

Grace and peace to you!

My name is Lydia Han. I came from Seoul, South Korea, to New York City in 1983. Since then, I have worked as an entrepreneur with several small businesses, including a beauty shop, a nail salon, a delicatessen, a real estate sales agent, and a daycare, all of which taught me valuable lessons. I earned undergraduate degrees in psychology and elementary education, graduate degrees in Social Work and Divinity and postgraduate degrees in early childhood education and theology of ministry. I worked as a public-school teacher for twenty-one years in New York City while I was working as a part-time pastor simultaneously. I served the churches as an associate pastor ministering to children, youth, and young adults. I also worked as a part-time hospital chaplain and as a local pastor serving an adult congregation.

June 2021, I left the teaching job to become the Bellport church pastor. The concentration area for my Divinity school was "Church Development." I believe that any church and all individuals can become a vital church/a vital person by engaging in the means of grace - both inward and outward. Therefore, my job is to assist the Bellport church to continue to practice means of grace, through effective spiritual prayer, daily Bible devotions, small fellowship groups, powerful and engaging worships, religious and cultural programs for all ages, community outreach, home services, and worldwide missions. I also believe our social and emotional health is as important as spiritual and physical health. So, I do my best to go out with my husband Jay, a schoolteacher, once a week and I try to meet our grown children Victoria (lawyer), Alex (teacher), and Samuel (student) once a month. I like to travel or go on a day trip, so if you ask me to organize some group or church trip/ travel, I will gladly assist you. I have many stories to share with you and I am eager to hear all the stories that you all have. So please come and join me at the Bellport Church and let us share the grace, relationship, and joy that can overflow when we come together in Christ and in love. With respect and prayers, Pastor Lydia

