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Give a life-changing gift

As we bid farewell to 2024 and welcome the promise of a new year, my heart is filled with immense gratitude and pride for the journey we have shared together.



From top left, clockwise: Vision Trip students take a commemorative photo with Hong Yeon-jin (center), the first Korean performer in Cirque du Soleil. Students meet Disney animator Choi Young-jin (left). After volunteering at the Rescue Mission to serve breakfast to homeless individuals. Visiting the Grand Canyon with the host family (Judy and Chris Jeong), Soojeong, Siyeon, Yuju, Boseok and Inji Jeong.

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Thanks to your support, we were able to run the Summer Vision Program again in 2024. The dreams of the four students who visited the United States —Kim Yuju, Cheon Soojeong, Yun Boseok, and Yoo Siyeon—are as diverse as they are inspiring. Yuju dreams of becoming an animator

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and graphic art designer, bringing all her imaginations to life. Soojeong aspires to be a pastry chef and is even attending a baking academy to refine her skills. Boseok, mature beyond his years as a middle schooler, aims to become a sports physical therapist. Meanwhile, Siyeon is studying diligently to pursue her path as a nurse, caring for those in need.

To help bring them closer to their dreams, we arranged a variety of tailored programs. For Yuju, we reached out to Choi Young-jae, a Korean animator working at Disney Studios. Soojung had the chance to bake cakes with a renowned Korean pastry chef. Siyeon was able to tour a Los Angeles County Medical Center and observe the duties of a nurse by Yunjung Lee, a Nurse Practitioner at the Center. Although we couldn't connect Boseok with a sports physical therapist, he enjoyed spending time with student volunteers, playing tennis and soccer, which brought him much joy.

The pandemic brought challenging times for us as well. Adapting to the changing circumstances, we couldn't maintain our usual level of activity. I



Board members of Sharing Love in Korea signing an MOU with Director Hyunsook Choi. From left: Yonah Hong, Caroline Sim, Director Hyunsook Choi, and Nicole Chang.

sincerely apologize to our supporters who may have felt frustration or disappointment due to our limitations. Nevertheless, we deeply appreciate your unwavering trust and continued support through it all.

We are also excited to share some wonderful news. In October, we visited Korea and pledged to support another orphanage: Samshin Evergreen Hill Children's Home in Buyeo city, where over 63 children reside. This marks the fourth orphanage we support, following Sinaewon (Gyeonggi-do), Emmanuel (Gimcheon), and Chun Yang Won (Daejeon). After our initial visit last year, we began our support this Christmas by providing funds for Christmas gifts for all 63 children and sponsoring a festive dinner featuring pork barbecue. We are also actively seeking sponsors for children, so please don't hesitate to contact us!

In the coming year, we aspire to move more swiftly, share more updates, and spread even more love through Sharing Love in Korea to our sponsored children. Wishing you and your loved ones a joyful and prosperous New Year!

Nicole Chang, Co-founder