond

**vp of talent, netflix**

Dorothy Hammond is a Vice President of Talent (Human Resources) at Netflix partnering with the Awards, Communications and Publicity teams. In her role, she serves as a strategic business partner who coaches, influences and guides business leaders to champion Netflix's unique culture and guide organizational development. She is a leader with the Black@Netflix employee resource group and plays a key role as Netflix builds a more inclusive and diverse talent pipeline.

Dorothy was drawn to Fellowship's mission of being a multi-ethnic, intergenerational church given her heart for a more inclusive world. Dorothy was born in London, raised in Ghana, and moved to the US at age 10. In her free time, she enjoys traveling (pre-Covid days), hiking, all things home decor, thrifting and really good meals.



## George Saleh

**managing director, mufg union bank**

George Saleh and his wife, Seta, have attended Fellowship since its inception. Together they have mentored numerous newly married couples, led several LifeGroups, while launching multiple others. George and Seta met in graduate school at USC and have now been married over 30 years.

George is currently a Managing Director at MUFG Union Bank, where he has held a number of leadership positions, and he is presently leading process-reengineering for the bank associated with significant investments in technology upgrades.

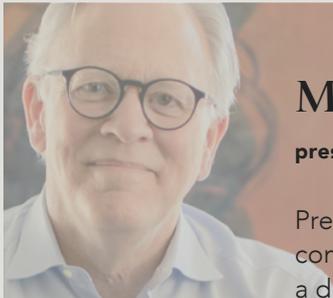
George was born in Beirut, Lebanon, and emigrated to the United States in 1977.



## Obed Martinez

**lead pastor, destiny church**

Obed is the lead Pastor of Destiny Church, a dynamic multi-ethnic church in the Coachella Valley. Obed serves on the lead team of ARC (Association of Related Churches) that was launched in 2000 with the vision to plant 2000 new churches. Obed is an innovator at heart who is passionate to reach the culture with the power of the gospel.



## Mark Labberton

**president, fuller seminary**

President of Fuller Seminary. Mark brings over 30 years of pastoral experience and is committed to strengthening the intersection of the academy, church, and culture with a deep desire to enact justice, love and grace on both a global and local level. Mark is a part of the Fellowship family while being a popular speaker at churches, conferences, educational institutions, and he leads a Podcast called 'Conversations' where he explores a broad range of topics including civility, race, suffering, gender equality, and storytelling.

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# OUR RESTORATIVE JUSTICE INITIATIVE

**As a multi-ethnic intergenerational church, we don't just want to talk about reconciliation; we want to be about it.**

We believe as a church that Jesus Christ came to restore all things, not only in our lives but on this earth, and we get to actively participate in this restoration. The Restorative Justice Initiative helps restore the harm caused by injustice and rebuild relationships inside our community.

Throughout 2021, your generous donations to this fund have helped Fellowship come alongside individuals and organizations to help rewrite wrongs, fulfill specific community needs, and join in on the work our God is already doing.

HERE ARE TWO OF OUR MAJOR OUTREACH PARTNERS FOR 2022:

## Harambee Ministries

**Established in 1982 by Dr. John Perkins to break the cycle of poverty by sharing biblical truths to rebuild urban neighborhoods through relocation, reconciliation, and redistribution.**

Located in Northwest Pasadena, California, a historically redlined community that was marginalized and under-resourced, Harambee Ministries has served the residents of this community for four decades to provide a safe neighborhood, affordable housing, and viable opportunities for children and families to thrive.

[HARAMBEEMINISTRIES.ORG](http://HARAMBEEMINISTRIES.ORG)

## Greenline Housing Foundation

**Reversing the effects of redlining and housing discrimination by providing down payments and home maintenance grants to qualified people of color.**

One of the biggest accumulators of wealth occurs through real estate that is passed down from one generation to the next. However, since discrimination in housing was legal until 1968 and through practices such as redlining, generations of people of color and, specifically Black people, were left behind. Greenline is on a mission to repair this broken system and help restore justice in our communities, one home at a time.

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# A LETTER FROM ALBERT

our lead pastor

## Dear Fellowship Family,

Ten years ago, I could have never imagined we would be here. Truthfully, my mind couldn't have even grasped everything God wanted to do with our "yes" to plant a church in Monrovia. The compounding effect of that "yes" into thousands of "yeses" has been humbling to witness. It's what God means when He says, "I can do far exceedingly more than you can think or imagine!"

IT'S WITH THAT SAME POSTURE  
THAT I SIT AND SEEK GOD'S  
FACE FOR OUR NEXT TEN YEARS -  
ANTICIPATING MORE THAN  
ANY OF US COULD PLAN FOR  
OR IMAGINE.

While the last two years have caused us to reimagine how we live out our mission, the last two years have also reinforced that the church is still Plan A for this world, and there is no Plan B.

LaRosa and I are humbled by your commitment to the church and our family. Friends, we invite you to step into all God has for us together. We are boldly praying that God would impact the San Gabriel Valley and the world through Fellowship. May God use our testimony to help normalize a multi-ethnic family for our children and our children's children.

For His Glory,  
Albert



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