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But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

1 Peter 2:9-10

Chinese Bible Study (CBS) is a student-run Christian fellowship at Cornell University. We seek **to know Christ and make Him known**. There are six ministries within CBS, and two coordinators who help oversee the ministries and provide guidance for the year.

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As we commemorate our seniors in the Spring 2015 issue of BoL, you will also see how our coordinators, ministries, and Bible studies finished off the year. Hope you enjoy it!

EDITOR'S LETTER

DEAR READER AND CBS,

At the beginning of this semester, I went to the annual Augustine Collective retreat. The Augustine Collective is a collection of Christian journals from various schools, aiming to bring thoughtful articles and curated essays to their respective campuses. (Well, that's not the only aim, but it's broad enough to cover most of their visions and goals.) My takeaway from the retreat was the power of student journals, and the change it can bring to a campus or community.

This got me thinking about BoL's place in CBS. I'm not sure about the presence or reputation of BoL in the past, but to me BoL has been a way to keep track of CBS history, welcoming freshmen, and honoring seniors. Moving forward, perhaps BoL is also an avenue of challenging CBS, and raising conversations among us. For a simple example, as long as I've been around, BoL can address

recurring issues like CBS time and the CBS bubble (the common practice of arriving at CBS late, and the situation where all of a sudden your whole friend group is CBS). Furthermore, BoL can incite attention and awareness about issues outside of CBS, in our Ithaca community, our nation, and world. That's super broad, but concerns that come to mind include social injustices or the health of our Earth. ...that's also super broad. Sorry. I don't want to tout BoL's potential to completely fix such issues, but at the very least it can encourage change along the matters, through essays and editorials from the CBS body.

My heart and prayer for BoL is that it becomes a starting point for more growth within CBS, and a common ground for new discussions. Wherever CBS goes, however CBS grows, I hope to see BoL right alongside CBS, continuously spurring CBS forward. In the end, I know God is faithfully

behind all of these initiatives. May His Spirit move within us, advise us, and guard us from sin. Praise God for His faithfulness!

**IN CHRIST,
ZHIJIANG LI '16**

Our seniors have so much wisdom to impart. Beware the next 40 or so pages which contain walls and walls of text.



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5: Rather than pieing James Zou '15, Wendy Wei '15 unfortunately gets pied herself. The pieing was held to raise money for non-profit called Feed My Starving Children. 6: At James' pieing, David Cui '16 and Jonathan Tong '16 laugh at the spectacles. 7: Jessica Chu '16 and Katherina Jaw' paint decorations for the Valentine's felly dinner.



Hello CBS,

So as we come to the end of another year, it is time to look at and reflect upon the state and direction of the fellowship. This is important as it reminds us of our purpose as a group and helps us discern how God is working, so that we may be encouraged and give Him praise. In terms of our vision from 1 Peter 2:9-10 and what we have been learning this semester from Colossians 3:12-17, I can say that there has definitely been progress. This has not been without its discouragements and struggles along the way, but I can see how God has been leading us to see and desire

more of Him, and along with that, to pursue holiness and righteousness by His grace. One year is never enough for a vision to be fully realized, but that is not to say that we have failed or our work was in vain. The nature and theological understanding of our sanctification points to the fact that this is a long and messy process.

The truth is, we will never be perfect and holy during our time here on earth. There will always be sin, strife, tension, and conflict among us and we must, through Christ, strive to be reconciled to one another and to build one another up. Even though there is that constant struggle with the flesh, our God is much greater and will be faithful in helping us overcome. That despite our failings, God continues to show us grace and mercy through calling us His own. We are all works in progress and the Spirit indwelling us is sanctifying us more into the

likeness of Christ. While we may be at different points in terms of spiritual growth and maturity, the fact that there is progress, no matter how little or small, should give us hope that He is fulfilling His promises within us. There are still many more days, Lord willing, ahead of us as a group and as individuals, so take heart in knowing that there is hope if you are discouraged.

Remember that we live in the completed work of Christ on the cross, and that work is still being fulfilled in us today until the final day comes.

This process of realizing our identity as the holy people of God is something that we must be constantly reminded of. During my four years here, I have seen how God has been reminding me of who I am in Him. That is it not so much of what I do or anything of this world that defines who I am, but rather what He has done. This is essentially the Gospel, and if we humbly repent and

confess this truth daily, our understanding of who Christ has saved us to be and become will fuel how we are to live for and represent Him in this world.

God has definitely done great things among us. I have seen how many of you have grown in your love for the Lord and matured in your faith. This is evidenced the way that you have shown love to one another, your faithful service, and in your prayers. I have seen people draw closer to God, come to belief, and get baptized. I have seen how we are persevering in this difficult, but critical, process of being and making disciples of Christ. I exhort you all to be faithful in this great work. Keeping on fighting the good fight and continue to press on running this race together. While we have the blessing of being able to do this through CBS as a community, what I pray and hope for you is that you will be able to learn how

to seek God and to grow on your own. Be able to develop and form a regular discipline of reading the Bible and praying. Always be on the lookout for opportunities to share Christ with others and to set your mind on things above. Challenge yourself to be able to know and articulate what you believe and why. There is growing opposition in the world today to what we believe as Christians and it is becoming more and more important for us to be able to give an answer for the hope that we have.

CBS will always be changing, but God is the same yesterday, today, and forever. Even though people come and go each year, He will always be faithful to us and His love is steadfast throughout all the generations. Since I will still be around for another semester, I will hold back all the sappy goodbyes. Rather, I will say that it has been a pleasure being able to serve

you all as coordinator this past year and I look forward to see what God has in store for us!

**IN CHRIST,
JEVON YU '15**

I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.

Philippians 1:3-6



DEAR CBS,

Truly, it is incredibly difficult for me to believe that another year has already come and past. The fact that I will be graduating in under a month has still not quite settled in just yet. As sad as it may be, there comes a time where we must part ways with the brothers and sisters we've come to know over the past several years. However, since that time is still a little ways away, I will spare you my sentiments on this page. Instead, I think that I will use this allotted space to tell a little story.

To say that this year has changed me quite a bit, would be a drastic understatement.

Of course, being coordinator has had a huge role in this transformation, but despite this being called a "coordinator letter", my story is not about that. Upon entering my senior year, I was under the impression that I knew my plans for the future. I would stay an extra year to finish an M.Eng, and then continue to pursue a career in some large tech company somewhere along the West coast. That was my plan, and it sounded quite ideal in my head. However, as many of you know already, that was soon to change.

After having numerous conversations with my family and friends, I learned that to find a job in the field of photonics, a PhD was greatly preferred. Thus, having never even considered taking the GRE's, I began to apply for PhD programs across the country. This sudden decision led to the most stressful semester I have ever

encountered as a student at Cornell, since for no reason other than to torture students, all applications were due during finals week. To make a long story short, all my efforts seemingly paid off when I was accepted into the ECE PhD program at the University of Michigan. But after even more prayer, it was suddenly clear to me that a PhD was not the right path for me, and I rejected the acceptance. I realize that this explanation is far from satisfactory, and I invite you to talk to me if you want to know more about my decision.

After rejecting my offer, my plan reverted to my original one. I am still staying for an M.Eng. I think that many would view my year as a lot of wasted effort, but I want to stress that this is far from the case. As I mentioned previously, I believed that I knew my plans for the future. This notion that I had was so incredibly false and based

solely on my own pride. As I started the PhD process, God needed to strip me of all my crutches. First, He took away the comfort of having a plan, and replaced it with uncertainty, which resulted in many sleepless nights. Next, He burdened me with so much work that I thought that my mind would snap under the pressure. Finally, He made me very aware that I had no control over my future, and there is no place I can place my trust but in Him. In the midst of all my struggles, God was shaping me to be who He wanted me to be.

I've always believed that it is beautiful when God uses your strengths to further His kingdom, but now I see that it is far more spectacular when He uses your weaknesses. This year was a year filled with answered prayer, but more importantly, it was a year of learning how to pray. In the past, my prayers were filled with requests. I was trying my

best to bend God to my will, rather than succumbing to His. Now, I pray for His will to be done, and even if my will differs from that, I pray for peace to accept what is coming. And if I can say one thing, it would be that the peace God has granted me is amazing. It is the purest form of serenity I have ever felt, and it comes from placing your trust in a foundation so secure that it can never be shaken.

Now, I don't have any wisdom to impart, or any advice to give, but I do have stories to tell. These are stories that have shaped me to be who I am currently, and I hope that if anything, they can encourage you to continue to place your trust in the Lord. His love is unfathomable, and his peace is everlasting. I look forward to coming back next year, to share more of my stories with you. Thank you CBS, for supporting me through my journey, for accepting me as a brother, and

for being my home away from home.

**IN HIM,
STEPHEN WANG '15**

BIBLE STUDY MINISTRY

Dear CBS,

As we look back on this past year, it is surprising to think about how quickly this year has flown by. It has been a blessing and pleasure to serve as your Bible study coordinators this year and we are so thankful for the opportunity we have been given to serve the fellowship in this capacity.

This year our vision for Bible Study Ministry came from 1 John 1:14 and Hebrews 10:24-25:

The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

-John 1:14

And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the day approaching.

-Hebrews 10:24-25

We hoped to see Bible studies focused on spiritual growth through (1) community building and (2) active application of the teachings of Jesus through engagement with the Cornell and Ithaca community. Through Bible studies, we learn the Word, we teach the Word, and indeed as the beginning of the gospel of John says, the Word becomes flesh (1 John 1:14). We wanted to see brothers and sisters encouraging each other to make God a priority in each other's lives, witnessing to others, and reaching out to the community as a small group. In studying the Gospel of John, we looked into the life of Jesus so that we could better model what He and His disciples did in their ministry in our actions and behaviors on this earth.

Serving in this role has been a very humbling experience. While we did not expect to be able to lead this ministry completely from our own strength, we quickly realized just how much we needed to rely on God for wisdom and guidance. Last summer as we prepared for the upcoming school year, we had “big” goals and ideas for how we wanted to transform CBS Bible studies. As fall semester began, it was easy to get caught up in school work and other responsibilities and be discouraged if Bible studies were not well attended. Even though we did all we could, we came to realize that it is through God that hearts are transformed and the greater desire for Bible study and community is realized. As we came to truly understand and believe this, we spent more time in prayer for the ministry and encouraged Bible study leaders to regularly pray for the people in their groups.

Through leading this ministry and leading our own Bible studies, we have been encouraged to see the development of deeper and more personal relationships. We are so grateful for the service of our faithful Bible study leaders, without whom, the work of this ministry would have been impossible! In meeting with each of you, we have seen you grow in your faith and in your love for God and the brothers and sisters in this fellowship.

As we both prepare for to leave Cornell, we are certain that God will continue to be faithful to this fellowship and are excited for the changes to come! Our prayer for the fellowship is that you will always remember God's faithfulness and the blessings He has poured out into our lives and continue to press onward towards knowing Him more.

Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

-Ephesians 3:20-21

-James Zou '15 and Lauren Tang '15

DISCIPLESHIP MINISTRY

Hello beautiful sisters and brothers!

As I reflect upon this past year, I just can't express enough of how good and faithful our Daddy in heaven is. Thinking about how things changed from the fall to the spring semester, I really had no inkling of how God would lead the Discipleship Ministry because I had no idea where God would be leading me over the course of the semester. To be frank, I entered this semester not wanting to do much with the ministry, but God changed my heart and humbled me to continue seeking and obeying Him, even if there was a possibility I would only be on campus for another month.

God revealed to me just how small I viewed His immense power. To be more specific, God answered three prayer requests I had for Discipleship Ministry.

1. To build up a culture of sisters developing a heart for younger sisters. (Sorry to my brothers, I can't speak on your behalf.) One of the things I had really yearned to see was for God to develop hearts of love and care among older sisters so they could pour into younger sisters, which would hopefully perpetuate into future classes. I loved seeing sisters live life together – making and/or enjoying meals together, playing games together, encouraging one another, and praying with one another. Praise God for bringing women (and men) from all different backgrounds and being the One who holds all things and people together. My hope and prayer is that Jesus would continue being the center of all of our relationships, from whom comes all of our love and grace for one another.

2. To create more organic discipleship relationships. This past semester, I was STOKED to see that a younger sister who was seeking an older prayer partner had already been regularly meeting with an older sister for several weeks before I had even had the opportunity to meet with this sister. I praise Jesus for how He has created opportunities for these relationships to form outside of the typical prayer partner assignments.

3. To foster a greater love for God's word through scripture memorization. I struggled with whether or not I should start this up at the beginning of the semester. God really pushed me to send out that (obnoxiously long, ahem) email to older brothers and sisters this semester, and to get prayer partners and groups/individuals memorizing scripture! God calls us to know His Word in our hearts and minds and to be meditating on His Word, so that we are ready when we face temptation and struggle. Knowing His Word also helps us love Christ more and become more like Him. This semester, Jevon and I chose verses that corresponded to the message from large groups in an effort to continue reflecting on what we learned on Friday nights each week. While this was the original intention, I was amazed by how different brothers and sisters incorporated scripture memorization into their various relationships (i.e. prayer partnerships, prayer groups) and how they didn't just stick to these weekly verses, but also memorized other passages, like the Psalms. My prayer for CBS is that each one of us would continue to develop a hunger and thirst for God's Word, become more strongly grounded in His Word, and continuously point each other to Christ through His Word.

It has been a challenging year in many ways, but once again, God is good, ALL THE TIME, and he is faithful, ALL THE TIME. CBS, my challenge to you is to continue engaging in Christ-centered relationships with each other and live life together in a way that is pleasing to our heavenly Father. Love on those you do not immediately click with and spur on those who are downcast or need encouragement. And live out Hebrews 10:24-25:

“And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.”

To God be the glory!
Wendy Wei '15

INREACH MINISTRY

This year's vision verse for InReach was John 13:14-15:

“And since I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you ought to wash each other's feet. I have given you an example to follow. Do as I have done to you.”

In a practical sense, Jesus' command is difficult to follow. As students, we can give many excuses for not loving as Jesus did. We are busy people, and when work and rest take priority, you often do not remember the lost or lonely. Nonetheless, Christians are blessed with knowing that Jesus walked with the outcast, healed the unworthy, and paid it all on the cross all because He is love. I believe this is how Christians are set apart from people who simply have kind hearts and good morals. We do not serve out of the goodness of our hearts but because Christ first loved us. And now we know that unconditional love is for everyone.

As a ministry, InReach plans events for CBS and encourages members of our fellowship to serve one another. It has been joyful to witness the InReach team sacrificially give their time and energy to plan ACE, table before large group, and be present at prayer groups, Bible studies, and Angels and Mortals. As one of the leaders, I have been encouraged by the ideas brought up to help us pursue our mission. I am grateful that InReach can be depended on as the pillar of support for the fellowship.

I was also greatly encouraged from seeing many individuals in CBS live sacrificially through personal ministries. God has placed people on our hearts, and it is awesome to hear how people earnestly prayed for and loved on their brothers and sisters. Some of our members have had their hearts broken for those outside of our community, and this makes me want to follow in their example. I pray that in the years to come, CBS members will take up the cross and unite all the ministries into their hearts as we become more sanctified in His image.

**In Christ,
Hayden Chung '16**

It's easy to look back on the school year and think about how certain things could have happened or been better. So I'll talk about that first. I regret that I did not actively provide many opportunities for the people in the fellowship to serve one another as was our vision (John 13:14-15). Thankfully, despite the times Hayden and I did not focus on the vision, we can look back and see how God has provided and worked. The passage from 1 Corinthians 1:26-31 (read it and onward; it's good!) has really spoken to me this semester. Through our times of weakness – when we are tired and just don't feel like serving – God still used us so that we can say that it was all Him. For example, we implemented Angels and Mortals very close to the end of the semester. Those who sign up commit themselves to performing anonymous acts of kindness for their assigned mortal. Even though there was only one month left, I'm glad we decided to start Angels and Mortals. It is a good way to guide the fellowship in serving one another, and a number of people signed up, which was encouraging. I haven't seen all the action, but I have heard of plans that people have to serve one another.

Another example is Service Marketplace, both a traditional CBS ACE and an opportunity to serve people. This year we raised over \$1700 through CBS, and we had donors match the first \$1000. We donated the money to Feed My Starving Children, an organization that distributes food to children in need around the world. An additional blessing is that we helped pack food last fall and we can do it again next fall. I was very blessed to have this opportunity to serve the fellowship, to serve the world, and to be served.

I am thankful for the Inreach team. We never officially memorized the vision verse, but I saw how the members lived it out in serving one another: giving gifts, talking with another, praying together, etc. I really hope you all continue to grow and deepen your love for God and for people. I'm not good at ending so END (go read Hayden's; it's probably better).

Anyways, it's been a pleasure to serve!

Matthew Yang '16

OUTREACH MINISTRY

Hello CBS,

It's been one of those years: long while we were in it, and short in retrospective. For the outreach ministry, this semester has been both challenging and rewarding. Our vision for outreach this year was “fearless evangelism” and our supporting vision verses were from 2 Peter 3:8-9,

“The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. Instead he is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.”

As we look back on this year, we can be hopeful about what we have done, knowing that God is faithful to every seed that is planted, whether or not we will see the fruits immediately. We have also seen the fellowship grow to embody the eternal perspective and fearlessness of this vision verse, through the ways in which people have been volunteering their time and energy to outreach events and also devoting themselves to personal outreach.

One of the largest outreach events this semester was Asia Night, with a theme of Celebration. In preparation for the event, we made 3 iphone text boards, asking what are you worried about, what are you thankful for, and what are you celebrating, which anyone visiting our booth could answer with emojis. Also, in an amazing team effort, we made hundreds of spam masubi, despite burning many cups of rice. During Asia Night, so many CBSers showed up for our booth and engaged with people in conversations about what Christians celebrate. It was awesome to see people so excited to share what they believed, and see even those who had never done outreach stepping out of their comfort zones.

Another event outreach ministry held this semester was having a CBS booth at Taste of Culture, an event that was well attended by both undergraduates and graduates from Cornell as well as local residents. Personally, we were super encouraged to see God using CBS to reach a greater community even though none of the people we spoke with came to check out CBS.

Both defining the role of our ministry to bringing more people to the Kingdom of God rather than to CBS, we engaged in informal outreach with our nonchristian friends. In particular, Cassie continued to grow and love upon the international students in her weekly bible study, and it has been encouraging for her to see brothers and sisters from CBS coming out and pouring love on to this group of students. Also, the demographic of CBS has changed slightly such that there are more non Christians and new Christians, hopefully a testimony to the outreach we are doing. We hope that CBS is a place where they can meet God and find those who can help them develop in their relationship with Him, and in this way, outreach becomes inreach and discipleship. While there have been fewer organized events designated for outreach this semester, we hope that the fellowship has been encouraged to do outreach without these formal events and by us leading by examples.

This semester has been particularly difficult academically, extracurricularly, and spiritually for the two of us as outreach leaders, but outreach has been one of our greatest joys and encouragements. Ultimately, outreach draws us out of ourselves and teaches us to care for others unconditionally, regardless of our own discomfort and apprehension. Thank you CBS for all your support, and though the year has ended, the Kingdom work continues.

**Love,
EV Ministry**

PRAISE MINISTRY

#BURNINGDESIRE
#FLAMINGTONGUES2015

“Do you have a BURNING DESIRE to PRAISE GOD?”

Praise team, also known as Team Fun or #flamingtongues, has had so much fun serving together this year! After looking at our vision psalm, Psalm 51, last semester, we started this year by studying various hymns during our usual bible study meetings. Learning about songs’ historical contexts and exploring the scriptural references within the lyrics helped us think more deeply about how worship songs are composed with a heart of coming before God in complete brokenness, obedience and reverence of His glory. From studying ‘Come Thou Fount’ and ‘It is Well’, we learned about how precious our salvation in God is from confession and how steadfast His promises are to us despite great trials. Playing these songs with a greater understanding of why the composer chose each word in his composition helped us play with more focus on the heart of worship.

Even so, there are days that will come when we don’t have the warm fuzzies for praising our God. There has been times where trials and sufferings have burdened us, but even so we have learned and are still learning how to sing praise to God in all circumstances. God has been so so good to us this semester, and we are constantly amazed to see. One of the things we, the coordinators, have been encouraged by is the enthusiasm and joy that the praise team members bring to practice and meetings, how God has been increasing Praise team’s hearts for loving one another. There are many times where we have been tired, but even so the other members have brought their all to come to worship our God.

As David says in Psalm 51 verses 10-12 and 14-17,

“Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of salvation, and uphold me with a willing spirit..

Deliver me from bloodguiltiness, O God, O God of my salvation, and my tongue will sing aloud of your righteousness. O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise. For you will not delight in sacrifice, or I would give it; you will not be pleased with a burnt offering. The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.”

Praise begins in middle of our brokenness. When everything is stripped away, at the end of the day, God is looking at our hearts. He cares not for facades, and is not pleased by the performance or show that we put on every day of every week. Rather, when we come to realize our sinfulness, begin to repent and turn back to him that is when God is pleased with our worship. Everything else, the sacrifices, the music, the singing, the joy; all of that is an outflow of God’s grace on us as we run towards him. God is the one who restores us, upholds us, gives us the voice to sing, the hands to play, and the legs to dance. Therefore, no matter the circumstance, no matter how difficult things may be, even so we can still praise our God.

Though a lot of what we do consists of music and singing, that alone is not worship. As King David writes in Psalm 51: “The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit. A broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.” Our worship of God begins in repentance, in turning away from our idols towards He who is truly worthy of our praise.

It has been a great year serving together with you all! It has been a real blessing to receive your support and to learn so much from you all. Thank you to everyone on Praise for being so cool, so ready to have a burning desire to serve. We have both really enjoyed it, from the proliferation of hashtags to all of us wearing beanies on set, but most importantly from seeing how God is working and growing in all of us, teaching us about praise and worship. To Him alone be the glory forever and ever.

Aaron Hui ‘15 and Christina Ho ‘16

PRAYER MINISTRY

If asked three years ago could I picture myself serving on CBS’s servant team, my immediate response would have been “No way”. But as we all learn, God works in mysterious ways. For some reason freshman year second semester when I returned to the church, I really concentrated on my “failing” prayer life. During FICCC’s prayer group session, my prayer request would often be to improve how I prayed. And that remained in history for a while. I did not even think about prayer until I was approached about it and to be honest, I did not think I was suited for it and I was tempted to say no right off the bat. But I did not--God did not let me. As hard I could try to fight it, there was no way I could really win. I could come up with many reasons why I was so insecure like how my devotions and prayer was in no way consistent. But that is not what God looks for. You have probably heard it said many times “God does not call the equipped but He equips the called”. Honestly, I cannot say if I even feel like I am equipped now that I have gone through a whole year of prayer ministry. But this I can say, God has taught me so much. He does listen to our prayers even if we do not faith in them. He does answer your call for Him. He does love you. This in no way implies that one must be leading a ministry in order to experience these truths. Just that for me, if I had not, I would have put them on the backburner and continue pretending that this broken world was satisfactory; and His goodness would have never shown or made as great as an impact on me.

Katherine Jaw ‘15

As a young Christian, I had often been cautious about prayer because I was afraid of not saying the right things or praying for things that were not biblically correct. But in the past few years God has taken away those fears and has shown me what it means to pray with childlike faith. He has revealed to me how powerful prayers are and through leading prayer ministry He has shown me how important prayer is in everything we do and to show love.

This semester we tried new things to encourage a heart for prayer like prayer groups and prayer cards. To be honest, I didn’t know how successful these ideas would be. We wanted to try different things and let God do the rest and He has. He has blessed the prayer groups we’ve created and time in large group for the fellowship to reflect and focus in prayer. After serving in prayer ministry, my hope for the fellowship is that prayer becomes as necessary as food and water.

I confess that I do not spend as much time in prayer as I would like. When I don’t pray, I am the most vulnerable to spiritual attacks and the feeling of loneliness in my struggles can consume me. I need prayer because I am weak, but His power is made perfect in our weakness. As we grow older, I hope that we continue to pray with childlike faith. To not doubt in the extent of God’s will. To not limit God to boundaries that we have set in our lives. As this semester comes to an end, I pray you all will continue to strive for a prayer life that deepens your relationship and foundation in Him so that you will not be shaken by the things of this world.

Christine Loui ‘16

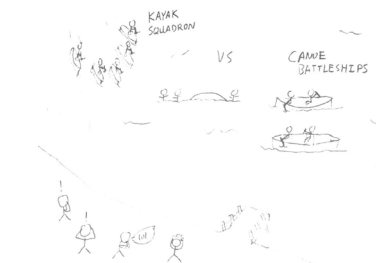
AARON HUI

Most likely to be mistaken as a professor before becoming one

Applied Engineering Physics
Austin, Texas

interviewer: David Cui Cui

Favorites:
class: Topology (Math 4530)
collegetown restaurant: De Tasty. Apollo gets 4 Michelin stars, though
animal: Roadrunner. Because they're AWESOME.
type of food: tasty food
snack: tasty snacks (non-sweet)
musical genre: full orchestral
praise song: All I Can Say, David Crowder



Not necessarily my favorite memory, but it's one of the more unique/unknown ones. Camping Trip 2012, my freshman year at Delta Lake, we went canoeing and kayaking. I was a part of the Kayak attack force against the canoes, and we harassed the canoes. However, Patrick Liu (I think, maybe Jerry Zhuo) tried to board David Ho's canoe from his own, and ended up flipping the canoe. Then the kayak attack squad became the kayak rescue team.

I invited Aaron over the Pillbox for dinner, and he happily accepted. The plan was to have the interview over dinner, but then I realized I forgot to cook rice, so we ended up doing the interview while waited. The following interview is based on a true story.

1. CBS is...

CBS is the fellowship that I go to. Also it's where I have really

learned to take ownership of my faith. CBS has been my family. With all things, there are good times and bad times. CBS is full of people that I love and care for. Wow, this was the most textbook answer.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

I think when I came in as a freshman, in terms of knowing how to live out my faith, growing up with pretty much a Christian background, I came here and learned a lot about, from other people, many things about what it means to take step a faith, what it means to proclaim boldly the gospel, and I'm still learning that now, what that means. I've gone through my share of trials and struggles and learned a lot through them, whether that be humility and breaking down my pride in a lot of areas or learning a lot about myself. And also I think something I've learned is how to be more friendly and sociable with people. It's easier for me now to approach people and greet people now.

3. What encouragements/advice do you have for... a. freshmen

I think for the freshmen, there is a joy and newness in everything when you come. Try not to lose sight of that, especially when things become same-old-same-old. When things get harder, don't lose sight of the joy, the excitement of coming here, meeting new people, and learning about God. Continue to praise God with joy in everything that you do. As you become a sophomore, you'll learn more about what

it means to reach out to underclassmen (don't forget to do that). But at the same time, don't forget to reach out to your upperclassmen. The reaching-out process isn't just from older to younger, but it works the other way, too. 1 Timothy 4:12. Set an example even though you're young.

b. sophomores

For the sophomores, it's probably time for you guys to step up and be upperclassmen. Your class is small, so that will be difficult for you class going forward. You guys will be leaders, in a sense, whether you like it or not since you will be upperclassmen. Don't be afraid of that. It's not about what you can do with your own merit but about what God can do through you and your willingness to honor and to serve Him. Also don't worry about CBS burning in flames, I don't think that's happening anytime soon. Continue to be lights. Learn more about what it means to living and losing your life for God's sake so you may find him.

c. juniors

This coming year as seniors, you are it. I don't count; Jevon and Stephen don't count, even though we're going to be around. You guys are the class that sets the direction of CBs even in the small ways. I would encourage you guys to be careful about what you say and what you do, to act in love to one another. You guys have gone through many ups and downs since your freshman year. I would encourage you guys especially is: what does it mean to love your neighbor, this sacrificial love that Jesus showed on the cross. To really show and exemplify

that to each other and the underclassmen, even people outside of CBS. Support your coordinators, support servant team. It'll be hard on them.

4. What are some of your hidden quirks/talents?

By this point, I don't think any of my talents or quirks are hidden. I used to be able to put my legs behind my head and curl up like a pretzel. I used to be able to limbo a lot better than I can now. I'm not a man of many talents, like some other men in my apartment.

5. What is your favorite spot on campus?

Well, I live in PSB.

[But is it your favorite spot on campus?]

I mean, I stay there for long hours when I don't really need to, so I guess that kinda counts. I mean, it's kinda like a default answer, since the AEP lounge is really nice. I mean [Duffield] has outlets and alcoves, which is nice, but alcoves are hard to get and they're small.

My favorite place to pray is probably Sage Chapel, especially when no one's there; it's so quiet you can hear a pin drop. Usually no one is there, but sometimes people will come in and sometimes someone will be playing the organ, which is also nice. It's probably my favorite place on campus to meet with God.

6. What is one of your greatest fears that God has relieved for you during your time at Cornell?

Fears? I mean, I'm scared of things like heights, but God hasn't relieved that for me. I mean, I'm no longer afraid

of the cold, I guess. I mean I didn't like it; I still don't like it.

I don't know if this counts as a fear, but I think one thing that God has been teaching me and relieving me is the fear or the need to be accepted or loved by people. In the past I used to think that I didn't really care what people think, but after coming to college I was like, "Wow I really do care about what people think," and it's not good [in some ways]. God has [also] been teaching me what it means to have convictions and to stay true to them, rather than just straddling an issue all the time. I guess that's a fear or insecurity.

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

I think the most important thing that God has taught me the past four years is: what does it look like to believe in Him and follow Him and being really challenged in that and working out your salvation. I really think that is the crux of everything. A lot of times it's easy to lose sight of what you're doing with Cornell throwing all these things at you, things might not be going your well, people might be sick or experiencing loss of loved ones... At the same time you have these friends you want to share the good news with and you might be afraid. At the end of the day, you come back to the question: who is your first love? Why are you doing what you're doing? For me, a lot of times I naturally just rebel, and I've had to ask myself, "Are you really a Christian?" And this covers a wide variety of things like how do we praise in suffering or

how do we love those who are hard to love. God calls us to do difficult things and will bring us through difficult times, and there is a love unimaginable that far surpasses everything else.

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

Well I'm staying here. Short-term and long-term.

[What about after you graduate again?]

Well that depends, if I stay here to become a professor.. [So you're basically saying you're never leaving.]

Just kidding lol. Long-term I'm probably head toward academia. Short-term, probably figure out my research, get my PhD. But more than that, figure out how God wants me to serve.

There's a longer story as to why I'm staying at Cornell, but the long and short of it is that God basically told me not to go to Illinois and to stay here. And so part of that is to figure out why God wants me to stay, and I think that's more important than what my research is, who my advisor is, or where I'm going to live next year.

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9. How many days of galbi would you like?

GALBI FOR DAYS.

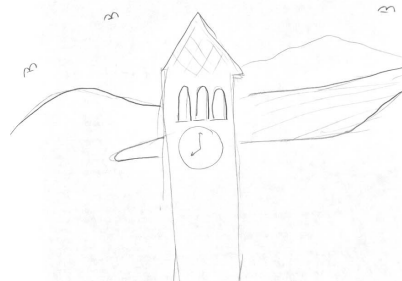
Then we ate food that was delicious. I'm kind of glad the Aaron isn't leaving quite yet, and it's not just because I'm taking an AEP course next year. Aaron has been and will continue to be a reliable brother and friend to me and the rest of CBS. May God plant your roots deep here so that you will never leave.

ALVIN WIJAYA

Most likely to solve the meaning of life
Electrical and Computer Engineering
Jakarta, Indonesia

interviewer: KK Yu

Favorites:
class: PSYCH 101
collegetown restaurant: De Tasty's
animal: puppies
type of food: Chinese, Asian
snack: cheez-its
musical genre: pop
praise song: Not for a moment



Alvin drew a picture of McGraw Tower with Cayuga Lake in the background. It's what he will always associate with Cornell, and just looking at it makes him want to cry! Aww...

Alvin is cool. All you need to know about this cool cat. But if you need to know more, he's a smarty-pants ECE genius that's super friendly and makes you feel so welcome instantly. He's from the island nation of Indonesia and somehow decided to grace Cornell with his presence! One thing on his Cornell bucket list is that he wants to nap on the slope, on a sunny day, with ice cream.

1. CBS is...
Easy to blend in. It's also got some quirks that make it

special.
Alvin's journey in faith started again here at Cornell, because of CBS. He was and is challenged to improve his faith here, through meeting people who really have a heart for God. Previous to Cornell he went to church but his faith wasn't his own. People he wants to especially credit with challenging and encouraging him include but are not limited to Dave Smith, Tim Hu, Jevon Yu, Aaron Hui, and Ellen Chuang.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

Alvin says that God made him realize the importance of Christian community and challenge. He realized the need to be supported by others, and not go it alone and CBS gave that. He always thought of himself as independent but God broke that conception down! He's also grown to want to serve more and said that if he could do Cornell and CBS again he'd make more time to serve others. He started later his freshman year and wishes he would've gotten involved earlier!

3. What encouragements/ advice do you have for... Everyone!

Alvin says that he's still struggling with God and faith (aren't we all?) but that in return God and faith has served him well. He wants to share Matthew 6:26 -- that God cares for the smallest things in the world, won't he take care you and everything? A certain level of worry is good but there's too much sometimes. Surrendering to God is not easy but it is

relieving. If you believe in God then why wouldn't you trust Him to take care of your future? This is a harder lesson for people who like to be in control / big planning types. Alvin sees himself in this way, as independent and liking to have control, which is why this verse is significant to him.

4. What are some of your hidden quirks/talents?

Alvin was (IS?) a dangerously handsome goalkeeper in middle school. He didn't let any goals past his hands and feet.

In his later years, Alvin became a virtuoso at spinning books on his fingers. He even spins iPads and when he does they immediately get upgraded to the next model because he spins them so fast they come back from the future.

5. What is your favorite spot on campus?

Alvin's quite partial to the one and only Libe Slope.

6. What is one of your greatest fears that God has relieved for you during your time at Cornell?

Alvin's fears included:
-- Not getting internships
-- Fear of loneliness
God did not let them stay fears! Alvin also feared not having a purpose besides just getting a job and money.

Here at Cornell God gave him a purpose in life that he'll hold onto: serving others and God.

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

Alvin wanted to relate that God taught him how discipline and community

are connected. They are like a feedback loop; one reinforces the other and vice versa. Wherever he goes he wants to make sure he's part of communities that have this loop!

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

Alvin has a full-time job making the moolah at NVIDIA Corporation in Santa Clara, CA. He will reside in the Bay Area and be a light to others there.

In the long-term, who knows!!! Alvin could decide to return to the mists of Jakarta, stay in the suburbia of America, or trek on to new and undiscovered locales!

Alvin would like to say that during his time at Cornell and CBS, he was really challenged and reintroduced to Christ. He thinks that CBS is one of the biggest reasons God put him at Cornell. At first, when he was admitted, he didn't really want to come, but that's totally changed now. Through CBS, God made that clear. =) He will miss everyone!

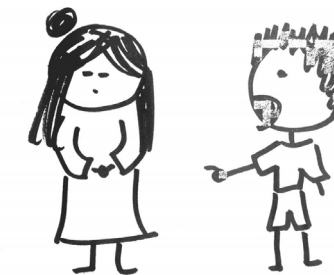
BO LONG

Most likely to be reclining on his side in the front of a group photo

Computer Science
Houston, Texas

interviewer: Nicholas Kung

Favorites:
class: CS/INFO 2300
collegetown restaurant: Apollo's
animal: puppy dogs
type of food: any grilled meat or texmex or grilled lamb with cumin or pepper
snack: greek yogurt or granola
musical genre: some subset of edm
praise song: How He Loves, David Crowder



No description... those who know will know.

After placing a very delicate object in Charles' room, Bo and I sit down on the 3D couch and start this much anticipated interview.

1. CBS is... the nerdiest of the fellowships

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

I'm a lot more caring as a person overall. From freshman year to sophomore year, I didn't feel much attachment to CBS - I just went without really doing anything. Then at the end of sophomore year and beginning of junior

year, I realized that CBS was my on-campus fellowship family and I wanted to do stuff for CBS instead of being a worthless member of society. There were good changes. I'm also more patient than I used to be because I stopped playing League of Legends. I get less mad and less frequently.

3. What encouragements/ advice do you have for... a. freshmen

For freshmen who are having a hard time or are thinking "Oh wow college is hard": College doesn't get easier most of the time unless you take easy classes. At the end of the day, it's really you who is getting better. You are getting better at handling the stresses of college and knowing how to study. During my freshman year I would spend a long time studying, get to the test, and not do very well because I didn't study the right way. So over time you will gain more experience.

b. sophomores

For the most part I feel like we baby the freshmen, but for the sophomores we leave them to fend for themselves and suddenly they become juniors and they're expected to be leaders and upstanding role models even though we've ignored them for a year. My encouragement to them is that none of us knew what we were doing in the beginning of junior year either. You'll figure it out.

c. juniors

I didn't really learn anything between Junior and Senior year. I don't have any sage advice for them. I guess one thing is that in senior year, there's going to be a

lot of pressure to get your life together and find a job. You're going to face a lot of temptation to skip out on church and fellowship. My encouragement is to consider giving your heart and life to God and to your Brothers and Sisters. In the moment you might feel like you want to do homework or apply to jobs, but when it's all over you realize you should have gone to church and hung out with your friends more.

4. What are some of your hidden quirks/talents?

I really like to talk during movies and that's a very divisive thing. Most people hate it. So sometimes everyone will hate me during a movie. At the movie theater I'll whisper to the person next to me. I'll make commentary on why things are stupid and other things. I can burp on command and I'm good at potent farts.

5. What is your favorite spot on campus? Phillips 318.

6. What is one of your greatest fears that God has relieved for you during your time at Cornell?

One of my largest fears coming to Cornell was flunking out. My first semester freshman year was terrible. I realized if I didn't get better at this, they were going to kick me out and I'd have to go to school somewhere else. But on the other hand, the nice thing is that there is no pressure to get a good GPA because it'll be bad anyways. I'm pretty happy with my B+. It still lifts my GPA.

7. What is the most important

thing that God has taught you in the past four years?

I think one of the most important things He's taught me here is to give up time, energy, and even money to help out and care for others. I'm trying not to see it as a sacrifice, and I want to be able to do it willingly. The reason why I started was that I saw a lot of my upperclassmen being very caring to me, and that was very helpful for me. I want to continue what they've done and I want to be good to the people around me. At first it was difficult because I didn't have very much time, emotion, or money. One of my friends likes to quote "fake it until you make it." Just do the things that your upperclassmen did, even if you didn't necessarily understand how or why they did it. Once you get a little more experience, you'll finally realize how these things work.

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

Short-term - still have to find that job. Long-term: Make bank and live in California. Probably want to live in the Bay Area. Some of my friends will be living there, and most importantly, Charles is there so I have to make it to the Bay Area fast.

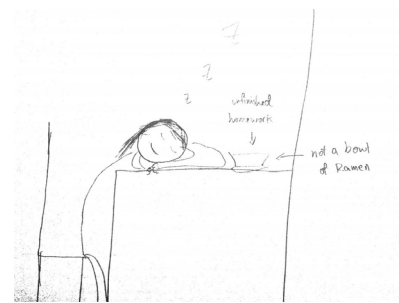
And that's it! After leaving Eddygate I grabbed some Spam to eat for lunch. All of us in CBS will miss Bo very much except the part where he talks during movies. Why Bo...Why.

CELENA HUO

Most likely to create her own language
Economics, Math, and Comparative literature
Shanghai, China

interviewer: Dorothy Zhang

- Favorites:*
- class:* Behavioral Economics
- collegetown restaurant:* Vietnamese restaurant
- animal:* Giraffe
- type of food:* sashimi
- snack:* chocolate (72% dark)
- musical genre:* Musical (German, ie Elizabeth). Anime music
- praise song:* Desert Song



Celena falling asleep on top of her homework in Malott library.

Bright and early on the Saturday morning of Felly Dinner, I took the elevator up to Celena's apartment. *Knock knock* "Come in!" I entered her quaint single near the entrance. We conducted the interview with Celena on the bed and me on her desk chair.

1. CBS is... the place where I learned English. They used non-standard words and that's how I learned English.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

CBS has changed how I view events or things happening

in my life. If something good happens, you can have many interpretations – whether it's by your own hard work, chance, or God's will / the path He chose for you. I remember when I decided to get baptized, the summer before my sophomore year, I had no idea what I was going to do because I had been looking for internships (I didn't end up getting anything). I had been praying; and one day, a job that didn't reply to me for over a month contacted me. Before, I would've thought that it was because I was lucky or that it was by chance, but now, I think that God is working in everything. That was one of the first times I thought about things in this manner.

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

a. freshmen

You still have time if you want to explore something! It's kind of hard to know what you want to do ><

b. sophomores

Haha you'll become seniors one day. Junior year is difficult but don't lose heart!

c. juniors

Don't see seniors as old because you're going to be old soon =P

4. What are some of your hidden quirks/talents?

Split Personality– I'm also a giraffe (just kidding). I also like to smash buttons on video games. I play video games and just only follow the main plot (if you know video game jargon, I don't do grinding). I draw monkeys on people's notebooks when they're not looking >< Two monkeys still have yet to be discovered.

5. What is your favorite spot on campus?

Olin Library stacks because it's quiet; and when I get bored, I can look for books (she has lots of books in her room!).

6. What is one of your greatest fears that God has relieved for you during your time at Cornell?

I feared that my life had no purpose. Before, I thought that life was about getting a job, finding a husband, and having kids; and that there wasn't anything external or important. I guess I didn't really have a purpose- just going with the flow and wondering why I'm doing all these things.

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

There is a time for everything (Ecclesiastes 3:4). God has His own time. It's been something that I've struggled the most in and still do, but at Cornell, I've learned to trust in God's plan.

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

Short-term: Pass general examinations for grad school, visit China, travel to Europe with Ellen, get back the sleep I lost at Cornell

Long term: I want to see how I can use economics to make this world a better place to live in. I'd also like to get a job in academia and stay in the U.S. It depends on what God wants me to do.

I'm so glad to have gotten to know Celena more through this interview. Her giraffe also chimed in here and there. She's so smart yet also so humble. I hope she joins the fellowship at grad school that God has chosen for her. And I look forward to visiting her XD

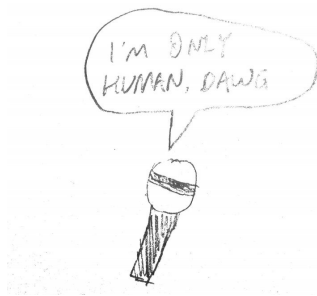
CHARLES ZHANG

Most likely to be thoughtful of those not present

Mechanical Engineering
Beijing to Delaware to Tennessee

interviewer: Zhijiang Li

Favorites:
class: Japanese
collegetown restaurant: De Tasty's
animal: Anteater, nah I'm kidding. Orcas
type of food: curry
snack: choco pie
musical genre: hip hop, punk rock, k-pop, edm
praise song: Wake, Hillsong Young and Free



Rapping during felly dinner was really good. I covered "Get Back Up" by TI.

Charles is such a well-traveled man. Unfortunately, Charles was not interviewed for as a freshman for BoL, so now I have the pleasure of conducting his very first BoL interview.

1. CBS is... a fellowship dedicated to knowing more about Christ and growing in Christ. CBS is a community where anyone can feel at home, and... CBS is a family. I always got this impression freshman year that how, even though I walked in as a total stranger, they took me in almost immediately.

Even back then when my faith was so young or almost nonexistent.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

Too many ways haha. I think a big part that people saw was that I basically don't swear anymore, or as much as in high school. I swore so much in high school no one wanted to be friends with me. It was pretty bad. God has given me that sense of peace even if... one of the main reasons I came to Christ was when a friend was reading a passage of the Bible to me, and it was something like give yourself up for God and He will provide for you. If it wasn't for that, I wouldn't have gotten through college. I often have just let academics/success take over my life. If I had give it up to God, things would turn out a lot better. God has also given me a heart to love others more, particularly those who feel left out or unloved. God has transformed me into someone who wants to seek Him more and who wants to tell the world about how great He is because of how He transformed me.

3. What encouragements/advice do you have for... a. freshmen

Enjoy underclassmen years while you can. When a new school year starts, do your best to meet new people, because from what I observe, freshmen tend to feel more comfortable hanging out with sophomores when meeting them for the first time.

b. sophomores

Gosh what can I say haha. You're getting old. Don't, don't put that down! You're going

to be living off campus next semester and that comes with new responsibilities. Make sure you're able to balance living while working. Now that you're upperclassmen look into yourself and see how you can best serve the fellowship. Soon the future of the fellowship will be on you.

c. juniors

I can't believe you guys are going to be seniors already! As seniors, you guys are going to be like the face of the fellowship. Senior year will definitely be different for different people, but in most cases, it'll be a time of anxiety. Lots of you guys will be leading the fellowship in one way or another. It'll be challenging, but stay faithful and trust in Him. Also, come into the school year with a serving heart, because a lot will be on you guys. It seems like you guys are very close, and the love that you guys have for one another is something that CBS could see more of. So share the love, share the laughs.

4. What are some of your hidden quirks/talents?

I'm very good with directions. Normally, I wouldn't need a map to get anywhere, even if it's a new place. At times when I feel like I might be taking a wrong turn, I'll just look at a map and draw a mental map in my head. I also have perfect pitch. Most people don't know this.

5. What is your favorite spot on campus?

Gosh this is so tough. The first place that really attracted my attention was Duffield. Actually. Now I would say my favorite spot is the stone

sculptures behind McGraw Hall.

6. What is one of your greatest fears that God has relieved for you during your time at Cornell?

One of my greatest fears is definitely uncertainty about the future. There are always those times when you feel like you didn't meet your expectations, and because you didn't meet those expectations you won't end up well in the future. God has revealed to me that He provides, and He has provided indeed. Freshman year I was insecure about my future. As I stay faithful in Him, I feel like I have a bright future ahead.

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

Most important thing is to love one another. Even now it can be hard to love one another at times. Because when you're in that Christian bubble, it's really hard to love others outside of it. But God has given me the heart to love those who are outside the fellowship. It's something the Christian community can use more of. It's easy to see the emptiness on this campus and world. On top of that, love others without partiality.

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

Short-term is M.Eng.

Long-term find a job, perhaps consulting, and hopefully be in a California or Texas or the east coast.

Charles... What a hilarious man with a giant heart. I've definitely had the pleasure

of interviewing him and this opportunity to learn more about him. May Charles never grow out of his love for anteaters and gorillas.

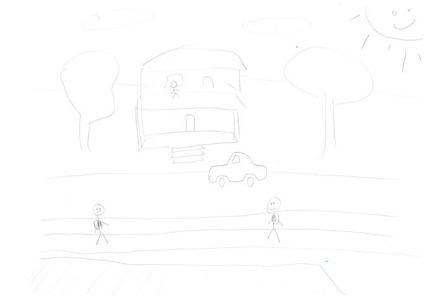
ELLEN CHUANG

Most likely to be a really fantastic secret agent

Electrical and Computer Engineering
Hudson, Ohio

interviewer: Stephanie Chan

Favorites:
class: Human Bonding
collegetown restaurant: None (favorite ithacan restaurant? Agava)
animal: dogs, cats, birds
type of food: Mediterranean
snack: I don't buy snacks anymore, so water?
musical genre: epic movie soundtracks
praise song: Let the Waters Rise



Sitting on the roof in May with Katherine

It is Wednesday night, three days after interviews were officially due. We sit at the window table at Koko modeling the food for the people walking by outside to wish they were eating. Ellen and I discuss spring semester and summer over a seafood pancake. After a wonderful conversation and a more than filling meal, we head to Ellen's home in Eddygate where we explore Ellen's deep reflections from the past four years.

1. CBS is... Chinese Bible Study. [Anything else?] A group of

broken people who encourage one another to pursue Christ, the only One who can heal our brokenness.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

When I first came here, I didn't know what it meant to grow as a Christian. It is necessary to first recognize our brokenness and that He is only one who can make us whole. So often we are results-oriented, seeking tangible measures of our success, when in reality our goal should be to learn what it means to be more Christ-like.

3. What encouragements/advice do you have for... a. freshmen

You are much more than a grade, don't stress out. Remember to reach out to others.

b. sophomores

Work a little harder (just kidding). If you have a problem with other people, make sure you're right with God first. Put your relationship with God before your relationships with others.

c. juniors

Don't sweat about the decisions you'll have to make; whatever you decide, it will not be the end of world.

4. What are some of your hidden quirks/talents?

I'm pretty sure it's not hidden anymore, but my hiccups sounds like "Hiccup!" Also, I like to draw and can copy paintings, but I struggle with real-life drawing. A less known fact is that I'm really good at spelling and almost went to the National Spelling Bee ["whoa!"]. I'd also like to say that I'm good at range

weapons; I took archery at Cornell and have gone shooting before.

5. What is your favorite spot on campus?

The stone wall next to Duffield facing the engineering quad. It's a secluded place to sit and people-watch and if you run into people it's not super awkward.

6. What is one of your greatest fears that God has relieved for you during your time at Cornell?

One of my greatest fears was not having enough time to do everything. Every time I've given my time up to God, He's given it back to me fourfold. A real example of this occurred when I didn't completely finish my ECE 2300 lab, but decided to go small group instead. The next day, morning classes were cancelled due to Hurricane Sandy so even though I had given up an hour to attend small group, I gained four hours to finish the lab.

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

No body in Christ is perfect. Humans being social creatures naturally seek idols in friends, but our first source of help should be God. He always provides and I've learned to seek Him first. Another thing He's taught me is that God can transform hearts. I saw a lot of sins in myself but I didn't hate these sins, which is necessary to turn away from sin. God will not tempt you beyond what you can bear [she points to 1 Corinthians 10:13 hanging on her wall], but He wants you to go to Him for help.

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

short-term: work at Intel in NorCal
long-term: travel the world

Ellen is a sweet, gentle, and humorous woman of God who I've had the privilege of knowing as a sister, TA, and friend. I am immensely thankful for your wisdom, guidance, generosity, and care. May He continue to use you to do great and mighty things in His name!

JAMES ZOU

Most likely to be a professional impersonator

History
San Jose, CA

interviewer: Matthew Yang

Favorites:
class: History of Medicine
collegetown restaurant: Apollo's, does that count?
animal: polar bear
type of food: I don't know, I eat a lot... probably pho.
snack: chocolate or nachos (if there were no repercussions), popcorn if I was being responsible
musical genre: house, edm
praise song: This is Amazing Grace



Charles pie-ing Wendy.

One night, I was walking alone in the plantations. It was nice and peaceful: a good time of reflection. Suddenly, a beam of light came down from the heavens. I heard the "whop, whop, whop" above, and I saw a man descend from the skies. This man was James. As I drew closer, entranced by his awesomeness, I was drawn into asking questions.

1. CBS is... a community of brothers and sisters united in Christ and video games and other things.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

I have grown in patience. I have learned to love people more. I have grown a bigger heart, a heart that is more understanding. I know which things are priorities and from those I can pick and choose my battles. Overall, more prudence.

3. What encouragements/advice do you have for... a. freshmen

Put yourself out there. Don't take life too seriously. Find out what's important to you. Make time for people. Don't be too disappointed if you don't meet the expectations of others. In all, follow the Lord.

b. sophomores

Junior year is better. Enjoy West campus while you can. Try to keep your youthful in spirit despite becoming upperclassmen; don't forget where you came from.

c. juniors

Senior year is short. Try to think early what you want to do after graduation so you can have peace of mind. See above for other encouragements/advice.

4. What are some of your hidden quirks/talents?

I can do a good Charles impression (also a good Lauren impression). I can flare my nostrils when speaking sometimes. Besides that, I'm pretty boring.

5. What is your favorite spot on campus?

I like Olin library. It is quiet. There were good memories sitting there writing papers for 10 hours. It is calm and peaceful; it's removed from the hustle and bustle of

Cornell life.

My favorite place used to be Philips 318 (the computer lab), but I got sick of the smell.

6. What is one of your greatest fears that God has relieved for you during your time at Cornell?

I was afraid of not finding direction and not knowing His plans for me. I was unsure of the purpose of my life but I was shown to go to medicine, which is my life's calling. All of this was learned in the journey through Cornell.

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

You are not always right. In fact, most of the time you're wrong. Wisdom is only gained through experience.

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

I'm working next year at AmeriCorps and applying to med schools.

Long term I plan to go to med school and then start a family. I still want to continue to grow and meet new people. I want to disciple others and be discipled, all the good stuff.

After giving me his senior wills, James returned to his helicopter and flew off into the horizon. I have gained much and I will miss this dear friend and brother.

JEVON YU

Most likely to be late to his own wedding

Operations Research
Billerica, MA

interviewer: Jonathan Tong

Favorites:

class:

Supply Chain Management NBA 6410. The professor was really funny, taught pretty well, and it was one of the few classes I was actively interested in

collegetown restaurant:

I don't have a huge preference for things. But I guess De Tasty seems to be all the rage right now. OH WAIT! 7-11 PIZZA

animal:

Dolphins. They encapsulate who I am. Well, maybe not. I'm not really a swimmer anymore... not as smart as I thought I was... but they use sonar... which is like music. Kelvin ruined my first pick of pandas

type of food:

A good steak is always nice. Burrito Bowl from Chipotle.

snack:

Egg sandwiches. They're the quickest thing. But I am content with whatever snack is available.

musical genre:

Hard rock. Artists like R.E.D and Thousand Foot Krutch

praise song:

Hmm, this is a tough one. I guess for hymn: Great is thy Faithfulness. For contemporary: Forever Reign



Burning rice in a pot in CKB at the end of first semester freshman year.

Jevon and I met up in Rose for Taco Tuesday. No longer used to the dining hall's abundance, I overestimated my hunger and took way too much food. But Jevon, ever willing to help a brother, came in for the save.

1. CBS is...

Long pause a Holy Priesthood....

No, just kiddin'. A close, tight-knit family of believers who seek to spur each other on.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

I got fatter....

No, just kidding. I've grown a lot, in my knowledge of Him. I've seen how faith has grown through people who have invested in Him, through serving, leading, trusting in Him, holding my identity in Him.

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

a. freshmen

Don't let others look down on you (1 Tim 4:12)

Don't stop meeting together. You can step up in serving, discipling others

Turn to God in prayer first. Continue to seek wisdom, direction from others early on in your careers

Don't get FAT.

b. sophomores

Keep in touch with one another, especially those on co-op.

People are looking up to you, set an example for others!

Don't be lazy.

Learn how to shepherd, care for others, do a lot of discipling.

Even if you're not in a formal leadership role, we're all called to be active in the fellowship.

Don't feel like you have to do everything, focus on what God has called you to do.

c. juniors

You're the oldest now.... be sure to learn how to seek God on your own. Don't be too reliant on one another.

Figure out where your heart and priorities are in leading the fellowship

Be able to reach out to the younger ones, your perspective is different than theirs

Don't only serve those who you're comfortable with.

Make sacrifices.

4. What are some of your hidden quirks/talents?

Sleeptalking, destroying rice cookers, being oblivious to social cues. I can beat Through the Fire and Flames on Expert. I can also play 7 instruments.

5. What is your favorite spot on campus?

My bed. Oh wait, that's not on campus. Rhodes 4th floor student lounge. I live there.

6. What is one of your greatest fears that God has relieved for you during your time at Cornell?

I fear nothing. No wait, that's not true. I have fear of not getting a job and having a clear direction in life. I had a lot of fear when I stopped being ECE, but God has shown me grace despite not being a great student.

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

My identity isn't based on anything that I do. My identity is who He's created me to be. I highly recommend taking a Sabbath rest to reorient yourself towards God. I've learned to grow on my own. While community is great, be sure to wrestle and grow on your're on your own as well.

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

graduation?

Short-term: I'm interning in California this summer and coming back in the Fall to finish up M.Eng in Engineering Management.

After that... we'll see.....

After wrapping up our interview, I felt strangely nostalgic. The last time I've eaten one-on-one with Jevon was during first semester freshman year. Then, we were just a freshman and a sophomore, but now, we are a junior and a senior. Time has really flown by, but luckily, he's not gone quite yet!

JOHN HUI

Most likely to be a Christian house music

DJ dropping the beat

Applied Economics and Management
Villanova, Pennsylvania

interviewer: Jerry Xu

Favorites:

class:

Intro to Chinese

collegetown restaurant:

Kung Fu Tea

animal:

phoenix

type of food:

beef noodle soup

snack:

Korean pulled noodles

musical genre:

edm

praise song:

Set a Fire



My favorite memory from Cornell was during the end of semester freshman year when Jesus filled me with the Holy Spirit electrifying away my doubts of God, causing me to encounter the most tangible love I'd ever experienced, and causing me to speak in tongues for 8 hours straight uncontrollably. Coming back on a van ride to Cornell from a retreat, my brothers and sisters and I entered into a time of prayer worship. Following this, Jesus met us in that vehicle and poured out His Spirit and gifts upon those in the car. I received a deep burden for the Gospel to be preached to every nation as well as an eternal joy in forever knowing Christ as my savior. It was the most supernatural way I'd ever experienced God up to that point. It was awesome. Much fun. Very wow.

I sit down to interview a man of great beauty. He is tall, dark, and handsome...and his name is John Hui.

1. CBS is...

[No answer]

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

I would say the primary thing that God has shown me since freshman year is an understanding of how supernatural and out of this world His love is.

3. What encouragements/ advice do you have for... a. freshmen

What you realize you need really quickly is community. You come into a new place and you desperately desire people, but your walk with Christ is the central part of what you should want, since you'll leave here with that.

b. sophomores

Similar thing. Just really try to find your value not necessarily in academics or people, but center yourself on Christ. Sophomore year is different because you're no longer babied, so you should just be relying on Jesus.

c. juniors

Again same thing. You also don't need to have your whole life figured out. Jesus will lead you.

4. What are some of your hidden quirks/talents?

I don't really have much. I can speak gibberish. My Spanish is okay. I'm okay at smash. I'm a top player in the world in Hover Kart Racing at omgpop.com.

5. What is your favorite spot on campus?

The slope. There's something really special about the slope. It has natural beauty and you can just rest on that hill, but there's also a contrast when

on slope day everyone just gets wasted on it. That's just such a weird contrast, with how such a place of beauty turn into a dark wasteland.

6. What is one of your greatest fears that God has relieved for you during your time at Cornell?

Any doubts in Him. Any doubts of God's existence were electrified out of that van in freshman year.

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

His love demonstrated by powerful manifestations of His glory.

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

This summer I'll be interning in the Bay Area at Box. After that I'm undecided, but I may continue working or do missions in Mozambique or start a Master's in Information Science. However, long term plans are to impact the lives of millions of people for Christ.

As you can see, John Hui is more than just a ridiculously handsome guy. He is a God-loving man, who is very well cultured and not afraid to give some deep reflections on his past four years!

KATHERINE JAW

Most likely to sail to the ends of the earth for you

Materials Science and Engineering
Villa Park, CA

interviewer: Christine Loui

Favorites:
class:

Archery

collegetown restaurant:

Do I have to pick one? I don't care where I eat. It's not about the food I eat, more about the people I'm with.

animal:

If I had to choose a specific animal, it's my dog.
If I had to choose a specific breed/type: red pandas.

type of food:

Uh... savory?

snack:

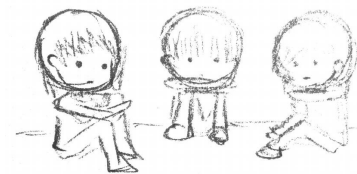
Oh man I already said savory. I eat finger food snacks

musical genre:

Whatever I have on Spotify. Probably mainstream. Not super mainstream but indie mainstream.

praise song:

"In the Secret" because it has a lot of memories attached to it



Just hanging around and talking with people about anything.

It took a while for us to find a time to meet and when we did it was in Aaron and Jevon's room which Aaron so graciously offered. With the freedom to use their room we were planning to make it messier, but there was no point because there were Bo's tires stacked in the room and clothes in various places. So after getting the internet up and running (2E changed their router name again) we finally sat down for the interview.

1. CBS is...

Chinese Bible Study. [Do you want to add on to that?] It was the first Christian fellowship I joined ever. Even though I didn't really like it at first it grew on me and helped me grow to who I am today and who I will be in the future. I hope the future of CBS will also grow people more as well. I didn't think I was growing but everyone has been like yea I've seen you grow and it's been really encouraging.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

He broke me down maybe more than I would personally like to draw closer to him. Even now I am still being broken down. That just means I haven't fully grown yet and we're still growing every day. Freshman year I didn't go to church and I didn't join CBS until sophomore year. I started going to church second semester freshman year. So it's been crazy, I never imagined myself as a CBS leader of sorts. I really learned how to love and learned what love is like. I don't think I really knew what it was and truly God's love is something different.

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

a. freshmen

It's been really cool to see you guys grow especially felly dinner. I really appreciated all the work you put into it especially the notes. I am so sorry I haven't talked to you guys but you have all been so nice. It'll be incredible times of growth and it will be hard but you will make it through.

b. sophomores

You guys have been the

first classes that have loved on me and it's incredible how open you guys were and unashamed to love and even though you are really small group. I've been really encouraged by how much you guys have a heart to just care for others and also to serve God and I pray that you guys are able to serve selflessly and keep on holding onto God through all your struggles.

c. juniors

Out of all the CBS classes I consider myself really close with you guys. I don't know all of you but you guys are really mature and I know you don't feel that way. Don't worry too much about the future because even though you think you have a plan it's not the plan that is going to happen most likely and as for the future CBS it seems like a huge burden for you guys, but don't be burdened by it because it's really all God's doing and His will so help His will to be done.

d. everyone

This was given to me by Ann. Be honest. Be yourself. And it's ok if you don't know all the answers.

4. What are some of your hidden quirks/talents?

(Speechless) I don't know.

You guys already saw me imitate Jevon and Charles in the video. You already know that I burp so is anything really hidden? I don't know.

5. What is your favorite spot on campus?

Unfortunately this is not on campus but.. my bed. It might be different now. Olivia's apartment. although 2E smells, 2E is ok and I do really like 4D.

6. What is one of your greatest fears that God has relieved for you during your time at Cornell?

I think he's given me a lot of peace about everything. I know that's really broad. I know I can here with a lot of pride and I thought my first semester freshman year I had given it up but I truly hadn't. And I didn't believe in a lot of His will, His ability and His power. I think he has shown me that I'm not enough and it's not what I can do and it's more of what he can really do. So I can't stop Him so there is no use worrying about what I am to do.

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

He's taught me how to love and receive love and what does it look like really. Even though you think that your way of loving people is the right way, but honestly everyone needs to be loved differently sometimes. I used to be self-reliant, but when you are broken down and people really do care for you and you have not choice but to accept you really are grateful for that love. I probably wouldn't have seen it if I didn't serve in the church through youth and just getting to know more of CBS. I didn't really hang out with CBS too much because I had to do my own things or I didn't feel like I belonged, but people really do care even though you don't feel it. I wish that I had not only tried harder but been there more and seeking out God more through that.

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

Short term plans: I'm going to be taking care of my family. I can get frustrated easily, but I want to love on them.

Long-Term plans: Whatever God has in store for me. I don't know what it is but I want to let Him use me for whatever purpose He has in store for me.

God has blessed me with a caring and supportive sister who I have had the pleasure to know these past three years. I have enjoyed serving with her in prayer ministry and I pray that whatever God has in store with her that she is able to follow obediently and trust in His faithfulness to her. We all will miss you and we hope we will meet you again someday!

KELVIN LUU

Most likely to ask you "How are you?" and wave

Computer Science
Plano, Texas

interviewer: Justin Lin

Favorites:
class: Advanced Machinery, Algorithms (undergrad and grad)
collegetown restaurant: Koko's
animal: turtle or panda
type of food: Korean or Thai
snack: Basically anything counts as a snack for me.
musical genre: R&B
praise song: God of This City



Late nights/early mornings with friends doing work, playing video games, and just talking.

I've never really done a BOL interview before, but here it goes.

1. CBS is... a very loving, freindly, comfortable, welcoming place.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

I accepted Christ in junior year. God has revealed more of Himself to me. I learned more of His character and what He wants.

3. What encouragements/ advice do you have for... a. freshmen

This is a little hard for me since I wasn't a Christian when I was a freshman. You may struggle a little bit, but

God still works through all of it. If you have faith in Him, He will provide a way. It doesn't really matter if you fail at first as long as you keep trying and working hard, even if you aren't the smartest person in the world.

b. sophomores

It may be a transition from freshman year when everyone pours into you. Now, you may feel the pressure to pour into others more. This might cause you to feel a little lost. Just keep strong in the faith and persevere through all of this.

c. juniors

Work hard, get sleep, and stay strong in your faith. Even if you have been hurt, there are always people who are willing to talk with you and be friends.

d. seniors

I regret not pouring out to underclassman as much; it's only been one year which is both a long and short time.

4. What are some of your hidden quirks/talents?

I don't know, other people could probably tell you better. I have opposite weather sickness; I don't like the sun. I like cold weather like today (overcast, breezy).

5. What is your favorite spot on campus?

I really like the second and third floor of Duffield (the tables and couches). The sun helps wake me up. I hate Gates Hall. I also like RPCC and all the freshmen just coming by. Upperclassmen spread out so I think RPCC's atmosphere is really nice.

6. What is one of your greatest fears that God has relieved for you during your time at

Cornell?

It isn't fully relieved, but keeping my faith as I move to Seattle; God has been showing me through church, sermons, his word, and other people that He is faithful. He will provide me with the strength to persevere.

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

I could just give the easy answer - the gospel -since I came to Christ. Mostly, just how broken everyone is. I had trouble with this while I was a freshman. I learned how much God cries and feels sorry for us and loves us enough to do something about it.

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

I'm going to graduate school at the University of Washington. I want to do research and teach (although this is really hard). I wouldn't mind doing industry either.

Kelvin is really going to miss his time at Cornell, and we will all miss his heart and presence in CBS.

LAUREN TANG

Most likely to succeed as an Asian food blogger

Biological Engineering
Saratoga, CA

interviewer: Xinran Pan

Favorites:
class: Wines or Sailing
collegetown restaurant: Carriage House
animal: I think everyone is expecting me to say cats but I'm gonna go with dogs.
type of food: Asian food, either Korean or Taiwanese or Japanese
snack: Someone must have been really hungry while writing this. Fruit and (cheddar) bunnies.
musical genre: Pop; people are expecting me to say I don't have one. I can't study while listening to music!
praise song: Oceans



If you ever venture into the yellow windowless building known as Snee, you'll come across rocks. Many, many rocks. You'll also come across Lauren Tang. This studious sister is the keeper of the high coveted Snee key and on any given evening you can guarantee that at least a couple dozen people will call her up and ask/demand/plead for access into the building. But I mean, who wouldn't want to study with this cat-loving sister? So I ventured to Snee late into the night to begin an interrogat--I mean, interview.

1. CBS is...

I don't want to give the cliché answer. A family of brothers and sisters committed to knowing God and making Him known.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

A lot! So many things have changed since freshman year. I've definitely gained a better understanding of what it means to have a personal relationship with Jesus. I've been learning what it truly means to find my identity in Christ and not in how other people see me and what the world defines it to be (majors, careers, etc). I've become more open and allowed myself to share with others about what I struggle with and receive encouragement. Before coming to Cornell I never sat down with anyone to have a spiritual conversation. At first, the concept of getting lunch with someone was weird! I've also become less introverted.

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

a. freshmen

Even though you might have found a good friend group and a few activities you enjoy, don't be afraid to try something new. If there's anything you want to join or explore, go try it out. Next year, it might be challenging at times if you feel like all the attention goes to the freshmen. Sophomore year is about learning to serve the freshmen and the fellowship.

b. sophomores

You probably will never feel like you're ready to be an upperclassmen- but I think you are ready! Learn to care

for others and serve the fellowship. Don't worry about having all the right answers - there is so much you can learn from those younger than you. God has given you all unique gifts, so use them for His glory. It may be easy to let yourself get caught up in all the work and things you need to do to prepare for the future, whether that's GREs, MCATs, or finding a summer internship, but don't let those things get in the way of your walk with God and serving the fellowship.

c. juniors

It's been really encouraging to see how much you care for the fellowship and for each other. Continue to care for and encourage one another. At times, it will be easy for seniors to check out and think "I've been there, done that" with CBS and college life in general but continue to invest time in loving others. Set a good example for the underclassmen and fellowship as a whole. It's easy to get caught up in trying to figure out what you will do after graduation and worry if you don't have a plan for the rest of your life. But when talking to older brothers and sisters, you'll find that many people are constantly trying to figure out what they want to do next!

4. What are some of your hidden quirks/talents?

I don't think I have any. [She's a cat.]

5. What is your favorite spot on campus?

Snee for studying! The slope for watching the sunset.

6. What is one of your greatest fears that God has relieved

for you during your time at Cornell?

The need for security and having my future career all planned out. For me it's really easy to want to have a back up plan and a back up plan for that back up plan but throughout college I haven't always had a backup plan or known what's coming next and I've learned to trust God that will provide.

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

God has a plan that is far more perfect than anything we can imagine for ourselves. There are many times when it's easy to feel disappointed when things don't go as I wanted but God has shown His faithfulness in all aspects of life. Also, when I was away on co-op, I feared that I wouldn't be able to find community. However, God showed me that He is faithful beyond the comfort of CBS and beyond Cornell.

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

Short term: Going to Korea and Taiwan this summer and then on a short term missions trip with my church to Baja, Mexico to build a house and run a VBS. After that, I will be starting a full time job in tech consulting with Accenture.

Long term: I don't know yet but I know God has a plan!

At the conclusion of this interrogat-er, um, interview, I decided that I wanted to adopt Snee as my future home for late night studying, become a part of SneeBS, and take the Snee key as my precious.

Heheh! But in all seriousness, it's been a pleasure getting to know Lauren these past three semesters! I look up to her in many different ways and have been greatly encouraged by this sister. Lauren, continue to love and trust in the Lord with all your heart and seek after God's own heart. He has great plans in store for you!

MAX KE

Most likely to live out his dreams as
Batman

Chemistry
Belmont, MA

interviewer: Charles Qian

Favorites:
class:

ASIAN 2210 - Popular Culture in China
collegetown restaurant:

Agava, Istanbul Ithaca Kitchen, Apollo's
animal:

hippopotamus

type of food:

my mom's cooking

snack:

Oreos

musical genre:

Orchestral (videogame) soundtrack

praise song:

Amazing Grace (original)



Watching shooting stars, looking at the Milky Way, and star-tripping at Bethel Grove

Though I know who he is, and he me, I ask him for his name out of formality--to kick off the interview, you know? He responds with "My name is Maximus Decimus Meridius Decimus Meridius Maximus Decimus Meridius Decimus Meridius Maximus Decimus Meridius Maximus Meridius Decimus Maximus Decimus Meridius Maximus Decimus Meridius...[10 hours later]...Decimus Meridius

Maximus. But you can call me Max."

1. CBS is...
a flawed group of people whom I have chosen to love.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

Four years ago...I don't know, it's just, I think the most vague answer I can give is: God has grown my relationship with Him. But I guess slightly more specifically, one example of that is, four years ago, I wouldn't have been able to really answer the question "What has God done for me?"

I mean I know that He gave His son for us, right? I mean that is still definitely the most important answer, like without that we have nothing else. But I think that one thing God has done for me personally, that I know now (which also makes it a degree easier for me to tell others about God because it's more concrete for me now) is in my Junior spring, did you know I was planning on taking a year off? I was really burnt out, academically, and just unhappy about a lot of stuff, mostly grades. I just wanted to take a break from it all and recenter myself and get my life together. And then, I wouldn't say things started coming together, but I just started feeling better about things. So one thing God did was that He gave me specific direction, a specific leading. Like, telling me exactly, "No, you're going to stay in school, and you're going to finish." Despite my mistakes and foolishness, God is still on my side.

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

a. freshmen

Ask God for real eyes to see God's bigger vision in yourselves and on campus and beyond. Cornell challenges you and can cloud your vision.

b. sophomores

Know what are the real lies that Satan uses to attack you. There can be many discouragements, but God is greater.

c. juniors

Disclaimer: Seniors don't have their lives together - we're just as broken and in need of God as anyone else. Realize that though you are a talented and numerous crew, we need to continue trusting and submitting to God in everything. trust in God and submit to Him for everything in life.

4. What are some of your hidden quirks/talents?

Singing, because no one in CBS has heard me sing.

Freshman year, I could do a split.

5. What is your favorite spot on campus?

Phillips 318.

6. What is one of your greatest fears that God has relieved for you during your time at Cornell?

I think the most general theme that I could say is... fear of my relationship with God. Just like, fears related to that. Um, such as losing it, not being forgiven. Also fearing that I can't hear His voice.

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

Loving people and loving Him. Like, how to love people

better. But also, like, I guess what does loving God also look like? Like, He's been giving me a better sense of it. I think... that's vague enough to cover everything else.

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

Short term, I guess I'm taking it easy over the summer, which I didn't intend to, but I guess it seems that's going to be the case. Taking it easy as in like not going on a job hunt or whatever. I'm doing STP (Summer Training Program) with Volunteer Summer English Teachers.

Long-term: No idea. I'd like to say my long term plans probably don't involve Chemistry. [Really??] Wait, you don't know that I like, hate the Chem major? ... Hopefully, finding a job will help me narrow down my career interests.

As Max and I walk back down to campus, I am encouraged by all that he has learned through his struggles at Cornell. God has taught him so much in his time here, and it seems that God has used every trial and every experience to show him what really matters in life. So many times, the world will try to tell him he's not enough, or that he's a messup, or that he's nothing, but I know that God will come through every time and help him see that he is formed in the image of God and that all he's ever gonna be is Max.

MICHELLE LEE

Most likely to stump the Bible study leader with questions

Sociology and Psychology
Queens, NY

interviewer: Esther Jiang

Favorites:
class:

Usually I'd say "Intro to Sociology," but I'm taking a really great class called "Race and Education." Both of the classes are good because they helped me see what I'm passionate about and what I would like to do in the future. Since the topics are about inequality, the courses solidified my interest in enabling individuals and helping them access the opportunities they deserve for better futures.

collegetown restaurant:
I've grown pretty tired of them, but I like Plum Tree. I used to eat at Cafe Pacific for their Katsudon, but then I tried the Katsudon at Plum Tree and it was so good (relatively).

animal:
Arghhh this is hard because it's so symbolic of who you are... I'll say deer. My first beanie baby was a deer, and you can't forget your first-ever beanie baby.

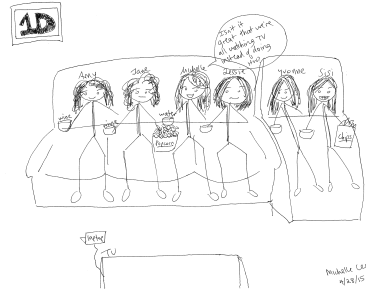
type of food:
Anything I can eat with rice

snack:
These are such hard questions... I like to munch on carrot sticks. [SO healthy...] JK my favorite snack is honey wheat pretzel sticks. They're wheat, so that's healthy too, right?

musical genre:
Pop, Top-40s type of stuff

praise song:
I like Chris Tomlin's "At the Cross" and Hillsong's "Broken Vessels." Wait, let me revise my song choice; I still like those songs, but my first praise song was "Oceans." I heard it when I visited Cru for the first time, and it really resonated with me.

It's hard to pick one memory, but living with my apartment mates in 1D has been amazing. I was an RA in sophomore year, so I didn't know what I was missing out on. I started living with them in my junior year, and it was really comfortable. As seniors, everything really came together, and we love hanging out with each other. We also really like to watch TV together. It's been so nice to bond with these girls and we've become closer, even though we already knew each other well.



In the Fall semester of 2014, I received an email on September 29 (yes, I checked), with the subject line: "Interested in Signing Up for Small Group." The email sender was a senior who was exploring her spirituality, and she asked me if it would be possible for her to join CBS. It was hard for me not to email her back with "YES!!!!!!", but I managed to control myself and civilly ask her if she would be interested in meeting up before our large group meeting. To my pleasant surprise, she enthusiastically agreed! Since that fateful email, I've had the amazing privilege become friends with the one and only Michelle Lee, whose interview I present to you today:

1. CBS is... warm, welcoming, and amazing. Even though I joined CBS late and haven't been as involved I would have liked, I think that all of the programs of CBS really welcome people. CBS creates an environment where I feel loved and supported, even as someone exploring Christianity.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?
I discovered God in the fall semester of my senior year, so I can't really speak about how God has changed me

since freshman year. Now that I look back, I think my life was lacking – there was no real purpose in why I had to love my family and be a good person. I think learning about God has given me a lot of purpose in the things that I do, and I'm starting to understand why we love and serve each other.

**3. What encouragements/advice do you have for...
a. freshmen**

Don't be afraid to explore your interests early on.

b. sophomores

Don't feel like you're stuck in the same friend group; try to continue to expand your circle of friends.

c. juniors

You have more time than you think you do.

4. What are some of your hidden quirks/talents?

I chew my liquids instead of swallowing... I thought everyone did that! Also, I looked this up, and I found an article that supported my hypothesis: chewing speeds up your metabolism. So chewing your liquids is good! [???

5. What is your favorite spot on campus?

I want to say something outdoors-y but I am scared of the sun because I burn so easily. But I like Beebe Lake when it's not too hot or too cold or too buggy. [So... never?]

6. What is one of your greatest fears that God has relieved for you during your time at Cornell?

Ooh I like these interview questions more than job interview questions! I have

many fears – I'm a fearful person. I'm still working on this, but I think that God has been relieving my fear of not being good enough. I started looking into Christianity because I never felt good enough, and my success/failures caused my identity to flip-flop a lot. When I discovered that my purpose is to live for Christ, I have become less cautious and more accepting of myself.

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

I think that He has taught me the importance of patiently trusting His will. This is especially true when you're job searching and feeling hopeless – it's so important to know that you're not worthless to God. We need to trust in His plans and know that He will do amazing things.

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

My short-term goal is to find a job and be employed. I'd also like to do some volunteer work, so I can be involved and give back. In the long-term, I hope to better understand myself as a Christian, find a church community, deepen my faith, and grow. [Can I get an 'Amen'?!]

All in all, it's amazing to see the work of God in Michelle's life. Michelle is one of the sweetest, most sincere and hilarious girls I've ever met, and it was my joy to walk with her for part of the journey. I will miss my deer (heh) friend, but I hope that our paths will cross again. We love you, Michelle!

OLIVIA WOO

Most likely to love with no constraint and give you a hug

Fine Arts (minor: Performing and Media Art)
Bergen County, NJ

interviewer: Cassie Jia

Favorites:
class:

Intro to Photography (for the people I met; photography is actually my least confident medium).

Ithacan restaurant:
Waffle Frolic

animal:
Penny (MY dog); elephants

type of food:
Italian

snack:
frozen bananas, frozen grapes, frozen yogurt

musical genre:
pop, k-pop, k-indie (not in order)

praise song:
10,000 Reasons



CLASS OF 2015 GUYS' SONG FOR SENIOR GIRLS @ VALENTINE'S DAY FELLY DINNER 2014: I was new to CBS at this time, but the guys still included me in their song to the junior (now graduating senior) girls. It really touched my heart and encouraged me to be part of the fellowship as much as I have.

I met Olivia on a Wednesday night. Wearing a pink scarf and hipster hat, she was as lovely and fashionable as ever. Swaying to Ed Sheeran's Thinking Out Loud playing in Ivy Room, we agreed that this is one of our favorite songs and started our interview.

1. CBS is... Fellowship...Dem kids...Brothers & Sisters.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

Before college, I always had a close, one-on-one personal relationship with God. Coming to college, God has challenged me to find communities. Through finding local churches and then later CBS, I was taught how to love on others through the power of prayers. Also through different challenges that God presented to me, I learned to see blessings through suffering.

**3. What encouragements/advice do you have for...
a. freshmen**

Next year, remember you are not alone. Don't be afraid to be open.

b. sophomores

Remember to keep your ears open to your brothers and sisters, and listen.

c. juniors

Don't be afraid to go out of your comfort zone. You guys have so many different gifts/talents and potential, so be united as a class to serve His people.

4. What are some of your hidden quirks/talents?

I've done a lot of sports. I did fencing, track, taekwondo, and softball. I actually played softball for ten years, and people sometimes got intimidated of me when I batted. My whole being is quirky. "I am the quirk."

5. What is your favorite spot on campus?

My room. I like to keep everything in one spot and spend a lot of efforts decorating it! I pray over my room before moving in for His spirit to dwell in that place.

Another spot is somewhere by the gorges in ctown. I like to sit near the water and just breathe.

6. What is one of your greatest fears that God has relieved for you during your time at Cornell?

I am always working on managing fear for the future, and it's been good. I have learned that I just need to go all the way with God according to His will. I don't worry about job prospects and choosing the most logistically sound path if it's not really where my heart is. No matter how long it will take me to get there, I will be fine as long as I am walking with Him. I am learning to constantly practice this trust.

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

Thanksgiving, which leads to rejoicing, or the idea of being fulfilled rather than just content. Also learning to be still and listen more before being so quick to act and do things.

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

Short-term: This summer, I will be studying for the GRE and traveling to Korea. In the fall, I will be applying to grad school and hopefully interning somewhere as well.

Long-term: I want to get married before turning 30. Also I want to become the woman in Max Lucado's quote, which says, "A woman's heart should be so hidden in God that a man has to seek Him just to find her." So falling deeper and deeper in love with God. For my career, I want to

make a difference through art, like visual mediums or stories. I want to amplify God's beauty in this world.

I'm so glad that I had the opportunity to hang out and get to know this awesome sister. Her openness and warm personality definitely made my job easy, and her story reminded me again and again how God is for us, not against us, in the midst of trials and tribulations. Thank you, Olivia, for sharing your journey with me and the rest of the CBS these past years. You will be missed greatly!

RAY WU

Most likely to first meet you on Facebook

Biometry and Statistics
Great Neck, NY

interviewer: Wesley Chow

Favorites:
class: Food for Contemporary Living
collegetown restaurant: Apollo's
animal: penguin
type of food: pizza
snack: Chips. [Any particular one?] Flamin' Hot Cheetos!
musical genre: alternative rock or Christian
praise song: Be Thou My Vision



I love music, and it has been a big part of my life here. Some other things are better left unsaid.

What a privilege it was to grab a lunch on my birthday with the one and only Ray Wu! I arrived at De Tasty on time for our 11:30 lunch date. Ray casually strolled in minutes later, sporting some casual shorts and a pair of flip-flops. Clearly, the senior had just rolled out of bed. The waiter brought out a nice warm teapot of tea as we skimmed through the menu. We settled on some beef noodle soup. And away we went with the interview...

1. CBS is... uhhh... interesting...

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

God has made me more mature. I trust in Him more now. I'm not as scared about the unknowns in anything in my life but just understanding that, in these last 4 years, he has been so faithful to me whether it be in academics or relationships or stuff like that. Overall, I think I've been learning to love, helping me see what more of what he sees.

**3. What encouragements/advice do you have for...
a. freshmen**

Put yourself out there. Try as many things as you can. Continue meeting new people. I guess, start getting in to the habit of spending time with God daily. Be on top of things. And definitely maintain relationships with the people you meet.

b. sophomores

Things get tough. Stay on top of your work, but don't work too much. Time passes by quickly when the only thing you do is study. Make sure you find time for God.

c. juniors

Spend more time with each other. Y'all are role models now. Be encouraging to each other. Build each other up through encouragement and the Word.

4. What are some of your hidden quirks/talents?

I have great control of my eyebrows/most of my face. [That's it? That's not too hidden I have to say.] I'm good at the Chinese yo-yo. I'm also good at being creepy.

5. What is your favorite spot on campus?

Plantations.

6. What is one of your greatest fears that God has relieved for you during your time at Cornell?

The fear of meeting new people. Coming to Cornell, I had a problem with an inferiority complex. I found my worth in my intellectual knowledge. Over the years, God taught me that my worth is found in Him and not in my knowledge or how well I do in school. I'm not afraid anymore. It's also great to hear about and to love different people.

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

Prayer. He does listen to prayers.

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

Short-term: to work for a couple of years and maybe go to graduate school for Masters in CS or stats or get an MBA... maybe missions too.

Long-term: have children, get married first [of course, of course], settle down in terms of career, but make sure I'm never really just satisfied with things.

So we actually didn't get to finish the interview at our lunch date [oops! sorry about that, Ray], but we caught up once again on the glorious last day of classes outside PSB, soaking in some sun and tossing the good ole pigskin (aka football) around. Anyways, I enjoyed interviewing and getting to

know Ray better. Such an honor. But in all seriousness, HGS and congratulations Ray! Hope you find an awesome job soon and good luck in the real world!

STEPHEN WANG

Most likely to create a new ice cream flavor

Electrical and Computer Engineering
Boston, MA

interviewer: Tim Tsang

Favorites:

class:

Psych 3420: a class on human perception. We studied how the brain is tied with optical illusions and other things.

Ithacan restaurant:

De Tasty's because it's authentic and cheap. I like the double-cooked fish.

animal:

Chinchilla – I had one; it was furry and it had lots of escape techniques.

type of food:

sushi, raw fish, seafood

snack:

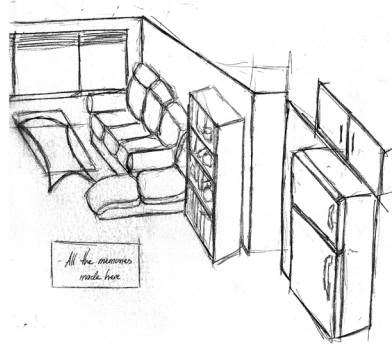
gummy stuff, Pirouline chocolate straws

musical genre:

Indie Folk

praise song:

Amazing Grace
Something to Say – Starfield



After walking for 20 minutes to reach 2E, I walking into the room to find Stephen thinking. Thinking about how he would play DOTA with Tony. Dismayed that he was busy playing his game, I sat on the couch and studied entropy while playing Super Smash Brothers in order to give myself something to do. In the meantime, Stephen finished his game and started playing yet another one. The nerve of him. During my waiting period I learned

about heat engines and played smash, all the while learning an entirely new game called Halo. When Stephen finished his second game and signed up for the next one, I brought my foot down on his computer and finally asked to do the interview. He had to give in.

1. CBS is... family. Being away from home for both boarding school and college has made it important to find a close group. CBS provides for a close group of Christians who work together to grow more in God.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

I've learned to listen to God's will. It has been quite a struggle with this past year in figuring out what to do next. This year I applied for lots of PhD programs, but God wants me to stay with my current plan and do a masters here. It has been quite a journey learning to listen and find what God wants to do with my life.

Furthermore, I've learned much about peace. God brings lots of peace, and just knowing that He is in control is calming. I've learned to pray for peace and for God's promises.

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

a. freshmen

Affiliation doesn't mean anything – I do finance even though I studied ECE. Branch out with your jobs, you are not always bound.

b. sophomores

Similar to above. Also, pray for peace that God will always provide. This goes to freshmen as well, but otherwise the

sophomore advice would be super short.

c. juniors

Once again, similar to above. As leaders of CBS, you become the representatives of CBS. Communication is key and remember to discipline yourselves as people look up to you.

4. What are some of your hidden quirks/talents?

Calligraphy, whittling, crochet, juggling, collecting pens, martial arts, and exercise.

5. What is your favorite spot on campus?

My favorite spot would be Duffield for studying, but it has now changed to Uris G44 because it has empty rooms, vending machines, hot food vending machines, and good wi-fi since no one goes there.

6. What is one of your greatest fears that God has relieved for you during your time at Cornell?

Lacking control for the said PhD and finals. But luckily God is a God of peace, and I pray for alignment with His will.

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

I've learned to go to Him for help. I now pray for peace and alignment.

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

Short-term: master more electrical education.

Long-term: maybe work with a business with no determined location.

Steven brushes off doing the picture and says he will "do it later" on some fancy drawing pad. He rushes back to great time sink known as DOTA and I leave having finally completed my job.

TABITHA KIM

Most likely to experiment on you without your knowing

Psychology
La Habra Heights, CA

interviewer: Felicia Sadikin

Favorites:

class:

Hormones and Behavior (it was a nerdy class)

Ithacan restaurant:

Aladdin's

animal:

Do I have one? ... a moose.

type of food:

Korean

snack:

chips

musical genre:

R&B

praise song:

How Can I Keep From Singing



Chili Fest in February when my sister and cousins came to visit. It was really cold, but we bought a lot of bowls of chili and shared them with each other

We met for bubble tea one evening, and it was only Tabitha's second time ever at Kung Fu Tea. Wuuuut. Tabitha shared that whenever people run into her, they always say "Oh my gosh! You're alive!" ... leading her to always wonder why people think she had died...

1. CBS is... a really awesome fellowship.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

He has really opened my eyes to everything. I have more of an understanding of people since coming here. He's challenged me in terms of trusting Him more and learning how to let go and give control to Him. It was a big challenge, but it's good that I learned it.

3. What encouragements/ advice do you have for... a. freshmen

In that moment, something may seem like something terrible, but in the end, everything will work out. Don't get caught up on what's worrying you right now. Don't focus on that, but look at the bigger picture. College is not that bad hahaha...

b. sophomores

Keep pushing on. Sophomore year is that awkward phase when you're done with freshmen year, but still have a long way to go. Keep working hard and don't give up!

c. juniors

Really make the most of your senior year. I know everyone says that, but honestly do the things that you haven't done. Like I went to my first hockey game this year! Try new things, go to concerts, shows, sports events, because they will make memories in the end. Spend time with the people that you care about in your last year.

4. What are some of your hidden quirks/talents?

I don't think anything is hidden... There are things that people really know about me, like I'm emotionless and extremely introverted. I feel like I'm pretty normal.

5. What is your favorite spot on campus?

Arboretum. I like to go running there. It's peaceful and quiet.

6. What is one of your greatest fears that God has relieved for you during your time at Cornell?

I was so far away from home, and I was coming to a place where I didn't know a single person. I found out that people are really friendly! I used to think that I was terrible at talking to people and making friends. I can make small talk with people now! Not great, but at least better than before.

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

I learned that I really can't do anything on my own. There are many things that I can't control, and being anxious or worried about them is a waste of my time. I know it's a lot easier said than done. Through writing my thesis and finishing college, I would get stressed that things weren't going the way I wanted. In the end, I knew He was in control.

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

In the short term, I'm taking a gap year and looking for jobs with a 1-2 year commitment. If I don't find a job, I'll probably teach English in Korea. Then I'm planning on going back to school to do a PhD in neural psychology. In the long run, I want to be a research assistant. I don't believe I have the ability to teach people, so I'll just help people do research like in a university or hospital.

Tabitha called herself a bad senior for being so excited to graduate and leave Cornell, but I think after four years, it's understandable. Through all the stress and worries in these past four years, it is great to see how God has been working in her, everything she has learned from Him, and all the memories and friendships she's made.

WENDY WEI

Most likely to get into a buffet for kids price

Human Development
New Jersey

interviewer: Felicia J. Setiono

Favorites:
class: Human Bonding

Ithacan restaurant:
Kung Fu Tea (I don't care if people judge me)

animal: I don't like animals, but penguin

type of food: Asian

snack: Carrots if Lauren asked me, but cookies.

musical genre: Indie

praise song: How Deep the Father's Love for Us



Since Wendy is away in DC, I couldn't make her draw me a picture so (without proper permission) I took the liberty of trying to encompass her personality and her experience at Cornell. I hope you enjoy it.

Wendy, being so pro at life, actually has moved to DC to work in the Department of Education. But even though she left us so early, thank God for technology. I was still able to interview Wendy through a phone call. Although I didn't get to see her beewtiful face, it was really awesome to be able to talk to her again. Actually I can't really remember a time when I talk to Wendy

and it wasn't awesome. We managed to squeeze in an hour of interview time despite the fact she had to wake up early the next morning for work. (Also she wanted to sleep before 11). After half an hour of just catching up and laughing and disturbing the rest of my apartment mates, I finally got to ask Wendy these hard interview questions. Although Wendy has seen and asked 90% of the questions in the previous years, she admitted that these questions were actually pretty hard and too deep. It made me think about whether I should start preparing to answer some of these questions now.

1. CBS is... *giggle giggle* my first instinct: a strange place. But more seriously, CBS is a group of believers who love Jesus and want to make Him known. It is also a group of very different people who are held together by Jesus.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

Wow, He has changed me in so many ways. But one way he changed me is that I don't think I even knew myself coming to college. Over the years He is revealing more and more of what He has made me to be (who is His daughter). He also changed me as I'm no longer trying to please everybody, the world, my parents or seeing and being whom everyone else wants me to be. Initially I don't even know who I wanted to be, but later I simply want to be a daughter of the King. In general, I have just gained a better understanding of who I am in Christ.

I have also learned what

a spiritual conversation is. In the beginning I was very intimidated by deep questions; I didn't like it when other brothers and sisters would ask me to share my testimony or talk about my spiritual life. I learned how to have those conversations and actually want to talk about Jesus, not just talking about everyday life and people. Overall God has changed me in the way that He is becoming the center and not just an aspect of my life. I can go on forever but I'm just going to stop there. [Wendy also offered to write a 7 page essay about this, you should ask her about it.]

3. What encouragements/ advice do you have for... a. freshmen

One piece of advice is to reach out to future freshmen. Having gone through freshmen year, it's easy to get caught up with being taken care of. But an important part of being a part of the body of Christ is not only to know how to be taken care of, but also to perpetuate the love that has been shown to us to others, especially those new freshmen who are confused or finding it hard to adjust or transition into Cornell. Cornell is a very different place.

b. sophomores

To prayerfully consider taking on a younger prayer partner. To know that when you become a prayer partner, that it's not supposed about you knowing all of the answers or having it all together. But having a prayer partner is about loving, living, and walking with each other and pointing each other to Christ.

c. juniors

You guys are so big. Senior year is a really great time, but also a hard time. People are going to find out what they're going to do after college, but some will know earlier than others. My advice is to stay grounded in the Word, stay grounded in spiritual discipline and know that God is good. He has a perfect plan, and He is above everything. Things happen even if we don't expect it to happen.

4. What are some of your hidden quirks/talents?

Batman voice. I'm also over 5 feet (although most people don't believe me). On most nights, I can fall asleep as soon as my head hits the pillow (Lauren Tang will be able to testify).

5. What is your favorite spot on campus?

I love the slope when sun is setting. I lovveee the slope. I like crossing the foot bridge too. I also like my lab because I spend so many hours there. My lab also has toys and wallstickers, and children come to us.

6. What is one of your greatest fears that God has relieved for you during your time at Cornell?

That I'm not walking this journey alone. Kind of a related story is the memory of high school, where it is so important in the first two days to pick a table at lunch time. Because by day 3 everyone knows where they're going to eat. There was this fear with the idea of being alone and doing things alone, not having people who understand. Even in college, there were some moments when even though

I was surrounded by people, I still felt alone. The truth is no matter what, it's true that people will fail us but God never will, He will never leave you nor forsake you. He'll go wherever we go.

I guess it's relevant for me moving to DC. I felt that I needed to start over again, meeting new people. But I'm just reminded that God is with me in every step. God indeed should be our ultimate joy and ultimate satisfaction.

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

That he's good, all the time. Every single year I felt like I experienced a crisis that's not really a crisis, but at the time it felt like a crisis. Whether these crises are resolved or not, every time I was able to eventually feel His peace, to the point that it is overwhelming. I initially just wondered why God is putting me through suffering and why all these things are happening to me, but I realized that I was just focusing on my negative feelings facing these circumstances. I had the wrong attitudes. Despite this, every single moment God delivers me and will deliver us in ways that we may not understand at the time. He's just very faithful.

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

My long term is I guess my short term: I'm already in DC working in the Department of Education. Oh but I guess short short term is appealing the boss to let me go on vacation. I have to end up taking 12 days off to go to Asia.

Our phone call eventually ended with Wendy and I getting really sleepy even though it was before 11. I guess the grandma life will be as real as it has been for me in college. In all seriousness though, it's remarkable to be able to hear Wendy's answers to these questions. But it is also more remarkable to be able to witness the peace and revelations that God has extended to this sister. Wendy showed me what it means to really seek the Lord's will and to desire serving the people around her in response to that. I also think her love for babies is super cool, simply because I don't feel like I'm the only creepy one here. I'm sure that Wendy was a ray of sunshine and joy to many of us while she was here and even after she moved away.

You brought many joyous memories to my Cornell experience, and she also fed me constantly whenever I would visit her apartment. Even though it's weird for her to see the junior class going to be seniors, it's pretty weird for me to see her not being an undergrad anymore. But for sure just as she had said in the interview, I know that God will be with her no matter how old she gets. He will be faithful and walk with her wherever she goes, and I'm glad to know that God will continue to love her unconditionally as His own precious daughter above everything else.

SPECIAL GRADUATION:

KK YU

Most likely to buy a drone to take pictures

Electrical and Computer Engineering
Houston, Texas

interviewer: Zhijiang Li

Favorites:

class:

I took airlines under hotel score. I think HADM 6090. It was fun and discussion oriented. The professor was quirky. I also really loved human bonding, but I didn't really "take" it. I also liked introduction to hand gun safety. I still keep in touch with someone from that class, which surprises me. Those are the top 3 for sure.

Ithacan restaurant:

Well in Ithaca, it used to be the Sammy's pizza buffet near Wegman's and it closed. I'll probably have to say the Nine's, even though I don't ever go there. It's got history and good food, and every time I go there it's for good reasons.

animal:

I used to like chinchillas a lot, but I feel like that's Stephen's animal. I don't want to take it, but that's fine.

type of food:

Too hard. My favorite classic meal is a savory sandwich with good bread and well done potato chips. If that kind of meal is done really well it's my favorite.

snack:

Potato chips. I eat too many of those.

musical genre:

I've gotten lazy with my music, I used to listen to classical and pop and stuff, but now I just listen to spotify playlists of Christian music.

praise song:

There's a very nice hymn called Lamb of God, but there's a lot of hymns called Lamb of God, so it'll be hard to look it up. It's a traditional one.



I remember sitting on the slope and looking out towards the lake. It was just a nice day and really relaxing.

After finding out KK would be graduating soon (probably by the end of summer), I contacted him immediately to give him the pleasure of a BoL interview. On short notice, we met at Oishii Bowl and had a good time sharing and learning more about each other.

1. CBS is...

I would just say, community of people, for better or for worse, trying to live out their love for God and their love for each other. Improving as well as forgiving each other, I guess as life goes on.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

A lot actually. When I came to Cornell, I was a very new Christian, I didn't really know what it meant to be a Christian. Here is where I grew up spiritually. There's different phases and stuff like that. I guess now I try to put other's needs first and try to empathize with others. How do you love people that aren't yourself? It's being very aware that that's important, and I'm not perfect at it.

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

I don't know if I can speak to individual classes anymore. Don't be afraid to take leadership roles actually. Don't be afraid to be in charge of stuff. If you never thought of yourself as a leader, try doing that, once you leave college that's what you'll be in your own life if nothing else. As you get older I would encourage you even more to take on those sorts of things. Younger people should ask for advice, and older people love to give it.

Go learn from them, go hang out with them. The reverse for the upperclassmen, go seek out the younger ones, they'll be afraid to talk. Help them overcome that fear by going to them first. Even if you're seniors if you can find someone to be your mentors it's nice too.

4. What are some of your hidden quirks/talents?

Oh geez... um. I have a stuffed spider that I really like. His name is wolfie. That's a quirk I suppose. It's a cute little stuffed spider, not gross or anything. One time my uncle tried to give me a realistic looking spider and I was like I don't want this. I'm pretty lazy if that's a talent. I really don't have that many talents. This isn't really hidden, but I love photography, and rediscovered my love for commercial aviation.

5. What is your favorite spot on campus?

I guess worrying about a spouse. That was definitely one of my bigger fears. I don't know if it was a fear before, but I guess I traded it in for discipleship and following Christ. Another I guess is what's important in life. What's worth chasing? And it's not a job or even other people; well it is other people in that you're serving them.

6. What is one of your greatest fears that God has relieved for you during your time at Cornell?

I was so far away from home, and I was coming to a place where I didn't know a single person. I found out that people are really friendly! I used to think that I was terrible at

talking to people and making friends. I can make small talk with people now! Not great, but at least better than before.

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

The most important thing I'd say is that discipleship and mentorship is the cornerstone of Christian life. It actually overlaps and spills into everything. The Gospel allows this sort of thing to happen, it makes it a way of life and how to show love to each other. That's a message everyone should know.

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

I don't know my short term plans. I should probably look into that. I'll find a job somewhere for sure. Definitely could use the cash. Short-term I'll probably just end up in California or Houston. Long term... I guess just hope to be able to serve God in whatever I'm doing. If I'm designing chips, teaching or doing full-time ministry, just really continue serving God wherever that is. And serving others, and telling people about the Gospel and how discipleship is great.

I definitely enjoyed this time speaking with KK, learning about his heart for God and for discipleship. It has been a blessing knowing KK and hearing his wisdom through CBS and FICCC!

**INTERVIEW SHY / HARD TO REACH
/ AWAY / GRADUATED :**

ALEX CHUNG

Most likely to run for US President

Independent Major
Fremont, CA

GLORIA HU

*Most likely to be on Parisian tourism
brochure*

Policy Analysis and Management
Toronto Canada

JC WONG

*Most likely to conquer half of Europe in
one night*

Chemistry
Sibu, Sarawak, Malaysia

JONATHAN KIM

*Most likely to give himself a rose on the
season finale of The Bachelor*

Computer Science
San Jose, CA

SENIOR WILLS

AARON HUI

I will myself to CBS for at least the next four years #fivemoreyears #CBSstaff.

I will my love of praise to CBS praise team, now and forever #burningdesire #flamingtongues2015. I also will them the ability to wrap cords properly.

I will my canto pride to JT, Nick, Christine, Christina, Zoe and honorary cantos Wes and Kathy. I will a gold star to Jessica Chu and Felicia Setiono. You have to share it though.

I will my love for games to Justin, Phoebe, and David. I will my beloved green Yoshi to Mark Zhao.

I will my love of AEP to Zhijiang, future Master of AEP.

I will my badminton skills to Zhijiang. I will to David my enjoyment of bursting out in song.

I will to Christina and Steph Guo my excitement for praising our God.

I will to Esther my desire for her to join praise team.

I will to Nick and Matt the ability to rejoin the common core.

I will to Jessica Wong the title of the ultimate common core member.

I will to Boyi, Cassie, and Hayden my ridiculousness.

I will to Kathy more tears.

I will to Zoe a bread-baking pusheen sticker.

I will to Xinran and Steph Chan the ability to bodyslam superstar Shia LeBouf.

I will to Christine, Yechun, and Xinran the ability to actually finish Death Note together.

I will to Chang my (nonexistent) awesomeness.

I will to Felicia Sadikin my approval of her coming to 2E more often.

I will to Mark my tech and slides prowess.

I will to Justin and Tim my ability to troll people.

To Charlie, my beloved younger prayer partner, I will to him my room and my bed, and my love and my prayers forever.

ALVIN WUJAYA

To Nicholas Kung, my prayer partner: my love of soccer.

BO LONG

Tellytubby costume goes to Jerry. It comes from a long line of prayer partners.

Youngest 2E member (Charlie?) gets the mexican Monday or taco Tuesday sombreros.

CELENA HUO

I will my habit of going to bed early to Michelle.

I will my post-college acceptance rates to Cassie and the opposite of my job offers to Dorothy.

CHARLES ZHANG

I will my apartment to Myung, Edward, and Jerry. Hopefully.

I will to JT and Justin Yeh my mechE prowess.

I will my uncanny like for Kpop and Kdramas to Zoe. And anyone else who follows them.

I will my southern legacy to Wesley, Amy, and Mark.

ELLEN CHUANG

I will my posters to Stephanie Chan I will the taking of ECE classes to Stephanie, Chang, and Mark

I will a patient and loving heart to Dorothy

I will having to juggle SWE with the rest of your life to Xinran

I will a secret love of fluffy animals and a desire to serve to Felicia Setiono and Jess Chu

I will my very large collection of baking supplies to the future 4D

JAMES ZOU

I will my manliness to whomever will take it.

I will my caking duties to David and Wesley.

JEVON YU

I will my broken Xbox 360 to Zhijiang.

I will role of quoting Scripture at random and opportune times to Justin Lin.

I will the right to be my roommate to Charlie.

I will the innate desire to optimize things to David, Wes, and Xinran. I will the secret egg sandwich recipe to the my competitors in 1G.

KATHERINE JAW

I will to CBS a love beyond human comprehension. I don't think I can give it to people, but I pray that they are able to not just love each other more or people on the campus more but God more.

I will to CBS all the prayer journals that are in my room right now. They're really encouraging to read.

KELVIN LUU

To Kathy: all of my birthdays (this is the first thing that came to my mind honestly).

To Charlie: my absolute love of CS 3410.

To Jerry: my luck with laptops.

JOHN HUI

Give everything to Christ.

KK YU

I will to people a desire to reach out to people on the fringes... together.

I will many photos to Zoe Chan.

I will to Jess Chu many good times with the FICCC youth.

I will to Felicia Setiono a sense of style and eloquent words during the announcements for FICCC.

I will to you [Zhijiang] a love for physics.

LAUREN TANG

I will to Phoebe the desire to love and serve others and the discipline to go to sleep at a normal hour.

I will to Felicia Sadikin my BEE pride and walks to Riley Robb during a snowstorm.

I will to Jess Chu and Felicia Setiono my love for pearl milk tea/bubble tea.

I will to Esther Jiang my perfect height pantry shelf in 4E.

I will the Snee key to SneeBS.

MAX KE

To Charlie, the desire to look like a Sith Lord.

To Zoe, better body-hiding skills.

To Xuanyu, a greater desire to know God.

I will my love of Batman and Boston to Felicia (Setiono)

I will my enjoyment of goofy internet phenomena to David.

To all who want it, a challenge to be more caring toward others.

MICHELLE LEE

I will the love for other to CBS. Keep reaching out to people!

I will strength, wisdom, and dedication to the new leadership team.

OLIVIA WOO

Heart for prayer in CBS Shamelessly manifest Christ's coolness to the campus.

RAY WU

I will my navy blue Everlane backpack to Boyi.

I will my creepiness to Matthew, Charlie, and the future freshman boys.

I will my beautiful voice to every girl's dreams.

STEPHEN WANG

I'm still going to be here, and I'm also doubtful anyone wants anything of mine.

TABITHA KIM

What does this mean? I'm going to take everything.

WENDY WEI

Oh well my treasure box is gone already... I don't have anything else.

BIBLE STUDIES

NORTH GUYS

The men of the North Campus bible study (otherwise known as the "Estrogentlemen" or "xiandixiandixiandi," depending on the name of the group chat) set out to study the second half of the gospel of John on Sunday nights at a frenetic pace. In progressing through Jesus' ministry and his death and resurrection, the Estrogentlemen learned about Jesus' claims of divinity, the incompetency of his disciples, and the issue of predestination (...over and over again). The group was led by James Zou and Charlie Qian, but also by the impressive knowledge of Justin Lin and Jevon Yu, and headlined by Tim Tsang, Mark Zhao, Charles Zhang, Xuanyu An and Jerry Xu. Dinners at RPCC, where the lucky last one to the table received the 'chance' to pray for the group, were the backdrop for interesting conversations and Tim's notorious carb-filled plates. The bible study was held in varying lounges in CKB, and consisted of prayer, praises, deep discussion, and the memorable/embarrassing quotations uttered by various members of the group. Though there will never be a bible study quite like the one that was held Sunday nights at 7pm on North campus, the future looks bright for the members of this most prestigious study.

Charlie Qian '17 and
James Zou '15

Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.
Romans 12:1-2

NORTH GIRLS

There were two things I was certain of upon seeing my acceptance letter from Cornell. One: I knew instantly where I was going for college. Two: I would find a Christian group to be a part of, my family away from home. Now as my first year is wrapping up, I look back and can say wholeheartedly that joining CBS, signing up for a prayer partner, and finding my place in a small group were some of the best decisions I'd made at Cornell thus far.

I ain't even lyin' bruh. The North Campus bible study girls are everything I could've hope for in a group of sisters. Every Thursday, I look forward to seeing their bright faces, always happy no matter what their weeks have been like. Whether we eat at Appel or RPCC, although Appel is infinitely better than RPCC but that's a topic for another time, the laughter of these girls ring through the dining halls. Conversations are so silly, so random, ranging from debating over whether the chicken we were eating are drumsticks or wings, to acting basic and snapchatting our dare devil orchid eating experience.

After dinner, we settle either in the Balch lounge or an available spot in the Tatkon center. Sitting in a circle, we take turns sharing our praises and burdens with one another. Romans 15: 1-13: "We ought to bear the failings of the weak, rather than hold ourselves at high standards." Sharing can be both a time of joy and sadness, a time we can lean on our sisters and be genuine with our thoughts. Prayers are said for each other and we lift each other's sorrows to God.

This semester, Jess Chu and Kathy Lin were the bible study leaders for the north small group. We went through the book of John, and discussed topics such as the humility Jesus showed towards the victimized and the miracles Jesus performed from healing the blind to raising Lazarus from the dead. We discuss the verses and ask questions, while admiring Jesus' swagoo. He has so much swagoo. These girls are everything to me. Without them and their constant support, my life would be even more of a mess than it is right now. They are, hands down, some of the best people I have met and there is little I wouldn't do for them...except share my fried chicken. THANK YOU FOR PUTTING UP WITH ME. I LOVE YOU GIRLS AND AM SUPER EXCITED TO SEE WHAT GOD HAS PLANNED FOR US NEXT SEMESTER. <3

Amy Zhang '18

WEST GUYS

CBS bible study aims to teach its students the purpose of the life of Jesus and his love and effect on us today. We begin each of the two to three hour sessions with a short summary of our week and how we are doing. Because each person has the chance to de-stress and share our struggles and achievements for the week, most of us will feel encouraged to share and discuss later on regarding the week's chapter reading.

A few days before each meeting, Aaron and J.T. normally send out a list of questions to guide us during our reading. Because of their preparation for each chapter's reading, I was able to follow along every week and contribute to discussions involving long-running themes in a book over a thousand pages long. In a period of ten chapters in the Book of John, we learned about Jesus and his disciples as they encountered resistance to their teachings. We learned about the decisions that Jesus made in the face of conflict and the morality that he could give us in our everyday lives. His willingness to forgive Judas' betrayal, his generosity towards all those who are in need, and even his nonchalant attitude when Peter chopped off the ear of the high priest are all examples that stuck with me after I left every meeting.

Bible study has taught me how to be more forgiving, more understanding of other people's opinions, and less stubborn-minded. During the last few weeks, Jesus has become a father figure to me

who is helping through one of the most difficult years of my life. At the end of every bible study, we pray for each other, and I am very grateful to have people pray for me, a nonbeliever. I'm very glad that Aaron and JT will be here next year to continue our studies.

Yechun Fu '15

WEST GIRLS

The Monday night girls bible study meets on West Campus each week. On most weeks, those of us that are free also get dinner together in one of the dining halls on West. We have been studying John this semester, usually going through one chapter a week. At the end of each bible study, we always break into smaller groups to share more about the things that have been going on in our lives and to pray for one another. When people are more busy, we sometimes just have weeks of prayer and sharing. When reading through the passages in the bible, we have been able to help each other understand difficult verses and concepts. Through all the times of sharing and studying God's word together this semester, we have really grown closer as sisters in Christ.

Phoebe Lo '17

COLLEGETOWN GUYS

Our Bible study was some time over the weekend... We changed times quite often because there were often many events which conflicted with our weekend Bible study. However, I am thankful for the flexibility of the Bible study attendees and for the times and discussions we had.

Through John, we saw Jesus' numerous escapes. It was always sort of funny reading about how Jesus would seemingly disappear from the scene after saying some controversial things, and completely avoided various stonings. On the flip side, no one could fathom how the pharisees and religious leaders were so ignorant of Jesus' truth claims.

Though we may have read these passages before, there was always something fresh reading the passages once more. In particular, through a study in John 9, I was reminded of all the different "ironies" in Christianity. To heal the man born blind, Jesus rubs mud over his eyes, and sends him to be washed in the pool of Siloam. Mud is murky and opaque, not commonly associated with sight. Yet Jesus chooses to use mud of all substances. Without diving in, I find this kind of irony recurring in Christianity (Jesus a servant king, Lord of Lords born in a manger, to the name the most obvious).

How great it is to have God's Word as our spiritual guide!

Zhijiang Li '16

COLLEGETOWN GIRLS

Every week, usually on Saturday afternoons but occasionally on Fridays, our Collegetown sisters' bible study gathered in Olivia's beautiful apartment to dive into His amazing word together. We began each meeting with prayer and personal journaling. This gave us a chance to reflect on an idea that would be echoed later in our Bible study. Afterwards, we wrote a note of encouragement for another sister in their journal. Thus, we were able to act out Christ's love for one another through words of affirmation for another sister. At last, we were ready to explore a chapter in the book of John. To backtrack slightly, the first time our bible study had gathered together as a group, we had shared with one another about our spiritual journeys thus far and how Christ had brought us to the place we had been brought to in this journey. Understanding these vastly different backgrounds helped us understand what drove our completely varied responses to and questions about each passage. As the semester progressed, we learned how to grow more vulnerable with one another and rejoice with, mourn with, and pray for one another. Thanks to each of you for being such a blessing to us as leaders and may you continue to seek and find community with brothers and sisters that points to the Father!

Stephanie Chan '17

SHOUTOUTS

PSB PEOPLE

Thank you guys for being there; your company has been a blessing!

KATHERINE JAW

It has truly been a blessing getting to know you the past 2 years and I look forward to many more years of our serious and/or goofy talks. We have grown so much in Christ through our time together and I pray that we continue to grow through our walk with Him. I look forward to seeing what God has in store for you after Cornell and I hope you visit!!

Jess Wong

2E

You guys are hella cool.

ZOE AND KATHY

I'm really glad I got to know you two so well even though I've known you half as much as everyone else. You two are really incredible with how much you've involved yourselves in the fellowship: not only hanging out until stupid hours of the morning in Eddygate or The Pillbox, but in your relationships and your actions towards one another. Feel free to stop the Pillbox anytime if you want kimchi jigae! Or any other type of food or entertainment.

Cui Cui

2E

Thank y'all for being such amazing brothers these two semesters and letting me walk in and crash on your couch! You guys really know how to take care of your brothers and sisters!

Zoeeeeeeeeeeeee

KATHY LIN

Thanks for being such an amazing roommate and putting up with me drinking your blood and storing it in my desk. You're always there when I need to talk about boys and the meaning of life, and when I drag you to 2E or Sneer or Pillbox. Continue being an amazing woman of God!

I will now promote you from being a peasant to an apprentice.

Zoe

JUNIOR GIRLS

Incredibly thankful for every one of you. The love you have for Christ and for each other makes you beautiful, and I'm so glad we get to spend four years together! Let's do more fun things together in the next year :)

JUNIOR GUYS

I guess I really should be calling you "Junior Men," but that sounds really weird. Nonetheless, it is amazing to see the growth in maturity and godliness, and I am often blown away by the kindness you each exhibit. Thanks for being such awesome bros, and I'm so glad we have one more year together!

XINRAN

Thank you for the love and trust that you've shown me. It's been a privilege to walk beside you these past two years, and I am so proud of you. You are becoming a wise, joyful, and godly woman, and I pray that you will persevere. Here's to more moments together :)

KATHERINE JAW

You're Awesome!

ARLENA WU

Thanks for being you!

AARON

Thanks for being a physics boss and for being so patient when helping me. I would have totally failed without you.

Shout out also to Z and occasionally JT.

Boyi

HAYDEN

Thanks for always (literally) kicking me off the couch and my own bed. You are small but mighty. All fear Hayden.

Boyi

WES, JUSTIN, AND Z

Thanks for being safe drivers and not killing us over spring break.

FRESHMEN

Thanks for being so darn cute. Y'all have been so encouraging throughout this whole year, and we can't wait to keep walking with you as you continue growing and serving God.

ELLEN

Oh man you walk slow but I love you anyways and would not really purposely leave you behind. The years at Cornell will never seem enough for me but truly they have shaped me for the rest of my life. And you were a big part of that. My spirit shall always be grateful for you bringing me back to Christ with your initial nudges (intentional and unintentional). Continue to be your awkward self, God made you that way for a reason. Because He saw that it was good.

Forever sisters in Christ, Katherine

OLIVIA

Sister of mine, though we have not known each other long, it definitely feels like we have. The Father truly provided us with the perfect timing for us meet and lift up one another. May you be able to continue to fight the good fight as hard as it may be and when you need it, come back to us so that we may be able to help strengthen you like you have done for us. Cry, laugh (or maybe both), but most importantly love. Thank you for the love you have shown and shared with everybody. People may find it weird, but people also are unfamiliar with the love of Christ. Do not be ashamed to spread it no matter what others say. You are a blessing and you are blessed.

Katherine

JESS WONG

Words cannot fully express the joy that you have been able to bring to me. Though we did not have the "ideal" PP relationship (what is that anyways), you have definitely taught me through your love and care for others inside and outside CBS. May our Father continue to guide you throughout your random down periods, real life surprise struggles, misunderstandings. Thank you for being such a wonderful sister! Definitely will miss being able to see you, having you randomly feed me, and just talking with you.

And this is my prayer: that your love may abide more and more in knowledge and depth of insight -Philippians 1:9

Katherine

TO MY CRAZY DYSFUNCTIONAL SOPHOMORE CLASS

I can't believe we're halfway there! What a tremendous adventure we've had! From Pizza Bones and Big Fat Walrus to prayer meetings and dinners, I've been so grateful for each and every one of you. I praise God for the wonderful ways He's worked in our lives and in our class. Even though we won't all be physically together next semester, what an assurance it is to know we'll always be united in Christ! Here's to the past two years we've shared and the next two years to come! I LOVE YOU GUYS SO MUCH!