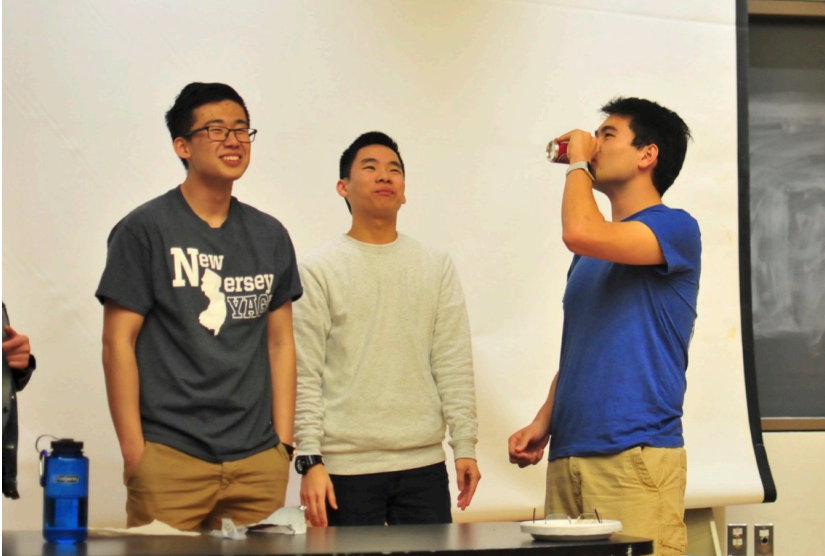


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editor letter

Dear CBS,

This semester was hard. And now that I'm finally writing this letter, I'm so glad this semester was pretty much over. But as I continue through my career at Cornell, as hard as it gets to stay motivated, the more I learn about how to find joy despite my circumstances.

I really disliked Cornell when I first came. I spent the first semester my freshman year moaning and groaning about leaving California (the best state ever) for this tiny town in upstate New York without a hipster coffee shop in sight. Honestly, I probably didn't even learn to like it for another year, until this spring semester. I know that I am blessed beyond belief to be attending a prestigious university, earning an education, living among close friends, and being part of a loving fellowship. But it's hard to focus on the positive when you're constantly bogged down by academic pressure, finding a job, and what not. However, I really do want to thank CBS, the Christian community, and especially this graduating class for teaching me so much about true fellowship and appreciating all of the many blessings God has poured upon me these past two years.

One of the key things I learned this year was the importance of investing in relationships. And having a variety of them too! Sometimes you don't just need a group of close friends, but mentors, mentees, etc. so you can get a variety of perspectives.

In Christ,
Anna Tedijanto '19

So, I guess I want to use this letter as a letter of encouragement. Seniors, thank you so much for all that you have taught me, how much you have loved me, and served CBS. Juniors, I'm excited to see how much you will grow in this next year, and despite the challenges ahead I am sure this year will be amazing and God-centered. To my own class, I am so thankful for the opportunity to get to know more of you this semester and form strong, vulnerable relationships. I would not have been able to get through this year without that dependability. Freshmen, do not ever regret not studying for a test in order to go to Bible study, spend time with a friend, or just have FUN. As we have learned in CBS, be students of grace who know their identity is first and foremost in Christ. And old people, pls don't ever leave):

Finally, just as a closing reminder, there are so many encouraging words in this edition of BoL. The seniors have so much knowledge to offer you, and I know that once you read it, you will find so many little things to appreciate about Cornell. It has been such a blessing reading all these different responses and letters, and just the right reminder that Cornell is there I was meant to be.

coordinator letter: charlie qian

My Dearest CBS,

Being your coordinator has broken me this year.

I learned so much about myself. I learned about my lack of trust in God, and how that translates to constantly doing and micromanaging everything. I learned deeply what it means, looks like, and feels like to love, and then I learned how far I was from truly loving. In fact, that's what God has been teaching me through serving you.

I can tell you more about how God has been working in me privately. But let me tell you about what God has been doing in you, brothers and sisters. While it is a story of pain and suffering, it is framed by glory, growth, and God's love.

I sincerely wish you could see what I see in you. Each of you has grown so much. Many of you were paralyzed in doubt and theological contradictions. Others of you struggled with prelims, essays, and projects. And yet more of you found yourself battling with loneliness and broken friendships.

However, through this year's struggles, it was beautiful to see how God showed himself to be faithful in your lives. Many of you were very unsure of yourselves, lacking confidence at the beginning of this year. However, you stepped up, led, and learned way more than you realized. Those of you paralyzed by doubt, I have seen grow in your understanding and your desire to know God personally. I have seen you start to reach out to people wallowing in loneliness--though there is yet more work to be done! And I have seen you love each other more and more in various ways.

**In Christ,
Charlie Qian '17**

And it's beautiful. God has taught me to not simply mourn over every "wrong" aspect of the fellowship, but to reflect continually over every single little grace that is afforded our fellowship. It's incredible because without God's grace, so few of us would ever even be friends with each other.

I wish so badly that I could stay with you, to continue to shepherd, teach, and care for you (and answer your CS 3410 questions). I'm jealous because I know God has amazing plans for each of you that I may not get to witness.

We all have so far to go though, and perfection is a long ways off. But the kingdom of heaven is near, and I pray that you may feel and be pulled by its gravity.

God broke me this year, but through it, he put me back together—and left out some of the bad pieces. He will do the same for you. So, do not lose heart. Though you feel broken outwardly, God will put you back together day by day. So may the peace of God, which transcends understanding, guard your hearts and minds.

bible study ministry

Dear CBS,

This semester, Bible study ministry wanted to continue its vision of learning about God, looking critically at our personal values, and thinking about what it means and how to live in the light of eternity. The books we covered this semester were 2 Thessalonians and Ecclesiastes. 2 Thessalonians compares our present sufferings to our future with God and encourages us to stand firm in our faith and hope. Ecclesiastes spoke out against striving for worldly things like wealth, work, pleasure, and wisdom. The Teacher demonstrates how all these things are like vapor and will not amount to anything in the light of eternity and advocates that we put our hope in something that is solid. We wanted to challenge and support each other to live a fruitful life for God and for eternity.

*“Fear God and keep his commandments,
for this is the duty of all mankind.”*

-- Ecclesiastes 12:13

We decided to introduce a structural change in having more co-ed Bible studies. We hoped that more people in the fellowship would have more opportunities to attend Bible studies and be able to hear different thoughts and perspectives. Ecclesiastes also led to another change: Ecclesiastes can be studied topically, with the same ideas spread throughout the book, instead of linearly from beginning to end like most other books. We created topics and identified the associated passages, so the individual Bible study leaders could pick fitting topics for their groups. well as inspire each other to live a more godly life.

Tim: Personally, I learned that Bible study builds a lot of trust and community within it. I wish that we had institutionalized more opportunities for groups to do more fun bonding events where they could share experiences and grow to trust and confide more in each other. Hopefully many people were able to glean insights into the ways that we struggle since we commonly forget how important it is to live in the light of eternity. Being a Bible study ministry leader gave me lots of people to care about. It was common for me to ask other leaders how their Bible studies were going. Although I did a lot of maintenance within the ministry, I did not focus as much on individuals' personal lives to see where they were at. I hope that future Bible study leaders continue to inspire others to read the Bible as well as inspire each other to live a more godly life.

Felicia: Bible studies has been a big part of my spiritual growth in the past four years. In these groups, I have been able to grow closer and spend intentional time with older and younger brothers and sisters and share in our struggles and praises by praying, doing weird things, and hanging out. Studying the Bible every week is more than just reading, but gaining in knowledge and love for the Word and seeing how His words can be applied to our daily life. I am so thankful for the opportunity to lead this ministry this year and pray for continued growth in understanding how to have an eternal perspective and persevere through suffering.

In Christ,

Tim Tsang '18 & Felicia Sadikin '17

praise ministry

Dear CBS,

Zoe:

Wow you're actually reading this (just kidding)! It has been a very strange but fruitful semester/year for praise team. This semester, we found how delicious Bear's Den pizza is. We also had a lovely switching of public praise team coordinator so I (Zoe) went from backend stuff to front end stuff and Phoebe vice versa. It was definitely a transition. I hit the ground running the moment I stepped foot on Cornell property: I loaded all the praise team stuff and drove away (just kidding, we just went to retreat.) From then on we had our large group sets, our Night of Worship, and our Coffeehouse! It was a very strange transition for me and there were many times after 6 hours of being on my feet loading equipment/unloading equipment/practicing/performing/loading equipment/unloading equipment (rinse and repeat) when I felt completely drained and did not want to sing ever again. But by God's grace and the help of all our praise team members, we got through the semester and I don't regret any of the time spent.

I really tried to emphasize the non-logistics side of praise team, letting praise flow out of your heart with burning desire. Though some may say that I went a little too far away from the logistics side, let me say that praise team, you guys are 10x more prepared than I was stepping into this coordinatorship (lol). I only lead one set before I became praise team coordinator and I was expected to 'know what I was doing'! Haha, but as a leader I probably should have trained you guys more on Sunday, so I'm sorry for that. Hopefully I made some of that up with treating you guys to food keke.

Love,

Phoebe Lo '17 & Zoe Chan '18#burningdesire15
#spiritualgains16 #itstoolatetomakeahashtagnow17
#bringthefount17(?)

Phoebe:

Like Zoe mentioned, this semester, we sort of swapped roles and I became the one that was doing things remotely. It was definitely very different. Instead of being as involved with people personally, I mostly would only know what was going on through message topics and songs. Helping with just slides and chord sheets, I felt like I was making less of a difference. However, since last semester I was on the other end of things, I knew that the things that I was doing were helpful and needed to be done. Overall, it was a lot more removed. It was really great being able to see Zoe lead praise team though and I'm really thankful for this year in general. I feel that through serving on praise team, I have been able to learn more about my own spiritual journey as well as connect with others, especially those on praise team.

Zoe and Phoebe: We had a wonderful experience leading praise team and serving alongside you guys. Thank you for all your hard work and dedication and taking time out of your busy schedules every Friday and Sunday to support the fellowship! We hope you continue to have #burningdesire to praise God!

prayer ministry

Dear CBS,

After two semesters of starting prayer meeting reminder emails with the same two words, I now begin perhaps my last communication to you all as a prayer ministry coordinator. This semester, we've continued holding weekly prayer meetings in PSB (take a look at the Fall 2016 edition of BoL for a detailed description of prayer meetings--but only after you've finished reading this edition) and introduced weekly prayer emails featuring prayers from various members of the fellowship. These emails were intended to be an opportunity for members of the fellowship to share prayers for causes, events, or areas of growth for the fellowship that were on their hearts.

However, in all of this, I began this semester facing a lot of fear and discouragement. Many who had been regular prayer meeting attendees in the fall were unable to attend this semester. No volunteers stepped up to submit a prayer for the prayer emails. In all of my struggles (some unrelated to ministry), I felt so alone and overwhelmed and so much unlike the person I perceived myself to be.

Through all of this, God continued to provide for me by bringing at least one person to prayer meeting each week. He humbled me by showing me that all of my efforts to hold together a ministry, to spur a fellowship to join with other Christians on campus to pray, would ultimately fail if my plans were not aligned with His will. He spoke wisdom through a faithful brother, through sermon podcasts, and through his Word, especially through Romans 8:

In Christ,
Stephanie Chan '17

"There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus."

Though we may often condemn ourselves for what we perceive as failures, our Heavenly Father tells us we are free from the law of sin and death (v. 2). Failing as a senior, an older sister, and a ministry leader have been thoughts that have not been far from my mind. But God has bestowed on us the Spirit of adoption so that we can cry out to Him as our Father when in trouble (v. 15). And surely, we will groan in pain (v. 22), yet nothing can separate us from the love of Christ, our Savior (v. 35-39).

Dear reader, whether freshman, future servant leader, or even future prayer ministry coordinator, I do not say these words to scare you. I know that you will face numerous challenges in the coming years, just as I know that I too will struggle with these doubts and emotions again, but rest assured that the Spirit within us is not only helping us in our weakness, but is also interceding for us as we pray (v. 16-17). Therefore:

"Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need." (Hebrews 4:16).

reach ministry

Dear CBS,

By God's grace, we've made it through an entire year. Despite our inexperience, our disorganization, and at times our own laziness, God has carried us and done amazing things with and through us. It has been a huge blessing to serve as Reach ministry leaders this past year.

Reach, a relatively "new" ministry, has been at times a challenge. Myung and I have had difficulties balancing both the inreach and outreach aspects. As a fellowship consisting of (mostly) introverts, it's tempting to focus inwardly rather than outwardly. How then, are we to grow the fellowship's heart for communities inside and outside of CBS? How are we to encourage our brothers and sisters to follow Christ's example in loving others and proclaiming the gospel unashamedly? We still aren't entirely sure how to answer these questions, but God has certainly given us a glimpse of how He can use us, His children, to further His kingdom.

Perhaps the biggest we have seen God at work was at our Coffeehouse, which we put on just a few of days ago. Honestly, we're still a little bit in disbelief that this event actually happened. After a 3 year hiatus, CBS Coffeehouse finally happened and (miraculously) it was planned in less than two weeks. It was truly amazing to see the entire fellowship come together to make Coffeehouse a reality through praying, baking, volunteering to share testimonies or lead praise sets, and even rallying up other brothers and sisters to create a skit. It was also such a blessing to have the opportunity to partner with other fellowships to get the Christian community on Cornell campus involved. At the actual event, it was such a joy seeing individuals in the

fellowship engage with strangers and have honest conversations about faith and values. We also realized that, despite envisioning Coffeehouse as an outreach event, the night was not only for the sake of evangelism but also for the fellowship. The testimonies shared that night were a huge source of encouragement for members of CBS. Coffeehouse truly embodied both aspects of our ministry -- inreach and outreach.

Despite these encouragements we do face a constant battle when it comes to where we place our focus. Because Reach is a logistics heavy ministry, it has been a challenge to not get wrapped up in the planning of all of the various events. It's so easy to get bogged down by the little details in the planning process and forget the purpose behind the events that we organize for the fellowship. A prayer that we often found ourselves praying this past year was "God, help us stay focused on You" because ultimately everything we do is done with the hope of glorifying God. At the end of the day, it's not about the physical proof of what we've done but rather the hearts that are behind it. God is far more concerned with that. We have been so incredibly blessed by our beloved Reach members who always point us towards serving with purpose.

It has certainly been a packed year. From the simplest of ACE's like Wings and Worship in 1G to a full blown Coffeehouse, God's work has been evident and it has been such an encouragement. We are so excited to see the next generation of servants rising up and we look forward to what God has planned for this ministry and for CBS in the coming years.

Blessings,

Kathy Lin '18 & Myung Kim '17

BIBLE STUDIES

sunday night west
tim tsang & evelyn shan

Brother & sisters, gathered on West
In sharing, reading, and drawing upon his rest,
Bethe's laundry room was our home
Learning bout Thessalonica made our minds roam
Ecclesiastes came later, dang what's that Preacher
saying?

So many hard passages and ideas--let's get down to
prayin!
Thank goodness we've got this smol but strong group
to ponder and discuss
Unless you count that one time no one showed up
(probably all hit by a bus)
Despite that, praise God that he used such different
books to drive home one thing
Yo GOD IS OUR ANCHOR, LET ETERNAL HOPE SPRING
-- Tim Tsang '18 & Evelyn Shan '19

Bible study with Evelyn and Tim has been super fun this semester! We get to share with each other about anything and everything that happens throughout the week, and it's really encouraging to see how God is challenging and blessing each of us.

This group has been blessed with endless boxes of Gobstoppers from Tim, cool and good humor from Evelyn, and just a nice time of fellowship with one another. Each week, we hunt for open rooms on West Campus after dinner on Sunday nights, ranging from a cozy basement room in Bethe to a spacious lounge in Keeton. Wherever we decide to settle down, we have the awesome opportunity to delve into God's Word and discuss the deeper meanings behind these passages. As we read through 2 Thessalonians, we discussed many concepts in depth like the "man of lawlessness" and being perseverant in our faith to be good models to others. Going through Ecclesiastes towards the second half of the semester, we also reflected a lot about the priorities and focuses of our lives and how God intends for us to live to best glorify him as well as to enjoy the

blessings he has given us.

Through sharing our struggles and challenges, lifting up praises and encouragements, and praying with one another weekly, we have been able to understand each other better. I'm always so encouraged and surprised to see how God works in other people's lives and how they deal with the obstacles they face every day. I really appreciate this bible study and I've definitely learned a lot from this semester.

-- Melanie Lim '19

monday night west
zoe chan & lauren kam

Hello CBS!

This semester, we had the privilege of leading the only non-co-ed Bible study for our ladies! At first, we were quite unsure whether or not we should cancel our Bible study since we only had two people signed up. However, after some thought and prayer, we decided to move forward anyway, no matter the number of people. After all, we could only grow from there! Each week, we'd start off with a quirky ice-breaker (Zoe's idea), then jump into a new passage. Beginning with 2 Thessalonians, we explored the end times and the Anti-Christ and were encouraged by Paul's exhortations to the Thessalonians amidst their times of trial. Ecclesiastes put our daily lives into perspective by reminding us that all things were meaningless "hevel" and pointing us to our one Hope of this world. Having a smaller group allowed us to get to know one another better, dig deeper into our varying interpretations of the passages, and enjoy new depths of sisterhood. Although we were small in numbers, our discussions and sharing were not!

From candidly sharing about our weekly roses and thorns and laughing about our acorns (s/o to Angela Huang!) to complaining about the long lines at "Fried Food Mondays" in the Rose dining hall (or maybe that was just me, Zoe), God has truly blessed our time together as a small group. We're excited to see what God has in store for all of us next year, as we continue to live and grow together.

In Christ,
Zoe Chan '18 & Lauren Kam '19

This semester, we had the honor of being the only girls' bible study, allowing us to open up more freely as we studied 2 Thessalonians and Ecclesiastes. Our more intimate size helped us grow closer and live out 2 Thessalonians 1:3,

“your faith is growing more and more, and the love all of you have for one another is increasing.”

Eating dinner together at Rose’s “Fried Food Monday,” then retreating to Lauren’s suite to pray, study, and listen for God’s teachings gave us all a time of respite to enjoy fellowship with our sisters and with our Lord.

Zoe and Lauren lead the Bible study with a passion to apply God’s teachings to our everyday lives. Paul makes a case against idleness and the Antichrist in 2 Thessalonians, describing how we, as Christians, must not burden our fellow brothers and sisters and must remain steadfast in our faith, trusting our God instead of the things seen. Oftentimes, our studies led back to CBS’s Bible verse for this year, 2 Corinthians 4:16-18, reminding us to “look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen” to find eternity. Later on in Ecclesiastes, we learned that all things are hevel (meaningless; vain; futile), yet God has given us joy through His provisions. Although this semester was certainly the most challenging one by far for most (if not all) of us, God was gracious with His spiritual blessings upon our Bible study through His Word and Spirit. Our hope is to continue to strive toward finding joy in our toil by remembering that everything we do is for His glory.

-- Angela Huang ‘19

tuesday night ctown *ray zeng & david wu*

Dear CBS,

This was definitely an interesting experience for both of us as it was our first time leading a Bible Study, especially with the switching shenanigans (thanks to DSP) halfway into the semester and the unfortunate reality of Tuesday/Thursday prelims. Thankfully, we did get help and spent some time leading Bible Study with others first (special shoutout to Tim and Evelyn). This semester was a different dynamic from last semester on North -- from freshmen asking a lot of questions about everything to older, quieter people who still had their fair share of questions.

Ray: Leading a Bible Study this semester was a blessing on multiple levels. For one thing, it gave me a legitimate excuse to explore the wonders of Eddygate. Not going to lie, half the reason I came after the first week was because of The Ugly, 1G’s stuffed owl (jk, the people in BS are good too, I guess). But in all seriousness, I learned so much from

working alongside Tim and David this semester and from all my older brothers and sisters who came to share and listen to a freshman ramble and stumble his way through studying God’s Word.

Going through 2 Thessalonians with Tim and the upperclassmen was a good experience of taking a more analytical approach to Bible Study as we focused on breaking down the passages verse by verse, and going through challenging topics like the explanation of the end times. We all definitely learned from each other as we questioned and discussed the more metaphorical passages (like who is that “man of lawlessness”) while also taking time to ground the discussion with application to our daily lives and really dig deeper into what it means to live in the light of eternity.

As the semester progressed and as we transitioned into studying Ecclesiastes, I found myself getting busier and busier and often felt woefully unready to lead Bible Study. Yet, it was through these moments of weakness that I saw God’s grace and power as he moved in spite of my timidness and really blessed the conversations and sharings we had.

David: Ecclesiastes was also harder than most books, because of both the content and the style of writing. It’s not exactly ideal to go through it linearly (chapter by chapter, verse by verse as with 2 Thessalonians), so we went by topic. It was cool to see how Ecclesiastes addresses many different topics that are very relatable. However, I think that by choosing certain topics and relevant chapters and verses, we did “cherry-pick” a little and missed some parts of the chapter.

In addition, as Ray mentioned, we both got busier as the semester went on. Sometimes, it was hard to find times to prestudy (especially because Ray used to be a good freshman and tried to sleep at midnight), and there were often prelims on Tuesdays and Thursdays. However, by the grace of God, prestudies were completed (sometimes immediately before Bible Study), people were still able to attend, and others picked up the slack (another special shoutout to Tim for helping out when Ray/I had prelims), resulting in many great conversations and sharing.

**In Christ,
David Wu ‘19 & Ray Zeng ‘20**

To be completely honest, it's been hard to consistently attend Bible study this semester, whether it be from night prelims, heavy workload, or simply fatigue. But on the nights that we did go to Bible study, we entered a welcoming and inquisitive community of brothers and sisters. We would start off the night (admittedly somewhat late) by sharing and discussing how God had revealed Himself and taught us things about ourselves throughout the week. It was encouraging to rejoice with but also mourn for one another and see everyone support each other in their individual walks with God. Reading through Ecclesiastes this semester felt a bit like a rollercoaster ride, as we would sometimes read passages about death or vanity and at other times read about being joyful. As we tried to grasp the meaning of life, we realized that Ecclesiastes was all about extracting the subtle nuances to fully understand that though everything is meaningless because we are all meant to die, God blesses us so that we may live a full life. We should be reverent of God and His sovereignty, but come to enjoy His creation and the gifts he has provided for us in this world. Another theme in Ecclesiastes that was convicting was about God's time for everything. Sophomore year has been marked with struggles and hardships, which have tested our faith in the Lord and His goodness. But it has been reassuring knowing that even the times we feel far from God and life is at a low point have a place within God's path for us.

-- Newton Ni '19 & Ji-Won Choi '19

wednesday night north *felicia sadikin & kevin gao*

This semester, we led a co-ed Bible study on North campus. On some days, we crammed ourselves in the corner hallway, unable to hear each other and blocking the way of other people. Other times we convened in an RPCC conference room. For the early half of the semester, we studied 2 Thessalonians. Some of the main topics/themes that we discussed included the Day of the Lord, fearing judgment, and encouragements to persevere through trials. 2 Thessalonians also talked about the structure of a Christian community, how to keep each other accountable so as to avoid being idle, and the second coming of Jesus and the events that led up to it. In the later half of the semester, we studied Ecclesiastes, which described the account of a teacher figure who talked about how everything in life is meaningless - wisdom, pleasures, success. The teacher's words were sometimes harsh and

caused us to ask the hard questions and reflect on our own lives. We learned how everything is a gift from God and should be enjoyed, but also remembered that our purpose in this life is not anything of this world but to ultimately "fear God and obey His commandments". We also had the opportunity to share our testimonies through drawings. When the weather was nice, we were able to play ultimate frisbee and grow closer through team bonding (and/or competition). It has truly been a blessing to meet with this eclectic group of people every week, share laughs through all of the shenanigans, and grow together in love and knowledge for Christ.

In Christ,
Felicia Sadikin '17 & Kevin Gao '19

Dearest CBS,

After eating a lot of food during North Dinner, North Bible Study gets together for a spiritual repast. Through prayer, sharing, and scripture, brother and sister help build each other up in the presence of God. Discerning the mixed messages of Ecclesiastes and the man of lawlessness in 2 Thessalonians was tough, but with Felicia and Kevin's care and guidance, we were always left invigorated. Oh, and Mike Cao's theological tangents were always welcome. From sharing our testimonies to playing frisbee, there was much joy in the Lord to be had.

-- Raymond Zhang '20

A common word that we threw around, almost jokingly at times, was the word "hevel," which is a Hebrew word that roughly translates to "vanity" and "transience" in English. The Teacher in Ecclesiastes encouraged us to reflect on what things that we prioritize over God that are hevel. For some it may have been coursework and for others it may have been public image, but regardless, we were able to share with each other anything that was on our minds. This bible study started with me not knowing most of the people very well, but ended with meaningful relationships and conversation. We are thankful that God has worked through this ministry to bring us closer to one another and to Him.

-- Junlan Lu '20

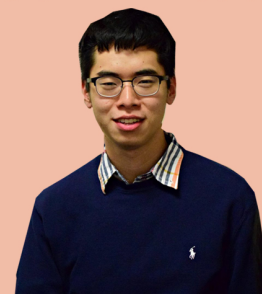
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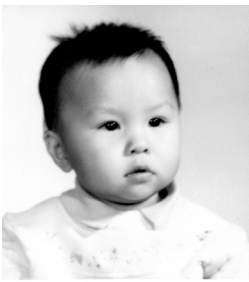
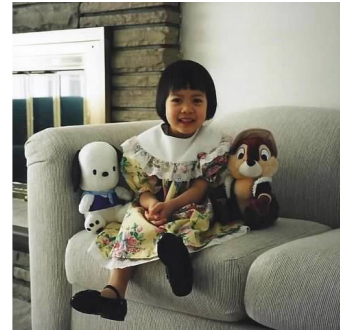
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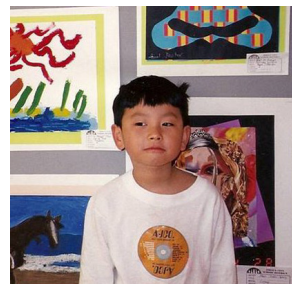
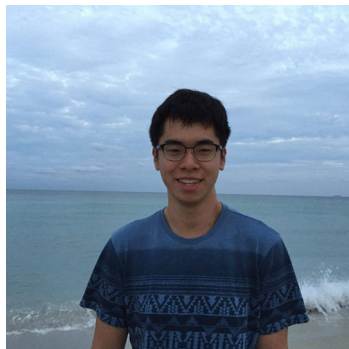
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SUPERLATIVES

CBS SENIORS class of 2017



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Computer Science

hometown:

Montville, NJ

interviewer:

Raymond Zhang

favorites

CLASS:

Yes

COLLEGETOWN RESTAURANT:

Asian Noodle House

FOOD:

Pants

HOBBY:

What's a hobby? What counts as a hobby? Playing the Piano. Making music and listening to it too.

WORSHIP SONG:

From the Inside Out

QUOTE:

"If you people sat outside and looked at the stars each night, I'll bet they'll live alot differently."

-- Calvin and Hobbes

I met Charlie on a sunny Monday afternoon for dinner. Knowing that his favorite dining hall was Okenshields, I wanted to meet him there but instead we settled with the downgrade that was Appel. Before jumping into the interview, I had to convince him that it was I that was doing the interviewing, not him...

1. CBS is...

An acronym. CBS is a student run bible believing Christian fellowship on campus. It's obviously more than that. At the essence of CBS is really just friendship. I don't use that term lightly. When I mean friendship I mean this deep love, and grace for one another. That can only happen because we have this grace and love from God. It's a family of people tied together by God's Love.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

Refer to Aaron Hui for that answer. I'm sure that he'll tell you that I've become less spazzy. I used to be much more careless with the things I say, as much as that is hard to believe. In general, God has helped me love people and to love Him so much more in a self sacrificial way.

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

a. Freshwomen

Stay connected with each other. You all have very different friend groups. That's really good but that means that the next three years are going to be a balancing act for you guys to take care of your other friends and your CBS family. Also, you guys are so cute!

b. Sopholess

Be intentional with how you spend time with each other. Spending time with CBS is not the same as spending time with God. And even when you're spending time with each other, don't forgot to consider how God is being honored through it. But fun is good. Fun is really really good.

c. Junioriors

Love each other. Go out of your way for each other. Pour yourself out for each other. As a senior I wish I hadn't let "ministry" get in the way of loving my classmates. Put in the end, what really matters is if you love God and if you love each other.

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

Honestly, just playing monopoly with the seniors. It was one of those rare moments where I am just laughing and free with my pals. I didn't feel

bogged down by having to constantly evaluate where my friendship was at. I just enjoyed being with them. It is like what Ecclesiastes said - There is a time and place for everything. I didn't have to get up in needlessly evaluating anything. Playing Monopoly really brought me back to freshman year memories. But then Edward lost all my property.

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

(Charlie was beatboxing as I asked him this). I have this thing where I can tie my shoelaces really really fast. I can teach you, but I have to charge. Dang right, its better than yours.

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

I have a few favorite spots... you can actually sit on those weird slopey pillars in front of Gates hall. They are really good places to get away from work and to stargaze or even to watch the sunset.

7. What is a prayer that God has answered in the past four years? (*Went outside*)

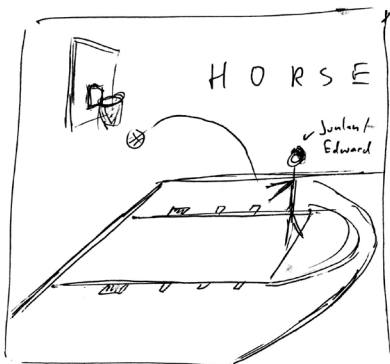
When I entered into coordinatorship, my prayer request was that God would grow my heart to love people. And I know he's done it because I had many painful moments this past year where God has convicted me about my own selfishness, my own need to be validated. When I felt like I had nothing more to give and no more desire to give, he filled me back up past where I originally was.

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

Short Term: Get my wisdom teeth pulled. Go to China with Ray Zeng. Work in NYC for a bit. Long term: Wait on God to give my next step. Lay low as a Sunday School teacher. Fight crime every now and again. Become the Walrusman.

We wrapped up our conversation on the green in front of Appel, where we watched the sun set majestically on North while reminiscing about the past year(s) (it was Charlie who did most of the reminiscing - he's the elder has quadruple the amount of college in his life). We talked about everything from laptop sizes to journaling. Charlie is full of the whimsical and the wise. He is just rooted in the Gospel and I thank him for his spiritual guidance this past year. May his walk with God be ever fruitful and blessed wherever it calls him.

-- Raymond Zhang '20



Beating Junlan and Edward at a game of HORSE!

edward chen

major:

Math & Econ

hometown:

San Antonio, TX

interviewer:

Michael Huang

favorites

CLASS:

Chinese for Heritage Speakers

COLLEGETOWN RESTAURANT:

Mehak's

FOOD:

Fried Chicken

HOBBY:

Basketball, hanging out with Myung, shopping

WORSHIP SONG:

Come Thou Fount (traditional version)

QUOTE:

"420 blaze it"

-- my roommate Bobby,
freshman year

I realized I never got to talk much with Edward, but I knew he was a cool dude the second he chose Appel over RPCC. #appellyfe We got our food (pancakes !!) and talked for a good hour before I broke out the questions.

1. CBS is...

"A group of Christians on campus dedicated to knowing Christ and making Christ known." Isn't that what it says on the website? Gottem.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

I think I'm more loving, I guess. Yeah.

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

a. Freshmen

I don't know if I can really say cause I was technically on co-op for 4 years (heh), but I guess academically, take classes you enjoy - it'll make college much more bearable. And in other things, I guess spend time with your friends, that's it. I don't think there's much else to college than that.

b. Sophomores

Man, I don't need to offer them advice, they're doing great. Much better than we were when we were sophomores.

c. Juniors

If they ever need help applying for jobs...? Is that what they're thinking about? What do they need help with... what? They're also doing fine. I can't offer any advice. I mean... yeah.

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

I feel like nowadays I do so much fun stuff already, but one memory I can definitely remember is after I finished everything freshman year (like finals and school), I couldn't sleep so I just played video games all night. It was just the excitement that I was done with freshman year.

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

It's not a talent, more like an embarrassment, I'm good at playing Pokemon. Boji says I'm good at putting together women's outfits, but that's a different story... I'm good at cooking but I don't cook very much. Can I give you a habit? You know when you come out of the shower, I dry myself off with a face towel, then a regular towel. I don't want any water on my body. No water on my body. That's my tip. Also I always flush my poop down first, then my paper, because clogs are caused by poop sticking to the paper [proceeds to discuss science behind poop/toilet paper].

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

The path from north past Baker, I think about how my dad used to work there. Baker 2F is the office of Roald Hoffman, he did these chemistry videos I grew up watching in high school. I guess with Baker, everything just... came together there.

7. What is a prayer that God has answered in the past four years?

Figuring out who I really am, not like determined by what I want to study or what I like to do, those don't define you as much. Also, finding friends I can get along with and be myself with.

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

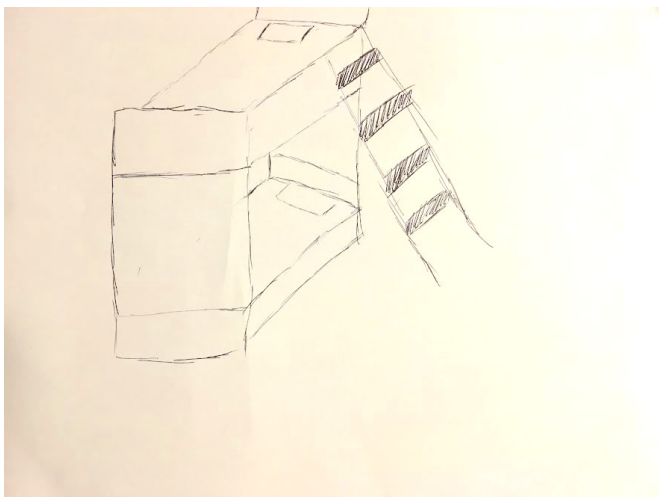
S: be independent, maybe go back to school for my Masters, figure out if my job is what I want.
L: get married, we'll see how that goes. Or not get married and just adopt a child. Get married and/or have kids. I would love to have a kid. Get good at doing things.

I'm really glad I got to know Edward a bit more before graduation, and to learn more about Magic! The Gathering, the Townhouses, and how to prevent toilet clogs. Have fun with wherever life takes you, and I'm excited for you to grow in your walk with God.

Additional comments from Edward:

"Myung hates this about me but I always read plot summaries and check if the movie won any awards before deciding on watching the movie."

-- Michael Huang '20



It's me and Myung's room.

felicia sadikin

major:

Biological Engineering

hometown:

Portland, OR

interviewer:

Alice Zhao

favorites

CLASS:

Should I do something nerdy or like real fun? Cuz I really like wines but I also like this class called Biomedical Engineering Analysis of Metabolical Structural Systems.

COLLEGETOWN RESTAURANT:

immediate response Koko's

FOOD:

squints eyes French?

HOBBY:

Uh...sleeping?

WORSHIP SONG:

Hm. Man of Sorrows

QUOTE:

smiles sheepishly Can I say I don't have one? [No.] Can it be a verse? [I guess?] I don't normally have like favorite "quotes." That's a quote. From a book. AKA THE book. Let me find it. Micah 7:7 "But as for me, I watch in hope for the Lord, I wait for God my Savior; my God will hear me."

I await the amazing Felicia outside Carpenter where we have agreed to meet. I spot an Asian female at the bus stop and continuously yell "Felicia!!!" at her, only to discover that it is indeed not Felicia. I check my phone and realize she had been waiting in the completely opposite direction. Heading over, I text her to look up from her phone, after which she proceeds to look up into the sky, as if I were on top of Carpenter or flying in the sky. After a confusing couple of moments where I wave at Felicia to let her know I have not yet gained the ability to fly and still remain quite planted on the ground, we finally meet up as planned and proceed towards Rose for some (not-so) delicious pasta.

1. CBS is...

smiles A familyyy. A family of broken people who strive to serve and love God. And what kept me sane these past four years.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

Umm. I've definitely grown in my faith and like knowing His goodness and knowing His faithfulness. Especially in times of uncertainty and being able to look to Him for peace and for knowing that His plans are greater than what I can understand them to be or what I can hope for. Yea. I definitely learned through classes and being far from my family, and especially these past 4 years. And knowing that what I think is good isn't always the same as what God thinks is good. Like His plan. *looks out window* Doggy!

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

a. Freshmen

Umm. Don't get burnt out. I think both in classes and extracurriculars, but also in serving. As freshmen, you just have this excitement and so much more energy and as you get older it's just like ehh I'm tired. Yea. Take advantage of that. Don't stop being CUTE. And don't stop seeking the Lord.

b. Sophomores

I think to know your limits. Of how much you can do. Um, I think especially as sophomores, which you'll later experience, you take on a lot cuz you think "Oh I can do this, I can do that" but that just makes you really tired, and I think being a sophomore was hardest, and looking back I was like oh yea I definitely didn't have to do all of those things. Umm. Like. I feel like as a sophomore you're so young. Take advantage and like have more fun. Or like take a break sometimes. Or like don't be too stressed out about classes. I feel like I'm speaking old man's wisdom now. I'm so old. Oh, the things I should have done.

c. Juniors

Don't be afraid to be looked up to. Looked up to? I think they're a lot wiser than they think they are. And

they have a lot more experience than they think they have. Especially in being able to lead and act by example. I feel like you don't realize that you're doing it. Don't fear the future! The senior year is all about uncertainty and the future, but it'll be fine. And fun. Actually. Yes, fine and fun.

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

Okay. I can't pick ONE. I can't pick one favorite. But like the two things that come into mind is making felly dinner decorations freshmen year for freshmen felly dinner. And the other is when we went and looked at the stars at Mt. Pleasant. It's over there *points* by Ithaca College. There was a big group of us that went during February break. Like you could see so many stars. I saw shooting stars, it was really cold and we would all huddle together. I was kept warm by a philly cheesesteak and just like laughing with people.

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

I can sleep for a really long time. Like. consistently. I can fall asleep very easily too. Is that a hidden quirk? I'm really not that talented. I sleep talk sometimes. I don't think I have one. I'm trying to think of what I'm good at but like I can't come up with anything. I am in a bell choir. That's pretty hidden. That's quirk. Kinda.

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

I really like walking down Ho Plaza. It's very symmetrical.

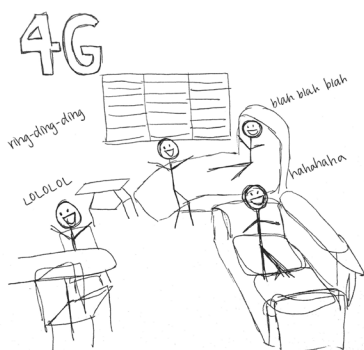
7. What is a prayer that God has answered in the past four years?

Hmm. I think to make His presence known to me. Like I guess and also His relevance in my life. I guess like in high school, I didn't have a personal relationship with Him. He was just like a distant figure, but I guess coming to college I knew I wanted to grow in that and to see that He is someone that I walk with daily and talk to daily, and communicate and it's not like--we're not separate. He is part of my life. Intertwined *smooth hand body wiggle*.

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

Um. Short-term. I guess move to Boston, start working. Short-term as in like less than two months. Um. Long-term. I guess I don't know long-term. I guess we'll see where God takes me. I don't know what I want to do. I want to move back to the west coast. But I don't know. We'll see.

As Felicia finishes up drawing, I finish up typing and fixing all the typos I made. After finishing her masterpiece, Felicia springs up and exclaims, "Lets get icE CREEAAAAMM!!!" Sweeter than the french vanilla cone I got, Felicia has been both a joy and a blessing to me and to CBS as a whole. We begin to clean up our plates to head to our favorite Friday night place, Panda Te--I mean large group at Goldwin Smith. I will greatly miss seeing her wonderful face every week, but I pray the Lord would continue to grow her in love, faith, and desire for Him as she continues her walk with Him outside of Cornell.



It's 4G. And my apartment mates. And we all look exactly the same and have no hair. But I think my memorable moments would just be like a collection of all the random unplanned conversations we had and like the weird things we did late at night.

jerry xu

major:

Computer Science

hometown:

Carmel, IN

interviewer:

David Wu

favorites

CLASS:

CS 3110 – “the really painful one. There’s so much work it’s like having a part-time job. 3110 decides when you sleep, it’s like your dad for a semester.” Note – Jerry likes being overworked (companies 😓)

COLLEGETOWN RESTAURANT:

Calios – it’s cheap and open late at night. He buys 3 at a time (???)

FOOD:

Chicken wings – the frozen kind, with bones in them so you know it’s real.

HOBBY:

Playing League of Legends in Phillips with the big screen and good WiFi

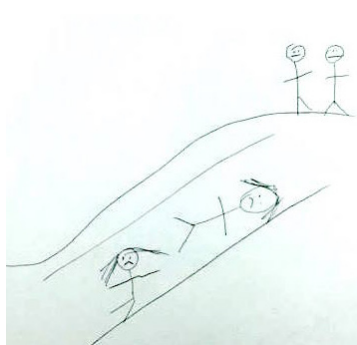
WORSHIP SONG:

He loves all of them equally

QUOTE:

“Sometimes I’ll start a sentence and I don’t even know where it’s going. I just hope I find it along the way.”

— Michael Scott



I’ve actually never really talked to Jerry, so I’m excited for this interview. As I approach Asian Noodle House, I come to the sickening realization that Jerry might not actually be awake yet (it’s only 1:20PM!) and turn around toward Eddygate. To my pleasant surprise, I see Jerry walking toward me. Unfortunately, I don’t have WiFi and I don’t have the questions loaded up, so we decide to postpone the interview to 1G after lunch. Instead, I get a little longer to get to know Jerry more.

1. CBS is...

Family. When I first came to CBS, an upperclassman said “CBS is family,” and it certainly feels that way. I see everyone in CBS on such a regular basis, I do things with them, hang out with them, eat with them, pray with them. After all, it really does become a family.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

Coming to CBS in freshman year, I had no expectations. I wasn’t religious at all in the beginning. I’m not super religious now, but I’m closer to God at least. I’d say that’s the main change, going from not being religious at all to at least acknowledging that God exists and loves me.

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

a. Freshmen

Freshman year doesn’t matter too much. If you don’t do well, it’s ok because you have 3 years to turn it around. If you do do well, it’s OK because it doesn’t really matter.

b. Sophomores

Don’t be complacent. You should still care about grades, but don’t disappear off the face of the earth and stop going to CBS. It’s really easy to hide in your room all day and not interact with people. Do things that are memorable because the time goes by really fast. You don’t wanna forget what it was like to be a sophomore.

c. Juniors

Enjoy your last year here, it really does go by fast. Enjoy meeting with people and hanging out with people and the rest of CBS.

This is from freshman year. Me, Myung, Felicia, and Phoebe took the scenic route to CBS. There was an icy, slope-y patch. Felicia and Phoebe fell. Me and Myung were awkward guys so we just stood there wondering if we should help. Phoebe got mad at us (E/N: note to all freshmen – this is why you should be chivalrous!)

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

Ice skating last semester at night. I had a Chinese prelim the next morning and was really stressed at the time, but it was nice to go out and have a nice time and not think about the prelim that was about to happen.

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

I’m a really good cook. I’m really good at cooking, especially late at night. What do I do? I boil eggs and put some fish in the toaster oven. Baked flounder is good. Sophomore year I used to put instant ramen in room temperature water and let it sit for half an hour because I was too lazy to heat it up.

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

Phillips 318 – the computer lab. I like the atmosphere, it’s very welcoming. It’s usually busy on weekday nights. But if you go at 11pm or on weekends, you don’t feel as bad playing games while everyone else is working.

7. What is a prayer that God has answered in the past four years?

One of my common prayers has been staying interested in getting to know God more and having the drive to keep coming back to CBS on Friday nights. But I’ve been going to Large Group for the most part, had pretty good attendance. Sometimes I even go to church (usually FICCC or Tab).

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

Short-term: I’m still interviewing and looking for a job, so I’ll see where that takes me. I’m hoping for the West Coast.

Long-term: I want to settle down somewhere, start a family, the usual. Preferably the suburbs to raise a family, not necessarily on the West Coast. It feels down to earth to live in suburb, plus the cost of living isn’t too high. Carmel’s a suburb.

I had a great time speaking with Jerry, and I learned a lot about him. For example, it turns out that Jerry actually plays League because of Myung. I’ll definitely have to catch a game with them in Phillips 318 sometime. It’s very encouraging to see how God has worked in his life and kept him involved with CBS. I hope that wherever he ends up after graduation, he can find a community like CBS that can further support him in his relationship with God and become a family for him, and that we will continue to pray for him.

myung kim

major:

Fine Arts

hometown:

Little Ferry, NJ

interviewer:

Jeffrey Huang

favorites

CLASS:

Introduction to Visual Arts

COLLEGETOWN RESTAURANT:

De Tasty

FOOD:

Fried Rice

HOBBY:

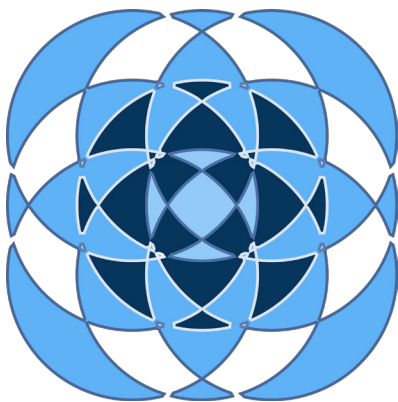
Drawing

WORSHIP SONG:

Amazing Grace

QUOTE:

“Frankly, my dear, I don’t give a damn.”



Myung didn’t draw a picture; Myung asked me to draw a picture for him, so I made a thing with a bunch of circles.

I am in Collegetown, walking around Asian Noodle House, wandering, wondering. A tap on my shoulder – Myung is here! After getting lunch, we relocate to Eddygate 1G. With Myung comfortably stretched out on the couch and me in the chair by the router, we begin the interview.

1. CBS is...

CBS is a nice family, a good home, community to go back on, spend time with, have fun with too. To make an almost everlasting bond relationship with people – a relationship that goes deeper than other relationships that aren’t made in that context, under God. It is a more intimate environment.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

A lot, I guess. Yeah, each year was very different for me – a lot of highs, a lot of lows. I don’t think I changed a lot freshman year – I was just here for fun, was just enjoying everything: new environment, all these people, being happy. But now, everything’s changed – being more vulnerable, giving myself a lot of attention – introspection, I guess you could say. It helped me to know myself better. In turn, it helped me to respect other people more – a kind of humanness, I’d say.

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

a. Freshmen

Be prepared for sophomore year, it’s supposed to be difficult. Get prepared academically. They’re still young – don’t overwork themselves. Be prepared to learn a lot in the next few years – both spiritually and obviously academically. But more importantly spiritually.

b. Sophomores

For the sophomores becoming juniors – for you – be prepared. I feel like in the latter half of college life you learn a lot about adult life – not to be so surprised or taken with your pants down. Be ready to serve, ‘cause you know, you’re going to be an upperclassmen and that’s a completely different ballfield – you’re going to be a role model.

c. Juniors

Not to let go of the relationships you’ve made for the past years, you should cherish them and keep them close, and that will help you out. A lot

of people kinda neglect it – become distanced, detached – become overburdened, so they don’t nurture it. Yeah.

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

It’s freshman year, when we were preparing for freshman felly dinner – just everything that happened during that time, just a general memory of that entire period. Very fun. We’d meet up in Phoebe’s room all the time, just as a class – that or Mews, one of the study rooms. Making the scrapbooks – that was our gift to the seniors. Probably the best memories, sweetest memories.

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

I can stick a pencil in my eye. Wanna see? [Note: Can confirm. Myung demonstrated with a pen. I am impressed.]

I can crack my fingers with one hand.

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

Tjaden cocktail lounge, Philips computer lab, Carpenter computer lab. Where else have I looked to play League back in the day? Uris computer lab. Morell (Morel? Morrell?) [sic] – it’s in the Arts Quad. The slope. Baker 200 – it’s where I used to watch movies.

7. What is a prayer that God has answered in the past four years?

Being more vulnerable and just knowing myself better.

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

Take a gap year, apply to grad schools for art. Do work. In between, make artwork so I don’t lose that sensibility. Apply for some gallery shows. I’ve considered many things.

The words of Myung are smooth, like a quiet spring breeze... I still remember in freshman year, when Myung and Jerry walked me back to North after a night in Eddygate. Or that time when our Bible study went to chill in a graveyard after dark. Time passes by faster than anticipated. Thank you, Myung, for walking with me over the past years. May God bless you as you seek him and serve him in the years to come! Myung goes to take a nap. I fall asleep on the couch.

-- Jeffrey Huang '19

nini shan

major:

ORIE

hometown:

The Woodlands, TX

interviewer:

Shelly Zhang

favorites

CLASS:

Wines

COLLEGETOWN RESTAURANT:

Miyaki

FOOD:

Seafood?

HOBBY:

Biking

WORSHIP SONG:

Oceans

QUOTE:

“There’s a time for daring, and there’s a time for caution. A wise man understand which is called for.”

Nini and I met up for a Sunday dinner at Becker. Predictably, I was late. But it’s okay because she was too. I was excited to do this interview because although I’ve seen Nini around CBS and bible study, I haven’t gotten to know her too much.

1. CBS is...

A great group of friends that share a love for God.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

God put people in my life that really help me think for myself and appreciate the world more deeply. The people that I met have been really influential, and my peers have encouraged me to figure out who I am. Instructors and mentors have helped me look at the world in a different way and think about it more deeply.

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

a. Freshmen

Take classes that are outside your major, classes that you’re really interested and out of your comfort zone. You might get bad grades, but you’ll learn something new. For West Campus dining, Rose is the best.

b. Sophomores

This is when things get harder and harder, and you have more things due, more stress. So make time for friends. When you leave Cornell you’re not gonna remember your GPA or what you got on your exam, but you’ll remember those great memories that you make with your friends. Try not to pull an allnighter, health is very important. Sleep is really important.

c. Juniors

Senior year is gonna be one of the most exciting and bittersweet times of your college career cuz you know you’re gonna leave soon so you wanna enjoy every single moment that you have here; especially spend time with friends, enjoy the nice Ithaca weather when it’s nice outside, try to check everything off of your bucket list, and make sure you leave fulfilled and with no regrets.

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

So I did a lot of embarrassing things my freshmen year, and I’m just a really embarrassing person. So during my freshmen year, it was like 12 am, midnight or something it was really late. And I was already in bed and I hear this faint alarm noise (keep in mind that I’m in Balch) and I see the fire alarm going off. I see a lot of girls running to the exit-- WAIT. THIS IS MY FAVORITE MEMORY? (Me: yea). Oh wait hold on. *pulls out phone* I write down things that happen and I’m

trying to-- on my gosh. I mean it wasn’t my FAVORITE memory it’s kinda negative. So basically there were swarms of girls running toward the exit so I start running with them. I grabbed nothing with me, I forgot my keys, my phone, I’m in my pajamas, I grabbed no shoes either, and I ran out with them. And this was during the middle of winter, so it’s super super cold outside and were all stuck outside in this freezing weather in my pajamas and I have no shoes on and I’m probably gonna get frostbite. And I’m like “this is not a big deal it’s probably a fire alarm.” and we’re standing in front of Balch and we see one of the rooms on the top is completely engulfed in flames. And I had nothing on me, it was terrible. So a group of friends and I dorm hopped through the night. It was a good bonding experience.

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

I guess I’m good at embarrassing friends and my brother. I’m also like a really bad wing-woman. That too (Note to self: will not hire Nini as my wing-woman).

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

That would have to be Rhodes Hall. (Me: Why) I’m there all the time. It’s my favorite spot on campus because there are these little cactus- cactuses- cacti, and one Xinran accidentally killed. The place is stark and bleak and it’s kinda a depressing building and the elevators take forever to get to you and there’s only one working water fountain. I guess that’s where my friends and I struggle in our problem sets so I guess we bond over there.

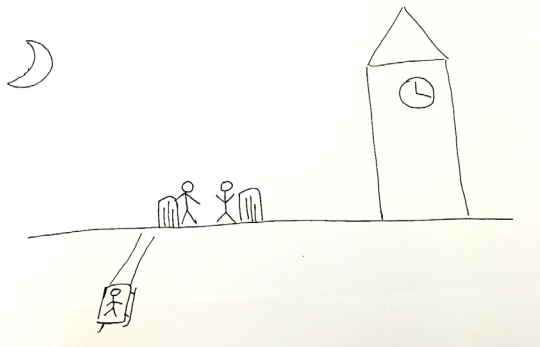
7. What is a prayer that God has answered in the past four years?

So during freshmen year I had trouble finding a church group or fellowship to join. My family and I were praying that I would find a fellowship that I could join and that I would like. And during sophomore year I met Xinran and she introduced me to CBS and I really liked it so that’s definitely a prayer that was answered.

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

Short term: I’ll be working in DC for IBM in consulting. So if anyone wants to come to DC hit me up. Long term: I really really really wanna just travel the world and make my living off of that. I can backpack and as long as I can see all of the places that I wanna see I’d be happy. Like I wanna see all of those world heritage places. I could like live in a shack and I’d be happy.

It was really fun getting to know Nini. Nini is someone who values her friends and her time, and it was nice to hear from a senior’s perspective about experiences at Cornell and how to make the most out of our time here. We also both talked about our love for academia and traveling. She told me how she grew up in the Netherlands, I told her I went to Amsterdam over break, she asked me where was that lol. I wish Nini the best of luck in DC next year.



Sliding down the slope at midnight

phoebe lo

major:

HBHS

hometown:

Holmdel, NJ

interviewer:

Evelyn Shan

favorites

CLASS:

Microbio (What a nerd. Her second favorite would be Orgo 1.)

COLLEGETOWN RESTAURANT:

Insomnia

FOOD:

French Vanilla Ice Cream

HOBBY:

Shengji

WORSHIP SONG:

Still

QUOTE:

“Do people have favorite quotes?
What kind of question is that?
Who decided this?”

-- p. lo

Alas, the notorious Phoebe Lo, renowned for her sleeping habits, stellar class attendance, and Nertz skills, is no longer with us. By that, of course, I mean that she currently resides on the other side of the country (California doesn't deserve her!). But despite being busy dealing with patients and studying hard for the OATs, she carved out a bit of time to video-chat, look back on her time at Cornell, and get down to the important questions.

1. CBS is...

My first reaction is to say family -- people you always know are there, even if you aren't necessarily talking to each other.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

A lot. Every year you learn a little bit, but I think the biggest way He's changed me has been learning to trust that He's there even though it doesn't feel like He is. That He still cares, even when it feels like He doesn't, and that life is just going on. A lot of times it seemed like, "Well, it doesn't seem like God's anywhere near," but later you look back and realize that He was. I feel like I learned a lot of little things, and many times it was the same thing. Like when you learn that you're supposed to trust God, but a few months later, you learn the same thing and are reminded of the same lesson.

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

a. Freshmen

Don't be afraid to branch out and try a lot of different things and meet a lot of different people. College is definitely the place where you can do that the most.

b. Sophomores

Don't be discouraged. Don't feel too stressed out, because in the end, what matters most is the memories you made. You don't remember how much you studied, but what you do remember is the time you spent with people.

c. Juniors

Don't be weighed down by responsibility. Don't do things because you feel like you need to or have to. Don't stress.

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

Sophomore year--it was the day we came back from winter retreat, so classes hadn't started yet. A bunch of us had taken a nap and weren't too tired at night, so we stayed up and chatted. It was the first time I'd hung out with the class of 2016, and as I got to know a lot of them better, I realized I hadn't been interacting with half of

CBS. It was the start of a lot of new relationships, and it was like, "Oh cool, this is nice!" because they were people I never thought I would chat with.

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

I have a small towel that is made specifically for wrapping your hair after you shower. That is its sole purpose, and it has a specific shape and everything. It's this small purple towel, and 4G always makes fun of it.

(**For more quirks, please consult 4G. Apparently, they have a whole laundry list.)

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

Okay, there are two spots that are the best seats in the house. #1 would be the two seats in the commons by Martha's that are facing away so no one can see you sleep. It can get kind of chilly, so you sometimes need to bring a blanket, but the seats come with footrests!

And #2 would be my bed. No, it'd be Felicia's bed.

7. What is a prayer that God has answered in the past four years?

There was a period of time when I was crying out to God, and my prayers would be asking him, "God, tell me if you're real." And that got answered.

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

After graduation, as in, right now. Short-term is to work at an ophthalmology office. Long-term is to be an optometrist. And be in debt forever :/

This is, of course, not the end of the questions & answers (fret not!), since Phoebe will finally be returning to campus for graduation! Regardless, this conversation was such a blessing. I didn't realize how much I felt our lack of Phoebe this semester, so talking to her, hearing about her job and new life, and listening to how God has continued to use her time at Cornell was immensely comforting.

P. Lo is always such a joy-giving presence. She is hilarious, a master sky-diver, a monster at Nertz, the fearless leader of the shengji crew, an abhorrer of all things veg, the other half of Felicia, an honorary member of the classes of 2016 & 2019, and a precious daughter of God, with a heart that is soft towards others and firm in holding onto Him. She has taught us a great deal in how she cherishes the time spent in friendship and fellowship, but even more so in how God has used her through her trials and the hard parts of life. P. Lo, may He continue to guide your every step, respond to every doubt, and shower you with his comfort and love!

-- Evelyn Shan '19

stephanie chan

I met Stephanie in my apartment on a Friday afternoon. After she sat down, she complimented the nice view my apartment has. However, I have never really appreciate the good view it has. It just made me realize that a lot of times we take things for granted.

major:

ECE

hometown:

Livingston, NJ

interviewer:

Michelle Sun

favorites

CLASS:

Organ Music Class

COLLEGETOWN RESTAURANT:

Koko's

FOOD:

Chocolate Mousse Cake

HOBBY:

Playing the piano

WORSHIP SONG:

Come Thou Fount (Hymn)

Sovereign (Praise Song)

QUOTE:

"Who needs utensils when you have a mouth"

-- Xinran Pan 2015

1. CBS is...

A community of brothers and sisters learning to serve God and each other.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

I think he has helped me to care more about other people. I guess sometimes I see someone visiting the college and they seem lost so I would come up and ask if they need help. I was really really quiet when I first came to Cornell and I think God has help me to really open to people. I don't really know why I am here, why I am at Cornell and God showed me why I am at Cornell. Because how much I have been able to grow here and it was challenging.

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

a. Freshmen

Don't take on too much. I mean you may have thought you could do more in your freshman year but that doesn't mean you should done more in your sophomore year. You can feel free to ask people older to eat with you.

b. Sophomores

I think it can also be scary to think that you are halfway done for college. Next year, people will look up to you as upperclassmen. You have a lot of people in your class, use that as an advantage to not having the burdens only on one person. Don't forget about the people who don't live in Eddygate.

c. Juniors

I think I have seen you guys step up a lot even when you are sophomores. I think that is really great. As seniors, it will probably get harder, in terms of caring for the fellowship and not being able to rely on a class above you. One encouragement is that you can still talk to us and we will still be available even though we are physically away. Be sensitive to those around you who might not be certain about their futures. Enjoy senior year and do the things you want to do at Cornell. Don't be consumed by everything else.

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

One time, I went on a spontaneous adventure with Christine Loui. We ended up walking up the Cascadilla Gorge trail. We walked from west and ended up in Eddygate.

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

I am sort of flexible. I can double cross my leg. I have a pretty good memory for people's names. I remember most of the things but not the stuff from class.

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

I guess my favorite studying spot on campus is the Statler library. I spent a scarily amount of time there as a non-hotelie. I like the slope as a place to relax. Also when I was conducting the BoL interview last year, Allen told me about the spot by the engineering quad where you can sit on the stone.

7. What is a prayer that God has answered in the past four years?

I guess I remember one thing that I prayed about. One of my blockmates at that time was encouraging me to pray for my bible study group. After I started to pray for bible study outside being in bible study, I saw more questions being asked and people being interested in learning more during bible study time.

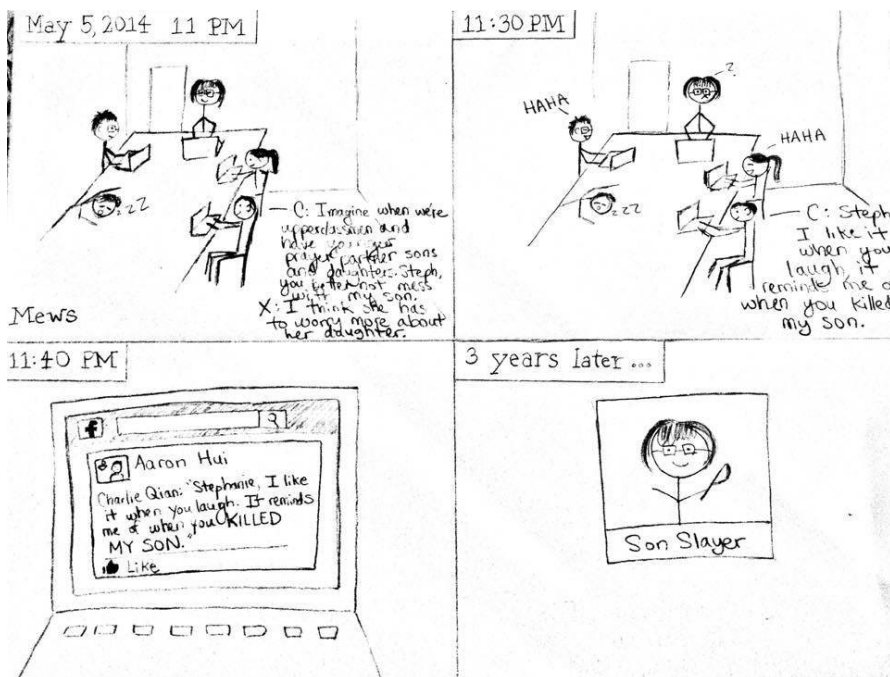
8. What are your short-term and long-term plans after graduation?

Short-term plan: I will be living at home, not in the basement. I have my room. I will be working in Jersey city. Find a church community.

Long-term plan: Maybe try new jobs in a couple years. Getting a dog which may or may not involve moving out. Traveling.

We kind of rushed the interview because it was a Friday night and we don't want to be too late for large group. It was really great to talk to Stephanie and understand what she meant by "flexibility" by seeing her doing strange gestures. I don't think I would have the opportunity to see her do strange stuff if we were eating at a restaurant.

-- Michelle Sun '18



xinran pan

major:

ORIE

hometown:

Princeton/West Windsor, NJ

interviewer:

Angela Huang

favorites

CLASS:

Everyone should take Intro to Wines (HADM 4300)

COLLEGETOWN RESTAURANT:

Aladdin's

FOOD:

What???? Everything..... It's so hard, it's so hard...* stares at the floor*.... Probably seafood, all seafood, except sea cucumber

HOBBY:

Sleeping, eating, running

WORSHIP SONG:

All of the old worship songs in the late eighties to early 2000s. Hillsong's been forever, but nobody knows the old stuff. When I ask for the old stuff, no one knows. When they request the new stuff, I don't know...

QUOTE:

Too many to choose from...

I bribed Xinran for this interview with a pomegranate ginger ale in Trillium. Xinran is currently testing swirling the soda for bubbling effects, ensuring that each sip gives her the optimal fizzy, bubbly experience. She continues this habit with our part 2 of this interview with root beer.

1. CBS is...

CBS is a community of friends, brothers, and sisters who are brought together in the most crazy ways by God. CBS is a place where we can pursue God, understand how deeply He loves us, and share his love with those around us.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

He's definitely stripped me of a lot of pride since freshman year and He's taught me a lot of lessons through

painful and challenging ways. One thing that He does very constantly and regularly is remind me that He is in control and that the plans that I envision are not always to the same as His plans for me. Every semester, He teaches me over and over, just as it says in Isaiah 55:9 "For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts."

It's a big comfort that I've learned throughout these years that His plans always end up completely different from mine and they're far better than mine. Along the change, He's taught me that I easily lack trust in times of difficulty and hardship, despite my lack of trust He still provides always and that's something I have to remind myself over and over.

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

a. Freshmen

Enjoy the last few weeks of your freshmen year. Take advantage of having fewer responsibilities, so that you can get to know people,

Don't overload on life, meaning to not overload on classes, on extracurriculars, and saying yes to everything that people ask you to do. YOU CAN SAY "NO" AND DO SAY "NO." During sophomore year, it's hard to know what your limits are, so it's easy to overload on everything.

Sophomore slump is real, so be aware of it when it comes because it can be inevitable. Know what your limits are and know when you reach your limit, to take a few steps back because you will know that you can handle everything.

b. Sophomores

There's definitely a lot more put onto the incoming junior class, with more responsibilities and expectations on you guys. You guys have definitely taken up more responsibilities this past year.

Expect to be reaching out to more people than you will be reached out to, especially since your class is so big. You guys will have to take on even more responsibilities in shaping the fellowship since you guys are so big. It's important to be careful with your conduct and your speech.

c. Juniors

I'd tell them that the weight of caring for the fellowship is not completely not on your shoulders and it's not your class' burden to bear alone (the rising juniors will take of it).

Really ask God to give your class a stronger sense of unity, something that isn't very easy to do but there is always hope. We are called to be brothers and sisters under Christ and that already unifies us, even if from the surface there seems to be a lot of brokenness or things that don't seem to be easily changed.

d. Everybody

Make good non-Christian friends and maintain those relationships throughout college. Don't only get stuck in the Christian bubble. It's often more effective to maintain relationships with non-Christians because that's when you can share the gospel with them and they are more willing to listen to you when they trust

you and know who you are. Plant the seed instead of just talking to strangers, not that cold contact is bad or ineffective, but it's more effective to have that established relationship first.

Learn to ask for help, when you need help get help. Whether it is academically related, spiritually related, or mental health, whatever area of life you're struggling in. Know that it's good to ask for help, to seek for help and that it's good for yourself.

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

Being coerced into going into Eddygate 2E on Friday nights to watch movies and eating egg sandwiches. Also, telephone dictionary with (my) upperclassmen. And that encompasses many nights watching 2 movies from 12:00 am to 5:00 am and coming back to North early in the morning.

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

- I have a naturally strong upper body.
- I'm really good at remembering song lyrics and movie quotes, movie/Tv show quotes, but only lyrics and quotes. Can't remember my lectures or textbooks
- Selective hearing
- I can run many miles.

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

Oh, there's too many:
- The bell overlooking the plantations. You can bang on the bell and it's pretty loud.
- Ezra's Tunnel
- Slope for napping
- Cocktail lounge is good for napping.
- Rock garden behind Willard Straight
- Top of the clock tower
- Harry Potter library for exploring

7. What is a prayer that God has answered in the past four years?

Oh man, so many, so many small and so many big ones. He's definitely provided me job security, which has always made me feel very insecure.

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

Short Term plans:

- Become a consultant for IBM for the next few years.
- As part of the consulting gig, travel and enjoy the overall experience.

Long-Term Goals:

- Get married before the age of thirty.
- And then get a dog (looks up to heaven for prayers)
I need many dogs

Goal order: First dog, then house, then husband

Xinran is a wonderfully passionate woman that God has strengthened through struggles and empowered through love. Listening to Xinran's God-given wisdom is truly inspiring, for these hardships have allowed Xinran to understand and communicate what truly matters in our lives and how to make the our time here for God. Although Xinran is uncertain about the future, I trust that the Lord has many glorious things in store for our beloved Xinran.

-- Angela Huang '19

SENIOR WILLS

CHARLIE QIAN

I will to Kevin Gao the compulsory urge to spit freestyle rhymes,
I will to Jeff Huang, spontaneously breaking into worship at random times,
I will to Shelly Zhang, confidence in loudly playing guitar and bass,
I will to Jiwon Choi, mastery of the walrus face,
I will to Wenyu Ding, the haircut of winners,
I will to Raymond Zhang, watching the sunsets after North dinners,
I will to Adrian Lim, my very few good puns and jokes,
I will to Daegun, lovingly pranking people with face pokes,
I will to Helen Sun, the freedom and joy of playing improv on the keys,
I will to Anna Tedijanto, Matilda and my fond Measureless memories,
I will to Joshua Ying, being a troll and gallons of chocolate milk,
I will to Newton Ni, sick beats made from tongue, breath and lip,
I will to Junlan Lu, dribbling skills, 9001 pullups, and things of that ilk,
I will to Zim and Toe, the joys, lessons and pains of coordinatorship,
I will to Tyler Wang, all the food you didn't let me pay for, and my n00b-ish Chinese,

I will to Aaron Hui, my beloved older prayer partner, who outlived me, my undying respect, love, and gratitude for the things you gave me that I could never return.

EDWARD CHEN

I will to Mel my love of basketball and my habit of greeting others with peace signs
I will to Evelyn my strange speaking mannerisms and love of comfort food
I will to Jiwon my makeup mirror, since she taught me how to pluck my eyebrows.

FELICIA SADIKIN

I will to Rebecca, Lucie, and Angie a passionate heart for God, joy in this community, and faith in His goodness and plans for you.
I will to Kathy and Zoe a love for the sisters. #DIRT
I will to CBS a desire to seek God and proclaim His name boldly.
I will to Anna Indonesian pride and the joys of responding to ""what type of Asian are you?"".
I will to Kathy, Justin, Mel, and Alice the love for TaB, banana bread, and Pastor Paris' puns.
I will to Aaron THE bells.

JERRY XU

I will my pull-up bar to Justin, because he'll have better use for it than I ever will.

I will my toaster oven to Tim. It's never been cleaned, so everything you cook with it will be enhanced by the flavor of chicken wings.

I will my appreciation of North dinners to Raymond

I will my love for League to Tyler. It's okay to have a rank of bronze, as long as you have a heart of gold.

I will my Indiana pride to Evelyn.

STEPHANIE CHAN

I will the power to carry on the 4D legacy to Shelly, Diana, and Megan

I will my posters to Megan

I will Mark and Liam the ECE legacy and the power to #makecbsECEagain

I will Xinran everything she has already taken from me (namely, Donna)

I will the legacy of meeting pre-frosh at SWE events to Frances (sorry, I realize I sent the last few in the wrong format, feel free to change)

I will admin rights of the Mike Cao twitter page to Chris

I will a Beretta (in case he ever gets trapped in a closet) to Aaron Hui

I will Facebook stalking skills to Anna

I will the North dinner email legacy to Kathy, Alexandra, and Ray

XINRAN PAN

I will ORIE love, textbooks, advice, love, and all things ORIE related to Frances, Angie, Alexandra, Jamie, Zoe, and whoever decides to switch into the major.

I will the trend of ORIE Coordinator to Zoe and whoever is next in line.

I will Princess, the Eddygate 4D bear, to Shelly, Diana, Helen, Hannah, and Megan. HE's been passed down from CBSers for the past eight or nine years. Take good care of him. And by that I mean you can do ANYTHING you want to him AS LONG AS YOU DON'T THROW HIM OUT!!! And don't forget to pass down Princess to the next generation of 4D residents.

I will my future single which Steph currently owns to Megan.

I will all my love to my PPs Shelly and Megan. I also will them the Winnie the Pooh poster board art that Myung painted for my class's freshman felly dinner. I will them the creativity to replace Christopher Robin's empty head with their crush, favorite celebrity or anything else troll.

I will my love for puppies/puppers/doggies/doggos/dogs to Megan, Felicia, Angela, Mel, Tiffany, Frances, Zoe, and all the dog-lovers out there whom I didn't mention.

I will Engineering Leadership Certification Program shenanigans to Tyler.

I will PCC love and legacy to Junlan and Chris.

I will the ability to differentiate between ""xin"" and ""xing"" to Chris.

I will all the ice-cream-buring Fat Rabbit stickers Facebook has to offer to Aaron.

I will to Alice all the apple pie cupcakes in Risley Dining Hall. Please eat as many as you can for me in the years to come.

SHOUTOUTS

To the whole CBS community!

"I would love to shoutout to all my fellow CBS'ers for being super welcoming and inviting as I transitioned over from good ol' Australia to the big US. From FICCC people on that first Sunday and bringing me to 2E, freshman that invited me to sit with them for dinner when I was sitting by myself, juniors in our awesome prayer meeting, seniors for always looking out/checking up with me and those that just ask for my name and cheering me up - every little bit counts.

I hope and pray that you will always be inviting more people into the Kingdom of God - where Jesus welcomes us back home. Never get too comfortable in the CBS bubble - always be looking out for one another whether in prayer, meet-ups or just a simple text. May God bless everyone as you all engage his world here in Cornell.

ps. I repeat, chewing gum does not grow on gum trees!"

From Ryan :)

To CBS Praise Team

Can you be on set this week? (JK) Thank you for making my life as PT coordinator SO EASY. You guys are always willing to step up to be on set even when you guys are super busy with other things. I can't wait to see you guys grow more and more and more. #burningdesire #spiritualgains #weneverdecidedonanewhashtag #oops (Extra shoutout to Charlie and Jeff for ALWAYS being there to load equipment from Eddygate into my car. You guys are the real MVP. always.)

From Zoe

To Alexandra Kung

OKENSHIELDS

From Jamie Wong

To Alexandra & Pepe

Hi, we really love and appreciate the beautiful blooming boppin friendship that we have and we are so happy to see you whenever we do and we will miss you very very much next semester



From Mel & Rescue

To Baby Jeff

You are the cutest person in CBS


From Anonymous

To Charlie Qian

I love you dude.

From Anonymous

To Charlie

Charlie, you are the real MVP. If it weren't for you, I wouldn't have survived my two summer internships. Because of you, I felt more comfortable with being part of CBS again. Thank you so much for all that you do for everyone. Your actions reflect God's love for this fellowship. And thank you for listening to my struggles this year as I worked through many issues one step at a time. 

From Edward

To Charlie Qian

HI CHARLIE (SAM). Thanks so much for being so kind and loving, and encouraging me whenever you see me. You especially brightened up my freshmen year and helped me feel more at home here. Thanks again <3

From Sam. Charlie knows who I am.

To Charlie, Aaron, and Kevin

Thank you for saving me from failure in CS 2800. Y'all are amazing to take so much time out of your weekends to save a clueless girl who doesn't know the difference between function definitions and structural induction.

From Zooooo

To Diana

PP LUV #chupoopoo Thanks for waking up and meeting up with me on a Friday morning, even though you're super busy becoming the coolest Mech-E ever, and dealing with me always being late for one reason or another. I'm glad we got paired up and we can consistently share with each other about our experiences and keeping each other accountable. I hope you have an AMAZING time on co-op and don't miss us too much. You're amazing!

From Zoe #zoeispooloo

To Evelyn

What's boppin Evelyn~ Can you believe I used that word to my brother the other day and I was like oh no I'm turning into Evelyn. Your strange vocabulary and excitement are contagious and spending time with you is always such a blessing. Your taste in music is A++ and thank you for all the honest conversations I could have with you. May the Lord continue to use us and grow us together as sisters and friends.

Alice

To FAM ♡

FAMMMMMMM I'm so glad we've met and formed this amazing trio am I right~ it was just meant to be.

Frances: Thank you for being an open and always willing to listen heart. Watching and growing with you has been such a joy (I was so excited when you offered to pray lol) and I pray the Lord would continue to grow in you the desire to know Him more. Your heartfelt honesty truly encourages and inspires me and I can't wait to take Chinese with you LOL. Your signature squawks are a welcoming sound and your adorable silliness never fails to put a smile on my face =)

Megan: LOL Megan thank you for being such a funny and sassy character. You never fail to make me laugh with your many hidden weapons and adoration for Ollie. It has been such a blessing to spend time with you and I pray that the Lord would keep you in His hand and teach you more and more everyday. I can never get over your talent in so many different areas (chess, ice-skating, knife throwing, where does it end??) teach me pls. May we continue to grow in love and faith together XD Here's to this year and many more to come <3

Alice

To F A M

You three are incredibly cute and it's been amazing to see how you've all grown this year :) can't wait to learn more and more about your weirdness in the future ♡

From Anonymous

To Felicia

Hello Felicia. Are you going to give me your baby bottle so I can bring it to Tab next year lol. Your interesting noises and comfortable shoulders to lean on are something I will miss. May the Lord continue to work in you in Boston~ Don't forget to visit meee

From Alice

To Felicia

I will miss you very much. thanks for those ithacan summers and honest talks and watching all my korean dramas kekeke. Hope to see you in Boston soon!

From Zoooooooooo

To Freshmen Freshies

Thanks for a great year guys <3. From the honesty and vulnerability during prayer meetings to the craziness of felly dinner prep, I love you all and can't wait to spend the next 3 (and hopefully more) years together. May the Lord continue to grow us as brothers, sisters, and friends =)

From Alice

To Jeff Huang

For always being there to help move praise team equipment every week, even when you're not on set. You rock dude :D

From Anonymous

To Jerry

Thx for the toaster oven I made good use of it this year kekeke

From Edward

To Ji-Won

Ji-Wonnnnn <3 thank you for your sassy self lol. Your savageness never fails to make me laugh, and I'll be praying for you while you're abroad. I'll never forget the way you pronounce "roof" and pray the Lord would give us more opportunities to meet up and grow in fellowship and love. When are we gonna have sleepover part 2??

From Alice

To Josh Ying

I'm really glad to have met you this year man. You were one of the people in CBS that I can relate to the most.

From Your boi

To Kathy

Thanks for being an A++ prayer partner whose tears (of joy and laughter) brightened up my days. Your kindness, patience, and wisdom in dealing with my many issues have been of great help, and I can clearly see the love of Christ reflected in you. I pray the Lord continue to grow us together and help us to keep each other on track (I'll try to be more accountable on my readings lol Genesis). May we have many opportunities to share more of those delicious Thursday night Appel pannequette (is that spelled right) souffle normands

Alice

To Lauren

Heyo Lauren buddy. Thanks for not taking pictures of me sleeping in Chem XD. Your amazing photography skills and love for Christ and your brothers and sisters encourages and inspires me. May we not suffer too much in Orgo next year =)

From Alice

To Michelle Sun

Thank you for being a lovely roommate and not making me feel like a nerd for being in my room so much (by studying just as much as me +some more). I love that we can co-exist without having to talk too much, but when we do we can GUSH over korean drama (even though our tastes aren't similar at all). I can't wait to be your roommate for another year!

From Girl that sleeps next to you,
Zoe

To Myung

Ily <3 You are so kind and insightful, and it was my pleasure to be your roommate. Thanks for teaching me so much and being there for me when I'm down. Who would've known that those two kids who got Nastees after the first CBS large group freshman year would be together in the end. I wish we had more time together, but all things must come to an end. Take care bby :3

From Edward

To Newton

Praying on North with you that night in April was just an incredible encouragement and really an answer to a year-long prayer of mine! The whole experience just felt organic and natural and I totally felt the Holy Spirit moving through all of it. I don't know if you remember but I asked you what you felt God was doing on campus, but that night I got a much better idea of it myself!

From Charlie

To Phoebe

come back

from Zoe

To Raymond Zhang

For listening to me, encouraging me, and holding me accountable.

From Anonymous

To Ryan (avo-smash)

We loved having you this semester and we hope you visit!!!! You're super funny and kind hearted and we will miss your kind smile and your punctuality to large group.

From Zoel

To Seniors

Thanks for all you guys have done for us!!! Thanks for helping with school stuff late into the night, organizing so many events in the past, reaching out to us, welcoming us, entertaining us, cooking for us, laughing with us, playing with us, praying with us & so much more. We love you and are gonna miss yall a lot

From Anonymous

To Sidney

Hi Sidney you are such a bright light in everyone's day and I am so thankful for you in my life! Your pure love for others and the joy you find in simple things is always so inspiring :)

From Anonymous

To Steph

Stephhh thank you for helping me with CS that one time =') I had no idea what I was doing. Thank you for all your efforts for prayer team and I pray that by the time you're reading this BoL that I would've attended at least one lol. Your patience and kindness is truly a God-given blessing and I pray He would continue to grow you outside of college. Visit meeeeeee

From Alice

To Stephanie + Xinran

Thanks for the doggo videos and all your love! Glad I met you guys at Donlon Circle waiting for the FICCC bus kekeke.

From Zoel

To Tiffany

LOL Tiffany I just wanted to thank you for letting me sleep on your shoulder during Worthy. It was very comfortable. You're such a sweet cutie ♡

From Alice

To Tim Tsang

Thank you for being Tim.

From Raymond Zhang

To Xinran

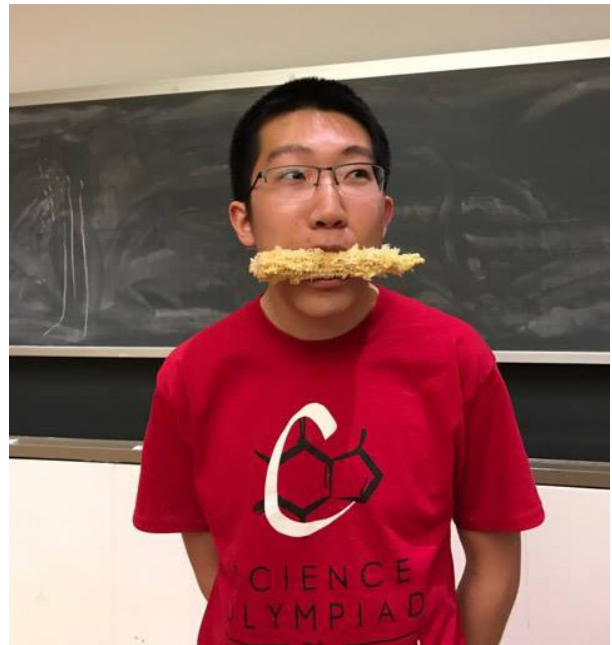
Xinrannnn it has been such a blessing and joy to get to know you. I'm so happy for you in finding a job, and pray that you would continue to entrust all things to the Lord and have peace in His sovereignty. Come back to visit meeeee. May the Lord provide more delicious cupcakes (like the ones in Risley that one time) in our lives ♡

From Alice

To Xinran Pan

Thank you for your talk early in the semester about my identity in Christ. I still have the paper you gave me and it has helped me understand how glorious our inheritance is in His Kingdom.

From Anonymous



Chinese Bible Study (CBS) is a student-run Christian fellowship at Cornell University. We seek **to know Christ and make Him known**. There are four ministries within CBS and two coordinators who help oversee the ministries and provide guidance for the year. You can also find out more about us at cbscornell.com