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Tell us a little about yourself and how you serve.

I was born and raised in Lincoln Park Chicago Illinois and moved to Georgia over 15 years ago I am a physician that addresses women's health. My religious exposure has been unique I am first generation Thai, to a father that was Muslim and a mother who was Buddhist. I was exposed not only to these religions but also Judaism and Christianity. During my young adulthood I was Buddhist but now I am a BuLu. 😊 My gifts to the church center around the arts and include both musical and visual. I have shared my violin, hammer dulcimer and bowed psaltery. I have also endeavor to update the paraments for our church with some close friends over the last few years. I now also serve as council Vice President.

What is your favorite Bible verse and why?

Romans 12:9-12, Marks of the True Christian

“Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer.”

I listen more than I speak and tend to be a person who demonstrates their love through action. This speaks to me because it is succinct, true and inspiring.

Where have you seen God?

Most recently I was leaving the hospital after a long and stressful night to be greeted by the warm rays of the sun piercing the cold air laced with just enough moisture to frost the car glass. I took in a big breath with my eyes closed, still feeling the sun on my face, and felt restored....

How have you seen and experienced God's abundance?

I look at my daughter who is graduating high school this year and am amazed that she is such a strong, loving, smart individual that is soooo different than I was at her age. I know she will do wonderful things in this world