

Eugene Cho to lead Bread for the World

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Bread for the World, a prominent Christian advocacy group dedicated to ending hunger, has elected Seattle pastor and author Eugene Cho as its new president.

It's a dramatic change for Bread, which is well known in Washington for galvanizing religious groups to protect federal policies that help the impoverished. Recent years have seen the group fight to stop proposed cuts to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, also known as food stamps, and push for more flexibility in allowing the government to provide aid for nations in need.

Cho will be replacing David Beckmann, a Lutheran minister who is retiring from his post after shepherding the organization since 1991.

Cho, who is ordained within the Evangelical Covenant Church, achieved acclaim after he and his wife, Minhee, founded Quest Church in Seattle in 2001. He served there for 18 years before stepping down in 2018. He also founded One Day's Wages, a nonprofit organization dedicated to alleviating extreme global poverty. —Religion News Service