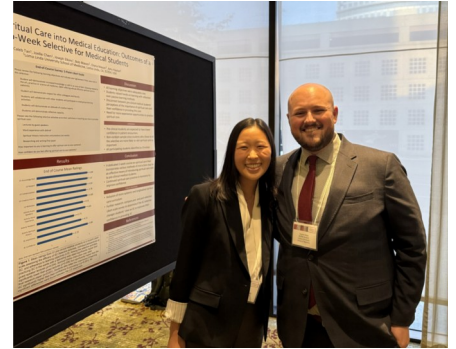


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## More Places at Once (Sorta!)

Have you ever wanted to be several places in the same week? In early April, the Conference on Medicine & Religion was being held on the West Coast. Representing a breadth of religious views, this “is a leading forum for discourse and scholarship at the intersection of medicine and religion“. Several preceptorship alums contributed. Joelle Choi, Caleb Tan and Joseph Elkins presented a poster: Integrating Spiritual Care into Medical Education: Outcomes of a Two-Week Selective for Medical Students. Clayton Hicks presented a poster Spirituality and Religion in Hypermobile Ehlers-Danlos Syndrome: A Mixed Methods Study. David Matthews did a breakout session, "An Intern's Jacket Which Once Was White": Job, the Danger of Guiltlessness, and the 12 Steps."



The next day, the Christ Community Health Fellowship (CCHF) national meeting began near Cincinnati. There preceptorship alums Daniel Nguyen and Danielle Nelson presented their poster “Cross-Sectional Spiritual Care Survey of Medical Evangelism Training & Strategies Network.” They found that those who had attended our summer preceptorship or training partly facilitated by us felt well equipped to assess and address the spiritual needs of their patients. At the same time, they faced challenges to do that due to the current limited time allotted to clinicians to be with their patients and feeling alone in their desire to provide whole person care.

The unfortunate time limitations with patients is something we’ve thought about. In fact, at the 2024 and 2025 CCHF meetings, Bob did sessions on best practices being utilized by preceptorship alums to maximize the medical and spiritual care clinicians might have with their patients—even with limited time. Our prayer is this will help Christian healthcare folks to better represent Jesus.



Overall, you are having a part in raising up Christian healthcare professionals who are bringing Christ and a Christian perspective to medical academia, research, clinical care, and living on mission as Christ followers. Thank you!

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