this is loved God but that he loved God but that he loved us and sent his 5 on as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. friends, since God so loved us, we also eught to love one another. if we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us. 1 john
4:10-12

CBS BREAD OF LIFE SPRING 2016 7. Posing for a group photo, the members of CBS who went to Winter Retreat smile at the camera sitting precariously on a trashcan. Behind the scenes, one would see photographer Zoe Chan '18 run back and forth to ensure the best quality photo.



# INSIDE CHINESE BIBLE STUDY

3. Clutching the free bibles, Kathy Lin '18 smiles at Felicia Sadikin '17 as they wait for others to come back. Reach started cold contact with random people on the slope to hope that they will be receptive to prayer and encouragement.







2. Preparing to smash an egg on their forhead, Hayden Chung '16 and Myung Kim '17 play egg roulette to demonstrate to their fellow brothers and sisters. The Korean duo MC'ed this year's Running Man. 4. Exacting revenge, Wesley Chow '16 and Phoebe Lo '17 pie David Cui '16 to raise money for Service Market Place. This pieing service is quickly becoming a tradition founded by Wendy Wei '14 and James Zhao '15.



5. Breaking down, Charles Phil '17 and Jonathan Tong '16 laugh at the ridiculousness of their fellow brothers and sisters in Christ. In the back you can see Kevin Gao '19 and Justin Lin '18 scratching their heads in confusion.

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Thank you so much to my Spring 2016 BoL Staff for their efforts and willingness to set aside time to make this publication happen. This edition would have been nothing without all of you.



Dearest CBS,

In this letter, I want to talk about humility.

I have been humbled by the members of this fellowship and the contributors of this edition of BoL. I have been a bit of a dictator, constantly harassing people to abide by deadlines with passive aggressive emails. I've rained down wrath upon those who were even 45 minutes late from the deadline. I was extremely frustrated by people who didn't follow deadlines and took it as a reflection of their indifference to BoL and disrespect to me. I lost patience and was unloving in my thoughts and my messages to people. I had a lot of ideas that I wanted to incorporate into this edition of BoL, but because I was jaded by the imperfections of man, I assigned different ideas to people, expecting halfhearted submissions. I didn't think that anyone could live up to my expectations.

Instead, I was proved wrong. I'm so thankful for everyone who helped out and took up my challenge whether it be those who helped write my Hotspot Highlights, Topical Articles, Jeff's PP tree, or Anna, my protege, who made beautiful 'fake' ministry ads. Every single person wrote beautiful articles/interviews went above and beyond my expectations. When I looked over the submissions, my heart filled with warm and fuzziness, because I was so proud of everyone, putting the ideas in my head, into eloquent words/designs on paper.

In the end, God used the people around me to humble me and to teach me that people in this fellowship care about the Bread of Life just as much as I do. That my work is just a part of the whole.

"God has placed the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be. 19 If they were all one part, where would the body be? 20 As it is, there are many parts, but one body... 24b God has put the body together, giving greater honor to the parts that lacked it, 25 so that there should be no division in the body, but that its parts should have equal concern for each other. 26 If one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honored, every part rejoices with it." [1st Corinthians 12: 18-20, 24b-26]

He also reminded me of just how annoying I could be to God and how I'm constantly using his never-ending love and patience. Instead of getting mad at me and raining down fire and brimstone to remove me from the Earth, He loves me and lavishes blessings upon blessings, including putting me in this beautiful fellowship and surrounding me with brothers and sisters.

This is my last edition of BoL being editor-in-chief and for the seniors, it'll be the last edition of BoL of their college career. It's quite bittersweet. Knowing that made it so much more important for this to be the very best that I can offer to God. This edition is a farewell to the graduating seniors, who have lavished their time and love onto us without expecting anything in return. This edition is a thank-you to the coordinators, Servant Team, ministry leaders, bible study leaders, and members of CBS. Although this edition is quite long (more than 50 pages,) I hope from the bottom of my heart that you will read every single interview, every single will, or article, because people have invested their heart into sharing their experiences in the fellowship. This edition shows all the work and love that is sacrificed into our student run fellowship to make it run smoothly. Isn't that what CBS is all about? A broken, but beautiful family, loving each other to show that God lives in us and his love is made complete in us.

In Him with love,

Zoe Chan '18

# Coordinator Letter

Dear CBS,

Not a day has gone by since I joined as a freshman have you not been in my thoughts and prayers. CBS has been such an influential component of revitalizing my faith and finally understanding what it means to love and to serve God willingly. The past four years have been filled with countless struggles and joys, and as I approach the end of my time as a student and as a coordinator I am simply overwhelmed.

Being coordinator has its fair share of troubles, and I urge you to continue to support and pray for your leaders not only as they first being their responsibilities but also as they carry them out. God knows Dorothy and I had a lot to deal with in terms of administration, scheduling, and checking in on the fellowship, but through this partnership we have learned so much about ourselves and so much about God. I am thankful that there are burdens that fell on me that did not have to burden the shoulders of many in the fellowship, and during the times when I struggled to carry the weight, I am even more thankful for those who were by my side to help me. I never considered myself superior by any means, and if anything I have been humbled graciously by our Lord through this opportunity to serve you in this way.

And when it comes to service and leadership, I don't think I did the best I could have. I may have been too focused on one aspect and let the other one dwindle. This past semester I had come to realize in not the easiest way that there was so much more I could have and should have done. I wish I could have done better. But God has still done amazing things: we have seen friends come to Christ and be born again; we have seen growth in our faith and numbers.

Honestly, there's so much I want to say, and if you know me then you'll probably hear it from me at some point. But I guess if I were to stress one more thing, it would be this: cherish each other and give thanks for one another, for you will never have anything like this again. Yes, there will be fellowship groups after college, and yes, there will be fun church friend groups. But I have come to learn that college fellowships are not meant to sustain you forever. When I was away on co-op, this realization hit me hard, and an older sister at the church I attended constantly and lovingly reminded me of this eventual truth. The bonds and relationships you make here are truly unique, and I am so glad to have experienced the highs and lows of being your brother. And while you cherish each other, let each other know. Felly dinners are fun times where this sort of thing is said, but there is no reason to wait until those times. It brings me great joy to see you love one another and remind each other of how much their love has affected you. It is through this love that God's love is made complete in you and that the world may see it and know God.

To end this letter, I will leave you with two quotes. This first being from a certain silly ol' bear: "How lucky I am to have something that makes saying goodbye so hard." I say goodbye to you as a somewhat constant part of your time here, as you have been constant in mine. But to respond to this first quote, I give my second, which comes from a hymn: "In the sweet by-and-by, we shall meet on that beautiful shore." So long as we have Christ, there is no true goodbye, but life everlasting with Him.

Thank you for everything, CBS. I love you with all my heart.

In Christ,

David Cui '16

# Coordinator Letter

Dear CBS,

One of my greatest takeaways from the study through Hebrews has been the New Covenant bought by Jesus' blood and overflowing love and grace in this New Covenant. As sinners, we don't deserve His grace or a chance to be in His presence, yet He invites us to have a relationship with Him and even sacrificed His Son on the cross so that we may be in His presence. This truly is amazing love; we ought to be in awe of God's love God for each and every one of us.

Because God loves us, we also should love another. We've been studying God's love in large group - last semester in the Old Testament, and this semester in the New Testament. Many of the speakers mentioned prayer as a way of loving God and loving one another. If there's someone who we find difficult to love and we want to stop trying, we need to first turn to God and ask Him to give us strength to persevere. And we should pray for ourselves to glorify God, for one another, and for future disciples. Our prayers may not change the world or change others, but they will change us. Several speakers also spoke about abiding in God and dwelling in Him. In Henri Nouwen's *In the Name of Jesus* (you should all read this; it's short and has really good insight!), he phrases this as the "discipline of dwelling." We don't read the Bible to check off a box and say that we've done our duty as a Christian - we read to learn more about God because we desire to be in relationship with Him and because we love Him. As college students, it seems difficult to find time to spend time with God in prayer and in His Word, which is why it requires discipline to meditate on the Bible. Rather than fitting God into our schedule, we should be building our schedules off of God's plans for us, which, in turn, requires prayer to discern what He wants us to do.

At the start of this semester, I prayed for God to break down my pride because I knew it was getting in the way of me building relationships with others, and He definitely answered my prayer. For a long time, I took pride in how well I performed academically, but when I had three tests in a row and was at my lowest point, God revealed that I had secretly been placing my value in my grades. Since then, my conversations with my classmates have been less about schoolwork and more about how they are doing. I pray and hope that by caring for them, they may be able to see a bit of Jesus in me so that one day, they may come to know Christ and share in this love. CBS, when we realize the sin in our lives and pray boldly, God will answer in ways we don't expect because He loves us. As our Father, "God disciplines us for our good, that we may share in his holiness" (Hebrews 12:10). It might be a difficult lesson to swallow at the time, but once we realize what God is telling us and humbly accept His teaching, then "it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it" (Hebrews 12:11).

Thank you all for allowing me to serve as coordinator this year. You have all been gracious in meeting up with me, persevering in loving one another, and patient with me. I will miss the community that God placed me in these 4 years - a community who loves God, loves one another, challenges one another, and supports each other. God has been using CBS in many different ways throughout the years, and I look forward to hearing how God changes CBS in the future.

With love,

Dorothy Zhang '16

# WHAT HAS SERVING BEEN LIKE THIS SEMESTER? Ministry Reflections

# **BIBLE STUDY MINISTRY**

Hi CBS!

As we started to write our ministry article, there were different things we wanted to share with you all, so we wrote different segments and finished with a concluding thing.

When I first agreed to co-lead Bible Study ministry, I didn't know exactly what I was signing up for. As I quickly realized, being a ministry leader is more than sending out surveys and telling people to come to things. I began to see how much I still needed to learn about God's provision and guidance in leading both a bible study and the ministry as a whole. Throughout this year, He has taught me humility and showed me how I needed to turn to Him daily.

The vision we had set for Bible Studies at the beginning of the year was twofold: to gain a deeper understanding of God's Word and to foster a community where brothers and sisters could be encouraged and challenged in their faith. Throughout the fall semester, I saw the first part of our vision reflected in how sisters would look into outside sources and ask local pastors for answers to questions were addressed in Bible Study and share these answers with the group. This semester, Bible Study members have also raised questions to emphasize our need to seek out truth. I saw the second vision in how sisters would pray for one another throughout the week based on our prayer request document. At leaders' meetings, the Bible Study leaders also grew in supporting and praying for one another. In the future, I'd like to see CBSers continue to form intentional communities where anyone, regardless of their religious background, can gain a greater understanding of God through his Word and of His love through the loving community they experience. - Stephanie Chan

When I was first asked to lead Bible Study ministry, I hesitated a lot because I had (have) a lot of doubts in my abilities to teach the Word and lead a Bible Study. But after much prayer, I felt God leading me to be in this position through a variety of factors. Even still, I was not confident in leading this

ministry going forward. I constantly asked myself why I went through with it. Again, I know of dozens of people better equipped to lead Bible Studies; even now I still hold to these thoughts. But now I know more so why God pushed me into this position. One of my greatest joys of this past year is getting to know my Bible Study co-leads for the respective semesters. I got to interact and serve with them, and see them care for the group. It was truly a blessing. Also in general, it was a pleasure to serve with all of the Bible Study leaders; I'm thankful for the willingness people expressed in serving in this manner.

Looking forward towards the future of Bible Study ministry, I would really like to see the Bible Study groups to do more as a group. What I mean by that is, while it's awesome that we meet for an hour and a half or so to study the Bible and take in information, we can also incorporate some more action from our groups by doing outreach events. Learning from the Word is important, but it is important to not forget that our faith inspires us do things and take action. - Matthew Yang

As ministry leaders, one thing we were surprised by was God's faithfulness in regularly bringing people to their respective bible studies. We didn't have to beg, plead, or bribe CBSers to come to bible studies. Instead, they came with open ears and hearts, seeking to know Him more. For both of us, co-leading our own respective Bible Studies was one of the most rewarding parts of the experience. In weekly pre-studies, we were able to share with and get to know our co-leaders better. Preparing for a Bible Study also encouraged us to take an active role in gleaning as much as we could from the given passage. If you are interested in learning to teach the Word and building community among a smaller group of brothers and sisters, leading a bible study in CBS is a good place to start! Continue to have an open heart to where God is calling you to serve in the coming year. Tis fun!

With much love,

MatthewYang' 16 & Stephanie Chan' 17

# PRAISE TEAM MINISTRY

Senior year has sped by for us two; nevertheless, it has been another growing year for praise team. We are thankful and greatly encouraged by the entire squad because it has been a blast serving with you all. We started off the year with our vision verse from Hebrews 12:1-2, which was our piggybacking off of last year's vision from Psalm 51. In #burningdesire'15, we learned about praising God even during the lowest points in one's life. (Here, David writes this psalm in light of having committed adultery with Bathsheba.) Taking that a step further, this praise should be evident in our lives not just through the words we sing, but also through our actions in our daily walk with God.

Hebrews 12:1-2 reads: "Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God." (NIV)

Hopefully, we grew together in running this race that is laid before us, while constantly looking to Jesus as the premier example of how to carry out such faith and obedience. Praise team has been a close community during our time here. (Aaron notes how this wasn't always the case, but rather was the result of much prayer from previous years — amen amen!) As a community, we can and have better spurred each other towards living out the faith we proclaim through music. It was clear early on in the semester that, among the squad's prayers, there was a greater desire to pursue God more. We were truly encouraged by such earnest prayer focusing not on earthly desires, but seeking God's kingdom and glory.

A later realization in the year was our calling to a community that extends past that of just within praise team. It can be easy to find a ministry we call home due to our "strengths," and be comfortable serving in that regard. It is great to share and fellowship as one praise team, but even greater to share that with the body of CBS, and the greater community at Cornell and Ithaca. Seeing praise team come out to Thursday outreach ready to share the Gospel was really encouraging. If we were to stay within our comfort zone, we probably really aren't running this said race. Hopefully, by the time BOL comes out we will have also been able to go out and serve in the greater body of Ithaca, as well as team up with reach in doing some Ho Plaza jam session/evangelism. Even if we run out of time this year, we strongly encourage the squad next year to continue living their faith in all aspects not just confined to music.

Praise team of 2016-2017, continue doing the good work in praising His name and making Him known. Amidst all the fun that praise team has, we hope you guys will continue encouraging one another in reading the Word and living out the songs we sing. We know a large part of us is graduating, but do not let that hinder the #hype that fills your heart to sing, play, and tech. It has been real.

Oh, and y'all need a 2017 hashtag. #spiritualgains'16

In Him,

Wesley Chow' 16 & Justin Yeh' 16

# **PRAYER MINISTRY**

Hi CBS,

It's been a good year serving as your prayer ministry coordinators this year. Coming into this ministry, we were a bit apprehensive, as prayer ministry has notoriously been a "difficult" ministry. However, by God's grace it was not as scary as we had anticipated. Logistically, it has mostly been running meetings and the occasional event, which has not been stressful. In addition, leading prayer ministry has blessed us a lot as well, setting our weeks right as we came regularly before God, giving and receiving encouragement from other members of the fellowship.

For Night of Worship this semester, we went into the night with the intention of creating different ways to allow people to communicate with and hear from God. Through organized corporate and individual prayer, people were able to focus on different aspects of God, breaking them out of their typical prayer habits.

We also continued North Campus Prayer meeting again this year, providing a place for CBS folks to pray with people with whom they might not normally pray, outside of Friday night and small group. It's been especially encouraging to see freshmen come out regularly, to be able to pray for each other, the campus, and the world, as well as talk about spiritual issues.

Something new that we started this year was pre-CBS prayer on Friday night. We spent 30 minutes before large group just praying for the fellowship and the speakers, which helped people to seek God more and have the right mindset going into the night.

A lot of times, people feel too swamped to go to prayer meetings and such; we've been there as well. However, we encourage you to just go. More often than not, going is more rewarding than you think, and God will honor your time, and help you figure out the rest of your time commitments. This is not to guilt-trip or cause anyone extra stress, but we've seen the blessings of prayer on the fellowship. We want to see more people in the fellowship to be blessed through prayer as well.

Prayer also doesn't have to be complicated. Things don't need to be complex to be good; in fact, we've learned that simple is good. People simply have too many things to do; we don't need a horde of people running lots and lots of prayer meetings. As long as people have a place to pray together, as long as people are meeting with God regularly throughout their day, there isn't a need for structure. The organization is meant to support, not burden the fellowship, and learning that early has saved us a lot of grief.

Of course, we as CBS can always do better at prayer. We can always be striving to pray unceasingly, pray with each other more, and seek God more. There is only so much we can do with structure, especially when it comes to prayer, so we really encourage you guys to really make prayer a constant spiritual discipline in your lives. Even pray with each other, not simply by yourselves; maybe pray with a few classmates or apartmentmates or some friends who live nearby, since prayer is not only individual but also communal. That being said, it really has been a joy to see CBS grow in prayer this year as we have slowly learned how to run this ministry as your coordinators. We leave you with our vision verse from James, and ask you to continue to ponder the wondrous gift of prayer that God has given us.

"Is anyone among you in trouble? Let them pray. Is anyone happy? Let them sing songs of praise. Is anyone among you sick? Let them call the elders of the church to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise them up. If they have sinned, they will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective. Elijah was a human being, even as we are. He prayed earnestly that it would not rain, and it did not rain on the land for three and a half years. Again he prayed, and the heavens gave rain, and the earth produced its crops."

-James 5:13-18



# **REACH MINISTRY**

Hey CBS,

It has been a huge blessing to be the CBS Reach ministry leaders this year. It took us some time to get our bearing and figure out how to divide the team's time and efforts (and in some ways we still don't know how the fellowship should be represented). Through care packages, tabling, ACEs, and Service Marketplace, we aimed to build a stronger bonds as brothers and sisters in Christ. By the unfailing love that God has given us through His grace, we are called to love each other just as God loves us, and we are to convey this love to others such that others will see that our identity is found in Christ Jesus. But a lot of times, building a kind and compassionate community with each other is not easy because of our sin. Sometimes we are too afraid of rejection or are too complacent with the situation. The sins in our life prevent us from building a closer relationship and knowing God more in our lives, which then prevents us from loving others as well.

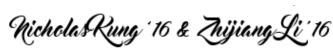
This sin was made evident in managing the logistics of all the events that Reach holds. Though the logistics were often manageable, they more or less diluted our heart and vision for Reach. In handling the organization of ACEs, campus events, and outreach events, it became tough to emphasize the ideal of following Christ as the perfect example of sacrificial love, and this was tucked into the back of our minds. Though this came as a warning to us, from combining two logistic heavy ministries (inreach and outreach), we definitely didn't really understand the full consequences of it until we were leading. It is our hope and prayer that even with planning all these events, Reach can still advocate

for the commandment of loving our neighbors and our enemies alike.

In this second semester, we wanted to challenge our team to step up and take on roles of leadership. It has been an encouragement to see our dedicated team continue to have a passion for Reach-related causes. In fact, we are so blessed to have members take initiative and pick up our slack when we are tired and kind of lazy, especially for booths during campus events. Outside of that, many members in CBS have displayed a heart for evangelism in various ways: serving the needy at Loaves and Fishes, inviting classmates to church, and praying for the various students at outreach events. We were specifically encouraged when we saw the spirit in action at the outreach events. Even though we all had to step out of our comfort zones and talk to strangers, when seekers asked hard questions, we sought to provide answers faithful to the Word and to the Gospel, though we aren't often the most wise or articulate.

Remember that evangelism comes not only from sharing the good news of the Gospel, but also from living sanctified lives that can clearly be seen by those around us. Our mouths speak out of the overflow of our hearts so we know that God can use us in His amazing ways when we put our thoughts, words, and trust in Him. Be intentional with your love, especially those who you find difficult to love. It is a self-sacrificial lifestyle that allows us to live in the light and spread God's glory.

In Christ,



# WHAT DID WE LEARN THIS SEMESTER? Bible 5 trudy Reflections

# North Women's Bible Study

This semester, we continued to study the book of Hebrews, which talks about God's new covenant and the relationship between Jesus and

Us. Beginning with chapter 7, we learned about Melchizedek's

Role as the high priest and how Jesus is our new perfect Priest. His

Sacrifice has made us perfect in God's sight which is just awesome! Next, we looked at the people in the Days of the Old Testament, who exemplified tremendous faith.

Additionally, accepting discipline is never easy, but God uses it to make us His children. Lastly, chapter 13 reminds us that Jesus is the same

**Y**esterday, today and forever.

Not only did we learn a bunch about all these things, but also about each

Other! We've continued to grow and see how God has Really been working in each one of our lives every week. It's been awesome getting to pray

Together, laugh together, and

Have dinner beforehand, even though it's RPCC food.

God has blessed us with two amazing sisters and leaders, Esther and Michelle.

In this past school year, they've been instrumental in our journey through Hebrews, teaching us to

Run this race with perseverance (Hebrews 12:1). We will miss all of the

Love that they give us as well as the

**S**uper yummy desserts that Esther never fails to bring. -Lauren Kam '19 and Shelly Zhang '19

# North Men's Bible Study

It's been a blessing to have been led by Matt Yang and Tim Tsang as we completed our year-long study on the book of Hebrews this semester. (Justin Lin previously led with Matt for this Bible study.) I was in this Bible study last semester, so it was nice to continue learning the Word with some old faces and some new ones, as well. I've always enjoyed studying Hebrews. This letter to the Hebrews is just so dense! There's always something new to take away whether it be a topic of theology or a concept to apply to our own lives. Having deep discussions with the guys has made this a much better experience.

The latter half of Hebrews has been super encouraging this semester. Chapter 12 stands out particularly to me as the first two verses were Praise Team's vision verses this year. Following the examples in Chapter 11 of God's faithful servants in the Old Testament, the author tells us to press on in this race of life. Though we face many tough situations in our lives, we need to continue to "fix our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith" (Hebrews 12:2). It's easy to say, but hard to do. Yet the message is clear: the gift of eternal life through and with Christ is far greater than the treasures and struggles we go through on earth. Stay faithful!

The author finishes his letter with some "Closing Exhortations," as titled in the New International Version. Apart from encouraging us in our own lives, Hebrews 13 is a call to love others as well. One thing that stood out to me this semester was our study of this chapter. While we often go through each chapter by dissecting it into bits and pieces, Matt and Tim decided to tack on another thing that week: prayer. After each exhortation, we would pray for something related to it. For example, we prayed about prison ministries after reading the first few verses and also for our community and world leaders after verse 7. Reading the Bible is a part of our dialogue with God. He speaks to us through His Word, and we can speak back to Him through prayer! -Wesley Chow '16

# West Women's Bible Study

This semester, our Bible study met every Monday at 5pm in the new (yayy!) Klarman Hall. Christine and Felicia would start us off with prayer, and we'd jump right into Hebrews. Throughout our Bible study, we'd have really good discussions about what we were reading: the differences between the covenants, and how the new renders the old obsolete. How as the High Priest, Jesus appears directly to the Father on our

behalf, and how he has used his blood to pay the debt for our sins, once and for all. How he is the founder and perfecter of our faith, and how God is faithful and His promises are forever true.

We'd also get incredibly sidetracked (LOL) during our discussions. We'd make connections on how this passage reminded us of another passage, we'd ask questions that were related to the topic, some other hard questions that were at one point somehow related, and then talk about the thoughts that had popped up while we were reading the passage (that weren't related in the slightest). And I think that's what I enjoyed so much about this Bible study: no one really held back anything, which was really cool:D

Afterwards we'd spend some time sharing, and then close with prayer. It's super awesome to hear the great things God has been doing in everyone's lives and to be able to share! And it's super duper awesome to see everyone hunger for and treasure God's word. -Steph Guo

# West Men's Bible Study

"We have had an encouraging and fruitful Bible study thus far this semester on West Campus on Thursday Nights or whenever people are available because of the exam schedule. Last semester, we had studied the majority of Hebrews. This semester, we have finished the book of Hebrews, learning about the heroes of faith as well as the mindset of setting our eyes on Jesus that the author of Hebrews implores. Then, we continued to the book of James, dipping from the abundance of practical, life lessons offered. Every week, each member always brings interesting insights, questions, and dialogue to the group. We are so blessed to have a group of brothers who diligently study and dissect the living word of God with us each week. Thus far, we have learned about the various heroes of faith, wisdom from God, taming the tongue, avoiding favoritism, and a variety of topics. We have discovered that the book of Hebrews and James are essential in gaining a clearer understanding about the Old and New Testaments and how to live the principles out in daily life. Jesus, the author and perfecter of our salvation, is our example. The spiritual and mental growth from the discussions is evident as we have come a long way from where we first started. We are excited for the continued growth of this Bible study and the application of the topics we

have discussed and will continue to talk about them in weeks to come." - Justin Lin and Myung Kim

"I look forward to our Bible study meetings every week as a time to reground and realign myself with God after all the week's worldly temptations and influence. It is a time to reevaluate our lifestyles according to his Word, and this is especially true as we study the Book of James. This book has taught me a lot about how our Christian lifestyles should look like, speaking about work, wisdom, teaching, and trials. I found the chapter on wisdom to be especially impactful; I was very confident that I had wisdom, and I realized that, through James 3, this was not the case. I have to continuously pray for a Godly inspired wisdom and for that to dictate my life. This was a very humbling experience. I'm very grateful for all my brothers in this Bible study and our times of sharing, questioning, and going on tangents. It was truly a time of intimacy and learning that helped me persevere through the rest of the week. Also, Justin OP."-Charles Phil

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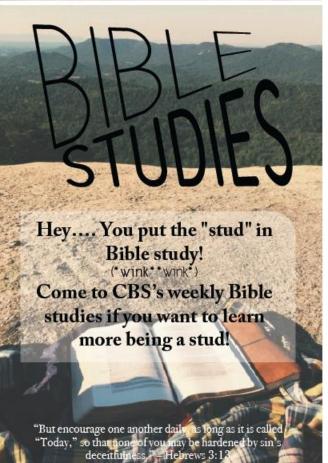
Picking up from last semester, we started on Hebrews 9 and now we're moving on to James. Hebrews and James were both written for the same audience: persecuted Jewish Christians. Though we don't experience the same extent of persecution today, the encouragements from these books are still applicable in our lives as students.

The authors were addressing common problems (incorrect doctrine, apostasy, discouragement, etc.) that can pop up in our lives. They were certainly around 2000 years ago in a different time and culture! Fortunately, the solutions remain the same: persevering, displaying patience, finding contentment, staying strong in faith, remembering God's goodness and His never-changing character.

Of course, these are easier said than done. But through community encouragement and support, we can spur each other on, just like these authors did! There will always be uncertainty, whether it's about our future or in our relationships.. But God always remains faithful and unchanging in His love toward us. Therefore, we can look to Him for wisdom in any trial we may face. – JT & Steph







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"And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, 2 fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith." – Hebrews 12: 1b-2a



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most likely to appear in dancing with the stars



**BOYILI** 

most likely to speak on social justice at the White House



# CASSIE JIA

most likely to be come a medical missionary



CHRISTINA HO

most likely to start a professional food blog



CHRISTINE LOUI

best encourager and listener



# DAVID CUI

most likely to host a class reunion in 10 years



# DOROTHY ZHANG

most likely to headbutt someone to the next century



# **ESTHER JIANG**

most likely to achieve world peace



# FELICIA SETIONO

most likely to start a horticultural therapy clinic



# HAYDEN CHUNG

most likely to have a set of emojis made according to her facial expressions



# **HELEN LI**

most likely to be the first person to offer help with anything



# JENNIFER LI

most likely to tell Nick to calm down



# JESSICA CHU

most likely to inspire others and share God's glory through art



# JESSICA WONG

most likely to open an online made to order bakery as a side business



# JONATHAN TONG

most likely to be expensively pranked



# **JUSTIN YEH**

most likely to go back to California and never return



# LUCY HE

most likely to receive a photography award



# MATTHEW YANG

most likely to fall trying to catch a frisbee



# NICHOLAS KUNG

most likely to build a house for his stuffed animals



# STEPHANIE GUO

most likely to turn any event into a dancing party



# SOPHIA HO

most likely to take a class with you for fun



# WESLEY CHOW

most likely to actually travel to all the destinations on his bucket list



# ZHIJIANG LI

most likely to live in Nick's basement



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I realize...I've never really talked to Brandon before. I'm kind of nervous—not sure what to expect. It better be good—I'm missing Veritas Forum for this. I also need to pee. Maybe I should have peed first?

### 1. CBS is...

Uninhibited praise. In most places in the real world, you have to be constantly vigilant. You're always going to run into people and have to behave a certain way. But I never feel that way with CBS.

## 2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

I was kind of a casual Christian in high school. Then I came here, and got interested in CBS. But as time went on, I started getting involved in a lot of things on campus, and I guess to me, my faith wasn't strong enough so CBS took a back seat. I started focusing my efforts on other things that I was participating in. As time went on, I realized it wasn't that I was unhappy. It was just that I wasn't happy either. It wasn't until my junior year, after talking to my pastor back home, that I started checking church out again to keep me grounded and reminded of things. Soon, without me knowing, I started appreciating a lot more of the things in my life, the things I'd be come so used to, to all the gifts I have.

### 3. What encouragements/advice do you have for...

**Freshmen:** With hindsight 20/20, stay close to God and try to get closer every day. It was always secondary and always something I identified with, but I never went to church. But when I finally did find a church I did enjoy going to, my whole life just started getting better.

**Sophomores:** Keep your head up, and seek joy in everyday things. Sophomore year, it's more like things start to get more commonplace and less exciting. And that doesn't mean things are getting less exciting, that just means you're getting used to it.

**Juniors:** Don't worry so much. I think I spent a lot of time stressing out and freaking out about things I couldn't control. I would say instead of using all that extra energy feeling worried and anxious, just realize there are certain things you can't control. And just use those efforts on things you can control.

### 4. What is your favorite memory of your college career?

Performing Break Free showcases, performing with the Pi brothers, and Easter on the Quad. I like these all for different reasons—I think a lot of them have to do with passion. At Easter on the Quad, you could tell everyone was singing their hearts out. When I dance with Pi, it's a chance for us to break Asian Male stereotypes. With BreakFree, whenever we do pieces, it's always about telling a story. It's not just dancing to look cool—we try to make it so each piece says something specific, or tells a specific story.

## 5. What are some of your hidden quirks/talents?

I am the American Idol of my car. For anyone who rides in my car, I'm the American Idol of my car. I don't sing in the shower—I sing in my car.

## 6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

Willard Straight Hall. Although Oken is one of my dining halls, I like it because of the dance studio rooms. I spent so many hours up there. I've seen it change a lot. The number of hours that I've spent in this building is probably 25% of the time I've spent on campus.

# 7. What is the most important thing that God has taught you in the past four years?

So maybe I haven't learned what he's taught me, but he's telling me a lot of things. Like it doesn't matter what other people think—only your relationship with me matters. You were placed on this earth for one reason, and not necessarily to ace your prelim. Don't just mold into what everyone around you thinks is normal, because that's not necessarily right.

# 8. What are your short-term and long-term plans after graduation?

Short term, I know I'm working at Workday. Unfortunately, I'm not going to be at the same place as Jevon. Long term, get married and have a family. I don't really have any super long term plans. Usually when things come up and I see it, I'm like "man that would be really cool I could do that when I'm older" but like, I don't really have any idea what I want to do later.

# 9. Would you rather change gender every time you sneeze? Or not be able to tell the difference between a muffin and a baby? I don't see what's so bad about changing genders every time I sneeze. Unless it's painful.[15 minutes of discussion...] Wait—you're right, I'm not even thinking about the benefits. So, if I turn into a woman, I would know how a woman thinks. Then when I'm a man, I could use the knowledge that I learned as a woman.

Having the chance to meet up with Brandon was a rare blessing, and I'm definitely not sad I missed Veritas for it! It's clear that God has grown him and brought him through so much, to give him wisdom on so many things, from appreciating God's hidden gifts to being able to discern the benefits of changing genders every time he sneezed.





Boyi's fashion never fails to excite me. Today she came in sporting this adorable tan trench coat and a pretty dark blue/black dress. Also, Boyi is one of the few people who can always pull off lipstick. However, if you, like me, have also not been naturally blessed with this gift, fear not! She claims that anyone can wear lipstick!

### 1. CBS is...

I can't do this. A community of believers that tries to outdo each other in love. It's also a home away from home. A place where I found my closest friends and my second family. It's also a place for growth and learning through the Word and through prayer and relationships with other people.

### 2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

That's a loaded question. I think freshman year I was pretty self-centered, I dealt with a lot of pride and insecurity, and looking for validation in all the wrong places. God has really broken me down a lot, Whatever feelings I had of "I can do this myself," God has slowly broken down through challenges academically, socially, personally, and spiritually. There's been a lot of pruning, like the vines and the branches. I think that God, over the course of these few years, has just been pruning me. He's been taking away the things I thought I needed and has revealed to me a lot of His grace and His love.

### 3. What encouragements/advice do you have for...

**Freshmen:** College is hard. It's gonna suck sometimes. It's okay to not have it all together. No one actually has it all together--like, everyone looks like they're doing stuff but everyone is secretly dying inside. Also, try to not compare yourself to other people. Just take yourself out of the race that is comparing yourself, and learn to run your own course. Learn to build each other up instead of putting yourselves above each other.

**Sophomores:** Basically the same thing as the freshman. And as you're becoming juniors and upperclassmen, think about ways you can serve CBS. Unity through service is really important. Also, don't be afraid to ask for help and support. When I was a junior, I thought I really had to be mature and have it all together, but the truth is, we're still really young and we need to still rely on God's strength.

**Juniors:** You're gonna be seniors, woo! As you lead the fellowship, really don't lose sight of your personal relationship with God. That really informs everything else. Above all else, your personal relationship with Him and knowing who you are before you go out into the real world are really important.

**4.** What is (one of) your favorite memory of your college career? Some of my favorite memories were from freshman year, after CBS, going up to North with all the freshman 1AM. One time, we were banging on tables and the Nasties lady was like, "I don't go

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to your house and bang on your furniture!" Yea, just going back to North and asking each other "juicy questions," which was probably not the best idea.

# 5. What are some of your hidden quirks/talents?

Facebook stalking. But I guess that isn't so hidden...I'm also good at hiding things in my bed.

### 6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

I really like sitting in the garden in the Plantations. I also basically live half my life in Mann, but I don't know if that's my favorite spot. I can tell you all the best places to poop on campus tho (second floor of Goldwin Smith, and in the design wing of MVR.)

# 7. What is the most important thing that God has taught you in the past four years?

The most important thing, as basic as this sounds, is that He loves me. There's nothing I could ever do to earn his love, but it's a free gift. And once you really start to understand that God loves you unconditionally, it totally changes your life. It changes how you see yourself and how you treat other people. It's a revolutionary concept.

# 8. What are your short-term and long-term plans after graduation?

To hopefully go to med school, become a doctor, make new friends, get married. Do social justice work in some capacity. I know that getting a doctor's degree isn't just to work in a hospital. I know that God wants to use it to make the voices of the marginalized and the oppressed heard. Being a doctor gives me a unique skill set and platform to speak for these people. I know that the rest of my life will be dedicated to hopefully bringing more of God's justice and equality wherever I am.

# 9. Would you rather change gender every time you sneeze? Or not be able to tell the difference between a muffin and a baby?

Oh my gosh not this question... this was one of our original "juicy questions." If you combine the time I've talked about this question, it would be a couple of hours. It's kind of ridiculous how much time I've thought about this question, but I'm still kinda not sure how to answer it. I think I'd rather change gender every time I sneeze. I would just wear androgynous clothes.

I don't remember if I told Boyi this or not, but I requested to interview her. Boyi and I are really similar in personality, and over the year we've had some amazing talks. It's like hearing the future me give advice to the present me... who wouldn't want that? Anyway, I'm so thankful for her in my life, and I wish her luck in all her future endeavors.

Once sophomore year, some of the guys put Z's underwear on Ferdinand (his stuffed panda) to prevent me from touching it. It worked.

# Cassie Jia

I interviewed Cassie at Big Red Barn on a normal school day during lunch. I was really impressed when she told me that she prayed the night before and asked God what to say during the interview. In my heart, I was like "WHOA, that's what "ask God before you do every thing" life looks like.

## 1. CBS is...

Cabbage Bean and Sausage, just kidding. CBS to me, I think it's a family in Cornell have a lot of brothers and sisters there. It's a place where I feel so comfortable and it's a place that has shown me a lot of what God's love is and what it means to live in a Christian community.

### 2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

Knowing that I am free that I am no longer a slave to sin or to all the pressure of this world. Coming in to Cornell, I have a lot of expectations for myself and I think it's easy in the beginning to really put all of that on me, on myself, on what I can do. After I got to know God and encounter Jesus in a personal way, I realize that, yes, I can deal with all this with own efforts, but in the end, Where is God in all of that? I think my journey at Cornell can be summarized as a picture of a girl dancing to the new song called Jesus. When you hear Jesus is playing, you feel the emotions.I learn to choose not to move by my own might but rather to dance to God's tempo, and really to dance with joy and knowing that God is good.

### 3. What encouragements/advice do you have for...

**Freshmen:** Explore things at Cornell, whether it's meeting new friends, going to new classes, and picking up new interests. Spend the time to explore the Christianity community here and finding out what are some ways that God can use you to be a blessing here at Cornell. Through those experiences, you really encounter God in a very personal way and find your own way of pursuing God and loving his people.

**Sophomores:** Don't be afraid. As an upperclassman, there may be a lot of self-expectations of what a strong Christian looks like, what a strong student looks like. Look to Jesus for the ultimate examples of what it means to love, to care. Also, look after the young ones. It's easy to forget that you were once in that place as well and to really use the experiences you have to bless others.

Juniors: I guess I will encourage you guys to pray more and worry less. I know for the upcoming year, there may seem to be a lot of difficulties ahead with changing class size, thinking about getting a lot of freshmen, or overall running the fellowship with very few people, comparing to the senior class right now. Ask God to really help you guys because CBS exists because God wants it to exist and so to pray more and worry less about what you can do.

# 4. What is (your favorite memory of your college career?

The times Hayden, Boyi, and I are just like derping in 1G. We would have serious talks about God, about life, what it means to become a godly woman and all of a sudden, we just start making fun of

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each other cracking jokes. I think moments like these really just remind me how blessed I am to have sisters who are also friends.

# 5. What are some of your hidden quirks/talents?

I can be very serious and also really funny.

# 6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

The slope. It's very relaxing and it helps me to refocus my mind back to God's creation. If I go to the slope, I look at the sky, and water, look at everything; I get a tiny bit of what it's like to be God.

# 7. What is the most important thing that God has taught you in the past four years?

Be joyful and to be hopeful under every circumstance. And that joy and hope come from the confidence we have in Christ, in the fact that he has risen and that he is sitting on the right from God right now. Indirectly, we are seated on the right of God as well. Because of the joy I have in Christ, I can share that with other people. I think more than anything, I realized that to encourage others, or to be a blessing, you don't really have to do anything or say anything. You can just be happy, and try to point them to Christ.

# 8. What are your short-term and long-term plans after graduation?

I am going to medical school at home. So I will be living at home with my parents with another four years. So that's like short-term of what is happening. Long-term I see myself I think serving God in my professions. I also see myself going to the mission field, whether that's doing medical missions in other countries, or just even in America, using the talents and gifts that God has blessed me with to share the gospel. I can totally see myself devoting half of my time to church, to my family, and to raising my future generation. And the other half, doing what I like to do, having the balanced professional life.

# 9. Would you rather change gender every time you sneeze? Or not be able to tell the difference between a muffin and a baby?

A MUFFIN AND A BABY?! I rather change gender when I sneeze, because you can choose to sneeze or not to sneeze, and choose to whether or not to enjoying being a woman or man. The other choice, doesn't give you a choice. You are forced to not be able to tell the difference between a muffin and a baby, which are important things in life.

I really enjoyed interviewing Cassie and getting to know her better. [Since she has so much to say, I will keep my conclusion short].



# Christina Ho

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Christina and I agreed to meet at Terrace for lunch, except I forgot how crowded it would be right at that time! While searching for a table, I found Christina just in time to rescue her from Boyi and JT who were informing her of how terrifying her interview would be. After surviving the long salad lines, we sat down and began.

### 1. CBS is...

family with really awesome people.

## 2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

God has taught me to rely on him more. Coming to college, I never imagined what I could have experienced. I knew it was a formative period of time, but I didn't really understand what that meant. Every year, God challenges me with different experiences in different ways, but those always challenge the same problems of mine. I definitely feel more equipped to speak to younger students and share my experiences. In this life, God will always be challenging me. He's opened my eyes to how little I know.

### 3. What encouragements/advice do you have for...

Freshmen: I think it's really easy to feel lost. Freshmen year should be a time where you stay rooted in community so even though you're encouraged to explore a lot of things, that happens naturally. Form really strong relationships with people that you look up to or can support you. Don't feel intimidated by not knowing your major or what you're interested in, don't worry about that. Take full advantage of the dining hall and enjoy long meals with the CBS people!

**Sophomores:** Sophomore year was my favorite year, so go to as many events as you can and explore Ithaca. Go to the parks when it's sunny, the farmer market when it's warm. Start thinking about service in CBS, how you can use whatever skills or gifts you have to glorify the church and the fellowship.

**Juniors:** Cast all of your anxieties onto him and just be reassured that God has a plan for you, he knows where you're going, he has equipped you for the future. Have fun with the freshmen, set time aside to hang out with people, but also make sure you're developing the discipline of having quiet time with God.

### 4. What is your favorite memory of your college career?

I think I remember college in chunks, and I'm not really sure which one to pick... they're all really good... or really bad? I think it was probably during sophomore year. My friends and I came back early to hang out with each other, and we had a suite so we just got to experience living together for the first time. Since it was the last few days of summer, we would get fresh groceries and eat them together. Oh wait, I forgot, can this be my favorite memory instead? Sophomore year, we also went sledding down Libe slope at midnight! Bo and his friends brought cardboard and a plastic sled, and we ran up the slope like ten times in a row just so we could keep sliding down it.

# 5. What are some of your hidden quirks/talents?

I don't have any, I'm so boring! Hmm... I can sing all the instrumental parts of "Bohemian Rhapsody." I was really obsessed with the song when I was younger. so I dedicated myself to learning all the parts. I'm also really into the theme songs from K-dramas, so I can sing all of them. Also, I know how to bartend, so I'm licensed to serve alcohol.

# 6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

The walk from Willard Straight Hall up to the Johnson school is really pretty. It's like a small slope, and there's a small stream and footbridge between. It's really pretty in the fall and even in the winter with snow covering it. I also really like Cascadilla Gorge.

# 7. What is the most important thing that God has taught you in the past four years?

God has taught me that our human flesh and minds are really weak. He's really revealed to me that no one is perfect except for Jesus. I've personally learned a lot about forgiving others and being less critical. I'm always amazed that God loves us despite our simple nature, and He sees us as perfect.

# 8. What are your short-term and long-term plans after graduation?

Short-term, I'm going to be working in New York City. I'm joining IBM as marketing analytics. I'm excited to live in a city again, meet new people, and see how God has called me to serve in the workplace as well as the church. Long-term goal... I have no idea. My family's moved around a lot so I'm always open to the idea of living abroad. I hope I get to live in some pretty cool places, but I don't have concrete plans for that.

9. Would you rather change gender every time you sneeze? Or not be able to tell the difference between a muffin and a baby? Darn it, I really love babies, I don't want to not be able to tell the difference between a muffin and a baby! But changing genders, well, I don't sneeze that often, mostly when I get sick so I think that's the more logical one to pick because of the time period... so the first one.

I first met Christina last August at Old Teahouse during the CBS bubble tea event! She was one of the CBS-ers who made me feel really welcome at Cornell and convinced me to choose CBS, so it was a privilege to be her interviewer and learn how God has been working in her life. I'll miss you, Christina!



# Christine Loui

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Christine interviewed me during my freshman year, so I found it fitting that I was assigned to interview her! Due to our busy schedules, we had to split up the interview between two separate meetings, but I'm glad we were able to finally complete the interview and hear Christine's wisdom from her college career.

### 1. CBS is...

Family. Everyone says it but it's true. CBS is a bunch of socially awkward family members who live together, eat together, fellowship together, and have weird moments with each other.

### 2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

He's taught me how to rely on Him with my future. There are a lot of things that I can't control but I've learned to still praise Him in these moments. He's changed what I value and how I view my achievements. He's also changed how I think about friendships. Even though, living on West, I don't see my class as often, I know that I can still depend on them. Christ is my anchor even when I feel lonely.

### 3. What encouragements/advice do you have for...

**Freshmen:** Whatever community you decide to spend your first two years will determine who you spend time with during your future years. Just because you might not be as close with your class doesn't mean you can't still shine as a light in the other communities that God has placed you in. As a sophomore next year, remember to take care of each other. Even though there isn't as much emphasis placed on sophomores, you still have the support of upperclassmen so reach out—we still care for you!

**Sophomores:** When you transition to upperclassmen, you'll have a lot of opportunities for leadership. Be careful with taking on too much. God will always provide leaders. When you're tired and stressed, it will affect you spiritually. It's easy to burn out junior year, so continue to reach out to others. It's also okay to say "no" and grow in discerning when to say "no."

Juniors: God does a lot with our limitations and time and again He's shown that He provides. If our work is for God, we shouldn't be preoccupied with numbers in the fellowship or other so-called measurements of success. Also, don't be too comfortable with spending time with just Christians. When you graduate you won't be in that situation, so while you should cherish these moments, you should also learn to love as God has called us to love. Also, have fun!

### 4. What is your favorite memory of your college career?

Probablu my 21<sup>st</sup> birthday because Steph and Xinran went on a secret mission to make sure I didn't get caked. And there actually were cakes fired at me! Xinran pulled a bag over my head before I could react to what was going on. Everyone in CBS and someone from Illuminations was there; it was great to have people I cared about there. It was also really funny because I walked into 2E with a bag over my head. Overall, it was a really fun birthday.

### 5. What are some of your hidden quirks/talents?

I can sort of wiggle my ears. Another quirk is that I sometimes have a hard time sitting still; I tend to fidget with my right foot. I used to play a lot of video games, particularly Pokémon. I'm also unfazed by video game murders, in particular the deaths in Witches' House.

## 6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

A spot I like is Ezra's Tunnel. Another favorite spot I like is Cascadilla Gorge; I've meditated in and sat there. Also the slope.

# 7. What is the most important thing that God has taught you in the past four years?

The most important thing I learned is that the only part of my identity that matters is my identity in Christ. Over the past four years I've learned that a lot of the time, grades don't determine my worth, and internships weren't an evaluation of how smart or capable I was.

He's also taught me not to idolize relationships people. My personal relationship with Him is not related to how cool or personable others may perceive me as. Even though I lived on West and didn't have a Christian community to come home to, understanding my relationship with Him and who I am as His daughter helps fight against this loneliness. God is my anchor, someone I can always turn to.

# 8. What are your short-term and long-term plans after graduation?

My short-term plans are to find a job/internship/fellowship in my gap year. In the long-term, whether or not I go to medical school or graduate school, I want to find opportunities to serve underserved people. Everyone is made in image of God and I'd like to serve them in some way. I hope that my work is fruitful and something I enjoy. I'd also like to find a Christian community where I can continue to be challenged to grow in my faith.

9. Would you rather change gender every time you sneeze? Or not be able to tell the difference between a muffin and a baby? I need to be able to tell the difference between muffins and babies when I become a doctor. So I guess changing genders...but it's so weird! Is this question even biblical? I veto!

Christine has always been a joyful and encouraging presence in CBS and we'll miss her next year. I'm so thankful to have been able to share many meals and many laughs with this sister and I'm honored to have had a role in one of her favorite memories. May you find community where God takes you next!

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# David Cui

After finishing another painful fluid mechanics class, I bike over to Collegetown to meet David for lunch. He says he's late, and I'm the guy with nothing to do for like 20 minutes. Eventually, I go to Starbucks to play Pokémon, and he's there talking to the pastor for this week's large group. A valid excuse. We go eat at Oishii Bowl.

### 1. CBS is...

A student-run Christian fellowship that meets on Fridays at 7pm in HEC Auditorium, in Goldwin Smith Hall. It is a community of believers who love on people (including in small ways like lunches) and help them grow in many areas. They hang out and relate with each other.

# 2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

He has helped me understand what it means to love people in many ways. I've also taken an active role in the fellowship.

# 3. What encouragements/advice do you have for...

**.Freshmen:** Love and proactively spend time with each other. Do not be afraid to go out often. Ignore physical distances on West. Don't focus on grades, just try hard and God will use you as He will.

**Sophomores:** Keep close contact. Watch where he calls you and see how your character plays out as it becomes more and more evident as an upper-class leader. Do not stop annoying each other.

**Juniors:** There's lots of hard work; you need to work harder and be unified. Grow more and treasure the freshmen, but do not forget about the juniors and sophomores.

# 4. What is (one of) your favorite memory of your college career?

In freshman year, the girls thought the guys were useless. So after a prayer meeting, we made fried rice and mochi for them. Some of them cried.

# 5. What are some of your hidden quirks/talents?

Most of them are not hidden. Cooking, singing, flexible, board games. Japanese video game music. Likes to game the Bing search system.

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# 6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

The staircase at the top of the slope because you can see all of West Campus.

# 7. What is the most important thing that God has taught you in the past four years?

Faith is not just for yourself. You also need to love and serve others as you live for Him.

# 8. What are your short-term and long-term plans after graduation?

After graduation, I'll be a consultant at LMI in D.C. In 5 years, I want to move to a suburban area in California or Boston.

I want to start a family and join the US Taekwondo team.

# 9. Would you rather change gender every time you sneeze? Or not be able to tell the difference between a muffin and a baby?

I am the one who ask this question. Change genders.

As the slow eater that I am, I finish my food 30 minutes after the interview is completed. I go home to play Smash.



# Dorothy Zhang

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I stroll into Duffield atrium on a quiet Friday morning hunting for the optimal table to conduct Dorothy's interview. After sitting down near Mattin's, I am at once distracted by the ever-present mac and cheese beckoning from the giant pot. Just as I prepare to answer the call of the mac, a happy Dorothy suddenly appears and takes her place across from me at the table, and I remember why we're here.

### 1. CBS is...

A family that has tested my patience... [smiles] and definitely grown my patience as well. The backstory to that is, well, sophomore year I didn't treat my mom very well and so I really had to teach myself to learn and understand how to love someone else, and a big part of that was having patience with other people.

### 2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

Less emphasis on my academics but... I still try haha, I don't know why but I just keep on trying hard! My older discipler did say that trying hard can glorify God. Excellence glorifies God. So in that sense, I think I try to glorify God in that way. I've also been more willing to spend time with other people. I learned that talking things out really helps and that people can challenge me in terms of knowing God more, knowing Him deeper. He's also taught me a lot more about theology as well. And I've learned that it's truly a blessing to be in community with others.

### 3. What encouragements/advice do you have for...

**Freshmen:** Keep fighting, don't lose your spirit. Keep fighting in terms of having a perseverance to know God more, to care for one another, and to NOT slack off!

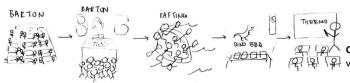
**Sophomores:** Remember why we're serving- to glorify God. Don't put emphasis on any kind of results or numbers, but instead find joy in loving and serving others.

*Juniors:* [thinks for a while, then laughs hysterically] Very short. GOOD LUCK. That, and make sure to care for one another. As you're caring for the fellowship, don't forget to care for one another, too.

**Everyone:** Just spur each other on with encouraging words that build each other up. Always remember to show that you appreciate one another!

# 4. What is your favorite memories of your college career?

Late night talks with Cassie... Yeah, we've done it until 3 in the morning, goodness. Talking things out, speaking what's on my heart, and also her explaining some of things that I can't figure out on my own. Those talks really speak truth into my life.



### 5. What are some of your hidden quirks/talents?

I don't know if it's hidden anymore, but I reeeeally like Kpop. I really love dancing to it. I also really like touching raw meat. Like I would love to see a beating human heart.

### 6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

The reading room in Uris library overlooking the slope. That or PSB 2nd or 3rd floor overlooking the Arts Quad. [Me: You can see the Arts Quad from PSB?] [Sighs] Yes, you use to see the Arts Quad, but now all you see is Klarman.

# 7. What is the most important thing that God has taught you in the past four years?

Patience and loving others. My patience has definitely been tested one way by leading the fellowship, and in another way by living in 1G. Leading involves a lot of loving people back. And the other way shows me that you really get to see all the mess, you see all the flaws, when people don't always do what they say they're going to do. But I've learned I need to have grace towards others - I might be more patient with a person now, but doesn't mean I really love the person. So the next step would be to have grace and to just trust in His plan.

# 8. What are your short-term and long-term plans after graduation?

Short-term, in 5 years I want to be a manager at Intel. I also want to get better at singing and go to Korea and maybe be a KPOP STAR. I want to serve in my local church's youth group, too. Long term, I want to be one of the VPs at Intel, if I want to be that is. It will definitely take work, part of it is that I have to care for the people I work with and maybe in that way, they can see that I am a Christian. That by caring for them, they see it as a care that comes not directly from me but from Jesus...I don't think I'm going to get married. There is no way a family can fit into that plan. And kids? No way is that fitting into a VP plan!

# 9. Would you rather change gender every time you sneeze? Or not be able to tell the difference between a muffin and a baby?

Change gender. I'm already like half guy and half girl. At one of our senior meetings, the guys commented that there were only three girls in the room when there were clearly four, I was just sitting separately from the other three...

Can't believe I had the honor of interviewing our amazing coordinator! Dorothy rushed off to complete the rest of her busy schedule for the day, and I contemplated how she could handle so many responsibilities all the time. It was awesome getting to know her better and listening to her stories. Really going to miss her and all that she's done for CBS!

**Caption:** In 48 hours, I took a final, volunteered at the rave, chaperoned a rafting trip, volunteered for the senior BBQ, and went to my first summer session class. Spring 2014

# Esther Jiang

Twas ten minutes until six thirty, My phone lit up: "I'm here already!" I sprint down the slope wearing sandals, If I die this will be quite the scandal.

Well I made it on time by pure guessing, But real, thanks to God for providing. I jump down the stairs to see Esther! Now with these great Q's I would pester:

### 1. CBS is...

I knew this was coming! CBS is a place where God challenged me, and it's a place where I've grown a lot.

### 2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

He's humbled me and showed me that He loves me—just really simple lessons that I've learned over the years. Through circumstances I've been through and different situations I've experienced, everything goes back to whether or not God is who He says He is and whether or not God loves me. I think because of that, I'm able to go through life much more confidently. I feel much more rooted in truth.

### 3. What encouragements/advice do you have for...

**Freshmen:** After freshman year, you feel like your social circles solidify and you feel comfortable where you are. But it's a really amazing place to encounter people from all over the world, and it's a good way to share the gospel with people from different backgrounds, ethnicities, and stories.

**Sophomores:** Don't be overwhelmed by the fact that you are upperclassmen now. Junior year was a time where God showed me a lot of things about myself! You'll feel like there are lots of responsibilities, but don't get too caught up feeling like you need to step into certain roles, but instead focus your eyes on Jesus! He's the one who will sustain you through the struggles and the trials."

**Juniors:** Learn how to love God with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength both in community and outside community. As seniors, you're about to leave this place, and it's really important that you know the foundations of your faith. It's important for you to know where to root yourself and to understand who you are and what you believe."

**4.** What is (one of) your favorite memory of your college career? I think some of my favorite memories are always in my small groups because they're the times when I feel like I get to know people. Also, when I was a freshman, Steph Guo was my roommate. We had a can of Pillsbury cinnamon buns, and for some reason it was sitting on my desk.

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We were knitting on my bed and all of a sudden there's a huge 'pop' sound. The can of cinnamon buns had apparently exploded and was all over my bed. We just continued knitting because we were so focused on doing what we were doing; only after 20 minutes did we realize what had happened.

# 5. What are some of your hidden quirks/talents?

I can talk like a chipmunk

# 6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

The Kirby room in Uris. Sitting on the tree on the slope. Sage Chapel

# 7. What is the most important thing that God has taught you in the past four years?

To know who I am and my identity. Freshman year was really hard for me: socially and spiritually. I wanted to transfer out of Cornell, but God really redeemed by showing me that only He can satisfy me no matter where I am. No matter who I am, He is my joy, and He is my source of Hope. Because of that, I am learning to let go of the things I envy and am jealous of. The most important thing is to feel fulfilled by the communion I can have in Him and to live out that fellowship with other people.

# 8. What are your short-term and long-term plans after graduation?

Short term: I'm working in NYC at PWC as a HR consultant. Long term: I want to go to grad school, possibly law school but not 100% sure. I also want to have a family and travel to all the continents in the world.

# 9. Would you rather change gender every time you sneeze? Or not be able to tell the difference between a muffin and a baby? I love babies too much. I think sneeze!

Wow, I think that I might love her
Making me feel so much wiser!
I've learned so much I need to know,
To trust in our God till I grow!
If you like fried stuff or grilled cheese,
Rose is your jam (and so am I)! Now, PEACE.





# Felicia Setiono

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After math discussion at Snee, I fast-walked to Big Red Barn to meet up with Felicia. I found Felicia in the back of Big Red Barn on her computer. While she was reheating her lunch, I looked over the interview questions, and then the interview began...

### 1. CBS is...

Man, this question has been there every single year...I think it's a group of super imperfect people who work really hard to glorify God.

# 2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

My goodness! How do you make that concise? Well, definitely not living life for my own purposes and successes. Actually caring for other people; that sounds so bad but I literally hated people before I came in. To actually be proud of my faith. I think those are probably the main three things.

# 3. What encouragements/advice do you have for...

**Freshmen:** Your friendships/relationships with other people don't have to be based on physical proximity or how much you spend time together. A lot of that can come from just being able to pray for one another and to know what's going on in their lives.

**Sophomores:** Maybe don't be intimidated by the title of upperclassmen. Just do what you have been doing. **Juniors:** Enjoy senior year. And maybe don't be afraid of uncertainties.

# 3. What is (one of) your favorite memory of your college career?

Getting quarantined my sophomore year. I got all these rashes and stuff all over my body, but nobody knew what was going on. I went to Gannett several times and they gave me allergy medicine. They also thought it was bed bugs so we cleaned out the suite. Then they just put me in Hasbrouck apartments for 5 days. I got to eat, sleep, and read the bible. And everything got better. And nobody knows what it was. Everybody said it was God's way of telling me to rest.

# **4.** What are some of your hidden quirks/talents? Nothing's hidden. I can read Korean?

# 5. What is your favorite spot on campus?

Oh this is hard. Maybe the terrace area outside MVR. Snee hall. We just study there a lot. Also probably the plant sciences rooftop.

# 6. What is the most important thing that God has taught you in the past four years?

These 4-year questions are really hard! I think just the fact that He's constant and that He is powerful enough to forgive all of my sins, including the future sins.

# 7. What are your short-term and long-term plans after graduation?

Short term: Travel with my parents. Pursue my masters.

Long term: I don't know...live life like a grandma? It's just my style of living. I like doing nothing and taking care of people. This is super super long term. I'll probably need to get a job in between but we'll just skip that part.

# 8. Would you rather change gender every time you sneeze? Or not be able to tell the difference between a muffin and a baby?

Oh my gosh. I've already been asked this question when I was a freshman! The gender. Because I like eating. I don't want to mistake babies.

Well there you have it. It was a delight to get to know Felicia a little better through this interview. I wish her well as she pursues her masters and then lives life like a grandma!

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# Hayden Chung

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Hayden and I met at the beloved PSB. After joining the lunch rush, listening to Hayden debunk common myths about cholesterol (don't be afraid of eggs!), and basking in the glory of the Chicken Panini, we finally sat down for the interview.

### 1. CBS is...

A group of people who encourage each other to pursue God.

### 2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

Now, I understand the gravity of my sins and the power of repentance. I also see how much He loves me through the people He's surrounded me with, and because He has revealed the truth through His word and His purpose for me. I also see how much He loves me, by revealing the truth through His word, the people that He's surrounded me with, and revealing His purpose for me.

### 3. What encouragements/advice do you have for...

Freshmen: Deuteronomy 31:8 "The Lord himself goes before you and will be with you; he will never leave nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged." Towards the end of freshman year, I thought I had to be thinking of the summer and my future, and even though a lot of people told me it didn't matter, I wanted to be prepared. But God, the ultimate holder of answers, has already paved the way for you. He is walking with you and making sure that you are growing in the process, too.

Sophomores: John 8:32 "Then you will know the truth and the truth will set you free." Sophomore year was a time when suddenly a lot of opportunities for leadership will come your way, and you feel pretty unequipped to do anything with them, and yet you still feel like you have to produce something. I think a struggle I had was being a Christian leader and feeling very unwise. I think the need to be mature is really strong, but all God really needs of you is to hold onto his teaching. Sophomore year was a year when after I started delving into the Word and giving up the control I felt I had, the Word became alive for me.

Juniors: Isaiah 30:20-21 "Although the Lord gives you the bread of adversity and the water of affliction, your teachers will be hidden no more; with your own eyes you will see them. Whether you turn to the right or to the left, your ears will hear a voice behind you, saying, "This is the way; walk in it." I think coming to the end of junior year, the crunch time to make decisions happens, and that will extend into your senior year. But have hope knowing that God will be with you no matter which way you choose. I think we have a lot of doubt that we're going to make the wrong decisions, and God will close off paths. As you press in close to God, you will be at peace with the decisions you make. He won't withhold any blessings no matter what decisions you make. He is gracious to your mistakes, so really there's nothing to fear.

# 4. What is (one of) your favorite memory of your college career?

Probably some of my favorite times are when I'm just siting in my apartment with people from 1G, and we're just talking about the most ridiculous subjects. We don't let ourselves stand to reason; we just keep going and let it snowball. One topic is communism; you may ask me about this later.

## 5. What are some of your hidden quirks/talents?

I don't like the sound of apples being eaten, and I don't like stuffed animals. In my early college years, I used to make a lot of faces in photos (but now I'm a role model, so I don't do that).

### 6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

The musical steps of Olin Library

# 7. What is the most important thing that God has taught you in the past four years?

When I have nothing to say, be still and listen.

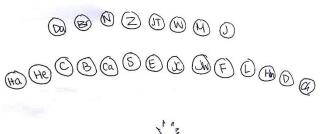
# 8. What are your short-term and long-term plans after graduation?

Short-term: Figure out whether or not dietetics is my future. Long-term: Go into communities that have no access to nutrition education, and be a part of them

# 9. Would you rather change gender every time you sneeze? Or not be able to tell the difference between a muffin and a baby? I think it'll be difficult on my career if I can't tell the difference

I think it'll be difficult on my career if I can't tell the difference between a muffin and a baby. What if I had to tell a mom, "your child has a case of blueberries"? So by default, I'd have to pick the gender one. You can just force yourself to sneeze again!

Clearly, Hayden is both practical and full of foresight. She's full of laughs, encouraging, knowledgeable about important topics like #communism, eager to grow in her walk with God, and a loving sister in Christ. What a joy it's been to get to know you this year, Hayden; I know that you'll continue to shower wherever you go with God's love and light.





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# Helen S

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I thought I could multitask - eat dinner and record the interview response at the same time. But I was so hungry for the delicious food at RPCC that I couldn't type and Helen had a lot to say to those interview questions, so we decided to postpone the interview until we finished small group bible study. We enjoyed the food wholeheartedly afterwards.

### 1. CBS is...

I feel like CBS is a warm family. Everyone in CBS is nice and people are very connected. I was very touched by a lot of events, such as felly dinners. I was also really touched by my friends that are in CBS. My prayer partner and I have lunch every week and we share our prayer requests, read the Bible together, and learn more about God. CBS small groups and this year we are reading Hebrews together and also growing spiritually together. I have a lot of questions, but everyone is very nice and always willing to help me to answer my questions. I also made a lot of friends through CBS whom I think I will keep in touch with in my lifetime.

### 2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

To me, I think I am kind of special because I became a Christian in my senior year after I officially joined CBS. But God changed my way of thinking about various things. Before I knew God, I usually regretted things I have done and always wished I had done it another way. Now my mentality has changed; I believe God has a plan for everyone and I believe that we should forget those things that are behind us, and reach for those things that Paul taught us in Philippians.

## 3. What encouragements/advice do you have for...

Freshmen: I hope the freshmen will always be willing to spend time with God and make contributions to CBS.

**Sophomores:** I hope that even if you go to co-op or are away from Cornell campus, you can still develop a personal relationship with God, go to church every week, and learn more about God.

Juniors: Just keep spending time with God every day even if you are busy.

# 4. What is (one of) your favorite memory of your college career?

Having a prayer partner that I can share my joy and sadness with, encourage me when I am down, pray for me when I feel weak, and learn more about God with through the Holy Spirit every day.

# 6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

Terrace at Statler, I love the salad there.

# 7. What is the most important thing that God has taught you in the past four years?

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I think it is that before you pray, God already knows what you want. During my graduate school application process, I once had many doubts about myself and felt uncertain about the future. But believing that God will make the best choice for me really comforted me a lot.

# 8. What are your short-term and long-term plans after graduation?

Short-term plan is to attend graduate school. I haven't thought carefully about my long-term goals yet. But I hope that I can find a job that I am interested in and also related to my major in the United States.

# 9. Would you rather change gender every time you sneeze? Or not be able to tell the difference between a muffin and a baby?

I would rather change gender every time I sneeze because I feel it's even worse if I can't tell the difference between a muffin and a baby.

We finished the interview after the small group and Helen checked what I had typed down over and over again, making sure that there was no grammar errors and everything made sense to people. Overall, the interview was very casual and awkward at the same time, because I asked the questions in Chinese and forced her to respond in English so I could easily record them.





Jen left her humble abode of Olin Hall basement to meet me at Big Red Barn. I managed to ask her questions while stuffing my face, and she graciously didn't mind.

### 1. CBS is...

A second family.

## 2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

Long story short: I went to a Catholic High School, and I was super serious about my faith. When I came into Cornell, I wasn't very active in my faith and God really challenged me. This past summer, He really showed Himself to me. He showed me how He has blessed me this past year and for the future. I can now see that He has re-solidified His presence in my life.

## 3. What encouragements/advice do you have for...

**Freshmen:** Take the time to know yourself and strengthen your personal relationship with God. There is a lot of things to do on campus, but it is important to have a strong Christian community and to understand your own faith.

**Sophomores:** School is hard, but always remember that God and all your friends and family will love and support you unconditionally. Look to God for guidance.

Juniors: Continue to act as leaders and serve as models for underclassmen to lead a God-centered life. There is a lot of pressure to get internships, but I like this quote: "Success is having a heart for God." Remember to keep Him as your #1 priority.

# 4. What is (one of) your favorite memory of your college career?

During freshmen year, I watched a meteor shower while laying down on the Balch lawn.

### 5. What are some of your hidden quirks/talents?

Uhh.. I do pretty normal things. Sometimes I like to dip pizza crust into ice cream.

## 6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

Olin. The basement. In the corner. By the coffee machine. Just kidding. I like the Slope, especially at night when you can see the stars.

# 7. What is the most important thing that God has taught you in the past four years?

God has taught me to love and serve without expectations or conditions.

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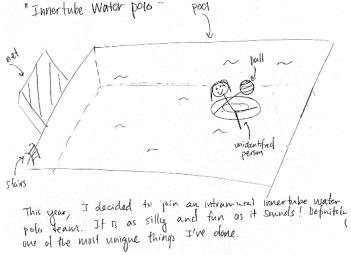
# 8. What are your short-term and long-term plans after graduation?

My short-term plans: I am moving to Princeton, NJ and working at Johnson & Johnson in Consumer Products. My long-term plans are TBD.

# 9. Would you rather change gender every time you sneeze? Or not be able to tell the difference between a muffin and a baby?

"ahahahhahahahahahahahah what?? .... This is so morbid. I would choose sneezing. I wouldn't want to accidentally eat a baby."

We proceeded to bond over our shared Pacific Northwest roots: Portland's Voodoo Doughnuts, our dislike of using umbrellas, how boring New Jersey is, and just in general how superior the PNW is. I also think I got convinced to possibly start a CBS intramural innertube water polo team next year. Let's do it guys. I'm sad that this interview was the first time I actually got to talk to Jen, but I am excited for all the plans God has for her future!



# Jessica Chu

I met Jess on a Friday afternoon in the Ivy Room in order to satisfy our salad cravings (MAPLE VINAIGRETTE IS LIFE). "I just woke up," she says bashfully. Salad for breakfast. YUM. Outsiders invade the table we saved for ourselves so we relocate and bump into John Hui and Esther. The Ivy Room is clearly a happening place.

### 1. CBS is...

Brothers and sisters that I can always grow with.

### 2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

He's shown me more of a sense of purpose, not just in church things like going to service and singing in worship, but in daily life: in studying and in working. He has shown me how important community is and has given me more joy and peace in going about life in general. Most of all, being a Christian is having a relationship and that means that I'm always learning and He is always revealing Himself to me and there's never a point where I can say, "Oh I know everything".

### 3. What encouragements/advice do you have for...

**Freshmen:** Don't worry so early. Some people are so worried about getting stuff (maybe it's because I'm in a different field). It's good to have jobs and internships, but don't fret about them. Explore and have fun in your learning. Cherish fellowship, especially before other responsibilities come in.

**Sophomores:** Still don't worry so much about internships and jobs and things you have to do in order to supposedly get ahead in life. Find joy in work, studies, and still explore classes. I feel like sophomore year is everyone's slump year. Look for opportunities to serve where you can and when you're called.

Juniors: NOW YOU SHOULD WORRY. (LOL). I mean not actually. (more lols). I feel like this is where people start worrying most (at least that's where I did) since it's like the last year where you can "do stuff". Pray that you may trust that God is in control. Also it's not too late to explore classes. Have fun in whatever you're doing and remember to rest.

### 4. What is your favorite memory of your college career?

My New York semester. I don't know if I have a single particular memory from it... just because it's so different. I really like the city and I think that semester is where I started to figure out where my faith and art came together. I think that was something that I was always wondering... and I still do, but that was the beginning of it. And it was really fun too

### 5. What are some of your hidden quirks/talents?

But if I said them then they wouldn't be hidden anymore! Hmm... my favorite comeback is "You \_\_\_\_\_\_". Ex: This stinks. You

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stink. I can also cut my bangs. I know how to screw screws into a ceiling. Yeah... clearly there's nothing hidden. Oh I can do a really bad British/Australian accent (occasionally). Ok that's it.

### 6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

The hill next to the Johnson. It's not quite the slope; it's a grassy area behind White Hall. It's so nice and nobody is ever there. Especially spring – summer; I just go out there and sit in the tall grass.

# 7. What is the most important thing that God has taught you in the past four years?

I guess like I said before, never to assume that you know everything. To always be humble whether it's in your knowledge of Him or in relationships with others, talking to non-Christians, everything. Always have a sense of wonder, because there's just so much that we can't know, never make sense of, or understand. But that's ok! We can have faith in Him because He's faithful!

# 8. What are your short-term and long-term plans after graduation?

PASS. Jk. Short Term: I still don't know. No one in our department has figured out their jobs yet. Hopefully short term I will be in New York working at either a gallery or a non-profit. Kind of long term I want to be a practicing studio artist so hopefully I will have enough to eventually have my own studio that I can work in. Honestly, I don't plan very far ahead, but I know I want to be an artist and I want to continue to learn how God can work through my art. It's been cool and it will be cool.

# 9. Would you rather change gender every time you sneeze? Or not be able to tell the difference between a muffin and a baby? So I'd go Costco and be like "OH MY GOSH It's a box of 9 babies???

So I'd go Costco and be like "OH MY GOSH It's a box of 9 babies??? What kind of baby is this? A blueberry baby???" Yeah I would just change gender each time I sneeze. And I would just never sneeze again. You can prevent your sneezes right? If you press your tongue to the roof of your mouth? Or maybe that's yawning. Maybe I'm making everything up. I haven't sneezed in a while so I think I'm on the right track.

The conversation continued with our laughs reverberating throughout the Ivy Room. Jessminder Chu you are such a beloved sister of mine, and it has been such an honor and pleasure to serve and grow alongside you. I'm so thankful for all of the laughs that we've shared and all of the wisdom you have taught me—Continue to seek out ways to glorify the Lord through your work. KEEP THAT SPIRITUAL EYESIGHT #2020VisionwithJesus



# Jessica Wong

It was beautiful spring day when I was able to get a lunch with famous baker and chef, Jess Wong. As we dined in Mac's, I was able to learn much from her college experiences and advice.

### 1. CBS is...

A family of people who occasionally have quirky and weird personalities but are always welcoming and loving Christ.

# 2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

The most dramatic change for me since freshman year is that I have accepted Christ as my Lord and Savior. I was not a Christian prior to coming to Cornell, but I met a few sisters early on during freshman year and they invited me to check out a few large groups. In the beginning, I was hesitant because I thought God's role was to create good-hearted people and I thought I was a good person already so I didn't need God in my life. In the past 3 years, I have come to accept my own sinfulness and have been better about resisting the temptations of earthly entities., as cliché as it might sound, I know more clearly what purpose I live for now. It is a better purpose where I serve my brothers and sisters, non-Christians, and most importantly God, and I ensure I live in the way he created me to be and I live to help spread his love and his glory to others.

# 3. What encouragements/advice do you have for...

**Freshmen**: Take advantage of your first year to meet people ad hang out with them, since you'll have less time to do so over the next three years. There's something magical about this time when everyone wants to get to know you.

**Sophomores:** Sophomore slump can happen but in these times, don't be discouraged as God always provides. Seek help from sisters and brothers. The Lord always has a plan for your life, though this plan may be hard to accept at the time. If you don't experience a sophomore slump, be aware of others around you who may be going through it. Check up on them and let them know that they're not alone.

**Juniors:** Don't stress out too much about getting the perfect internship or about not knowing what you want to do with your life. Also, don't forget to take time to appreciate your remaining time at Cornell.

# 4. What is (one of) your favorite memory of your college career?

During finals week my sophomore fall, my Becker suitemates and I decided to cook for the other sisters in our class. We were crowded into a small kitchen with poor ventilation as we cooked curry and naan. Afterward, we

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smelled like garlic for a week. It was a great time to catch up with one another as we hadn't spent as much time together that semester. We still talk about it to this day.

# 5. What are some of your hidden quirks/talents?

I like to make really sharp turns when I have to change directions when walking.

# 6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

The benches at the top of Libe Slope. At night when it's dark, I enjoy seeing the lights of West Campus below and reading the inscriptions in the Sesquicentennial Grove.

# 7. What is the most important thing that God has taught you in the past four years?

God has taught me the boundless power of faith, kindness, and love, especially His. It sometimes seems that there is more bad things and sadness in the world and around you, but He will always remind you of the positive things in life. When you have faith in Him, even if you sometimes turn away from Him, he will move you through the people around you and through your heart to relieve your burdens. That is the greatest lesson I have learned from my time at Cornell.

# 8. What are your short-term and long-term plans after graduation?

My short-term plans are moving to Connecticut, working for GE, and finding a church community where I can develop my early roots. As for my long-term plans, I don't know, but I'm open and excited to see what God has in store for me and I want to trust Him with my future.

# 9. Would you rather change gender every time you sneeze? Or not be able to tell the difference between a muffin and a baby?

I think I would rather change gender every time I sneeze. I think babies are adorable and it would be so sad to not be able to tell the difference and to be unable to see their innocence.

Jess can always be counted on for her generosity and friendliness. She has an incredible love for her brothers and sisters and I've been blessed by the interactions that I've had with her over the past three years. May God continue to grow you and mold you as you trust Him more and more each day!

# Jonathan Tong

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It's a warm, sunny afternoon: the beginning of spring. The scintillating sunlight can only be matched by the brilliance of JT's beatific smile. I scarf down my food as fast as possible, eager to hear the story of this legendary icon—to record his wisdom for the sake of generations to come. As he slowly finishes the last of his meal, an expectant hush descends on all of Terrace... after an eternity, JT opens his mouth to speak, and the tale begins.

### 1. CBS is...

CBS is... um... it's a family; it's a fellowship, I guess, of people who really care and encourage each other to grow, especially in Christ, but in other ways as well. CBS is... pretty cool. CBS is great.

### 2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

Well, considering I came into college like a nominal Christian at most, I see God working more around me now. Also, having the assurance that I'm saved makes me prioritize things differently. I used to panic a lot when things weren't going my way, but now I can put things in perspective.

## 3. What encouragements/advice do you have for...

**Freshmen:** Now that you're probably past the honeymoon phase of coming to college, and since you're not the babies anymore, expect fissures to appear—but don't panic. Now that there's a class underneath you, you have people who look up to you, and it's always good to set a good example. You're still young though, so don't worry too much about making mistakes.

**Sophomores:** Even though you're about to become upperclassmen, you shouldn't be afraid: you might not feel like you know what you're doing, but I think most, if not all, people feel that way when they become juniors. You know more than you think you do.

Juniors: Now you guys are the big dawgs, the "leaders" that all the other classes look up to. You're kind of the 'head' of the fellowship, and younger people will be watching. You still might not feel like you know what you're doing, but that's okay. Really cherish the time you have left, because it goes by really fast.

Since seniors tend to have the least class time, really try to pour yourselves out to everyone and to look out for them.

**4.** What is your favorite memory of your college career? Our class used to head back to North after every large group. ACE would end around 10, we'd sit in Mews or

something, and we'd just talk until 2 or 3AM. Coming into college, I was so afraid of not making friends. But getting to know each other was really what made me feel like I had a community.

## 5. What are some of your hidden quirks/talents?

I can wiggle my ears? And I can eat the same thing for months without getting tired of it.

# 6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

You know the area right next to the clock tower, where you can overlook West Campus—right above the Fishbowl? Every time I go there I think, "wow, Cornell really does have a beautiful campus."

# 7. What is the most important thing that God has taught you in the past four years?

Literally anything else you pursue will consume you. Pursuing God is the only way to true fulfillment—we can never have enough of things like money, fame, and power. Only God can ever be enough.

# 8. What are your short-term and long-term plans after graduation?

Short-term: working full time at ASML (semiconductor industry company in Connecticut)

Long-term: I don't really have any right now. I haven't thought that far.

# 9. Would you rather change gender every time you sneeze? Or not be able to tell the difference between a muffin and a baby?

Change genders, because I usually sneeze two at a time. And I can probably force myself to sneeze...

Now spent, JT relaxes and leans back into his chair. "Man, I feel old. My freshman interview was actually in Statler too." And as he stares out the window, presumably lost in nostalgia, I slowly pack away my laptop. Looking back up a bit later, I see JT giggling at something on his phone, back to normal—but now I know more of the slumbering depths of sagacity that lie beneath. As the clock strikes 2:15PM, JT rises from his chair and mounts his gallant stallion. He waves farewell, galloping into the sunset without looking back—and so another cycle comes to an end.

# Justin Yeh

It is a blustery day between winter and spring. I meet Justin inside the Temple of Zeus, which had recently been relocated to Klarman Hall. After getting soup and sandwiches, we sit down at a table in the Arts Quad. We eat lunch and chat about research and housing as the sun shines down and the wind tries to steal our napkins. Eventually, lunch concludes. The interview begins.

### 1. CBS is...

A close tight-knit space where you can have both fun and serious conversations.

### 2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

I would say that within CBS, I've been able to better understand how we're called to live to glorify God in everything we do, how we can live out a life trying to model Jesus, and also a better appreciation of the Gospel and the implications of it.

### 3. What encouragements/advice do you have for...

**Freshmen:** Don't live in Eddygate. [Oh snap!] Just kidding, Eddygate's cool, but don't forget the world outside Eddygate and CBS. Speaking from someone who lives in a house with 6 non-CBS people, Cornell as a body provides an exceptional amount of diversity among its people, experiences and opinions, and you shouldn't pass it up. On the same notion, don't forget your Bible, and don't not go to small group regularly like I did.

**Sophomores:** Don't leave the girls hanging to do everything. I'm gonna straight up call them out on that. Stay popular, Tim Tsang! Get car insurance. Go on a road trip. Make life an adventure. Don't spend too many breaks in Ithaca.

**Juniors:** Enjoy your last year. In terms of CBS, don't let a smaller number of upperclassmen dissuade you from continuing to serve and grow CBS. Don't worry too much about jobs - they'll come. God will provide. Don't let the future detract from fully living your (potentially) last year at Cornell.

### 4. What is (one of) your favorite memory of your college career?

Probably road tripping. The summer after sophomore year, my house road tripped across America—from Ithaca to California. Two weeks. That's one of the top three things I've done in my life. [For the next half hour, Justin recounts to me the places he visited on his road trip—Chicago, Mount Rushmore, Badlands, Yellowstone, Salt Lake City, Yosemite.] ...I think I can tell you the rest on another day. Let's move on. Conclusion of this story: you should do a road trip.

### 5. What are some of your hidden quirks/talents?

I don't think I have hidden talents...I guess I'm decent at board games.

## 6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

The musical tiles on top of Olin, on top of Libe Café.

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# 7. What is the most important thing that God has taught you in the past four years?

I think the concept of loving others. During winter retreat of junior year, Pastor Mike talked about the idea that the way you bring people to God is not by inviting them to come to you, but by going to their world. He had this thing at his church called MAG, "missional action groups." The idea was that because they met at places like his home, instead of a church, people who felt like there was a social construct barring them from going to church (e.g. earrings, piercings) felt more comfortable. And there was a lot of love. Now looking inward, I think I'm a long way from that. In college, there are so many times when you feel tired, busy. But now, what I think I understand is the significance and meaning of what true love might be. And I hope I will grow closer to that.

# 8. What are your short-term and long-term plans after graduation?

I am beginning work at Mindtribe in July. They are a product development engineering consulting firm.

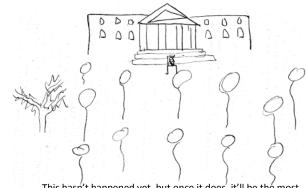
I guess since I'm graduated... Currently, I am also working part time in a law firm.

I have no idea what my long-term plans are—whether that be as an attorney or as an engineer.

# 9. Would you rather change gender every time you sneeze? Or not be able to tell the difference between a muffin and a baby?

Ah, Zoe! This question was formed by the seniors, especially David. We have discussed these answers at length. At least it wasn't the mayonnaise one. I probably would rather change gender. Because I like muffins.

At this point, the sun has passed behind the clouds, and we are still sitting there, slowly getting frozen by the wind. We walk up to East Avenue, where we part ways. It's been cool meeting Justin and learning about the past four years of his life. Today, I glimpsed a part of Justin's story – how God gave Justin some of His wisdom, how God preserved and blessed Justin through various figurative and literal journeys. If only I had time to hear the full story of Justin's road trip! Another day, another day...



This hasn't happened yet, but once it does, it'll be the most beautiful thing you've ever seen #lifted



After an extremely long struggle to find a time to meet up, I finally arrived at the Ivy Room at dusk. The sunset shone through the window into my eyes and I had to squint. Suddenly, a shadow appeared saving me from the vicious sunlight. It was Lucy.

### 1. CBS is...

A warm loving family that really cares about who you are and how you're growing in Christ. It's a family that experiences a lot of joy and sorrow. No matter the toil, everyone's always there for each other.

### 2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

He's opened up more doors for me. Coming in as a freshman, I wasn't part of the community. I didn't really go to church or large group. But over the years, I've been trying get more connected. I even started attending Tab. It's open doors for me to try to understand Him. No matter how much conflict I have, God is greater and I get to appreciate everything around me like the friends and the nice weather.

### 3. What encouragements/advice do you have for...

**Freshmen:** Don't worry about knowing what you want to do yet. You'll find out eventually and just keep on going on, no matter what struggle you have. Just always smile.

**Sophomores:** You're almost there. Always appreciate each day and know that even if you still don't know what you want to do, it's okay. God knows what you're going to do so you don't have to worry too much. Trust in yourself and most of all, trust in God.

**Juniors:** Live your life to the fullest. This is your last year so go for it. If you want to take a really fun class like wines, just go for it. Life is going to be brutal but as long as you want to do something you can just go for it. There will always be a way. Have fun!

### 4. What is your favorite memory of your college career?

Back in my freshman year, I decided to go running. I went to Beebee Lake and came upon the secret garden (wildflower garden). It's kind of hidden away. I was feeling stressed out and felt like going outside and taking a run. When I saw the flowers, I was really happy and surprised at how many secrets Cornell has. I discovered it, I ran there more often. It was a great way to relax.

# 5. What are some of your hidden quirks/talents?

I really like doodling. Sometimes when I'm in class, I'll draw the professor, but it'll be a really cute chibi form. It doesn't really look like the professor but maybe his grandson. I'm also good at baking and photography.

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## 6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

I guess it would be the secret garden. When all the flowers are blooming, you can walk around and it really makes you appreciate nature more and all that Cornell has to offer. It's also hidden away so you won't notice until you actually go there.

# 7. What is the most important thing that God has taught you in the past four years?

He's taught me never to give up and always put a smile on my face. Especially when times are tough, I should appreciate what I have and there's a light at the end of the tunnel. He has a future planned out for me. I just have to keep on praying for it.

# 8. What are your short-term and long-term plans after graduation?

My short term: I'm planning on getting a masters in professional studies of Info Sy. It'll be one more semester and I'll focus on user experience and design. I'll also try to gain some technical skills. Long term: I'm still trying to discover what I want to do with my life. What brings me the most joy is design and drawing. That's what I love the most, so I hope to find a job in that career path. Website development too. But I'm open to everything and I want to go explore and try new things.

9. Would you rather change gender every time you sneeze? Or not be able to tell the difference between a muffin and a baby? I'd rather go with the first one, because if I can't tell the difference, I might accidentally eat a baby. It might be fun to change genders and every time you talk to someone, it'll be fun changing from guy to girl. If you want to go to the guy's bathroom, you can just sneeze and no one would know since you look like a guy.

As I finished typing my last sentence, I looked up to see that Lucy was gone. Just like her favorite secret garden, Lucy cannot be found unless you actually go and actively seek her. But when you do, you see her beauty in appearance and personality and it makes you appreciate what the friendships God has provided us with!



# Matthew Yang

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Matty Yang. Mat-T-Yang: the mouth collapsing inward only to let loose a fusillade of three syllables. He is Matthew Yang on my news feed, in his head he is Matthew "Durian" Yang, but to us he will always be Matty Yang. I caught him at Duffield, his back to me, perusing a Super Smash Bros. Melee strategy article. One jab at his head and his trance—or rather his elation surrounding his triumph over Vanha, as I would soon learn—was broken. The sun had barely reached its zenith, painting the halcyon sky with a hazy blue, but I had to get to class. Let's get this over with.

### 1. CBS is...

It's nice; it's not too hard to answer. It's aight.

# 2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

As a high school student, you lack experience. Going into college, you have to deal with a lot of people. Also have to deal with not annoying people, and just maintaining relationships. You have to keep up with classes... there's just a lot going on. People come and go; classes start and end. A lot isn't constant, except for God. Those things are important, those stay.

## 3. What encouragements/advice do you have for...

**Freshmen:** Sleep. I guess in particular for freshmen. I think there's a lot to be excited for in the next few years. God will change you throughout your time here. Just be excited for that. Pleasure knowing some of you guys.

**Sophomores:** Sleep. Haha, you guys. You got through the hardest year. I mean, it's not easy from here on out, but you guys did get through a peak. You guys are going to be upperclassmen! Look forward to that, I guess. I'm confident you guys will grow up to fill the shoes we leave behind, or something of that sentiment.

*Juniors:* You guys don't need sleep. You guys are old now. Don't be too stressed. Don't forget to take care of yourself. I'm very encouraged to see how much you guys have grown.

# **4. What is your favorite memory of your college career?**I BEAT VANHA IN SMASH YESTERDAY. I PLAYED 50 ROUNDS AGAINST LEVEL NINE PIKACHUS JUST IN PREPARATION FOR THAT!

To be serious, I really enjoyed just meeting with people; meeting one-on-one with people, like this interview.

# 5. What are some of your hidden talents/quirks?

It's at this point that Wes materializes and offers his sagacious wisdom.

Wes: ...I didn't put anything for that. Matt: I will fall whenever I play Frisbee.

# 6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

SNEE-BS! PSB too. I like PSB, good memories there.

# 7. What is the most important thing God has taught you in the past four years?

Teaching me that I need to rely on Him, that it's just important to read the word and have spiritual discipline.

# 8. What are your short-term and long-term plans after college?

For the short-term plans, I'm going to Madison, Wisconsin and working at Epic Systems for 2-3 years. Long term... Come home, be a high school chemistry teacher, find things that I'm actually passionate about. You're not too passionate about HBHS?

Learning all these things is cool, but I don't find the career options too exciting. Shadowing isn't that exciting, not very fulfilling either.

# 9. Would you rather change gender every time you sneeze? Or not be able to tell the difference between a muffin and a baby?

Going to go with the sneeze because you can stifle sneezes. I think I'll be an attractive girl—wait, don't put

I had to rush to class not long after, but Matt's words followed me. As I contemplate the transience of human relationships and tenuous memories of days past, his advice still reverberates between my ears: "I think I'll be an attractive girl." -Matthew Yang, 2016

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Nick is eating at Keeton for the first time in probably like two years. He is really full. He probably isn't enjoying himself as much as he would if we were having this interview in his beloved RPCC, but he is rather reminiscing nostalgically about Keeton instead.

### 1. CBS is...

CBS is my family (like everyone says). It's a place where I found some of my closest brothers and sisters. Probably one of the best decisions of my Cornell life here.

# 2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

I guess just being more aware of people's situations. Like always remembering that everyone has a story, and sometimes people are going through things that you just couldn't imagine. I guess you just have to treat everyone as nicely as possible. I think it has really changed my heart for service, whether inside or outside the fellowship. I really like serving people who are in need which isn't something I used to like to do back in high school.

### 3. What encouragements/advice do you have for...

**Freshmen:** This is something I should have done when I was a friend. Hold on to friends who are not in fellowship. I think it is good for people to hang out with people you meet in class, in the dorms, that you used to be really close with. My Dickson friends, although I am really happy to see them, it just isn't the same.

**Sophomores:** What did I do as a sophomore? Sophomore year is about keeping your class together and unified. When I was a sophomore, the only time our class really came together was for prayer meetings. I would just hang out with my CBS dorm friends. I really miss having dinner with everyone else. Also, as a sophomore class, sometimes you feel pressured into reaching out to all the freshmen during orientation week. Yes it's good, but don't worry too much if there are low numbers. It's not your fault. Bless those that stick around.

*Juniors:* You are an upperclassman now. You have a little more responsibility to take care of. Also, this feels like a critical year in terms of academic life. Major is solidified; people try to find a pretty good internship. Trust and have faith in God. Do not get too discouraged if things aren't going exactly the way you expect.

### 4. What is your favorite memory of your college career?

Generally, any time I'm with my CBS brothers and sisters and having a good laugh. Specifically, there was one night where me and my pillbox brothers were sitting around and we were talking about infatuation. We coined the term together called "inFlattuelation." That term means you are infatuated with someone until they fart in front you. We put this definition on Urban dictionary.

## 5. What are some of your hidden quirks/talents?

I feel like all my quirks are out in the open. I generally am pretty open. I still play with my stuffed animals. This isn't really hidden but I can start a Powerball with my bare hands because they are so sweaty. Most people can't even come close. My hands are always sweaty. I also am really good at cleaning up and organizing after people.

### 6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

Any view of the western horizon, specifically the one between Uris library and Willard straight.

# 7. What is the most important thing that God has taught you in the past four years?

Probably what it means to be loving sacrificially but I still don't think I have achieved what that might look like.

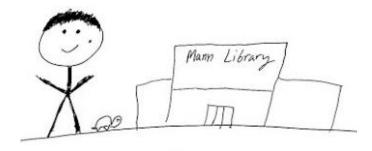
# 8. What are your short-term and long-term plans after graduation?

Short term- probably like working in the greater NYC area. Long term-probably like getting married, having some kids, Godwilling in the greater area. Be involved in a church community. Ideally, hold Bible studies in my home.

# 9. Would you rather change gender every time you sneeze? Or not be able to tell the difference between a muffin and a haby?

Changing gender every time I sneeze, it would be an interesting experience. I'm just changing genders and not sexes, right? It's just my mindset. It would be awkward dating someone...

Nick is a person with many talents and just an overall pleasure to be around. His funny quirks and great sense of humor are always a welcome addition to anyone's day. We will surely miss his presence; may his RPCC legacy remain forever.



This is walking to the ag quad for class. That is Nick's turtle and his mole is on the left side of his face. (just fyi).

I asked to meet Stephanie for dinner one night in the Ivy Room, which I soon realized was not the best decision. There was a live band performing on the stage, so I had a feeling we'd have to shout for most of the interview. But silly me had already gotten my salad, so it looked like we were just going to have to deal with it. Although I immediately whipped out my laptop thinking we were going to dive right into the interview, Stephanie took time to get to know me, even though we were meeting so that I could get to know her. In that moment, I could already feel Stephanie's genuine personality shine through, and I couldn't wait to share a

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my family in Christ. It sounds cheesy, but that's where my community is.

### 2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

I think God has taught me how to reflect on different areas of my life and to be more self-aware. He has shined light on areas where I was blinded before, and now I can see God more clearly in my life. Also, as I've gotten older, I've developed a stronger sense of responsibility. I think freshman year I was too young, but now I feel a bit more mature.

### 3. What encouragements/advice do you have for...

**Freshmen:** Keep loving each other. I almost cried watching the guys and girls give gifts to each other at Felly Dinner. I remember when the senior class used to be like that our freshman year, so I hope you guys continue to spur each other.

**Sophomores:** Try to check up on each other and see how everyone is doing. People get busier and live in different places so make an effort to meet up, even though it's not as easy to do that like freshman year.

*Juniors:* I'd say they're very loving towards each other, but if I could give them advice, I guess it'd be to really try and challenge one another.

### 4. What is your favorite memory of your college career?

Well my freshman year there were a lot of shenanigans with my friends, especially when we pulled all-nighters. My favorite memory from senior year was definitely the CBS Winter retreat. I really liked the message on success and it was a time to reflect and redefine what success means. Even though I didn't stay overnight, I could feel so much energy in the room as everyone was having a good time.

## 5. What are some of your hidden quirks/talents?

I have a regimen that I have to follow every night before I go to sleep. I need to shower, brush my teeth, floss, and dry my hair.

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Another quirky fact about me is that I really enjoy tasty free food. I'm even on the Cornell Free Food GroupMe message! A hidden talent of mine is that I can arm fart, but I haven't tried in awhile... I should though... but not in public.

# 6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

I really like the Arts Quad. It's the most scenic place on campus. I've gone tanning there before and I find it so relaxing. The little mini park near Sage Hall is also great!

# 7. What is the most important thing that God has taught you in the past four years?

I guess that since it's not easy to get rid of sin, when you think you've conquered it, it'll come back to get you. It's a gradual process to slowly purify yourself and you can't just ask God to take away all your sin. But because you suffer, you know that God is with you throughout the entire journey, which I find comforting.

# 8. What are your short-term and long-term plans after graduation?

Short term, I want to go to China since I've never been there in my entire life. This is really shocking to some people because I'm pretty Asian. Most of my family is back in China and I'd like to meet my relatives. Long term, I'll be working in the city for Bloomberg for a couple years, though I don't know exactly how long I'll be there. As for a personal long-term goal, I want to raise godly children. I can't wait to have my own family!

# 9. Would you rather change gender every time you sneeze? Or not be able to tell the difference between a muffin and a baby?

WHAT?! This is such a weird question. Hmmm, I really like being a girl and wearing dresses. Also, if you changed gender every time you sneezed, you would need to double your wardrobe! So I guess I'd rather not be able to tell the difference between muffins and babies. I'll just have to avoid eating muffins.

The time I was able to spend with Stephanie was such a blessing as we shared personal fears, memories, and of course, lots of laughter. One funny thing was that lightning struck about 10 times throughout the interview, but Stephanie had her back to the windows so she barely noticed. I wish I would've gotten to know Stephanie sooner, but I hope she'll visit CBS even after she graduates. We all pray that God will be with you as you enter a new chapter in life!

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Kevin- So, Mr. Chow, as we prepare for this interview, do you have anything you need to do before we start the process?

Wesley- Um... Can I eat dinner? I'm starving...

Kevin- Sigh... Of course. (mood killer)

### 1. CBS is...

CBS is... chinese boy sweatshop. Just kidding. CBS is something that I will cherish for the rest of my life. For me, it is the loving community that helped me get to where I am today as a stronger follower of Christ.

## 2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

A lot. During freshman year, I felt very disconnected from the Christian community. I felt as though I was simply going through the motions. I guess the turning point for me would be the Buffalo mission trip; after that happened, I felt very broken and humbled by God. It was my first real experience while I was serving in the church FICCC. I think that God has revealed to me how important he is to me, and how important I am to his plan. My faith in God has risen from the bottom to my top priority.

### 3. What encouragements/advice do you have for...

**Freshmen:** Don't be so set on a major. Take your time to explore other things, not just classes, but also extracurriculars. Oh yea, also, get ready for sophomore slump.

**Sophomores:** Ask David for details. But seriously... You guys will have more expectations as juniors, so try not to take on too much work in service or classes. Understand that people can burn out fast. Know your comfort level, and take it easy in life, but still try to challenge yourself to grow your skills and knowledge.

Juniors: I hope you survive senioritis. Also, don't be discouraged by trying to find jobs and internships. Know that God has a will for you, and that there's not much of our lives that we can control. You'll be the oldest and maturest ones, the rest of CBS will be looking up to you. You don't have to be perfect. We all sin, and we all mess up, but we should learn to set examples from experiencing failures, so that we may show others how to grow in faith.

### 4. What is your favorite memory of your college career?

My team finally won the intramural basketball playoff game for CBS.... It was historic. #ballislife

### 5. What are some of your hidden quirks/talents?

Most of these aren't much of a talent... but I know how to play piano, cello, trombone, and the recorder. I can't tell apart different airplanes. One big quirk of mine: I do a very accurate southern accent (because I'm from the deep south y'all).

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## 6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

Ujamaa, because I had lots of friends there (most of freshman year).

# 7. What is the most important thing that God has taught you in the past four years?

I think the best thing that I've learned is how awesome it is to be able to talk to him everyday. Doing devotions in the morning gives me something to think about and are a great start to my day; also, they line up with my daily thoughts, and so they integrate nicely into my life. Best part of the day has to be prayer. Prayer quality for me has grown a lot in the past four years; I've learned that I can share any of my problems, and that I can be confident in Him to help me get through my hardships. My time at Cornell has taught me how to be persistent of prayer, and has revealed to me that His availability is infinite (I can pray anytime). Yeah..... his availability is all day, e'ryday.

# 8. What are your short-term and long-term plans after graduation?

Short term: I want to find out what I want to do and go out and explore more options. Long term: To be financially responsible, in order to start a family, and to save enough for retirement. Also, I really hope I'll be able to visit 50 countries by the time I'm 50 years old.

9. Would you rather change gender every time you sneeze? Or not be able to tell the difference between a muffin and a baby? No comment... Um... probably sneezes that change gender... My sneezes come in multiples of two, so it doesn't matter - I'll still be the same. If it doesn't work somehow, I'll just keep some pepper near me.

We ended the conversation on a good note, and we both headed up to North. Wesley was reintroduced to his old freshman dormitory, and after I gave him the grand tour, he felt that he had done all he could to keep the nostalgia from seeping into his mind. As he turned around and walked out, I thought about what I would be doing if I were him, if I would revisit my past, or even open up with someone that I had just met one semester ago... Ah. forget it. I'm going to sleep now...



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After two years of being the one who asked the questions, Zhijiang finally sits down with me in the 2E couch and gets ready to answer some of his own questions—plus a few curveballs this year! Before we begin, Zhi requests that I have the "Lee Sedol v AlphaGo: Match 5" playing in the background. Sometimes I just don't know.

### 1. CBS is...

A fellowship. Wow maybe I should have changed these questions. But I guess a better question would be what is CBS is to you? I guess to answer that, CBS to me is...still a fellowship. Man I can't come up with anything original because everything I think of is something I've read. This is cliché, but it's kind of a family.

### 2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

Probably a lot. Freshman year, coming in, I didn't have very solid grasp of Christianity (or even the gospel). The first big part is just understanding how much grace and love God has for me. And understanding that it's solely by grace through faith alone that we are saved and there's absolutely nothing in our ability or in what we've done to earn this sort of grace. I guess after realizing that, it's just been growing in understanding of God and growing in wanting to pursue God and realizing a lot of times how God pursues me. That's when, you know, you dive in to the Word more, try to pray more, and I think that's where God meets me.

# 3. What encouragements/advice do you have for...

**Freshmen:** Don't get too distracted. In a lot of ways, like academically, emotionally. Don't get too distracted by academics or by emotions, and to really focus on your spiritual growth. Because you start thinking about things like career, you start thinking about all the competitiveness of whatever field you're in. It's just easy to start getting overwhelmed by it, and I hope you can focus on God and find God amidst all that.

**Sophomores**: There is more responsibility, whether you like that or not. What you do definitely does have an impact. Find out how best you can be doing that, whether it's encouraging people behind the scenes (just small ways that you're praying for and loving people) or if it's in a formal leadership role.

**Juniors:** Rising seniors, I don't know. Good luck. There's a still a lot of ways you can be leading and serving the fellowship. Continue thinking about how God is calling you to serve within CBS in whatever aspect.

### 4. What is (one of) your favorite memory of your college career?

I guess the first thing that came to mind was during the Super Bowl sophomore year. My friend messaged me, basically saying "Zhi, I accepted Christ." It was fantastic because freshman year for him was a good time of exploration; he found a fellowship, he didn't really understand much about the "Christianity thing," and he asked me to bring him to church. That whole summer we would try to talk (quite a lot actually) about whatever struggles he was going

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through, whatever questions he wrestled with. I was just always praying for him and getting the message to him was just super cool.

### 5. What are some of your hidden quirks/talents?

I can solve the Rubix cube. I used to be able to do it under 30 seconds. Now it's probably a little under a minute? I have really small feet. Some people know that. Also, I've shaved like three times in my life. Oh I still have a baby tooth. Uh...Jeremy Lin was my small group leader. Yeah.

# 6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

I really like the Mews meditation room. It always has like a nice woody aroma, and it's relaxing in there.

# 7. What is the most important thing that God has taught you in the past four years?

A deeper understanding of the gospel. Trying to apply the gospel to every aspect of my life (or learning to do that). What it's like to follow in Jesus's example of sacrificial love. A lot of learning about where my strengths and weaknesses. Also the joy to be found in evangelism. Whether it's cold contact or whether it's evangelism to a friend you've known for a long time, bringing it up is always pretty tough. But just trying to do it joyfully and understanding that we're called to do it.

# 8. What are your short-term and long-term plans after graduation?

I'm going to be here an extra semester (I think). Probably 99% doing an MEng in AEP. Long term—I'm not sure yet. I don't know if I want to find a CS and AEP related job, I guess I could try—I haven't really looked too much into the industry. I'm just not really sure. I could work for a bit, and come back into academia, depending on how much I like work. Yeah it's kind of up in the air. Past that, start a family, be a stay at home dad.

# 9. Would you rather change gender every time you sneeze? Or not be able to tell the difference between a muffin and a baby? I plead the fifth.

Talking with Zhijiang was an incredible blessing. I was afraid Zhi, having seen these questions (and past seniors' answers) for the past two years, would come with over-prepared, scripted answers. Luckily, we got a genuine, unscripted, and kind of confused Zhijiang. It's clear that he's learned a lot and had way more to share than these pages could have fit—it's a good thing that he's here for another semester!



All the memories were just so good this is all I was up with.

7. Holding hands in terror and exhilaration, Evelyn Shan '19, Kathy Lin '18, and Shelly Zhang '19 rely on each other to keep steady on the strangely mathematical seesaw contraption. The playground was a great attraction for members of CBS during Winter Retreat.





2. Dropping bars, Edward Chen '17 or more known as P Bagel, spits fire in the junior guys act in the CBS Valentine's Day Felly Dinner. It is a tradition for the guys to prepare acts in appreciation of the girls and vice versa. 4. Competing with fire and swiftness, the freshmen and upperclassmen battle it out in Bananagrams. Legends say that Rachel Villamayor '14 was a tough contender.





3. Possibly a little frightened by the craziness of ACE, Rebecca Li '19 thankfully stayed as a CBS freshmen despite CBS' weirdness. Bad choice, she should have escaped the weirdness while she could.





5. Posing in joy, Daegun Chung '19 and Felix Yang '19 line up to pay for the services they bought at Service Market Place. This year, CBS raised over \$2000 for local Ithacan soup kitchens.
6. Protesting for peace, Charlie 'Walrus' Qian '17 holds up peace signs to remind brothers and sisters of the everlasting love and peace Jesus lavishes on us. Qian also has many other poses that appear at random intervals during large group.



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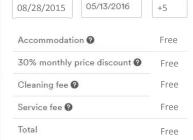




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#### The Space

Goldwin Smith Hall is the new home to Chinese Bible Study as of the 2015-2016 school year. The arts building, in addition to the newly finished Klarman Atrium lend themselves to the following:

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- + Sardines ACE
- + Monday afternoon bible studies
- + IJM bible studies

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#### **Appel Commons**



Looking for a great place to eat on North Campus? Well, look no further.

Appel, located between Mews and

Helen Newman, is the place to be.

For you early birds, Appel opens at 5 pm, unlike RPCC, which unfortunately opens at 5:30 pm.

Now, picture yourself at this paradise. It's 5 pm and you head off to Appel for a quick dinner since you have a lot of studying left for tomorrow's math prelim. You hand your ID card to the Swiper Lady (often Beverly) and you enter the establishment. You see a plethora of tables, and you spot your friend David Wu from Chinese Bible Study, who clearly knows where to find good food. You join David, as he scarfs down some mayo, and put down your bag on a purple-cushioned chair. Upon entering the food section, you are welcomed by the aroma of freshly grilled meats. You scan the dining hall, noticing the overwhelming amount of choices for your meal. The sign "Chef's Table" catches your eye and you wait in line, noticing the smiling faces of those who have already selected their food. After a satisfying trip to the food, you settle back into your seat, and your friend points out how amazing the mashed potatoes were. You begin to salivate. You bow your head and whip out a quick prayer before digging in as you and your friends talk about how you're so screwed for tomorrow's prelim. 2 hours later, you are so satisfied by your meal that you don't realize how long you've been eating at Appel. Upon realizing this, the feeling of regret is about to set in. However, the feeling quickly fades away by the satisfaction from Appel's gourmet meal. On your way out, you spot Jamie by the fruit bins shoving 7 oranges into her bag.

This could be you if you dine at Appel. Luckily, you can dine with friends here at North Dinner on Wednesdays or freshman class dinners on Sundays. Come join us sometime for this fun and transformative experience at the most superior dining hall on North!



#### **Robert Purcell Community Center**

Dining hall and meeting location: 4 reviews

Average Rating: 2.6 stars Hours: M-Th 5:30 PM

F 5:00 PM Sat 8:00 AM Sun 10:00 AM



RPCC holds a near and dear place in my heart when it comes to dining halls. Although I'm technically #TeamAppel, I go to RPCC at least twice as often since it's so close to my dorm. Every other Wednesday as CBS meets downstairs by the TVs, it's heartwarming to watch everyone catch up with each other. But the party's only just beginning. Once everyone has gone upstairs to the dining hall, we casually seize an entire table to fit about 25 people and quickly disperse to get our plates of food. As we regroup with our sushi, salad, pancakes, and omelettes (since every Wednesday RPCC serves breakfast food) we all come together for a time of mediocre-ish North campus food, but more importantly, fellowship. Although the dining hall is a casual setting, our dinners have become tied to countless memories. Whether we're talking about school, personal things, or how God has been working in our lives, RPCC dinner is the perfect place for us to lift up our brothers and sisters with laughter and joy. In summary, I give RPCC food 3 out of 5 stars but the memories a solid 5 out of 5. -Ji-Won Choi

"Another way in which RPCC is special to CBS is that North Campus Prayer Meetings are held there every Monday night at 7:30pm. Mondays are usually when we transition back to focusing on school, so I think North Campus Prayer Meetings have been a good reminder not to completely be absorbed in school. Also, it can sometimes it can be hard to find time to pray with other people, so it's nice to have this every week. I'd say North Campus Prayer Meetings are definitely 5 out of 5. As for RPCC food, I'd rate it a 4.5/5. Their cucumbers are excellent." -Newton-Ni

"RPCC food is okay. The line for Mongo is too long and there isn't much variety. The only plus I can think of is the bathroom. 3 out of 5 stars." -Alexandra Kung

"Let's be real, the only thing edible at RPCC is their salmon burger. All of the other food deserves a rating of -5 out of 5." -Evelyn Shan

#### The Pillbox

From Wi-Cui-pedia, the senior encyclopedia For other uses, see Pillbox.

301 Bryant Avenue Apt 5 (commonly referred to as **the Pillbox**) is an all-male apartment of several <u>Chinese Bible Study</u> (CBS) members and five other students, a total of ten residents. The name comes from a physical similarity to <u>a military structure of the same name</u>. Prior to the 2014-2015 school year, no member of CBS had lived in the Pillbox. Following the graduation of the <u>Class of 2016</u>, no CBS members will be living in the apartment.

#### Description

The Pillbox is one of several gathering places for CBS members, due its common area and separate dining room. Starting in the 2015-2016 school year, most people come to the Pillbox to attend ministry meetings on Sunday afternoons, such as Praise and Reach. In addition as serving as a meeting ground, members of the fellowship often play card games and board games after large group or ACEs. It has also served as a location for other events such as potucks. Even though the apartment features a common room, members of the Pillbox will often hang out in Nick and Zhi's room or JT's room, jokingly referring to these rooms as the real common room.

Though not the most popular location among CBS members, the Pillbox and its members have always been welcoming. The Pillbox has housed alumni and other friends who have visited. Food is almost always offered if people stay around mealtimes (and oftentimes late at night), and it is not uncommon for David to use food as a method to bribe people to come over.

#### See also

- Eddygate 1G
- Eddygate 2E

#### **1G**

Award Winning Apartment: fully furnished with the Gospel, shenanigans, and people

A 60-second walk from 2E, 1G is a 3-bedroom luxury apartment good for the quiet souls and couch potatoes. With low speed Internet and poor heating in individual rooms, its spacious living room provides the perfect atmosphere for community building. Good for having late-night girl talks and hosting CBS Iron Chef or class prayer meeting. Recipient of the Academy of Christian Living First Honor Award, 1G is excellent in praying, hosting, and derping. For more information, please refer to personal quotes from our visitors.

- "I fart in there a lot"—Nicholas Kung
- "I go there to sleep"—Aaron Hui
- "Comes with a Boyfriend"—Felicia Setiono

#### 2E

Once filled with the pungent aroma of laughter, joy, and community, 2E provided a community of love to CBS'ers, non-CBS'ers, and household cats alike. From the Great Recession to the Great Dissolution, 2E existed as the hub for many CBS events: unsolicited birthday surprises, potlucks, super bowl parties, movie marathons, and unsupervised floundering. Included below are quotes from 2E's remaining witnesses:

"2E is more than a residence, it's a lifestyle." - John
"The essence of 2E transcends natural limitations." - Jeff
"It was magical. Stephen watched movies." - Zoe
"What happened to our 1AM curfew?" - Matt
"The place where I don't smell anything but everyone
else says it has a weird smell." - Charlie
"2E is where productivity goes to die." - Aaron
"What does 2E mean to me? Home. I live there" Yechun

# Phillips Hall, Cornell Location 116 Hoy Rd, Ithaca, NY Coordinates Latitude: 42-26'40" N Longitude: 076-28'56" W Elevation: 807 feet Built 1955 Architect Perkins & Will

Phillips Hall was one of the motherlands of CBS. According to Mr. David Smith, before the year 2000 CBS sought refuge in the basement of Kimball Hall. It then moved over to Upson Hall and eventually found its way to Phillips Hall, where it made its home from 2000 to the Spring of 2015. Throughout those years, Phillips 101 has been the main base of the fellowship. It has been witness to years of prayer, and praise, and fellowship and silly ACEs. But now that it is not the main meeting place of CBS, we are entering a new era, where those who once convened in Phillips 101 are now relics of the long forgotten past.

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#### **Court-Kay Bauer Lounge**

\$0 / 1-room CKB Study Lounge—Good location with free friends included (Cornell, North Campus)

CKB Purple Lounge is an upscale 1-room secret study lounge with purple walls. Features include window screens for utter secrecy, one random sink, several tables suitable for studying or Newton's friendship-ruining card games, and plenty of chairs for sitting, studying, and praying. Commended by many as an excellent environment conducive to fellowship, happiness, and nerdiness.

- Rent is free and includes new freshmen CBS friends (mostly female)
- Year-round cozy temperature of 90°Fahrenheit
- Easy 3-minute walk to Appel
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#### Amenities:

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Banana phones
And much more!
Message disco party III on Facebook for inquiries, offers, or PMT hang-outs

#### **Physical Science Building**

In the line of CBS traditions, the PSB party is a relatively new addition. Completed in November 2010, the Physical Sciences Building's (PSB) modern architecture presents a stark contrast to the venerable buildings adjacent to it. Furnished with a Goldie's cafe, chicken paninis, and a large atrium, it serves as a central point for students walking through the various buildings it connects, as well as a place for people to relax when they have downtime between classes.

In times past, in an era when CBS was filled with more engineers and held in Phillips 101, Duffield was the place to be. Its study alcoves were highly desirable, replete with wall outlets and a cozy study space. The shift of people to PSB began in 2014. It began on the same principle; being a permanent fixture of PSB, Aaron would be in the atrium for hours on end. People would come and go, sitting with him and then leaving; however, slowly but surely more and more people would to accumulate. Soon it gained its own gravitational force; now CBS members and other Christians dominate at least one table, in the atrium. Though perhaps not as

persistently populated as the Duffield alcove, one has a pretty high chance of finding many other CBS-ers sitting around.

Why is this place important to CBS? It's just happens to be another place where many Christians fellowship together in an impromptu manner. Perhaps it will become just another interesting footnote in the half-century-long history of CBS. However, it gives us a unique opportunity that we didn't have in times previous. The openness of PSB allows us to be a blessing to others. Normally, we fellowship behind closed doors, but here we have such a great congregation of Christians in a place that is full of non-Christians. What if we, as the PSB party, went out and loved the people around us? On a campus that desperately needs the light, perhaps the PSB party could shine its light brightly in the darkness.

#### Snee Dictionary.cbs

/sni/ [snee] n.

- The official residence of diligent and studious population who are not diligent and studious enough to be bothered to walk to Cornell libraries.
- A place for the creation and display of artworks including "Hikaru no Go", "Aaron Passing Out from Slope Day" by Felicia Setiono, and "Self Portrait" by Matthew Yang
- Center of Cornell University's Geological Science within the department of Earth and Atmospheric Sciences

#### **Synonyms**

- 1.Late-night snacks, study party after 9 pm (usually until 1-2 am)
- 2. Procrastination

#### History for Snee

Snee was originally a residence exclusive to the much privileged students and researchers of natural sciences and geological sciences major (see definition 3.). However it soon lost its original meaning after the passing of the rare Snee key from a member of CBS whose boyfriend? (still debated) worked at Snee. Since then, the key has been passed down many generations of CBS members. Historical figures who have had ownership of the Snee key include Sandra Quah and Lauren Tang. Snee was popularized with the involvement of several CBS members with Organic Chemistry, who in an attempt to study together for the dreaded final during slope day, chose to reside in Snee. It is known to provide a quiet and large space for studying, but also for encouraging fellow brothers and sisters in their efforts to glorify God through their studies. The word is especially commonly used during finals week.

#### A DAY OF DUMPLINGS

-Dorothy Zhang Sunday, February 14th, 2016

5PM: First time having dumplings with freshly-made skins at Cornell! Jess Wong began by kneading some dough.

8PM: Soaked peppercorn in hot water. Moved storebought dumpling skins from the freezer to the fridge.

#### Monday, February 15th, 2016

9AM: Marinated meat and shredded ginger.

11AM: Chopped green onions.

*3PM:* Wes came over to help chop zucchini.

5PM: Z and JT came over to help chop more zucchini and roll out skins.

5:30PM: People began to fill up 1G. Some helped roll out skins and some helped with folding. JT was still chopping up the last of the zucchini.

6PM: Started boiling the dumplings. 1G was packed with people. David brought over some extra food to feed people while the dumplings were cooking.

6:30PM: Dumplings were ready! They disappeared from the plate in a flash. Time to cook more!

8PM: Finished cooking all the dumplings. People were talking with one another, laughing and getting to know each other better.

9PM: Started to clean up.

10PM: Finished cleaning up.

Dumplings are one of the iconic foods of China. When I was in Ithaca during the summer of 2014, I wanted to share a little bit of home with other people, so I started making dumplings. I knew they wouldn't be easy to make, but I thought that people would enjoy the dumplings, so I took on the challenge (and hoped that my mom had given me the right recipe). Many people enjoyed my first batch of dumplings. Some said it reminded them of home; others said that they were the best dumplings they ever had, which encouraged me to continue making dumplings.

Above is a schedule of the second to last time I made dumplings for the fellowship. I had made dumplings several times before, but this time I had a lot of help from making the skins to cutting vegetables to serving the food. It was a joy for me to see different people help out! I got the opportunity to know them better as we worked together to prepare the dumplings. I was also able to enjoy my guests' company because I wasn't tired from all the preparation and didn't have to think about all the other

details to make this event run smoothly - other people oversaw that.

I'm so grateful for all the people who helped out because they helped me better understand the joy of serving others as well as with others. We aren't meant to do everything by ourselves; in fact, doing so only tires oneself and causes one to lose sight of the service's purpose. Instead, when we help one another, we can more easily see the aim of services is to love and care for the fellowship.

#### **CBS TRADITIONS**

-Xinran Pan

Over the years, CBS has formed and established numerous traditions, from Felly Dinner to Camping Trip, gift giving to summer storage. Some fellowship traditions started only a few years ago and others are older than I am. Some are strictly adhered to, others are barely traditions, many come and go, and a few have even been turned into legends. Below is an extensive and detailed list I threw together and alphabetized.

#### **CURRENT TRADITIONS:**

- 1. After CBS Event (ACE): Organized by Reach Ministry. Well-known ones include Class ACE, karaoke, Service Marketplace, and Iron Chef. One of my personal favorites is Corny Corny Games. Why? Because we ducktape freshmen to the walls! \*insert evil laughter\* Minute to Win It, the (mostly) annual interfelly ACE is another classic. CBS had lost to the other fellowships year after year until we finally redeemed ourselves in the fall of 2014.
- 2. Bread of Life (BoL): Every year, CBS produces its fall and spring editions of Bread of Life, the fellowship's magazine publication. Featured articles always include freshmen and senior interviews. I once read from a 1997 edition that a freshman's hope for his four years at college was to "get a girlfriend." Nothing much has changed in 19 years.
- 3. Camping Trip: Up until 2014, CBS had always had a four-day, three-night, end-of-the-year Camping Trip at Delta Lake in Rome, NY. Besides making s'mores around a campfire and fellowshipping with brothers and sisters for the last time before graduation, Camping Trip traditions included performing class skits and giving seniors gifts made by their pps. It was also tradition for Dave to take the freshmen on a prayer

- walk and tour of the campsite. Since the change in the academic calendar in 2013, CBS has done camping trip variations like One Day Fun Day and a shortened Camping Trip.
- 4. Class Prayer Meetings: Year after year, classes have always come together for organized class prayer meetings. Whether in person or online, prayer meetings are a blessed time for classes to care for, support, and pray over one another. I am always super thankful for these weekly gatherings because it's precious time for bonding, growing, and encouragement. And where two or three are gathered in Jesus's name, He will be there among them.
- 5. Felly Dinner: Felly Dinners have been around for a very long time. Reach Ministry plans the first one in the fall, guys and girls alternate every February for the second, and freshmen get the honor of organizing the third. Crazy and creative themes have been done over the decades and so have entertainment ideas. We've hosted the event at Tabernacle Baptist Church (for many year), St. Luke's (currently), and even FICCC (once). A few things haven't changed though. The seniors make freshmen the same gifts their seniors made for them when they were freshmen, Dave Smith always closes the evening in prayer, and the night's not over until many pictures are taken.
- 6. Graduation Picnic: Bring the sandwiches, lawn chairs, and head over to the Plantation's Sculpture Garden! The Graduation Picnic brings CBS, family and friends together in celebration of the newest CBS grads.
- 7. Hanging out in Eddygate: Board games use to be big back in the days. Now it's Nertz, shenanigans at the Pillbox, and movies. But never fear, board games are making a comeback! Bubble tea and video games have never and will never get old though.
- 8. Large Group Announcer: Traditionally, a sophomore acts as the announcer at large group and carries out the responsibilities of newcomer introductions and slide-reading. At the end of the year, the current announcer hands off the baton to a freshman to take over the job for the following school year.
- 9. Living in Cascadilla: Back in the day, the majority of sophomores lived in Casc. In recent years, West has become the choice of residence among the second years of CBS, but there is no doubt Casc has made a comeback this year along with prayer meetings, dorm cooking, and potlucks!
- 10. Living in Eddygate: Ah, Collegetown living at its finest. Only a few minute walk from campus, Eddygate has been the choice of residence for many CBS upperclassmen throughout the years. Sure, half the elevator buttons don't work and the hallway carpet is kinda dingy, but only a few floors above and below are fellow brothers and sisters. The convenience has its

- pros and cons. It's common knowledge that 2E has been handed down over the years, but did you know 4D and 4E have been lived in by CBS and other fellowship sisters for almost 10 years? Changes are in the air though. CBS will not have these three units completely or at all next year, but 1G will be alive and well.
- 11. North Dinners: "RPCC is the best dining hall!" "No, Appel is!" "NO, YOU'RE WRONG!" The conflict of our time has yet to be resolved. But whether you're a fan of Appel or RPCC, you know you'll still come to Wednesday North Dinners regardless. Think of the food, fun, and fellowship.
- 12. North Dinner Emailer: The North Dinner Emailer makes the BIGGEST DECISION EVER every week. Appel or RPCC? To satisfy both Appel devotees and RPCC lovers, the emailer switches back and forth between the two dining halls every week. Other perks include sending cute gifs of fluffy animals in the weekly email reminders. A freshman is typically picked for this important job.
- 13. PP Gifts: 'Tis sad when seniors have to graduate. To show our love and appreciation, younger pps make gifts for their senior pps. Gifts are presented and given during Camping Trip.
- 14. Snee-B-S: Nobody is really sure how we came into possession of the Snee key, but we're glad we have it, and study parties are here to stay. Just don't get kicked out of the building. (For more great study and hangout locations, see the BoL Hotspot Highlight)
- 15. Summer Storage: Nothing screams end-of-the-year like hastily packing up your dorm room into brown cardboard boxes between cramming for finals and hauling said boxes into a U-Haul. Thus is the state of CBS's summer storage. But don't worry, the juniors will make sure your belongings are safely stored in Ithaca for the summer.
- 16. "Surprise" Birthday Parties: "Surprise" parties aren't surprises anymore. One, because most people know on their birthdays that a surprise of cake and friends might come their way and two, because people have a tendency to accidentally ruin birthday surprises...many times over...\*cough Jevon cough\*
- 17. Welcome Picnic: Welcome back old faces and meet new ones at the Welcome Picnic. Whether you're a senior in CBS or a freshmen visiting the fellowship, you'll be well taken care of by the sophomores. They'll feed you lunch, no doubt, and maybe even a bag full of marshmallows. Now let's hear you say "Chubby Bunny." Locations: Stewart Park in previous years and the Plantations in recent years.
- 18. Winter Retreat: It's a great opportunity to refocus on God and prepare our hearts as we get ready for a new semester. Retreat gives us quiet times to spend with

God and to reflect on his goodness. It also gives us quality time to spend with brothers and sisters. And every year, we write Sunshine Mail during retreat, notes of encouragement and appreciation.

#### LEGENDS/TRADITIONS GONE EXTINCT

- "KK is a legend." Stephanie Chan, 2016. KK Yu, former PhD. candidate had been at Cornell from 2007 – 2015. 8 years. Nuff said.
- 2. Favorite Third Wheel: Only a few left in the fellowship can confirm the legend of the third wheel, a time in CBS history when couples had to bring a literal wheel with them on dates. Okay, so they weren't literally wheels and I'm not sure of the details, but third persons/chaperones were brought along on dates meant for two.
- 3. Kidnapping: Legend has it in that during the fall of his freshmen year, Justin Deng, class of 2012, was kidnapped as he walked down West Campus on a chilly fall day. His kidnappers took him to a dark room where they proceeded to interrogate him...with interview questions for BoL.
- 4. Pieing/Caking People on their Birthdays: From around 2012-2015, almost everyone got pied on their birthdays. You'd think you were just bowing your head in prayer as the fellowship prayer over you but the moment you opened your eyes, SMACK! All you saw and felt was fluffy white cream. Or yogurt. For everyone's sake, we stopped the shenanigans. No longer do people have to wear paper bags as head coverings to their own birthday parties.

#### FELLOWSHIP OF THE BOARD GAMES

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When hearing" board games", what do you think of? [Team] Fun? Scrambling in nerts? Sheep (for you Catan players)? Or perhaps these words come to mind instead: tiring, stressful, or even draining. Before writing this article, these were words that I would have linked with board games much more than "fellowship." The two didn't seem to correspond since I viewed fellowship as a time of communal spiritual growth, and not simply whenever Christians hang out. But looking back, perhaps I was wrong to strictly divide the two into separate camps.

Board games (or games in general) bring a rather broad variety of people together. While they aren't necessarily for everyone, many types of board games, ranging from the super Asian Sheng Ji to the more family-friendly Bananagrams, have usually succeeded in connecting a wide variety of people. I think one of the more unique aspects of board games is how it transcends the

cliques we are naturally drawn to. Take for example, popular group games within CBS: Werewolf, or Codenames. These games were played at the start of the school year with new freshman as a comfortable way for newcomers to get to know each other, or by the senior class during their spring break trip as a fun, relaxing way to enjoy each other's company. Through board games, people can feel comfortable with each other and get to know those who they wouldn't have necessarily interacted with otherwise.

So where am I going with all of this talk on board games functionally being an ice-breaker? Naturally, as people hang out and spend time with each other, conversation ensues. For me, this is probably where the real "fellowshipping" occurs. Having gone through waves of board games since sophomore year, I can attest to both sides of the coin.

During sophomore spring, a group of four of us in Bethe jokingly said we took a 5-credit class on Sheng Ji (Zhijiang can attest to this). There is no doubt that we grew closer, but at the same time, I think we really distanced ourselves from the rest of CBS having spent an exorbitant amount of time playing Sheng Ji, especially on Friday nights. I'm highly doubtful the rest of you guys reading this will ever come close to our "lifestyle" that semester, but it goes to show that there is a side I would label as "too much".

On the other hand, junior spring was also a semester characterized by much board games but with a different group dynamic (a mix of old and new friends) — one that perhaps led to more friendship and fruitful conversations outside board games. My experience that semester drives the view I hold on fellowshipping through board games today. During that semester, we transformed from board games being the reason for hangouts to arguably "more meaningful" times spent together sharing thoughts and life stories. This is not to diminish the fun we found in playing games but instead to shed light on the beauty of what came from that: a closer community that better understands what it means to fellowship with one another.

Having reflected on this as someone who isn't naturally inclined to being open, I've learned fellowshipping is much more difficult than we make it out to be. Truly fellowshipping with one another surpasses breaking bread and goes beyond asking "how are you doing", to engaging each other in thought-provoking conversations. (I encourage you guys to talk to the BG kids regarding what it means to be a "vulnerable community".) Games throughout college has been very important because it served as a means for making friends. I often struggle a lot with meeting new people and how to interact with them. For the most part, it is all in my head, but I'm always struggling with what to say next in a conversation

or how I will be perceived by someone new. However, when I play games with people I feel that the much more informal setting allows me to drop all these worries because the focus is on the game. Through this, interacting with people becomes much easier and more natural. I love hanging out with people, but a lot of times people are not willing to just sit around and talk. For me, board games provided a perfect outlet to gather together. This often leads to the start of friendships and eventually people are willing to hang out and do anything together. A lot of the closest friends that I have made during college have been because of time together playing games.

I don't know if I would categorize board games intrinsically as fellowshipping, but they do indeed have a place in facilitating community among us in order for us to open up and share with one another.

#### **JESUS FAST**



For a thirty-day period at the beginning of the semester, I participated in the "Collegiate Jesus Fast." The goal of the movement was to simulate the 40 days Jesus spent in the desert before he began to preach. Participating students nationwide engaged in 40 days of prayer and gave up anything of their choice for 40 days so that they too would be equipped with the power of the Spirit to impact their campuses—they call this the next "Jesus Movement." When I reminisce on my Jesus Fast experience, I can only think of positive things even though at the time it felt like a struggle. These are the main aspects of my life that have changed through this fast:

Humility: One of my mistakes going into the fast was being prideful; I thought I was strong enough to survive on my own. It was only a few days into the fast, but I kept telling other people that it was easy for me because I already didn't eat much meat. Thirty days later, I had definitely asked God many times to spare me—it sounds dramatic, but it got real hard real fast. I set aside my pride and gave my struggles to God. It was so liberating to receive my strength from Christ instead of struggling through it boastfully because He is infinitesimally stronger than I am.

**Appreciation**: I'm pretty picky when it comes to my food, but from not being able to eat meat or sweets for thirty days, my eyes were opened to all the blessings I'd taken for granted. The fast was quickly changing my perspective of almost everything in my life; walking across campus brought me a new joy, and talking to my family became a daily treasure. The fast hit me hard in the best way possible because I grew to cherish what He's gracefully given me.

**Prayer:** Every night since I could remember, I would pray to God. Before meals, I would say "Dear God, thank you for the food, Amen!" It was like a ritual, and honestly it became an obligation. But during the Jesus Fast, though I felt so physically weak every time I walked into the dining hall, was hungry during classes, or saw others eating cookies, I was spiritually filled through constant communication with God. Anytime, anywhere, even during lectures, I prayed for the Spirit's guidance and for other people. I felt like my prayer life was renewed, and in turn, my relationship with Christ has grown so much stronger through the fast.

Community: Once a week, people from CBS, CRU, and AAIV who were also participating in the fast would gather in a small Balch dorm room and lift our burdens up to God. It was difficult for me at first to pray in front of others; it always seemed like the person who had to pray at meals got the short end of the stick. Through this group of people, I was so encouraged to pray out loud with others because I saw how, week after week, we were constantly growing closer to each other. Being vulnerable and showing this group of people my sins was only received with compassion, and I knew it was only through the grace of God that these people could see all of me but still love me for who I am and spur me onwards towards Christ.

Before the fast, I would always be thinking about the next meal, whether I'd get a Chicken Panini for lunch or a Terrace Salad the next day. But now, I remember how God rebuked me during the fast and that God has given me so much. At anytime He could take it away, and I have to be okay with that because His love is really so much better than the things of this Earth. Thank you to everyone who's supported us during the Jesus Fast! I hope you enjoyed hearing about my experience!

"If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land." 2 Chronicles 7:14

#### SEEKING GOD THROUGH SCIENCE

-Newton Ni

It all started with this huge book of questions and answers that someone gave me in elementary school. I must have read the thing cover-to-cover tens of times, with its dog-eared pages and tattered spine, never failing to be entertained by such captivating questions as "where do truck drivers sleep?" and "what is the water cycle?" This theme of questions and answers that God cultivated in me early on—manifested in curiosity and a thirst for understanding—continues to shape me today.

As someone lucky enough to study three main scientific branches of biology, chemistry, and physics simultaneously, their intrinsic logic, consistency, and sometimes even elegance, amazes me. There's no reason to believe that our experimental laws should hold for any given time and situation—yet they do, with a precision bordering on the miraculous. Which makes sense when you put God, the divine Creator, into the picture. How else would you arrive at all this beautiful order, in a universe doomed to entropic decay? Because that's another theme that reverberates across all disciplines: the inevitable tendency of systems to increase in entropy, whether it's molecules diffusing across a cell membrane or the thermodynamics of a refrigerator. Without some kind of source, some kind of sustainer, it's hard to explain how our unimaginably complex universe, or even just our bodies, islands of organization in a sea of disorder, came about. In Eugene Wigner's essay, "The Unreasonable Effectiveness of Mathematics in the Natural Sciences" (which is freely available online!), he asserts "that is not at all natural that 'laws of nature' exist, much less that man is able to discover them." And it's this idea that daily reaffirms my belief in our Creator.

I know many people who recoil when presented with all the atheist arguments online, many of which claim to be grounded in science. But if our God is real, then everything He created will surely point back to Him in the end—and so I want to learn as much as I can about His universe as I can, chasing after truth and confident that truth will prevail.

## THINGS YOU CAN DO WITH BRB'S --Timothy Tsang and Justin Lin

Whether you are reading this as a freshman looking for tips on how to spend those sluggishly diminishing BRBs or the seasoned senior who has experienced the full cycle of thoughts and mindsets when it comes to spending BRBs at Cornell, this is the article for you! Rest assured, we will share our tricks and suggestions on how to best use those virtual credits. Of course, only you can determine what best means, so read carefully before you use up all those BRBs.

Many an unsuspecting freshman or even a gullible senior have come to campus believing what Cornell says. "BRBs are just as good as money." The reality is, this couldn't be farther from the truth. BRBs are, in essence, tax-free currency that can only be used to purchase food items from a Cornell dining location, Nasties, or Jansen's Market in Noyes. When we were both freshmen, we quickly came to the realization that BRBs are only as useful as the food items that are available on campus. While the Mattin's Chipotle Chicken Wrap, Trillium Grill Sandwiches,

or Goldie's menu is indeed appetizing, we came to the realization that we would need to find more creative ways to spend BRBs than that. After all, how many meals can one possibly eat? When you have become a more wizened Cornellian (or take us seriously in this article), you will soon find that BRBs aren't as good as real money (sorry to burst your bubble). They are, however, good for certain things. Here are top guidelines and suggestions... Disclaimer: Only some of these have been personally tried by us, so we cannot guarantee the results of them. Of course, it's not like you were going to get a refund on those BRBs though.

- Meander down the ridiculously long Tower Road to the Dairy Bar and try some of Cornell's amazing ice cream. The milkshakes are a better value by price per unit volume analysis.
- Go to Jansen's Market and try out the bubble tea
- Buy a couple pounds of wings at Nasties and challenge a group of friends to a wings eating contest. If you want hot condiments, try sneaking out tabasco sauce from an all-you-can-eat dining location.
- Buy some free food for Tim. While he is eating it, talk to him about his ever-evolving fashion choices.
- Fund an event with food by buying the materials needed at Nasties or Noyes. We personally tried to fund most of a felly dinner with BRBs. There is pasta, sauce, snacks, cheap soda, snacks, and more. Ask the manager for their inventory or take a look around. You will be surprised.
- Treat someone you know to free food at Nasties or Jansen's Market. Everyone loves free food. Everyone loves talking to you. You can do both at the same time!
- Buy the 99 cent soda in large quantities. Then obtain Mentos. Mix the two together in massive quantities in a safe or prankster location. Laugh at the results.
- Convince everyone at felly dinner that there will be steak served. Buy some A1 steak sauce and put it on the tables to convince everyone.
- To get rid of your remaining balance, try stocking up on the different flavors of beef jerky.

Happy spending 😉

#### **W2**

-JeffreyHuang

I've always had trouble reconciling my kind of music with 'worship' music. It's too different from congregational worship music, which I felt mostly to be kind of boring musically, honestly.

Now, as you've probably heard before, worship and praise are not just music, they are a lifestyle. It's about living to please God in all that you do, to offer that as a sacrifice up to him (Romans 12:1-2, Hebrews 3:15). If worship was just about the music, people would not be able to worship God freely, because then, only the people 'good' at music could do it, which is completely against the point of the gospel. But what about worship and music? I feel like this point is not brought up often enough?

As it stands, there are two main kinds of 'worship music'. The first is congregational music, which would just mostly be songs tailored towards congregational singing: relatively easy to pick up for both the people singing and the people playing. The second would be a broader category that includes also Christian music you hear on the radio; not all of it is tailored for congregational singing, definitely not.

Most Christians seem to enjoy singing along to worship songs, but this depends on which songs. When choosing a song to lead the congregation in, not all songs/styles are appropriate, and you can't please everyone, so there are those whose styles will be left out because they don't fit the congregation as much/aren't the popular meta.

So what do those people do? How do people who enjoy music and worship, but not necessarily worship music worship??? What if I want to worship God with music, but the music that I identify with is not the kind that people worship to?

John 4:24 "God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth." What does this mean?

19 "Sir," the woman said, "I can see that you are a prophet. 20 Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you Jews claim that the place where we must worship is in Jerusalem." 21 "Woman," Jesus replied, "believe me, a time is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. 22 You Samaritans worship what you do not know; we worship what we do know, for salvation

is from the Jews. 23 Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in the Spirit and in truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. 24 God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in the Spirit and in truth."

This comes from the passage about Jesus and the Samaritan woman. In this particular section, they are discussing traditions of worship. In the old covenant, God designated His place of worship as the Temple, but the Samaritans used Mount Gerizim as the place of worship.

Worshipping in spirit: this means to worship God with our spirit, our heart. God is Spirit, and he is not confined to a physical place, nor physical or social traditions. Since we are under the new covenant, all the ceremonial requirements are done away with: Thanks to Jesus' sacrifice, we are now a royal priesthood, all of us as believers can now offer up sacrifices to God (Hebrews 3:15). We can worship God freely and without fear, anywhere, and in more ways than we could in the old covenant, with all its traditions and rules and rituals.

BUT this does not mean we can worship God in ANY way we want to...which is where worshipping in truth comes in. God has revealed His truth to us through His Word, and it is our duty and privilege as believers to study that Word to learn more about Him and grow closer to Him. To ignore some part of the Word, because you want to do things your own way is disrespect. In addition, God has the authority and right to determine the right way for us to worship Him, saying that only the heart matters would be an insult. For example, singing a popular love song to God is not necessarily alright: God is not your boyfriend/girlfriend, singing to Him in such a way lacks reverence and is a misinterpretation of what it means for God to be our lover...

That being said, how do we worship God with music? Under the new covenant, we can worship God without worrying about how good our worship sounds (to a certain extent, as in certain situations it might distract the congregation and detract from the worship). We can worship Him by putting all the talents He's blessed us with to use; although some may appear more impressive than others. But God does not look at it that way, He only wants us to give Him our best and our all, whether all we have is  $$2 \times 10^{-5}$  or  $$2 \times 10^{5}$ .

#### **BOYILI**

- ❖ To Evelyn: I will my passion for social justice, semi-reluctant leadership, and infinite Big Red Barn chicken souvlaki salads
- To Evelyn, Melanie, Newton, Lauren, Anna: I will IJMC (good luck)
- To Michelle: I will my love for Korean dramas and variety shows, and the ability to always find a window table in Terrace
- To Shelly: I will my makeup skillz, my gym pass, and the role of "tallest girl in the class"
- To Newton: I will the continued desire to read more books
- To Felicia, Xinran, Stephanie and Zoe: I (on behalf of Matt) will the Snee key and many nights of hardcore studying

#### **CHRISTINE LOUI**

- I will to Lauren Kam my budding photography skills, the joy of fellowshipping with brothers and sisters, and steadfast faith in God's plan in the midst of pre-med life
- I will to the sophomores living on West Main Houses the comfort of eating in a dining hall in your PJ's and flip flops when it's freezing outside.
- I will to the future sophomores living in Bethe, the Bethe Swag (e.g. going to things for free)
- I will my motherly instinct of caring for underclassmen to Steph and Xinran
- ❖ I will to CBS the courage to step out of the bubble and build relationships with those in different communities

#### **DAVID CUI**

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- I will to Kevin Gao my love for playing cards and a deck of his choosing from my collection.
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- ❖ I will to Phoebe a love of nights filled with fun and board games. But not my board games. I'm taking them with me.

- I will to Zoe and Xinran a continued legacy of switching into ORIE, because it's totally okay to do that.
- I will to Alexandra our mutual love of fresh kiwis at Cornell dining halls.
- ❖ I will to Kathy many tears, but even more so smiles, like the ones she has given me.
- I will to Tim Tsang a heightened sense of noticing confirmation bias.
- ❖ I will to Yiming a heart after God, as he continues to seek out learn more about Him. And also the love of watching funny video game YouTube channels.
- I will to Daegun the strength to survive busy weeks willed with prelims and problem sets, but also the reassurance that God's plan for him isn't dependent on his GPA.
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- I will to Justin Lin and Tim Tsang the ChemE library, knowledge, and perseverance through the ChemE program.
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- I will to Overflow body worship all joy and teamwork in worshipping God with everything we have.
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- ❖ I will to Anna, Jamie, Evelyn, Helen, Lauren, Melanie, and Shelly all my baking powers.
- ❖ I can't will this, so this is my prayer for CBS: that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless until the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through
- Jesus Christ—to the glory and praise of God. Amen!

#### **FELICIA SETIONO**

- I will to the whole of CBS a desperation to pray consistently
- I will to Kathy the joy of life through things that are small and big, seen and unseen
- I will to Dae Gun a spirit of victory and humility while being an international student on this campus
- I will to Lucie and Melanie love for the word as well as however minimal courage I had to bless those who are around them with God's truth
- I will to Jamie and Evelyn the boldness and enthusiasm to approach [and maybe scare] incoming freshmen and whoever they feel they should reach out to
- I will to Aaron my old age (and maybe.. MAYBE.. the eddygate key)

#### **JONATHAN TONG**

- ❖ I will an ever-increasing thirst for knowledge and truth to Chang. Keep learning more about Him!
- I will the duty of closing Reach meetings to Myung. #assumetheposition
- I will cry-time to all, provided you remember that you have brothers, sisters, and a Savior who can help you through it all, even if cry-time is every time.

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- I will my nonexistent CS skills to the CS majors (and an appreciation of CS 3110 to those who might dread taking it).
- ❖ I will my nonexistent physics skills to the physics/AEP majors.
- And also a heart of prayer, praise, and love of Christ to all CBS.

# 5houtouts

#### To Anna Tedijanto

Shoutout to Anna for being stuck with me forever! MUAHAHA

From: Jamie

#### To Charlie Qian

Charlie, thanks for leading by example, in terms of being a good brother and being a good student. You really helped me open up to people this semester, and I think God has blessed you with the ability of having people feel comfortable to share things around you. I hope that we'll have a great senior year together and continue to encourage one another and grow together. Thanks for supporting me and understanding all of my obscure jokes. Also grils, in particular, baemy. </3.

From the one n only p-bagel (Edward Chen)

Thanks for being an amazing bro in Christ. You always care for and uplift those around you. Don't be afraid to lean on your brothers and sisters sometimes. Keep your eyes on Him!

From Anonymous

#### To Christina Ho

Congratulations on making it through to senior year! I can't believe that it's gone so fast, and I feel incredibly blessed to have had the chance to walk with you as a prayer partner over these years. I'm so proud of you, and can't wait to keep growing with you as you start your post-college adventures!

From Wendy:)

To Christine Loui

It's incredible to look back and see how far we've come from being Mandarin classmates to prayer partners. Thank you for showering me with love and kindness even when we barely knew each other, offering me your wisdom, texting me Bible verses to reassure me, and showing me what it means to be a true woman of God. I've been so blessed by our prayer partnership this year, and while I wish you could stay another year here, I know God's timing is always perfect, and He gave us this time together for a reason. I pray that He will continue to use you in amazing ways to bless others as much as you've blessed me. From Lauren Kam

#### To David Cui

Thanks for all the noms that you've provided us and the funny puns and rides. I won't forget that time you climbed in through our Balch window during freshmen year. You a good man and even though I annoy you and you annoy me sometimes, but you're a great older brother and that's what older brothers do no?

From Zoe

#### **To Dorothy Zhang**

Thanks Dorothy for always making dumplings for us and helping me with Stats HW. You da real MVP. It was fun sitting in Stats occasionally nodding off together. Thanks for being a role model for women in leadership!

From Zoe

#### **To David and Dorothy**

Thank you for the endless supply of dumplings!!!! Nommzzzzz

From Anonymous

Thanks for all that you've done for the ministry. I know there are a billion things that we don't see that you've put effort into and I just want to say that we appreciate everything yo.

From Zoe

#### To Esther Jiang

Thank you for leading small group! You are a wonderful teacher, and you often speak truth in our lives and challenge us. Also, your baked goods are amazing =D

From Anonymous

Dear Esther, Thank you for being the greatest prayer partner that anyone could ever ask for. Over the past two semesters, you've imparted so much wisdom to me but most importantly, you've guided me toward Christ. Despite all of my weaknesses and sins, you've shown me grace time after time. Thanks for being so patient with me and giving me undeserving love. Never would I have thought that having you as my prayer partner would make such a big impact on my life. Because of you, I now have a strong desire to know Jesus and develop my faith. Although I'm sad that you're graduating, I'll forever cherish our prayer partner meetings and the friendship we've developed. You are such a role model to me and I know that you'll continue to touch so many lives, just as you've done to mine. May God continue to give you strength as you finally enter the adult world!

From Ji-Won Choi

To Exodus aka Nick, Matt, Jess, Aaron, Katherine?

You guys really do make morning walks to class/lab so much more enjoyable. I ACTUALLY look forward to going to class despite the many days of cold and the pain of waking up. So thankful for all of you for making my mornings not a time of complaining, but being blessed. Virtual walking early/commuting next year les go hahaa jk

From Felicia Setiono

#### To Felicia Setiono

My ever wise and loving prayer partner: thank you for your faithfulness to me and your faithfulness to God. Thank you for teaching me how to pray boldly, for showing me how worthy our Lord is, and for being such a good example to me for what it looks like to be a woman living for God. These two years have gone by so quickly... Haha I still remember reading the first email you sent me and crying tears of joy:') I'm so excited for what God has in store for you in Baltimore and I pray that your faith would continue to flourish. I love you!!!

From Kathy Lin

#### To Hayden Chung

HI PP!!! Thank you so much for welcoming me to Cornell and teaching me so much about CBS, God, and LIFE. You always have so much wisdom to share with me and it seems like you're waaay more mature than just a senior in college; I have appreciated that so much and learned a lot from our weekly lunches (Trillium AND Terrace!). Somehow, you always understand my problems and have great advice for me that always ties back to scripture and living the Christian life. I will dearly miss being able to share with someone about what God has been teaching me. Though I do miss the noodle bowls we used to get, I will definitely miss you and PP lunches even more :(
I'm excited for your next destination
in life, though, and I'm so glad that
God has been able to bless you
through your studies. Hopefully you
can come to California this summer
and we can hang out!!! Love you lots
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From Anna Tedijanto

#### To Helen Li

I'm so thankful to have met you, Helen! You are so sincere and it's given me great joy to have gotten to know you. I'm ecstatic you put your faith in Jesus this year!!! I admire your willingness to learn more and more about God and I encourage you to seek Him faithfully even after you graduate. Best of luck as you start grad school at Duke. I've already seen God working in your life and know He will continue to do so. Keep trusting in Him!

From Anonymous

#### **To Jamie Wong**

HEY. thanks for putting up with me luls. and for being a gr9 friend all the time and always talking to me in our room.. hehe i'm so glad that we decided to room together and it makes me feel like i gots a lil' piece of home with me all the time. i'm SO EXCITED for the next few years and all the memories we're gonna have on west (YAY) and making macarons or something in our apartment. you're always supporting and encouraging me and keeping me accountable and that's probably the #1 thing that I want to thank you for, especially through the stress and blah moments of freshmen year. YAY FOR WEST. but we can also cry over our big room in LRHEAVEN. thanks jamz:')

From the bed next to urs

To Jeff

Jeff— Many thanks for giving me sound advice, for showing me those tritone subs, lineage graphs, Coffman, Guzik, games, songs! I respectfully defer to your (ban)anagrams skills, for now (the endgame is hard, and Matthew 19:30. NOOOOO—). May you continue to learn and grow as you figure out what to do with your life may God use your talents for his glory.

From Jeff

#### To Jess Chu

MY PP! Thanks for meeting up with me and asking me about my day and sharing nonsense together. And introducing me to WHY YOU CRY. One day I'll sit in this cafe, on the banks of the Arno, Florence. I would look across the tables and I'd see you there, with a husband and maybe a couple of kids. You wouldn't say anything to me, nor me to you. But we'd both know that you'd made it, that you were happy. (Batman reference...)

From Zoe

#### To Kathy Lin

Thanks for being a wonderful PP! Looking forward to the next 2 years and beyond together:D

From Jamie

## To my future ex-roommate, one and only peasant turned apprentice, crying machine Katherine

Stop snoring. Just kidding. Stop killing your plants. Just kidding, (but actually), Thanks for being a great friend with unconditional love. Even though I'm probably not a good roommate because I hit snooze like 50 times every 10 minutes when I nap, you a real chill roommate and we think on the same wavelength. God has blessed me with you. Don't miss me too much when I'm gone. I will love you until the cactus I gave you dies.

#### **To Matt Yang**

Matt, thanks for all the help with the javs cuz m rly bad. U good. Also thanks for the rides to/from Wegmans. Also its fun playing smush with you because we about the same. Thanks for understanding my dank jokes too. If you were more dank you would understand more of them tho. But to be honest m regret not befriending u earlier u are a very good friend and I will miss interviewing u whenever possible.

From: the one n only p-bagel (Edward Chen)

#### #mattyispoopoo

Just kidding. Thank you very much for being a kind brother and always driving me to Wegmas and being my favorite Java partner and buying wings (buffalo is the most consistent while BBQ is the best when its good.) I'm gonna miss you SO MUCH and your kindness. Don't let the world taint your awesomeness and eat lots of cheese in Wisconsin.

From #zoeispoopoo

We hope you eat nachos to your heart's content while you're in Wisconsin.

From Weekly Wednesdays

#### To Myung

I've been encouraged to see you step up to serve CBS and lead in various ways! Glad you've been growing spiritually and I exhort you to continue to look to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith!

From Anonymous

#### To Myung and Jiwon

I will Running Man PDship and other Korean duties to Myung and Jiwon.

From Hayden, your sunbae lol

#### To Newton Ni

Newton, you're a cool dude. You play violin very well and have great fashion sense. I also like your humor, in particular, the video for valentine's felly dinner. Also, you have a great half-smile when you're amused. It was great knowing you this year and I hope we can be good frens:]

From: Edward Chen

#### **To Shelly**

From PSYCH 1101 to spontaneous lunch/dinner dates, from Sherlock movie nights to sudden 12am phone calls, thanks for all the love, kindness, encouragement, prayers, and support you've given me this year! When I look back at how our friendship has progressed, I'm amazed by all the ways God was at work, even though I didn't know it at the time. You've helped me find peace when I was stressed, made me laugh when I was grumpy, held me accountable when I couldn't keep up with devos, the list is endless but you've played a huge role in bringing me closer to Jesus. I can't wait to be your SUITEMATE in Rose next year, and I'm so so excited to see how God will continue to grow us in these next 3 years and basically for the rest of our lives. I LOVE YOU VERY MUCH <3

From Lauren

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From Anonymous

### To Tim Tsang and Everyone Else Staying This Summer

Get big.

From Anonymous

#### **To Yiming Li**

Thank you for being the only person who responds to my messages in the group chat. You are the real mvp.

From Anonymous

#### To Zoe Chan

Thanks for so much of your dedication and enthusiasm towards CBS and ministry!

From Anonymous

You are awesome. Thanks for organizing BoL and for your joyful service in all you do!

From Anonymous

To my favorite roommate and dearest friend. Thank you always for the incessant love that you show me. It's been a crazy two years filled with many joys and many sorrows and it has been such a blessing to go through all of it with you. I am going to miss you so much with you away next semester, but I know that God will continue to grow you while you're at LMI. Here's to more adventures!! Come visit me lots </3... haha and hopefully I'll learn how to sleep early while you're gone.

From Kathy Lin

Even though we always joke about being afraid of you for submitting our BoL stuff late, it's really just deep respect that we have for you--for how strongly and passionately you feel about your work and how dedicated you are to God's kingdom! You ROCK, and keep it up:)

From Babies

#### To You Know Who You Are

Thanks for inviting me to join you guys; I appreciate it even though I (almost) never accept!

From Anonymous

#### To Co-Op Kids

Best of luck!!! Praying that God would use you in your respective workplaces. While you all are away, we are going to print your faces out and put them on popsicle sticks so we can still take class photos. Just you

wait. (Haha but on a more serious note, you guys are gonna leave a big hole in all of our hearts. Don't leaaaave cause we gon miss ya D: )

From The Ones Left Behind

#### To Class of 2019

Hey guys! Thanks for being the best class ever! Through our prayer meetings and Sunday dinners. I feel like we've really gotten to know each other and grow in Christ. I'm excited to see what the next 3 years hold for us. Even though we'll get busier and live in different places, I hope that we can always count on each other whenever there are good and bad times. Next year, I want us to remember all the love that we've received from the upperclassmen and pay it forward to the new CBS freshmen. And even though we'll all go our separate ways during the summer, hopefully disco party III will stay alive and we can continue to pray for each other. Love you guys!

From Anonymous

Y'all are so adorable. Keep growing in your love for Christ and for each other. Next year will probably be harder, so don't neglect meeting together and being in fellowship with your brothers and sisters. And don't be afraid to ask for help! Your upperclassmen still love you and want to be there for you <3

From Anonymous

hELLO! Thank you guys for being the best community and always encouraging and supporting me through this year. Coming to college is insanely scary, but ya'llz have been people that I've grown with so much in CBS this year, but I also see us growing in the next few years. And now, I'm already dreaming of our senior trip..... lol. We must stick together next year, though we'll be

farther than this year (LR7 IS NOT FAR), but hopefully, Sunday dinners and prayer meetings will still prevail. Love you all.

From Anna Tedijanto

Very thankful to have met every one of you, and I really love you all so much:)

From Anonymous

#### To Class of 2018

I've been so encouraged by how you guys have stepped up into leading and serving this year. Your love for the fellowship is so evident. Next year may have its challenges but as God has been there for you in the past, He will continue to be there for you every step of the way in the future.

From Anonymous

#### To Class of 2017

Thank you all for welcoming me back with open arms. Let's finish off senior year together!

Not C-Money

#### To Da seniors

We all know that we're the best class (maybe), cutest class (only when we were freshmen), and most dysfunctional class (we still got this one). Thank you for being my brothers and sisters away from home! 'Murica wasn't too bad because of you guys. Sometimes it's creepy to realize how much I know about each of you and how much you know about me even though I've only known you guys for 4 years . But I'm so glad for each moment, each joke, each prayer that Jesus made happen and for all of the FUN we've had. #TeamFun oh..and #TeamShort

From Felicia (王小姐)

# Prayer Partner Tree. Tree CREATED BY JEFFREY HUANG (14)

