

Rev. Peter Han was born on November 28, 1957. He is one of six children, born to Jeongdae Han, loan officer at a local farmer's bank and Hyeja Choi of Euiryeong, Gyeongnam Province, South Korea. He has two older sisters, two older brothers, and one younger sister. After his elementary years in a beautiful rural town surrounded by mountains and rivers, he moved to the city of Masan to go to Masan Middle School, a prestigious public school, living in a boarding house away from his family. In 1973, his family moved to Busan, the second largest city in South Korea, and he went to Busan Commercial High School.

After graduating from high school in 1976, Peter was accepted into Korea Exchange Bank, a Korea's leading bank specializing in international trade and foreign exchange. For the next 17 years, he worked at the headquarters as well as several branches in Seoul, Busan, and Ulsan. After serving in the ROK Army for about three years, he returned to the bank in 1981. While working at the bank, he studied Economics at Dong-A University in Busan and earned a B.A. in Economics in 1986. After about a year on leave, he finally decided to quit his position at the bank to take care of his health issues in 1993.

In 1998, Peter experienced a life-changing spiritual renewal and received God's call to ministry. In the evening of April 18, 1998, he went to an English service at his home church in Busan, hoping to pick up some English. Pastor Steve Mendoza from California preached a sermon about the assurance of salvation, which tore into Peter's heart. Responding to an altar call, he said to the pastor, "I do not know Jesus. I want to know him. Please pray for me." It became a turning point in his life. He opened his heart and received the Lord Jesus as his personal Lord and Savior and was baptized with the Holy Spirit. Soon after his conversion, he received God's call to ministry.

From 1998 to 2004, Peter worked alongside with Pastor Steve Mendoza serving as his assistant for pastoral ministry & counseling as well as English translator at English ministries with Bujeon Presbyterian Church and Busan YoungNak Presbyterian Church in Busan, South Korea. From 2004 to 2006, he and his

family joined the US Army Camp Hialeah Chapel in Busan. He served the chapel actively at Sunday worship, AWANA, and VBS. He also assisted Chaplain Bob Marsi (CPT) and Chaplain Warren Haggray (CPT) as English translator. He enjoyed Friday Men's Bible Study at the Chapel and developed many good relationships which continue today.

In 2007, Peter started an English Bible Study at his home church, Bujeon Presbyterian Church and led the study group for three years until he was hired by the church to be the English ministry pastor. As English ministry pastor, he served both adults and children at two churches – Bujeon Presbyterian Church and Isaac Presbyterian Church – from 2010 to 2013. During those years, Peter developed and enjoyed many international and cross-cultural fellowships and friendships.

In 2007, Peter enrolled in a Master of Divinity program at Asbury Theological Seminary (ATS) in Wilmore, Kentucky, as an online student while he was leading English Bible Study and serving as English ministry pastor in Busan. In 2013, he and his family moved to Wilmore, Kentucky to finish his studies at ATS. In 2017, he graduated from ATS with a Master of Divinity. In 2018, he also graduated from ATS with an M.A. in Pastoral Counseling. At a graduation chapel, he was awarded a Certificate of Excellence and Scholarship in Pastoral Counseling. Peter went through an extensive and intensive process of emotional, mental and spiritual healing by God's healing grace. Through his experience of healing and restoration, he developed a passion for healing and counseling ministries.

In 2017, Rev. Peter Han was Certified as a Candidate for Ordination with the Kentucky Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church. In the same year, he was Licensed as a Local Pastor. In 2018, he was Commissioned as a Provisional Elder and appointed to Hawesville United Methodist Church in Hawesville, Kentucky as lead pastor. In 2022, he was Ordained as Elder in Full Connection with the Kentucky Annual Conference of the UMC. From 2021 to 2024, he served as lead pastor at Bowman Memorial UMC as well as Lothair

UMC in Hazard, Kentucky. He served on the District Committee on Ordained Ministry as well as on the Building and Location Committee.

In March 2024, Rev. Peter Han resigned from the United Methodist Church and was accepted into the Global Methodist Church as an Elder. Since July 2024, he has served Richland Global Methodist Church in Athens, Ohio as its pastor.

Rev. Peter Han is married to his wife Ruth of thirty-eight years. He and his wife Ruth worked together at Korea Exchange Bank. They have two incredible children: Sylvia and Paul. Sylvia graduated with a B.S. in Nursing from the University of Kentucky and works as a full-time nurse at the University of Kentucky Markey Cancer Center as well as a part-time children's ministry pastor at All Nations Methodist Church in Nicholasville, Kentucky. Sylvia is married to Alex Kim, an M.Div. student at Asbury Theological Seminary. Paul is a Junior at the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa, Alabama, majoring in Computer Science and Physics. Sylvia and Paul were selected as Governor's Scholars in Kentucky. Paul has been selected as a National Merit Scholar finalist.

Peter is a big fan of baseball. He loved to play baseball as a pitcher in his twenties and loves to watch baseball games now. He also enjoys watching college and professional basketball and football games. He enjoys watching TV shows like NCIS, Law & Order, Running Man (a Korean variety show) etc. He is not a singer but loves to sing, especially sing to the Lord! He and his wife Ruth enjoy walking around their beautiful, friendly and quiet neighborhood.