

A large glass fishbowl sits on a sandy beach. Water is splashing out of the top of the bowl, and several colorful ribbons (blue, orange, green, purple) are flying through the air above the water. The background shows a blue ocean under a blue sky with white clouds, and a palm frond hangs down from the top of the frame.

Chinese Bible Study

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Editor's Letter

Dear Chinese Bible Study,

What a busy year! We have made it through yet another entire academic year in our studies. If you are anything like me, however, this time of year is a good opportunity to reflect upon not only what we have learned in classes, but what God has taught us and what new areas God has led us to explore.

Each year as we prepare to see the senior class graduate and head off to wherever God calls them next, I feel deeply saddened that they are leaving the CBS community where we have grown so close as brothers and sisters. As the graduating class each year gets closer and closer to my year, I have become even more burdened, having spent the most amount of time with this group of seniors whom I have come to love and cherish.

While it is natural to feel nostalgia that our beloved seniors are now leaving, I believe we should also be confident knowing that the experiences they had here will follow them the rest of their lives. God does not only exist at CBS, or just in Cornell, but He is with us wherever we go. If we believe that God is almighty and supreme over everyone and everything, then we should have no fear that He is in control and will guide them throughout their lives, wherever they end up.

⁸More than that, I count all things to be loss in view of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them but rubbish so that I may gain Christ, ⁹and may be found in Him, not having a righteousness of my own derived from the Law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness which comes from God on the basis of faith, ¹⁰that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death; ¹¹in order that I may attain to the resurrection from the dead.

The CBS Vision Verse 2011-2012 in Philippians 3:8-11 speaks the truth clearly and loudly: we must count knowing Christ Jesus above any other desire. There is a clear distinction from knowing about someone- although we might know some facts about a person, we are not sure what they might do in a new situation, or what they desire in life. In order to truly know Christ, we must constantly seek after Him in every circumstance, because our passion for the truth outweighs any temporary distraction here on earth. As we grow in our faith and mature in the word, His thoughts begin to become our thoughts, and His ways our ways.

It is an undeniable truth that every year we must say goodbye to the senior class. And so, as we prepare to bid farewell to each of the seniors, I leave them and the fellowship with this final thought. As they prepare to leave the community here at Cornell that is CBS, we should have not only undying gratitude for all the service and advice they have taught us over the years, but also the confidence that if they have a sincere understanding of the Gospel and have come to truly know Jesus Christ, they will be equipped to take on whatever challenges come their way, knowing full well that putting their relationship with Jesus Christ above everything in their life is essential above all else and will lead them to success, no matter where God takes them.

In Christ,
Jeffrey Yu

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Coordinator Letter 1

Hello CBS!

I just want to say a few things as the year ends. My heart for all of you as the fellowship is that you would love God, because He is worthy to be loved. The thing that I think about most, as I'm soon to graduate and go to the next stage in life, is how will it feel to be in an entirely new environment? What I'm afraid most about is, will my changing situation cause me to forget about the greatness of my God? Not greatness in terms of "God is great because He can do anything," but greatness meaning "it is so good to be in love with God." It is my hope, for all of us, that, even when everything around us changes, we would remember that God does not. When things become harder, when disappointments come, or when we feel alone or bitter, remember that God is still good, and that we can never give up on pursuing after Him—where else can we go (John 6:68)?

Remember to love each other, because Christ loves the church so much that He died that she would be made clean. The church (God's people) is His bride, and sometimes we can be disillusioned with each other, or we can focus in on how the brothers and sisters we expect the most from fail us so often. But remember, though we may feel tempted to give up on each other or even on ourselves, God never will—and that means that we never can give up on each other either. Ultimately, He is the one who will present us without spot or wrinkle, sanctifying us with the washing of His word (Ephesians 5:27). So, despite all things that might make us not want to, encourage each other, love each other, and forgive each other when we make mistakes.

Wherever you are in the future, come back to the simplicity of devotion to Christ. Remember that our walk with God is meant to be exciting. That loving God is not meant to be a drag, but rather a relationship that's better than anything else. If it's not, pursue God until it is, because either He is telling us the truth—that He is the source of our ultimate joy and hope--or everything is a lie and we're all just wasting our time. I am convinced that we are not wasting our time.

Jude

24 Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling, and to make you stand in the presence of His glory blameless with great joy, 25 to the only God our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.

Justin Deng

Coordinator Letter 2

Dear CBS,

I can't believe how fast this year went by. There are so many things that I wish I had done. There were plans, visions, and hopes that I had set at the beginning of the school year. However, each plan did not turn out the way I had imagined. Each vision and hope was slowly given up as I realized it could not be achieved. Many times I felt inadequate, failing as coordinator, failing to accomplish what I set out to do, and failing to follow God. As I read through Psalms, I called out to Him:

Rejoice the soul of Your servant, for to You, O Lord, I lift up my soul. For You, Lord, are good, and ready to forgive, and abundant in mercy to all those who call upon You. Give ear, O Lord to my prayer; and attend to the voice of my supplications. - Psalm 86:4-6

As I was being self-absorbed over my shortcomings and feeling lost in what I should be doing, God slowly picked me up. He showed me that it was alright that plans didn't turn out the way I wanted; that it was alright my visions and hopes did not get accomplished. That in fact, it doesn't even matter what I had planned or hoped- because it's not about me at all. It is about Jesus Christ, and what He has accomplished at the cross, and what He's accomplished here at CBS. This is what He said to me:

"Oh, that My people would listen to Me, that Israel would walk in My ways! I would soon subdue their enemies, and turn My hand against their adversaries." - Psalm 81:13-14

It's about God's plans, His vision and hope for us. And all we have to do is follow it. God has done great things in CBS, ever since its founding in the 60's. He will continue to do so, regardless of what we plan and how we mess up. In the end, He is sovereign and will work all things, whether good or bad, to His glory. And so, I finish with this verse, a hope that I have, which is from God:

"That they may know that You, whose name alone is the Lord, are the Most High over all the earth."
- Psalm 83:18

In Love,
David Bu

Discipleship Ministry

Through leading discipleship ministry, God has repeatedly demonstrated His faithfulness to us. We were inadequate in so many ways, yet in our toiling, weariness, sickness, sinfulness, and weakness, God, in His great love and merciful compassion, carried this ministry when we did not have the heart or the strength to do so. It is because of His goodness that CBS has grown in maturity, knowledge, and discipline over the past year.

After setting up the last couple of partnerships, we thought our principal responsibility as leaders had been more or less accomplished, but we realized that discipleship ministry is not simply a “pairing ministry.” Rather, our focus should be on the spiritual health and growth of each and every individual in CBS. At the beginning of this semester, we tried to check in with older prayer partners, asking how their younger prayer partners were doing, how they were encouraging them, what they struggled with, how God was working through their meetups, and how we could pray for them. This proved to be a more challenging task than setting up prayer partnerships in important ways. We wanted to set an example of teaching, encouraging, admonishing, and training fellow believers with the Word of God and through prayer in a way that transcended the boundaries of “official” prayer partnerships. It was through this spiritual burden as well as the pressures of pre-graduation that God revealed to us how we were not seeking Him enough- that we lacked the sacrificial heart imbued with self-denying love for our brothers and sisters in Christ. God drilled within us a deep conviction that we were not stewarding our time, our thoughts, and our energy in a way that encouraged and challenged our brothers and sisters who may be struggling, or have not been to fellowship or church for a while.

Despite the difficulties we encountered as well as all of our various imperfections as leaders, God was, is, and will continue to be faithful through the end of this semester, until the day we can enjoy perfect fellowship and communion with Him and worship Him in the courts of His kingdom. Serving on this ministry has allowed us to grasp the notion that our personal relationship with God comes first, and the ability to love and serve others comes only as an outpouring of our understanding of His unchanging, unfailing, and unyielding love for us. Though we have fallen short of modeling what discipleship should look like, we take joy in knowing that God has already shown us perfection in His Son, and in His relentless pursuit of us, we do not need to fear failure, but instead, we find hope in His promise that He will complete the work He has begun in us, as well as in each and every one of His sons and daughters in CBS. As the end of the semester approaches, we cannot help but be in awe of all that God has done to uphold this ministry. We are thankful to have been a part of God’s plan, and we are proud of the blossoming, fruitful growth within our dearest brothers and sisters that can only be attributed to the power of Christ Jesus, our Lord and Saviour.

Philippians 1:3-6

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

James Gao and Sandra Quah

Evangelism Ministry

Dear Chinese Bible Study,

It has been a privilege to serve as your evangelism ministry coordinators this year. At the beginning of this fall semester, we wanted to see the fellowship pursue holiness and understand how to share the gospel:

“But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts, and always be ready to give a defense to everyone who asks you a reason for the hope that is in you, with meekness and fear” (1 Peter 3:15, NKJV)

This semester, there were a number of evangelism-related interfellowship events on campus. Some of these events included Light 2012, the Veritas Forum, and Easter on the Quad.

This year, the fellowship has experienced an interesting shift in its evangelism focus. We are seeing how God is using the relationships that He has divinely placed in our lives to fulfill the great commission on this campus. We can see that CBS is beginning to step outside the confines of our own fellowship and into the world of our friends. This semester, CBS partnered with AAIIV in reaching out to the campus through an interactive proxe booth and skit at Asia Night. However, our outreach is not only limited to reaching the Asian community, as in Asia Night, but also in our own spheres of influences. We are beginning to be equipped to share the reason for the hope that we have.

However, this is just the beginning. God is ready and able to do so much more if we let Him. It is important that we do not let our growth become stagnant because if our passion for evangelism does not follow our passion for the Lord, it will become a heartless sort of thing. Conversely, if our passion for the Lord grows in abundance, then our desire to reach the lost should become second nature. We want to encourage you to grow in both your personal devotion to God at the same time as you grow in your active outpouring of Christ’s love to others. Perhaps one may be easier than the other at any given point in your walk with God, but they are truly two sides of a single coin. Through all the campus outreach events on campus this semester, we hope that you will remember that there are so many hungry souls searching for something more on this campus. Seek God! Earnestly seek God– that you might know Him, and so always be ready to proclaim His name.

It has been our joy to serve you this semester as your evangelism coordinators.

I want to know You
I want to hear Your voice
I want to know You more
I want to touch You
I want to see Your face
I want to know You more

In Him,
Tim Hu and Jesse Liu

InReach Ministry

It has been a blessing to serve as your InReach coordinator this year. Serving as your InReach coordinator has reminded us how great and unfailing God's love is for us. It was bought at a price and by God's grace, we as brothers and sisters in Christ, are called to share this love with others. The InReach ministry has been known to take of a lot of logistics, but sometimes the heart behind each action can get lost. Throughout the course of the semester, InReach has sought to focus more on the heart aspect of why we do the things we do. Through services like tabling, ACEs, Felly Dinners, Service Marketplaces, and carepackages, we aimed to build a stronger bond and unity among each other as brothers and sisters in Christ. By the unfailing love that God has given us through His grace, we are called to love each other just as God loves us, and we are to convey this love to others such that others will see that our identity is found in Christ Jesus (John 13:34-35). But a lot of times building a closer bond and unity among each other is not always easy because of the sins in our life. The sins in our life prevent us from building a closer relationship and knowing God more in our lives, which then prevents us from loving each other as well.

This year's InReach's vision verse is Romans 12:9-13, "Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves. Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice hospitality." We are reminded that sincere love only comes from God and not by our own strengths. We are also reminded to hate the sins in our life and to cling to God. Through this, we can show God's love towards each other by being joyful in our hope in our salvation, and being faithful in prayer. At the same time, it should also encourage us and each other to continue to keep our spiritual fervor in serving the Lord and to be in active pursuit in knowing God more in our life.

In 1 Thessalonians 5:9-11 it says, "For God did not appoint us to suffer wrath but to receive salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ. He died for us so that; whether we are awake or asleep, we may live together with him. Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing." Ultimately, in this passage, we are reminded that our hope and joy is found in the salvation we have in Christ Jesus. This truth and love: the Father sacrificed His one and only begotten Son to break the barrier of sin that separated Him from us. This truth and love and our salvation in Christ Jesus is what should encourage us to love and build each other up.

Lastly, this semester in our InReach meetings, we have gone through past CBS Friday night sermons and have gone through various passages in the bible to discuss how we can defeat the sins of our life and how to grow a closer relationship with God. We have challenged ourselves to memorize Scriptures together so we can combat against the sins in our life and to be in constant reminder of God's truth and greatest command, which is to love God, which will also move us to love each other in action. InReach would like to encourage all of you that your identity is found in Christ Jesus and that each of you are members of the body of Christ. Through the salvation we have in Christ Jesus, we are called to love, care, encourage, and build each other up in good deeds in the different ways that God has called and gifted us to do so. Do not hesitate to reach out to brothers and sisters whom God has placed in your heart, and continue to grow in loving one another. InReach is a ministry that should be part of our daily lives. InReaching is not just for InReach ministry, but it is personified by each brother and sister's personal ministry! It is through the power of the cross and through God's grace that we have this wonderful gift to share with each other!

God Bless,
Phuc Gin

Praise Ministry

Hello CBS!

The good man brings good things out of the good stored up in his heart, and the evil man brings evil things out of the evil stored up in his heart. For out of the overflow of his heart his mouth speaks.

This year's vision, taken from Luke 6, was to take wherever we are in our walks with God and use that as a starting point for our praise of God. Whether we are in times of blessing or in times of trials, God demands our praise in every circumstance- not that we should muster up the excitement to praise God from within ourselves, but that we should be honest with the condition of our hearts and praise God with that sincerity and humility.

But let's be honest. Praising God in every situation is pretty tough. God has been challenging my understanding of what it means to praise God while leading praise team. This year has certainly been a challenge spiritually, mentally, and physically. There were many days during which I felt too tired to prepare for praise team bible studies and I often found myself grudgingly serving God, doing everything half-heartedly. Through the conviction of the Holy Spirit and in His abundant grace, however, God reminded me of Ephesians 6:7. Serve wholeheartedly, as if you were serving the Lord, not people. God demands my praise not only on a Friday night or Sunday morning, but every moment of my life—when I am preparing for a bible study, moving praise team equipment, and even when I am playing board games. In all things, we are called to serve wholeheartedly and in doing so, we bring praise to and glorify our Father.

Praising God in all circumstances is hard and many times, we will only want to praise God half-heartedly. My challenge to you all is to take time to reexamine how you are praising God in the different aspects of your life and to pray through Psalm 139:23-24.

Search me, God, and know my heart;
test me and know my anxious thoughts.
See if there is any offensive way in me,
and lead me in the way everlasting.

God is too good to let our circumstances determine how much praise He gets and we must hold fast to the fact that God is sanctifying us every moment. As our hearts become more and more like that of God's, the overflow of our heart and as Luke states, the words that escape through our mouths, will become sincere praise to Him. We must not forget that God is worthy of ALL our praise! All glory to Him!

Michael Hwang

Prayer Ministry

This semester our prayer meetings focused more on praising God and sharing testimonies in addition to praying for the needs of Cornell and our fellowship. Often after singing a worship song, we felt led to continue praising God with our testimonies of His work in our lives or on campus. Through this we were encouraged and reminded of who God is, how good He is, and what He is doing in each of our lives.

At winter retreat, Justin Deng shared that his heart for prayer ministry last school year when he was prayer coordinator, was that God's presence would be so heavy in the room that no one would be able to deny that His presence was there with us. As the semester started, we took this sharing to heart and sought to learn to be led by the Spirit at prayer meetings. Our Tuesday night prayer meetings were, therefore, not always structured in the same way; sometimes we kept worshipping God and praising Him; sometimes, we went directly from praise to prayer without stopping to 'share prayer requests'. Several times, we were surprised by a fairly tangible presence of God in the room. Though we still do not know everything about prayer, or how to pray, or how to be led by the Holy Spirit, God has taught us a lot this semester, and we have been able to experience more of Him at prayer meetings.

This semester, we also started 8:15AM Duffield morning prayer meetings because we felt that there was a desire to pray at a different time than at night. We felt that it would be a good opportunity to start the day with praises and prayer. Often we would read a Psalm and share personal prayer requests, as well as prayer requests for CBS that evening. Even though it was early in the morning, it was a blessed time of fellowship!

We pray that God would continue to give us the desire to seek Him, to know Him, and that we would grow a heart of prayer. This summer, and the rest of finals weeks, we encourage the fellowship to hold fast to God and to not stop praying for each other.

Olivia Lee and Jamie Tsai

Senior Superlatives

Chris Tornng

Most likely to secretly possess spider-man capabilities and be able to climb up buildings

David Bu

Most likely to not know how he got owned

David Ho

Most likely to read the great american classics in his free time

Jacqueline Liu

Most likely to have her kids push her on the swings

James Gao

Most likely to win America's Got Talent in a muscle shirt

Jamie Tsai

Most likely to be unable to communicate due to uncontrollable laughter

Jane Yang

Most likely to be a doctor by day and fashion blogger by night

Jenny Cheng

Most likely to shut down a rice plantation in Jamaica

Jessica Lin

Most likely to become a Youtube star

Joshua Jeng

Most likely to win a story-telling contest

Justin Deng

Most likely to challenge you to anything

Katarina Ng

Most likely to say, "Gurl, please!"

Lei Liu

Most likely to preach in an unheard-of region in China

Mark Dong

Most likely to have kids that will beat your kids at video games

Michael Chin

Most likely to burn down his house by accident

Michael Hwang

Most likely to be that weird uncle you have

Nathan Kwong

Most likely to get locked out of his house

Patrick Liu

Most likely to be the escape "driver"

Phuc Gin

Most likely to win the Hunger Games

Sandra Quah

Most likely to invent a new type of bed that protects itself from foreign invaders

Shao Chen

Most likely to wash dishes for other people

Tiffany Tsai

Most likely to talk in three different pitches within the first hour of meeting someone

Tim Shin

Most likely to become a rockstar sommelier

Wences Lee

Most likely to invent his own computer game

Chris Torng

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Jeffrey Yu

This or That

Apple or Microsoft

New York Times or
USA Today

Duffield or Physical
Sciences Building

Tim Tebow or Jeremy Lin

Words With Friends or
Draw Something

Bubble Tea or Yogurt Crazy

Upon entering Eddygate 2E, I found Chris, one of the best Smash players found in CBS. How good? Read on to learn more about this senior, who also happens to be a great student as well...

CBS is...fish.

How have you changed since freshman year?

Freshman year I played lots of games, lots of Smash, but I wasn't a really good Christian, but now I have a lot more interest in it, and it's made a good impact on who I want to be.

What advice/encouragements do you have for...

a. Incoming sophomores: Be very involved in some club activity, like CBS or something, some people say not to work all the time, but don't let your grades fall too much, so make sure to have a good work/play life balance

b. Incoming juniors: Same.

c. Incoming seniors: Get an internship, because success for seniors in job hunts really depends on this; those who had an internship as a junior had a job secured early senior year.

What are some of your quirks/hidden talents?

I like to jump on top of tall things, such as the pillars outside CTB or Willard Straight Hall. I have also begun attending figure skating PE classes, and may join the ice skating club.

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

Finding group of guys I liked to hang out

with, because freshman year I wasn't sure who I could fit in with. Freshman year I wasn't in a group that was academically conducive, but now it's a group of people that are intellectually and spiritually stimulating, and they're also fun to be around.

What is your favorite spot on campus?

The top of the slope looking out on west campus. It's different since I didn't live there before [might be different if I had to climb up the slope every day], so I think it looks cool looking down at all the lights.

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

It's a good thing to go to church.

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

I plan to do a Ph. D here at Cornell in ECE, my other short term plan is an internship in Oregon at Intel.

It was very nice having an opportunity to sit down with Chris and learn more about his life and experiences here at Cornell. Learning from an older senior really brought into perspective how much has changed from freshman year, and it was great hearing his thoughts and opinions. It will be very interesting having Chris along at Cornell for the next several years, as he begins this new stage in his life and continues passing on his knowledge and words of wisdom.

David Bu

Favorite Cornell
Memory:
CBS Class of 2012
Height Differences



Major: Electrical and Computer Engineering
Hometown: Oxford, Mississippi

I have to admit that I don't know Dave Bu very well. I tend to think of him only as our CBS coordinator this year, as a smiling, friendly, easy-going guy, and as the sleeping subject of the song "I'm Gonna Wake Bu." If you are like me in this regard, then you can read this interview to get to know him more and find out about his insight in the following questions! I tried to incorporate more of his words, but I apologize for not using quotation marks because I don't totally remember when I quoted and when I paraphrased.

CBS is...family. It just is... because you know them for a long time, live with them, eat with them, and pray with them- all part of being a member of that family. You gradually do stuff and get bonded together and become a family. It's all by God's work and God's grace. ...God's blessing. Same reasons as above.

How have you changed since freshman year?

I've definitely grown and matured a lot, particularly in my understanding of God as well as myself. I don't think I've changed in personality or anything like that, but I guess I've mostly just grown in wisdom.

What advice/encouragements do you have for...

a. Incoming sophomores: Make an effort to meet up and hang out and do stuff. Be intentional and pray because you are not living together. As you move past freshman year, you will need more support from your class because upperclassmen don't look after you as much anymore.

b. Incoming juniors: You guys...you are upperclassmen now, and underclassmen are going to look up to you. School is going to get busier. Focus on your spiritual life and make sure it is strong as you take on more responsibility.

c. Incoming seniors: Don't worry about what happens after graduation. Focus on your remaining time here, and use your time wisely

to invest in people instead of getting lazy and thinking that you are almost leaving anyways.

What are some of your quirks/hidden talents?

[shrugs, then chuckles slightly] I don't have any... amazing pianist! *[A reference to a felly dinner video.]*

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

I don't know. I don't have that many fears. Nothing is too big a deal. I do fear about some small things.

What is your favorite spot on campus?

A wooden platform on a tree next to the gorge next to Thurston Bridge.

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

Looking back not just to one particular moment in time, I learned that regardless of how you feel or think or where your faith is at the moment, God is always there and is always faithful. He never forsakes us, but instead He loves us, cares for us, and watches over us. I believe this truth because of my experiences and also because of what the Bible says: "For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord" (Romans 8:38-39, ESV).

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

In the short term, I plan to work in Virginia for a couple years at a company called Microstrategy that makes business intelligence software. In the long term, maybe I will go to seminary and be an overseas missionary. That's what I am feeling right now. Maybe God is calling me in this way. We'll see.

Interviewer Name:
Himmy Lo

This or That
Apple or Microsoft

New York Times or USA
Today
[I don't read newspapers]

Duffield or Physical Sciences
Building

Tim Tebow or **Jeremy Lin**

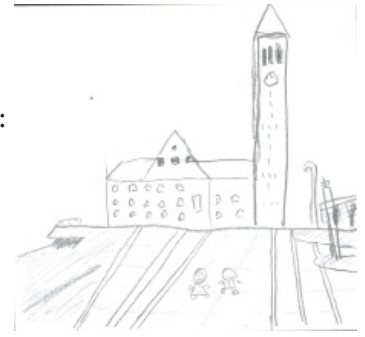
Words With Friends or Draw
Something
[I don't have a smartphone]

Bubble Tea or Yogurt Crazy

Dave Bu is brief, but his words are deliberate. I think we can learn from how he values the family we have in CBS and how he trusts in God. Dave Bu, I pray that you will walk with God forever through both the comfortable and the difficult sections of your life's path!

David Ho

Favorite Cornell Memory:
1 John 4:19



Major: Hotel Administration
Hometown: Hong Kong, China

Interviewer Name:
Yipu Wang

This or That

Apple or Microsoft
New York Times or USA Today

[Wall Street Journal]

Duffield or Physical
Sciences Building

Tim Tebow or Jeremy Lin
Words With Friends or Draw

Something

Bubble Tea or Yogurt Crazy

It was a dark and stormy night; the rain fell in torrents, and a violent gust of wind swept up the streets. It was also, coincidentally enough, the night of David Ho's interview. Come to think of it, though, nights are usually dark around this time of the year, and a little wind and rain are not all that rare in upstate New York. So I guess it was just an ordinary evening in Ithaca, and just an ordinary interview, albeit with a decidedly extraordinary man, as we shall see.

CBS is... a fellowship of believers whom I can call family when I'm away from home, a group of brothers and sisters whom I can trust and from whom I have learned a lot, and some of my best friends from college.

How have you changed since freshman year?

I've become more of a "big picture" person. When I was a freshman, I just wanted to get things done and get them done well. Now, I'm more concerned about potential long term effects of what I'm doing. I've also learned to trust God more, and so I now spend more time praying and talking to him.

What advice and encouragement do you have for...

Rising sophomores: Work hard. You should start getting involved in the fellowship and in groups outside of CBS, but mostly you should just work and study hard.

Rising juniors: Becoming a junior is a much bigger step than becoming a sophomore. Take responsibility and act like a leader, even if you're not in servant team or leading a Bible study. Look out for underclassmen, especially freshmen, and sign up to get a younger prayer partner. Your class is the one that is most visible to the freshmen and has the greatest impact on them. Continue to rely on God and make him a priority in your life.

Rising seniors: Have fun, don't stress about the future, and trust that God has a perfect plan for you. It's tough, but pray hard and put your future in His hands. Be open to what you are called to do, and treasure your relationships: you won't remember much about the time you spent in classes, but you will cherish the times you spent with people.

What are some of your quirks and hidden talents?

I'm a naturally curious person, so this past semester I picked up reading again. A lot of people were surprised, actually. I like to read American classics and books about random things. I also like trying new things and getting out of comfort zone. For example, even though my major has little to do with biology, I am a TA for a biology class. [Yipu: *Oh, but now you've made me curious: What are some of the books that you've been reading this semester?*] Let's see -- I read John Steinbeck's *East of Eden*, a book about the history of the Delta Force, one about the acquisition of Anheuser-Busch, one about the history of the world, and one about the politics and economics of the T-shirt. [Yipu: *I see. But I notice that you never said anything about your hidden talents.*]

There's nothing to say, really. If I had any hidden talents, I think I would have taken advantage of them by now. And then they wouldn't really be hidden, would they?

[Yipu: *Fair enough.*]

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

Fear of inadequacy, both academically and professionally. God has taught me that everything I have, including my knowledge and my talents, is given by him. Everything I do is ultimately guided by him, and I am perfect in his eyes. Also, even if I fail, I'll learn something.

What is your favorite spot on campus?

Eddygate 2E. [Yipu: *I thought you would have figured out by now that Eddygate's not on campus...*] Well, I spend all of my time in Statler, and I can assure you that it's not my favorite place at all. In fact, I try as much as possible to avoid eating at Mac's or Terrace. [Editor's note: you still haven't answered the actual question.] [Yipu: *Ugh, that's unfortunate.*]

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

To trust him with my future. I used to worry about what I would do after graduation. Two to three years ago, I could not have imagined receiving the job offer that I eventually got.

[Yipu: *I guess you already started answering the next question.*]

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

I accepted an offer to be a management consultant in New York City, and I plan to stay there for at least two or three years. I don't have any plans beyond that; I want to keep my options open because God can change my plans so quickly.

At this point, I glanced down to see that my pocket-watch had started to melt, indicating that our time was up. When I looked back up, David Ho was gone, and I saw on the wall the shadow of a tree moving in the wind. And that was when I remembered that I didn't own a pocket-watch and that there was no tree outside of my window. I would prefer not to describe the scream that followed...



Favorite Cornell Memory:
Older PP Kathleen and I sitting
on Libe slope for an afternoon,
talking, sketching, and laughing
at Kathleen.

Jackie Liu

Major: Architecture
Hometown: Saratoga, CA

As we were trying to decide on the best location for the interview, Jackie mentioned that she would be at Milstein. I immediately jumped at the opportunity to meet her at the mysterious new building where I had wanted to walk inside but had no excuse to for a long time. Jackie glided down the stairs and greeted me with a smile and open arms.

CBS is... a family. I came from CA, so I was far away from home. I had never been away for more than a couple weeks. It was shocking that I didn't have the support of my family near me. But my class and upperclassmen gave me spiritual and emotional support. The brothers and sisters really care for each other in CBS. It's different; it's not like a give and take relationship. It feels like a family.

How have you changed since freshman year?
Freshman and sophomore year, I cried a lot. I got hung up on what people thought of me and my academics and my spiritual life. I'm still learning- that my identity is found in Christ. No matter how well I'm doing, God doesn't love me more; no matter how bad I'm doing, God doesn't love me less. It extends to friendships, relationships... I'm as God made me through His power. I don't cry as much because He has given me peace.

What advice/encouragements do you have for...
a. Incoming sophomores: Beginning of college, it's important to question what you believe and why you believe it. It's important to have grounding for your faith and know why you believe what you believe. It's important to start early. I went through a period of doubt in my faith, and God used that to grow me.
b. Incoming juniors: Don't be insensitive to how much you need Christ daily and hourly. There are always bad days when you need God that day and other days when life is great. Those times are the hardest to rely on God. Whether we feel it or not, we need God desperately. We need to remember the gospel daily and why we need Christ. Have a desire to seek God and if you don't feel it, then the discipline to seek God.
c. Incoming seniors: It's easy to be burnt out even before the year starts. Remember that the

best is yet to come and that anything you do to serve God is not in vain. Serve God faithfully by building up His church wherever He has placed you. As students, it's to take initiative and responsibilities... [laughs] It's easy to say but hard to do- all these pieces of advice. It all comes down to the gospel. Rely on God for strength and for assurance. Know that He has something better in store for you.

What are some of your quirks/hidden talents?
People tell me that I make a lot of faces. Apparently I frown a lot [*Jackie proceeds to frown*]. What are my hidden talents? I don't know. Uh... sometimes when I'm avoiding homework, I do chores but that's not really a talent. Oh! I used to write a lot. I considered pursuing journalism.

What is one of the greatest fears that God has relieved for you during your time at Cornell?
The fear of rejection- rejection based on a social level and an academic level. It extends to a lot of areas (performance, physical appearance... stuff like that). These past few years, God has been really assuring me again and again that he's accepted me as his adopted child. Once, I was at a low point spiritually. I happened to be reading through Romans 8: "For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord." It's one example of how God has been comforting me when I have insecurities, when I feel like I don't measure up or my vision gets clouded by fears. God's words are truth. He's always providing for me.

What is your favorite spot on campus?
That's hard! Oh, the spot above Uris! You know the part where it comes out and it's all made of glass? Right above there. Around 7:30, this time of year. I can see the lake, the city... I can have a really quiet time there. It's perfect.

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

Interviewer Name:
Heeyoung Yoo

This or That
Apple or Microsoft

New York Times or USA Today

Duffield or Physical
Sciences Building

Tim Tebow or Jeremy Lin

Words With Friends or
Draw Something

Bubble Tea or Yogurt Crazy

That He is the most important. It's easy to lose sight of that when there's so much to do and so much going on. What it really boils down to is that God is most important. That can play out in a lot of ways. It's easy to say you're going to do all these things, but it's more important how you live day by day- in the present. Your choice between devotion and hanging out shows where your priorities lie.

What are your short-term and long-term plans after graduation?
Well, I'm not graduating yet. Next Semester, I'll be doing my thesis. Long term plans... I hope to find a job in architecture. Anywhere? Yea, I don't have a set idea of where I want to go. It would be nice to go abroad. But I'm open to anything. I want to get involved in the local church as well.

When our interview concluded, Jackie gave me a private tour of Milstein Hall. The sun that had warmed us as we sat outside for our meeting was replaced by the warm love and sincerity that Jackie projected. We had never really had the chance to sit down and talk before, so I was glad to be able to interview her and get to know her a little bit better. 17

James Gao

Favorite Cornell Memory:
Wonder Boys

WONDER
BOYS

Major: Psychology (Pre-med)
Hometown: Cleveland, Ohio

Interviewer Name:
Jevon Yu

This or That

Apple or Microsoft
New York Times or USA Today
Duffield or Physical Sciences
Building [neither]

Tim Tebow or Jeremy Lin
Words With Friends or Draw

Something

Bubble Tea or Yogurt Crazy

I made a break out from class at Olin Hall towards Trillium, texting James that I would be a little late. I got there and he had already saved a table. After getting my lo mein bowl and James, his salad, we sat down for our interview. The irony is that this was where we met beginning of last semester for my prayer partner interview. How the tables have turned....

CBS is... [takes long time to think] love.

How have you changed since freshman year?

I think I've changed a lot, because I came in ignorant, when in actuality, God had a lot of crazy stuff planned for me and I didn't know anything. The funny thing is that I came here having turned away from God and He has pursued me

grown so much in understanding His love and will.

What advice/encouragements do you have for...

a. Incoming sophomores: To not lose heart, rely on one another and build each other up. Spot each other; CBS is the best training I've ever had, becoming spiritually fit to live for and serve God through ministry.

b. Incoming juniors: Don't take your personal struggles for granted because the struggles are essential to our own personal and spiritual growth. It's when we are lowest. When we don't know what to do, and when everything seems to be falling apart, God really reveals Himself to us in the most profound ways.

c. Incoming seniors: Hebrews 10:19-25

What are some of your quirks/hidden talents?

I am very observant.....of everything. I pay attention to details and I can taste anything. There was this one time when my mom made some bread, and she put sugar over the yeast so it fermented. I asked my mom why she put alcohol in the bread and she was confused. Also, sometimes I just can't help singing at the top of my lungs/belting out songs that are on my mind. The music just sort of leaks out, and I can't help it. Usually, I try to do it behind closed doors.

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

Speaking, playing, or singing in front of other people.

What is your favorite spot on campus?

The Asian Art Display in the Johnson Museum. It has an amazing panoramic view and you can even see Cayuga Lake. The view is just amazing. They also have genuine chalices from the Zhou Dynasty and a lot of other cool stuff.

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

How to train myself and train others in faithfulness and righteousness

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

Short term: Kenya for a month, and then a couple of bio related classes next semester back home

Long term: med-school

After our interview, we were able to share and encourage one another about what we were going through and what we learned this past semester. It was really great to have gotten to know James, not only as a friend, but as a brother in Christ as well. Hope you all the best in the future and I'm sure God has great plans for you!



Favorite Cornell Memory: Three girls decided to gang up on me and wrestle me into the snow, but I successfully wrestled all of them to the ground (me: but the Rachels are standing!) “Oh I don’t know what the Rachels are doing... maybe they were on the ground but I can’t draw people on the ground anymore”

Jamie Tsai

Major: Materials Science
Hometown: Plainsboro, NJ

Sage Atrium is completely filled for lunch on Thursday. But this is of no deterrence – I have a responsibility to find space because today is the day I get to interrogate Jamie Tsai, the day her secrets are revealed to the fellowship. In the end, in a very anticlimactic way, the two girls sitting at a nearby table stand up and leave. Territory claimed, I eagerly await the arrival of my dear sister. Secret #1: Sage has ridiculously cheap salads. Jamie only paid \$3.60 for hers.

CBS is... cool... I don’t know... CBS is a family... CBS is... a group of college kids that love each other and love God

How have you changed since freshman year?

[Jamie reflects] I’m not as worried about my future, I share more of my life with more people, and God has given me more wisdom.

What advice/encouragements do you have for...

a. Incoming sophomores...

love each other and see the bigger picture

b. Incoming juniors...

don’t be discouraged, be vulnerable, and trust in God

c. Incoming seniors...

don’t be lukewarm, be excited, and learn how to love God

What are some of your quirks/hidden talents?

Quirks: Laughing a lot. I also like to look in people’s eyes sometimes in a

supposedly creepy way but I don’t think it’s creepy... I think it’s ‘I enjoy people.’ I like to watch people and I send weird emails; Hidden talents: I can whistle with my hands *[Jamie demonstrates]*

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

God has relieved the fear of becoming depressed again.

What is your favorite spot on campus? *[Jamie laughs. “Oh my goodness this is so creepy,” as she continues laughing.]*

The first thing that came to mind is really creepy... Sandra and Tiffany’s room... “It smells so good” ... uhm let’s see... I like to study in places where no one I know will be, the location changes. So it’s not really the place itself but the place I create.

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

He loves me, He’s faithful, and *[after debating whether or not to share]* “I’m his favorite.” *[pause]* “I wrestle with God to say that- as in He wanted me to say it but I didn’t want to say it.”

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

Short-term: Go home for two weeks and then go to Malta, NY to work at GlobalFoundries; Long-term: I don’t know -- but it will involve one year in a foreign country because I guess I raised my hand for that last year at Light.

Is there anything the fellowship can be praying for you about?

Pray that I would not fall away in Malta.

Interviewer Name:
Samantha Fung

This or That

Apple or Microsoft

New York Times or USA Today

Duffield or Physical Sciences Building

Tim Tebow or Jeremy Lin

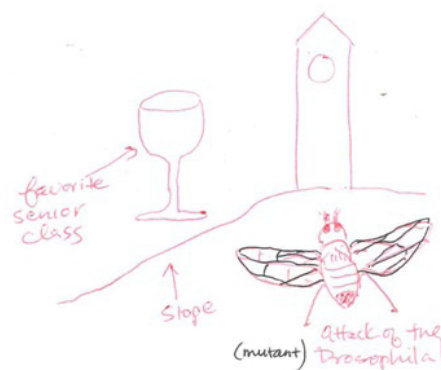
Words With Friends or Draw Something

Bubble Tea or Yogurt Crazy

Secret #1 Clarification: Sage salads are paid based on weight so it depends on how much of what you put into the mix. Jamie laughs triumphantly, “Yeah, I don’t know why but every time JP gets it she has to pay \$6!” Now for a (not-so-secret) secret of my own: It has been an absolute blessing getting to walk and grow with Jamie these past three years. She is filled with the Holy Spirit, love, grace, and wisdom. She is always a huge encouragement, and great fun to be around. She is His beloved, and my beautiful precious sister that I will immensely miss.

Jane Yang

Favorite Cornell Memory:
See picture.



Major: Biology

Hometown: China, Louisiana, New York

Interviewer Name:
Yuezhou (Celena) Huo

CBS is... “interesting.”

This or That

Apple or Microsoft

New York Times or
USA Today

Duffield or **Physical
Sciences Building**

Tim Tebow or **Jeremy Lin**

Words With Friends or
Draw Something

Bubble Tea or Yogurt Crazy

It was a Friday before CBS large group starts. There I saw Jane coming with her warm smile. I had a feeling that this interview was bound to be very interesting. Indeed, as I later learned, Jane is a science nerd, and she likes fruit flies as well as learning different languages (she has learned Korean, Chinese, and her next choices would be French, Italian, or Japanese).

How have you changed since freshman year?

I have not changed much physically, but otherwise I become interested in weirder things.

What advice/encouragements do you have for...

a. Incoming sophomores: Keep working hard academically, but also take time to relax and breathe.

b. Incoming juniors: Junior year will be the funnest time! Explore what you really want to do in the future, and keep your mind open to different possibilities.

c. Incoming seniors: Senior year can be stressful; you might start worrying about the future. However, don't lose sight of what is important. Just relax and everything will work out.

What are some of your quirks/hidden talents?

I associate certain numbers with certain shapes and feelings. For example, I don't like how number 17 looks, but number 12 is ok. I also love collecting erasers that are shaped like food (i.e. sushi, cake).

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

Getting into medical school. At the end of junior year it was really stressful. I remember there was a week full of despair and hopelessness. But God helped to get

through that time; he gave me calmness and peace. Now I wonder why I did not stress out more at that time.

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?
Atrium in Corson-Mudd Hall

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

I was introduced to God here. I used to go to church in Louisiana, but that was just something I did. I did not know who God was, what he did, why he did what he had done, and why it was important. Coming to Cornell, I started thinking about a lot of questions: what is my purpose, what is going to happen, and why is there so much injustice and disparity in the world. Also, why are we here instead of somewhere else, and why are we so privileged to go to college while some other kids never have that chance. God really opened up my eyes.

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

In the short term my plan would be go to medical school. In the long term I want to figure out which area I want to specialize in. It could be cardiology or surgery.

Talking to Jane was such a great experience! Near the end of the interview, I learned that Jane loves to watch some (only some!) dramas from Taiwan and Korea (to improve her Korean). Best wishes to her future career, Dr. Yang!

Jenny Cheng



Favorite Cornell Memory: Spring Break in the Bahamas with the seniors. It was really fun chilling in the sun and jet-skiing in the beautiful ocean!

Major: Math & Economics

Hometown: Nanjing, China/ Boston, MA

I hurried to Statler, happy that I got out of class early so I could snag a table at the Terrace before the lunch rush hit. To my joy, there were still tables open and I found a nice little table for Jenny and me to do our interview. I continued to take advantage of the early dismissal as I got my food without having to wait in the usual endless Statler salad line. As I sat down with my food, I looked around the room wondering why the place hadn't started filling up yet. It was not until Jenny arrived and informed me— with her senior wisdom— that Hotelies generally don't have classes on Fridays that I realized I hadn't really accomplished a feat after all. On the bright side, we were able to enjoy a peaceful lunch at the Statler while we chatted.

CBS is...

not really a Chinese Bible Study. It's a place where people laugh about really random things.

How have you changed since freshman year?

Not that much, I got lazier. Spiritually, CBS was helpful because there are lots of people to keep you accountable. God plays a bigger part in my life thanks to Cornell and CBS.

What advice/encouragements do you have for...

a. Incoming sophomores

Don't be stressed out! It's only your second year!

b. Incoming juniors

Keep encouraging each other and growing in Christ as a class.

c. Incoming seniors

Treasure your last year. It is the best year!

What are some of your quirks/hidden talents?

I can eat more than most of the guys in my class if I really try.

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

I like to plan my future step by step down the road. It's good to plan, but God's got a plan for me. I should still work hard, but there's no need to stress.

What is your favorite spot on campus?

The slope, except in spring when you sit under a tree and caterpillars fall on you. [Agatha: That's because you never had to walk up it!]

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

Trust. I learned that prayer is actually very powerful. If you're patient, it's really a conversation with God and not just blabbing.

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

Short-term, I'm moving to New York City and working as a consultant for financial services. Long-term, where God leads me. But I plan to go back to school and I want to move to California. [Agatha: Yep, she

Interviewer Name:

Agatha Siu

This or That

Apple or Microsoft

New York Times or USA Today

Duffield or Physical Sciences Building

Tim Tebow or **Jeremy Lin**

Words With Friends or **Draw Something**

Bubble Tea or Yogurt Crazy
knows where all the cool people are at ;)]

Although my Statler salad was only subpar, conversation with Jenny definitely was not and our conversation did not end here. We continued to linger and plan for Corny Corny games, taking advantage of the various amenities Statler has to offer us poor college students. But my point is, spending time with Jenny is so fun! If you haven't hung around her enough to realize that fact, you still have a bit of time to do so! Or you can always pay her a visit in the city!

Jessica Lin

Major: Biological Engineering
Minor: Business, Biomedical engineering
Hometown: Richardson, TX

Favorite Cornell Memory: The illustration depicts an eagle swooping in on an unassuming goat. Notice the reversal in unexpected attitudes—the astonished attitude found in the eagle's eyes compared with the calmness depicted in the grazing goat. This deep paradigm shift causes us to reflect on our human frailty. Our undeniable pain borne from angst and unrest. The single flower represents the sole saving grace, found in an unexpected place.



Interviewer Name:
Jingpeng (JP) He

This or That
Apple or Microsoft
*[I like apples, but I don't like
Apple computers.]*

New York Times or USA Today
*[NYT has good articles, but USA
Today is colorful. So both.]*

Duffield or Physical
Sciences Building
*[Definitely! Get as far away from
engineering as possible.]*

Tim Tebow or Jeremy Lin
*[Jeremy Lin took my initials! I
was called JLin first!]*

Words With Friends or
Draw Something

Bubble Tea or Yogurt Crazy

I was excited to interview this precious sister, known for her versatile acting skills and boundless creativity. We settled into Big Red Barn, and after discussing a variety of topics including Imagineers (Disney's engineers), materials development at Nike, and HepB (relax, it's for the club B-Aware), we began our interview.

CBS is... It's umm, a family where I learned to grow spiritually,

emotionally, and mentally. It was a big part of my four years here. I guess I can't emphasize family enough. A place where I saw God's love. [cue: awwh]

How have you changed since freshman year?
I'm less naïve, maybe? Learning to be more decisive. It's a learning process. I can be all over the place, and I have to focus on what I need to get done. [Looking very serious and pensive here.] It's hard to put to into words!

What advice/encouragements do you have for...

a. Incoming sophomores

Don't worry about stuff so much. Pray incessantly. Find interesting things to do and talk about. Just explore everything the campus has to offer during your years here! Don't be afraid to go out of your way to meet new people. Also... enter Libe at the strike of midnight when the owl hoots five times, grab the nearest pebble and rub it between your hands, stick it in between pages 73 and 74 of the Book entitled Hanson's Grave, and push five inches into the book shelf.

b. Incoming juniors

See above. Everyone should have the opportunity to sleep outdoors! Go on a backpacking tour, and sleep in a lean-to outdoors.

c. Incoming seniors

I feel like you guys know what you're doing. [Interviewer: No we don't.] Ok then, see above.

What are some of your quirks/hidden talents?

I don't know if it's possible to list them all on one page. [Looks at compostable fork], well, I like to chew things. I would like to try every Olympic sport at least once. I like boxing. In an alternate life, I would be an Olympic boxer. I like raising sourdough starters—you grow yeast colonies and they make bread for you [wide eyes]. I like working in the scene

and costume shop—we make backdrops for Schwartz. I like doing carpentry and metal work. I like tearing things down with sledgehammers as if I'm in Super Smash. Just hitting things, I think that'd be a good job for me. Oh! And I really like magic tricks.

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

My sister's surgery, that was pretty big. But it's a constant struggle to know that He has a plan for me better than I can imagine, and to trust that in the end I'll be okay.

What is your favorite spot on campus?

I like the ILR area, between the conference center and library. The chairs are comfy, and the lawn has good quality grass. [Editor's note: too bad it's just a pile of dirt now...]

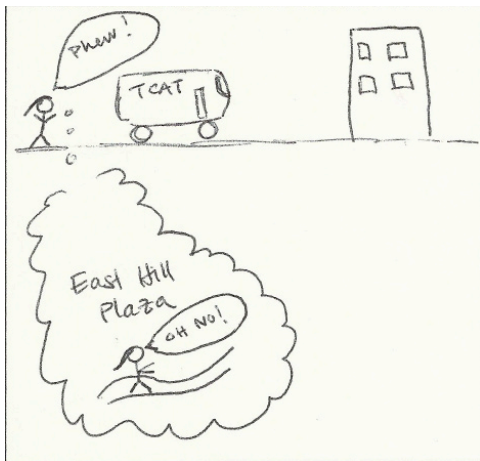
What is the most important thing that God has taught you in the past four years?

Most important thing? Trust. Same as before. To stop being so weary and carrying my own burdens. To rest in Him.

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

[Bewildered, appalled by question] To be super awesome. And have my own theme park, like Napoleon Bonaparte. Nah just kidding. Pick up surfing. Beating Houdini at his own game. Enter a wormhole in the 10th galaxy. Discovering why black is the opposite of white. Oh, and throw M.Eng. or work in there. My plan is to not plan, because by not planning, God is able to work in interesting ways that I usually don't think of myself.

Leave it up to Jessica to put a smile on your face. I was encouraged to hear about how God has been growing her during her time at Cornell, and thankful that I got to know Jessica better through this interview.



Favorite Cornell Memory: I got lost when I went running freshman year. I ended up in East Hill Plaza. I had seen the vet school towers so I ran north. After I realized East Hill Plaza wasn't north campus, I ran/walked back to vet school and took a bus to north.

Katarina Ng

Major: Chemical Engineering
Hometown: Boston, MA

After a couple of email exchanges and a location and time change, Kat and I found time in our busy Thursday schedules to meet up in Trillium. I pulled out my laptop and we began the interview. I learned that Kat was the editor of BoL in the past, and she mentioned that it was interesting how some of the questions have changed and stayed the same over the years.

CBS is... a family!

How have you changed since freshman year?

Since freshman year, I have become much more talkative and bold. I'm still an introvert and can be shy but I'm less timid.

What advice/encouragements do you have for...

a. Incoming sophomores: People always say you get into the sophomore slump... Although the upperclassmen may be paying a lot of attention to the freshmen, people won't stop caring about you. Take care of each other and the people around you- not just people in CBS. Branch out of the CBS bubble, serve and be a part of your local church lest you miss out on the blessings that come with that. Finish FWS and PE requirements before you're a senior! (for all you engineers, take the transition cs class before you're a senior!!)

b. Incoming juniors: Whether or not you like it, people will see you more as a leader. Follow God, run after him as hard as you can. You don't have to pretend like you have it all together just because you're older. It's ok if you don't like your major, try something else. Take a class or do research in some other field.

c. Incoming seniors: You've made it! You are almost there! Run after God, Don't worry so much about your career. Trust that God knows what you are doing but don't just sit there and do nothing. And for everyone, love CBS but don't get stuck in CBS. Don't forget about the local church you attend and remember the Cornell community at large. Love Jesus! You gotta cling on to Him because He'll be the only one who won't fail you when everything else does. Don't put God in a box. He can use you to bring the lost back to Him. Take FUN classes and do fun stuff at Cornell!

What are some of your quirks/hidden talents?

Sometimes Jessica and I speak in accents for an extended period of time in 4E. I also speak in a British accent with JP. Oh, if I don't use utensils when eating some type of food, then I always have to wash my hands afterwards (that's a quirk...not a talent).

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

God has relieved my fear of not having friends. I didn't have a very easy time making friends in high school, but I'm very grateful that God has blessed me with the CBS, FICCC and ChemE communities during my time at Cornell.

What is your favorite spot on campus?

Hmm.. I don't really have one...I like to migrate. I don't like being in one place for a very long period of time (probably the reason I hate being in Olin all the time). In my running days I liked going to the plantations and by this barn on North Campus with horses (actually I've only seen 1 horse there before). I like studying for liberal arts classes in the Harry Potter room in Uris. Catherwood is also nice...they have big tables. There's also this dance studio in Willard Straight; Kim told me about it but I forgot what floor it was on.

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

God has taught me to persevere and to trust that he knows what he is doing--sometimes FICCC Youth ministry can be very tiring or I regret the past four years because I don't like my major. It's also very easy to be irritated with people; but God has taught me to persevere and to love others. He has also taught me to not to be so uptight even though I like to have things my way. I've learned to let everything go while still being convicted and how to put things I've learned into action. He has also taught me how important it is to be aware of the church, the body of believers, and in community with the local church as well.

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

Short term: I hope to find a job in education or

Interviewer Name:

Lauren Tang

This or That

Apple or Microsoft

New York Times or USA Today
[Neither. I don't really read the news that much... I should but I don't.]

Duffield or Physical Sciences Building
[Not really a fair comparison because I don't spend much time in PSB.]

Tim Tebow or Jeremy Lin

Words with Friends or Draw Something
Neither, I don't play either game

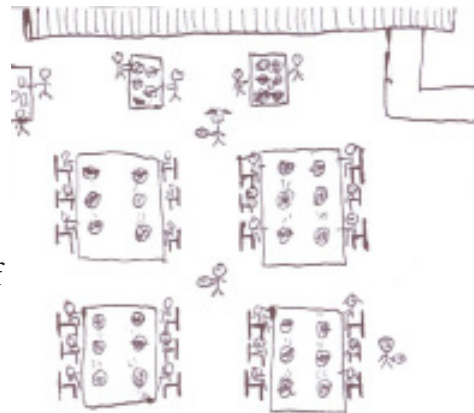
Bubble Tea or Yogurt Crazy

education policy.
Midway: Possibly go back to school, find a job in Michigan (because Mark will be there)
Long term: keep running after God, be a mom someday

I am thankful that I had the opportunity to interview Kat and get to know her better. Sometime in the next few weeks, I'm going for a run with Kat (as part of service marketplace). Maybe I will get to see these horses that live in the barn up by North Campus and hopefully not end up at East Hill Plaza. I will miss this fun and interesting sister in Christ next year. May God bless her in her future in whatever she does!

Lei Liu

Favorite Cornell
Memory: Feasting
together at tables of
love.



Major: Economics
Hometown: Guangzhou, China

Interviewer Name:
Harry He

This or That

Apple or **Microsoft**

New York Times or USA Today

Duffield or Physical
Sciences Building

Tim Tebow or **Jeremy Lin**

Words With Friends or Draw
Something
[doesn't play either]

Bubble Tea or Yogurt Crazy

I walked into Eddygate with a slight tingle of excitement for the conversation that was about to come. I was looking forward to getting to know Lei's life a little bit more, especially his advice for the students to come. What followed was a very inspiring talk with a very inspiring brother.

CBS is... a fellowship that helped me when I was seeking and a place where I met people who were different from everyone else; I was attracted to how they carried themselves.

How have you changed since freshman year?

I wasn't a believer before. I came to know Jesus during my time at Cornell and was born again.

What advice/encouragements do you have for...

a. Incoming sophomores- You can try out whatever you want, but don't stop attending church or fellowships. It is easy to fall away sophomore year. Be careful, watchful, and have someone hold you accountable.

b. Incoming juniors- Focus on God— you won't have time senior year. You can really dive into the fellowship and mentoring [others]. This is a really God-centered year – you know a lot of people and will be able to feed others, see growth, and see God cultivate what you have planted.

c. Incoming seniors- Be bold in reaching out to people because you will be leaving soon. There will be a lot of people you won't ever see again.

What are some of your quirks/hidden talents?

God has given me a lot of courage.

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

Testifying before people: if God is with me, I don't care if I'm rejected, ignored, and shunned.

What is your favorite spot on campus?
Libe Slope

What is the most important thing that God has taught you in the past four years?
God is Love. He is a lot of things but most importantly, He is love. He wants people to know that.

What are your short-term and long-term plans after graduation?
I wish to go on a mission trip and work full-time in ministry in the future.

Lei's time at Cornell has truly been a testament to God's faithfulness and love. God has given him such a passion and love to serve in the light of Christ. It will be sad to see Lei go, but God will surely use him in a mighty and impactful way wherever he chooses to go.

Mark Dong

Favorite Cornell Memory:
Spring Break Cruise 2012



Major: AEP/ECE
Hometown: Germantown, MD

Its rare to get a chance to talk to Mark when hes not busy doing something else between all the things he does... and this was not an exception. We chatted while he played FFIX to the background music of Melodies of Life. I remember when I first got to hang out with Mark for the first time, the summer after his sophomore (my freshmen) year as we spent a long 7 hours in a car home. Its was amazing to see and hear a testimony of God's transforming power over this brother of mine. There was a lot of good wisdom and insight last time, so I expect nothing less from this interview.

CBS is... a fellowship. It is a great place to worship God and grow other brothers and sisters. (I asked a bit how discipleship ministry played into his response) A place to disciple and be disciplined by others.

How have you changed since freshman year?

Freshmen year I was a punk. I barely came to CBS, and when I did, I never really bothered to get to know many people. I came mostly because I think I should. I didn't really serve or really get to know people in my class until the end of freshmen year at the May felly dinner. But over the years, God has grown my heart for Him, and also allowed me to use my spiritual gifts to help others to grow. I asked "What changed you?" When sophomore year came around, I became more caring for other people; all sorts of people. People in the fellowship, people outside the fellowship, that about covers everything. Caring motivated me to actually care for people. I developed a big heart for discipleship. After all that, I have a lot more experience and also a clearer direction for what I should do here doing ehhh things like good works, the will of God caring for new people etc.

What advice/encouragements do you have for...

a. Incoming sophomores: Sophomore year is a time where you'll be able to know enough about college to sort of know what direction you want to go in. But its not too late to change your direction at the end of the year if you want to. Really use this time to figure out what you want to do in the long term, not just in term of academics but in terms of spiritual things. What will you do with your faith 10 or 20 years from now. EVing to people? doing missions? good example for people at work? If this isn't a question you've thought about you need to think about this question right NOW. This is probably more important than what you'll do as a career. This will guide a lot of your choices.

b. Incoming juniors: If you haven't done anything I said about for the sophomores, then you need to do that! Take some time to serve in CBS now that you're an upperclassmen. Do dedicate a good portion of time, but not too much to schoolwork. Junior level classes are a core foundation for what you will do for the rest

of your life but if you don't actually go into that major, it doesn't really matter. So if you plan to do your major, take time to learn this stuff well.

c. Incoming seniors: If you haven't done what I told sophomore to do, you REALLY need to do that. This is your last chance. Seniors, dedicate time to things that really matter. Finding a job is important, but don't spend too much time just finding a job. This is your last chance to EV to anyone you know here and to build up those relationships that will last long after college is over. Long after any exam or homework since those things are fleeting. You'll sort of realize this senior year. (Its also fleeting for junior/sophomore year but even more so in senior year.) In finding a job, most of your work depends on the work you do before senior year, so senior year is really time to dedicate time to more important other things.

What are some of your quirks/hidden talents?

(He says he really doesn't have any) I'm good at ... (lonnng pause) iono how hidden they are... I'm good at fooseball - people didn't know that until winter retreat. Musical video games - such as rock band, DDR, guitar hero, ITG. Extremely proficient at piano - I considered being a professional pianist but realized I'm not actually that good to make it. But now I'm really bad, or at least a lot worse. (Good enough to play worship song without much practice though!)

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

I don't know...I mean the only thing that comes close is not being able to find any internships or anything after graduation - things like that are too generic. But that's all I have. (Have you always wanted to go to grad school?) Originally I wanted to go into finance to make money but I decided that wasn't the direction I wanted to go in. I couldn't see my spiritual direction going in that area. Which is why I told the sophomores to get that straight. After I decided to change my spiritual direction, I found many things that were geared towards that direction. I found internships and positions that would help me in that direction and God opened many doors towards grad school.

What is your favorite spot on campus?

I don't really have a favorite spot on campus... (Tim: Any memorable places you want to talk about?) No.

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

Jesus! Many important things so its hard to narrow it down to THE most important. The most important is that, sort of related to the jobs, and why I'm even here. Its sort of related to spiritual direction and future job prospects. I try to actively use my spiritual gifts, and actively seeking to know what they are. You can use them to best benefit the kingdom of Heaven. God will really help you along in that process, if you let Him.

[Tim: What are your spiritual gifts?]

Interviewer Name:

Tim Hu

This or That

Apple or Microsoft

[I don't like either, I like them equally]

New York Times or USA Today

Duffield or Physical Sciences Building

Tim Tebow or Jeremy Lin
[because Jeremy lin is injured]

Angry Birds Space or Draw Something
[actually havn't played it yet but not as good; never played WWF]

Bubble Tea or Yogurt Crazy

Probably teaching which is also aligned with what I want to do, maybe be a professor somewhere. I try to utilize that in discipleship, bible studies and teaching FICCC youth.

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

Short term I'm going to grad school for doctorate in ECE at University of Michigan.

Long term maybe getting a faculty position at a university.

Well, unfortunately for Mark, he didn't get very far in his game being preoccupied with these questions I had. Fortunately for me, I got to see a bit more into my brother's life and get these answers down! I'm sure that God will continue to use him and grow in him many ways I can't see but I do know that with his heart, it will surely happen regardless of how far he is from his home on the east coast. And so it goes, on and on. Melodies of life.

Michael Chin

Favorite Cornell
Memory: I am
proposing to
Rachel Har.



Major: Electrical and Computer Engineering
Hometown: Cherry Hill, NJ

Interviewer Name:
Jeffrey Yu

This or That

Apple or **Microsoft**

New York Times or USA Today

Duffield or Physical
Sciences Building

Tim Tebow or Jeremy Lin

Words With Friends or
Draw Something

Bubble Tea or **Yogurt Crazy**

It was a busy Monday afternoon in Eddygate when I decided to drop by and talk with Michael Chin. Most of the time we discuss school material, but this time I was eager to learn more about this senior's thoughts on the fellowship and life in general. After a few minutes chatting, we settled down and focused on deeper matters.

CBS is...

a place where I have found brothers and sisters who I care about and who care about me. It's a place where I've been able to find friendship and fellowship the past four years.

How have you changed since freshman year?

How have I changed? Well, I think I have become wiser. Height and weight haven't changed much, but mentally and emotionally I know I have grown. I have become more mature being away from parents, learning to be independent, and have been able to put into practice what I've learned from my church and my parents.

What advice/encouragements do you have for...

a. Incoming sophomores: Don't try too hard. There's more to college than school. Find the right balance between work and other stuff; get involved in the Cornell community. I didn't do too many extra-curricular activities throughout college.

b. Incoming juniors: you won't get any work done in Eddygate, so find a place to get work done.

c. Incoming seniors: find out what you're going to do when you graduate, the sooner the better. Enjoy your last year of college.

What are some of your quirks/hidden talents?

I plead the 5th amendment.

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

Being unemployed, not feeling that I have any future, leaving college and having nothing to do.

What is your favorite spot on campus?

Cascadilla Hall. I liked sophomore year.

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

I now realize the importance of having Christians to work with, not just to play with or see on Sundays or Fridays, but also day-to-day in your classes.

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

I want to get settled in where will live in Oregon. I will be working in Oregon next year. My long term plan is that I want to make a Youtube channel.

Overall, it was great having another chance to learn more about Michael's life. Although we were slightly cut short by some other seniors preparing for Mexican Monday, the opportunity to meet up with Michael after spending three years with him was a satisfactory conclusion to our time together. I remember Michael was one of the first people I met upon arriving at Cornell, and he has taught me so much these few years, not just in ECE, but also in the daily Christian life. It has been a pleasure knowing him for all this time, and I wish him success in his future vocational endeavors.

Michael Hwang

Major: Biology

Hometown: Middletown, New Jersey



Favorite Cornell Memory: Please excuse my poor drawing. Yes, it's a cake. No, it's not a hat.

My favorite CBS memory is all the birthdays we celebrated freshmen year. I really enjoyed making all the gifts with everyone else and I think working with everyone really helped us grow together as a class.

Michael Hwang. Handsome McHandsome-Face. Speaking to Michael reminds me of another handsome doctor. We find ourselves in his humble abode of 2E; not exactly the best interviewing conditions, but it was still quite a pleasure to catch up with McHandsome- I mean Michael Hwang.

CBS is... Cornell Battle Squad. Where brothers and sisters fight the good fight.

How have you changed since freshman year?

I think I have become less of punk, more gentle. I was harsher. I think I have grown a lot spiritually in terms of what it means to be a Christian. Just basic stuff. Why Jesus died for us and the importance of resurrection on the cross.

I have become more humble. Probably the most humble person that I know of right now. Something I am proud of is my humility.

What advice/encouragements do you have for...

a. Incoming sophomores: Take the time to pursue God over anything else. Over being friends, academics, etc. because pursuing God will set the tone for the next three years at Cornell.

b. Incoming juniors: Be more disciplined in your walks with God. [Your] outwards and private life should be the same. Don't act before you know it's something that God wants you to do. Things can get messy if you do not wait on God's will for you.

c. Incoming seniors: Take riflery and sailing. Don't get lazy. Be content with what you have done in CBS. Hebrews 12:1-2

What are some of your quirks/hidden talents?

Avid Hello Kitty paraphernalia collector.

I am very picky about public bathroom cleanliness. There are very specific bathrooms I will use on campus, i.e. PSP 4th floor, Statler 2nd

or 3rd floor handicap bathrooms.

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

Something that God has relieved in my life is the fear of failure/looking weak. I think God has shown me this during the past four years by removing the things that I like to define myself by or lean on. God is showing me that I can't do everything, and that it is ok to look weak.

What is your favorite spot on campus?

Eddygate 2E. [Elbert: *Why is Eddygate 2E your favorite spot?*] Why isn't it your favorite spot? It is nice; it is home. [www.twitter.com/eddygate2E]

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

A reoccurring theme that God has shown through my time at Cornell is that I need to trust Him. There are verses like 2 Tim 2:12, Proverbs 3:4-5, etc. We know all of these verses and now more and more I understand how important that is. The reason we can trust in God is that He does not change and is not fickle. God is always constant and faithful. Even when your circumstances change (fail a prelim, sharing the Gospel, cooking dinner, meeting up with someone, etc.), God is faithful in all of those situations. As I leave, things will change drastically (finding a new church, finding new community, etc.), even though those circumstances are changing, God is still the same. That is why we can call Him our rock and our fortress because he doesn't give in to change.

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

Short term: Go to med school in New Jersey.

Interviewer Name:

Elbert Chang

This or That

Apple or **Microsoft**

New York Times or **USA Today**

Duffield or Physical Sciences Building

Tim Tebow or **Jeremy Lin**

Words With Friends or **Draw Something**

Bubble Tea or Yogurt Crazy

Long term: Going to Taiwan and becoming a medical missionary. That is after many years though.

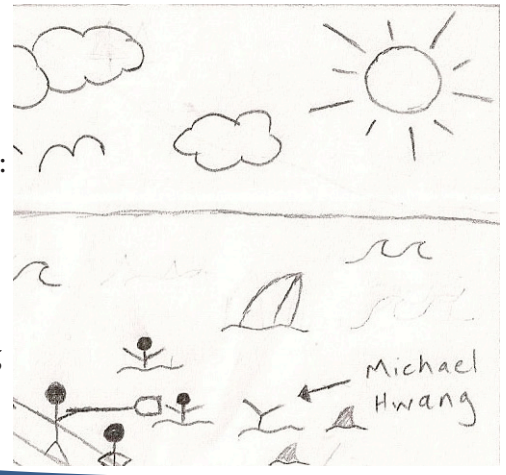
[Elbert: *Prayer Requests?* To trust that what God has in store for me is better than what I think.

Praise God! I have been encouraged to see Mike grow to trust God more and more with his life. Despite so many uncertainties in life, to finally be able to lift up all of the anxieties to God and to find a newfound peace is just so great. If you haven't had the chance to get to know Michael (somehow I doubt that is so), please do take the time to encourage him before he runs off to med school. Oh, and please do play at 2E to enjoy this awesome, wonderful experience. I feel obligated to mention this. =)

Nathan Kwong

Major: Biology
Hometown: Moraga, CA

Favorite Cornell Memory: Michael Hwang, Dave Ho, and Jensen somehow flipping over their canoe during freshman year camping trip and needing us to rescue them



Interviewer Name:
James Zou

This or That

Apple or Microsoft

New York Times or USA
Today

Duffield or Physical Sciences
Building

Tim Tebow or Jeremy Lin

Words With Friends or Draw
Something

Bubble Tea or Yogurt Crazy

Meet Nathan Kwong, a.k.a "The Hammer". Hailing from the land of California, Nathan and his smooth voice have taken Cornell and CBS by storm. I recently had a chance to sit down and ask him questions about his Cornell experience.

**CBS is... awkward family.
How have you changed since freshman year?**

As a freshman, I was more prideful. I had an attitude of spiritual maturity. Coming here, my pride's been broken down,

and I've kind of learned what it truly means to be humble. I've realized how much I don't know God, and how much I truly need him. I also started making fun of people more.

What advice/encouragements do you have for...

a. Incoming sophomores: Don't be discouraged by the pressures of Cornell. Be intentional about seeking out accountability. Get to know your class and really encourage them and pray with/for them.

b. Incoming juniors: You guys have a lot of potential. It's been really encouraging to see how you guys genuinely care for one another. I look forward to seeing you guys step up in leadership.

c. Incoming seniors: You guys are old and don't need my advice. BUT, don't let the stress of figuring out what to do with life interfere with your walk with God. He's in control and will work things out. He has the best plan for you.

What are some of your quirks/hidden talents?

I'm very particular about the type of food I order at ethnic restaurants. For example, if I was eating at Koko's I would never order anything off their Japanese food section because it's a Korean restaurant. I'd also never order sushi from a Chinese restaurant. This is probably why I've been called a Puritan on multiple occasions.

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

What to do with my life; I'm pretty indecisive. [I've] never really felt a strong conviction about what field to go into. Not having that decided was pretty stressful. But

though still undecided now, I'm more at peace about it. Just realizing that God can use me wherever I am and that I just need to be faithful in seeking him regardless of my profession.

What is your favorite spot on campus?

It probably has to be the balcony down by the Law School, for reasons undisclosed...

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

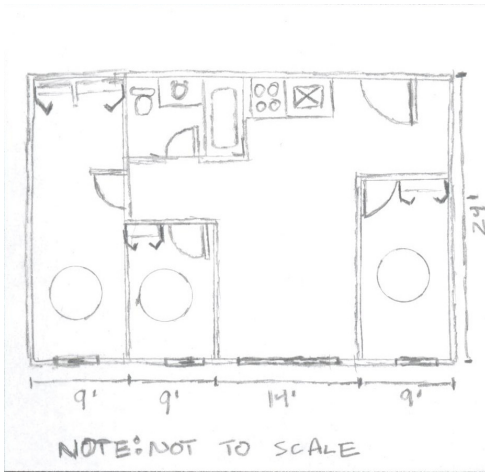
"It's hard to narrow down...but one of the major things is realizing how far I am from where I want to be in my spiritual walk. The more I grow, the more I realize how un-Christ-like I am, and how there's always room to grow. Also, I've learned of the importance of prayer. Before college, prayer life was more so praying to impress other people, and not praying to God. Over the years, I've learned to be more genuine in prayers and really just pray to God alone; seeing God answer prayers has been really powerful.

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

"Short term, I'll be working for Proctor and Gamble in Cincinnati, Ohio, doing research and development. Long term, I want to go back to California and get a job there, hopefully in the medical field."

Nathan will surely be missed. His cheerful demeanor and love for God must travel to Ohio, to hopefully be studied and extracted for use by Proctor and Gamble. Only time will tell if another can fill the role that he has left: a humble servant of God, who isn't that bad at video games either.

Patrick Liu



Favorite Cornell Memory:
spoken word, wine &
relativity, dropped it like
its hot, the perfect crime,
dj hero, S.O.S., still got it,
welcome home

Major: ILR

Hometown: Staten Island, NY

If you ever ask Patrick what he did during the first semester of his junior year (Fall 2010), don't be surprised if he doesn't want to talk about it. All you need to know is that he's on parole now...

CBS is... an acronym.

How have you changed since freshman year?

I look a little older now, physically speaking. I'm a faster reader and have learned to skim through readings. I've also grown in God and got closer to a bunch of guys (2E?).

What advice/encouragements do you have for...

a. Incoming sophomores: Learn time management skills. If you want to have 3-4 day weeks, work hard now! You can relax later (when you're a senior).

b. Incoming juniors: Start looking for a job. Don't forget about God in the midst of all this. Don't be lazy.

c. Incoming seniors: You're a senior now, so relax...you've earned it. Don't waste your senior year because you can't get it back. Take a PE or two.

What are some of your quirks/hidden talents?

I like to do hands-on stuff, like fixing cars and computers at home. I have a particular set of skills – magic hands.

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

I was afraid that I wouldn't find a fellowship that I liked, which I really didn't until my second semester junior year. At first, I went to CBS because my brother Victor went, but I didn't decide to commit long-

term until my sophomore year.

What is your favorite spot on campus? Does it have to be real? [Jesse: No.] The swimming pool on the 4th floor of Ives Hall-ILR

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

To trust in God during the good times and bad. During the bad times, it's easy to run to God, but hard to trust Him. And during the good times, it's usually the opposite. But whether you're going through the hard or the easy, always trust God.

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

Short term: I plan on working in New York City with Ernst & Young as a consultant for 5 years or so. It should be nice because I will get to spend time with family and relatives in the city. After three or four years, I'll decide whether or not I want to go back to school.

Long term: I want to be married when I'm 25 or 26 and have kids before I'm 30. For now, I want to stay in NYC since I'll be close to my family. New Jersey is a good choice as well. It's pretty nice with a good school system and all. Never Long Island though...

So what actually happened during Fall 2010? Well I can't say exactly. All I know is that it has something to do with a meth lab in Seneca and the Seneca fire department....the rest is history. But if you're really confused still, you can try asking Shirley for the details.

Interviewer Name:

Jesse Liu

This or That

Apple or Microsoft

[I have a Mac that runs Windows. Best of both worlds.]

New York Times or USA Today

Duffield or Physical Sciences Building

[Both are lame. I choose Ives.]

Tim Tebow or **Jeremy Lin**

[That's a hard choice though.]

Words With Friends or **Draw Something**

Bubble Tea or Yogurt Crazy.

[Regular please!]

Phuc Gin

Major: Biological Sciences
Hometown: Baltimore, MD

Interviewer Name:

Jeffrey Huang

This or That

Apple or Microsoft

New York Times or USA Today

Duffield or Physical
Sciences Building

Tim Tebow or Jeremy Lin

Words With Friends or Draw
Something

Bubble Tea or Yogurt Crazy

As I gazed into the abyss that is Duffield atrium, I felt the hair on the back of my neck stand up. Something was definitely amiss. I felt chills shoot down my spine and felt goosebumps on my skin. I lost control of my spleen. I turned around, and there it was, slowly walking towards me, all the while emanating an omnidirectional aura of oppressive and all-powerful sass. Even though I was terrified out of my wits, I could not help but feel drawn towards this source, to know more about this specimen, who is he, why is he like this? I have never felt such a powerful source of sass before. I have read of such a creature in the annals of Chinese Bible Study. It has been said, that this specimen draws much of its power from watching video samples of sassy black women on the internet. The ever advancing aura emanating from the creature of sass was overwhelming. I threw a coffee bean in his direction and it stopped immediately to gnaw on the aromatic, caffeine-rich treat it had just acquired. I took this opportunity to collect samples and rush it to my state of the art laboratory to learn the biology and physiology of this intriguing creature.

CBS is... a "center-integrated society" * laughs jokingly*. A place for people to come to learn about God, grow more in their faith, be equipped with the tools they need to pursue God's calling, and be able to further God's kingdom. CBS is also a support system that helps and aids other brothers and sisters in time of need and to glorify God.

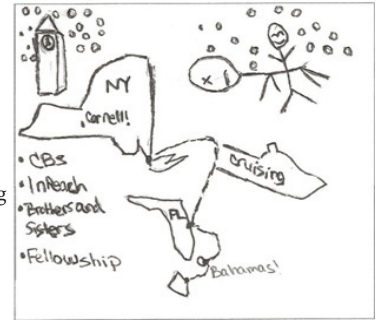
How have you changed since freshman year?

I think since I've come here to Cornell, I've become more chill, instead of being controlling and easily stressed out. It has become easier for me to trust and rely on God. Spiritually, at first, I didn't have that much of a passion to pursue Him in my life, but through CBS I have more of a passion to know who God is in my life and to serve Him out of joy and not obligation.

What advice/encouragements do you have for...

a. Incoming sophomores: Find out what your passions are, the passions that God has given you. Explore different classes and groups of people, find out where God has truly called to be. You guys are young. Don't be so stuck within your "major," just explore different options that are out there.

Favorite Cornell Memory: I do not have a particular number 1 favorite Cornell memory, but I really did enjoy my time here at Cornell. What made my time at Cornell memorable was CBS, serving in InReach, the brothers and sisters I got to know, and fellowshiping. The next picture in the diagram is my senior spring break trip to the Bahamas with my class. The other picture is when me and a close brother were wrestling in the snow and I basically got own. Advice to all, ENJOY YOUR TIME HERE!



You don't know what kind of passion God has given you until you've explored the opportunities here at Cornell. You may end up finishing the major that you have started here at Cornell, but you may end up not knowing what you may want to do or may end up not liking what you planned to do. So explore different classes and options at Cornell and you will never regret it.

b. Incoming juniors: Don't take anything for granted, cause you won't ever get the same opportunities that you will have in college...such as living with brothers and sisters next door to each other, and going next door to your apartment mate to pray with each other. Support & love one another and as a class to be good examples among the younger people. Lift each other up in hard times and continue to remember to be operating under one body and one action as a class.

c. Incoming seniors: For the seniors, I would say you guys are like seniors now. As seniors, people are gonna look up to you guys; just remember to convey a Christ-centered relationship with each other, to be truly intentional to one another. Since this is your last year together, you guys need to show that you all appreciate, love, and care for one another. Also, as one class, you guys also need to lift and encourage each other up and to set a good example among the underclassmen. When one person falls, the rest of the class falls, so continue to reach out to each other. So remember to support each other when you see each other in trouble, because you guys will need to support each other as a class, especially when you guys think about post-graduation stuff.

What are some of your quirks/hidden talents?

It's not really hidden, or a talent, but I really love running in the rain, and also when I am stressed out. But in general, I love running! I'm a long distance runner *seems pretty self-assured about that*. I think this should be considered a talent because not everyone can run with joy. Also, it reminds me of this quote, "I believe God made me a purpose, but he also made me fast. And when I run I feel His pleasure." And running was a way for me to feel His pleasure in my life. Oooh another one, I am a very observant person. I really like to "people-watch", and also to observe people's small motion behaviors. [Editor's note: that's really creepy...]

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

I want to say two of my greatest fears that God has relieved me during my time here at Cornell are the fear that He doesn't provide for me and the fear of being trapped and bought into the worldliness. During my whole time in college, I always had a fear that God would not provide for me, even if I did all the right things. I always had this fear that God will not provide for my future needs. So when I came to college, I didn't have faith in God's providence and I knew this was dangerous. But up as the years past all the way to my last moments in senior year, God has strengthened my faith that God truly does provide, God provides something that is way better than what I have in mind! The other fear was being bought and engraved in my heart that worldliness was the way to life. I knew I didn't want that and I knew that I would be faced with this when coming here to Cornell. This was something I would be surrounded with every single day here at Cornell. I didn't want to be bought by the fact

that prestige, money, grades, and other worldliness, would provide for your daily needs. I knew this was a lie I had to face every day here at Cornell. I didn't want to lose my walk with God with the worldliness that is pressured here. And in the end, God showed me that He is clinging to me and to make sure I do not be bought in those things.

What is your favorite spot on campus?

Hmm my favorite spot on campus is...Mann!! I have 2 places: one of them is Mann library, 3rd floor, against the wall; I get to do sooo much work. Mmm the other place is Olin library..cause I get easy access to coffee, and MVR too, because that's where I developed my passion for health policy.

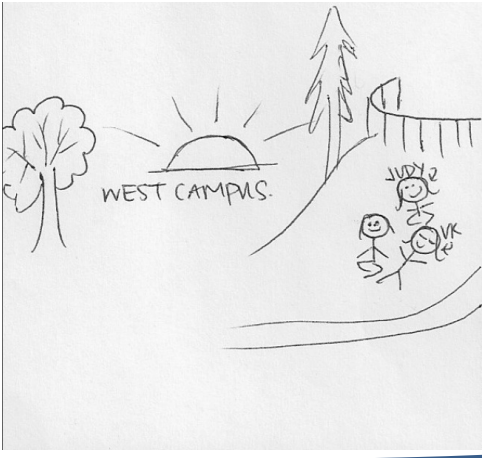
What is the most important thing that God has taught you in the past four years?

Oh man, there are so many things that God has taught me in the past four years! I think one of the most important things that God has taught me in the past four years is to learn how to be a disciple of Christ and what it looks like to walk with God. Before coming to college, I had a very vague idea of what "Christian life" looks like. It went along the lines of secularisms. But God has taught me the importance of what it looks like have my identity secure in Christ Jesus. God also taught and have shown me countless times that He is so good no matter what, even when we are bad. He taught me that even in our sinfulness, intentionality of disobedience, faultiness, lack of faith, anger, and hatred, God is SSS-SOOOO good to us and that His love covers all of the things I just said. He will still provide for us, convey a perfect love for us, answers us, and comfort us. This is so important to comprehend and get down to our hearts because we need Him. So continue to trust and pursue God, even if you don't feel like it, because in the end His love will cover all of your lack of faith and show you that He is SSOO good and that He provides.

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

After graduation, I will be going to graduate school. I will be getting my masters in public health and health policy at St. Louis University. Long term, I want to be able to develop or improve a stable health system mostly within the United States, more specifically, working to develop a stable health system within communities. Short term, I want to be able to go to underdeveloped countries and develop a stable health system so that they can stabilize themselves health wise and maintain a healthy population. [Jeff: How about getting married?] Getting married is one of my long term goals. I definitely want to get married.

After some lengthy experimentation with the strange specimen, I begin to exhibit the symptoms of sassiness. I fear that the attributes of the specimen has been integrated into the very core of me. NOOB. I feel impertinent, bold, an urge to be insolent and saucy, especially saucy. A word of caution, do not spend too much time in close proximity with this specimen, or your personality will be at stake. Its sassiness will find a way to diffuse into your innermost being! And then, at last....you will become one of us. HAHHAHAHAHAHAHAHA



Favorite Cornell Memory:
Being dragged to the Slope after Slope Day training by Judy Liang and Van-Kim Bui

Sandra Quah

Major: MSE '12 & Eng. Management '13
Hometown: Cupertino, CA

For her interview, Sandra and I sat down over a meal at the wooden dining table in her homey apartment. It's hard to believe that she is a graduating senior and I almost a senior. I can still remember the first time I met her as a young freshman in front of Appel – she was chalking for CBS and talked briefly with me before leaving to chalk at another location. And now it is time for her to spend some time thinking about her own four years at Cornell...

CBS is... a family of brothers and sisters.

How have you changed since freshman year?

I've become less stressed about school-work, I am no longer doing MSE [with clear relief in her voice], I finished reading the whole Bible, and learned a lot about Christianity. There are really too many things...

What advice/encouragements do you have for...

a. Incoming sophomores: Don't worry about class size, reach out to others, and use the three years that you have to learn more about God because you'll have more time now than in the future;; though you may not think you have enough time right now.

b. Incoming juniors: Ask God for a heart to serve the fellowship and one another; take that and reach out to the freshmen.

c. Incoming seniors: Step it up! Take care of those in need in the fellowship and

make sure that your foundation is in God, not in CBS.

What are some of your quirks/hidden talents?

I don't have any quirks. [Jamie Tsai: Sandra is "normal."] As for hidden talents, I guess my singing ability was hidden until this year. I'm also okay at badminton, though I think some people already know that. Something that not a lot of people know is that I can fix small tech problems, but I really only follow instructions online so it's not that impressive...

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

Not being able to graduate! I didn't do very well my first semester and I was really scared that I might not graduate; but after pulling through that semester, the fear gradually went away.

What is your favorite spot on campus?

For studying, the Law School library. For chilling, sitting in the stone benches on top of the Slope.

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

Not being afraid of being inadequate or inability to do things for myself. God has taught me to trust in Him to finish His perfect plan.

Interviewer Name:
Shirley Qian

This or That

Apple or Microsoft

New York Times or USA Today

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Building

Tim Tebow or **Jeremy Lin**

Words With Friends or **Draw**

Something

Bubble Tea [PMT] or Yogurt

Crazy

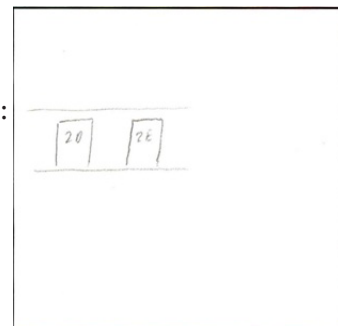
What are your short-term and long-term plans after graduation?

Short term: finish Masters in December. Long term: serve God somewhere, doing something. If I have a job, maybe short-term missions...

Sandra isn't bubbly and doesn't exude warmth, but she is genuine and kind. She has a heart for sisters and is the best listener for troubled and worried minds. She will leave you with her thoughts and Biblical truth for you to take strength and peace from. I say all this from personal experience. She will be missed dearly come next December...

Shao Chen

Favorite Cornell memory:
Many memories in 2E
and 2D!



Major: ILR
Hometown: Fuzhou, China

Interviewer Name:
Jerry Zhuo

This or That
Apple or Microsoft
New York Times or USA Today
Duffield or Physical Sciences
Building
Tim Tebow or Jeremy Lin
Words With Friends or Draw
Something
Bubble Tea or Yogurt Crazy

Hailing from the great country of China, with his soothingly deep voice drenched with spiritual wisdom, you may mistake Shao to be older than he looks. Yet his passion for God is as youthful as ever, and his energy is well channeled into the things he does. His presence in CBS has been an encouragement to the body through his sharing and his manual services, including dishwashing for the lesser hygienic denizens of the fellowship.

CBS is... a small body of Christ that has a purpose, but very much connected to rest of the Church. It's a place that God uses for growth, encouragement, and fellowship. I have come to love the people in it over the years.

How have you changed since freshman year?

Very much (laughs). I think one of the key things that have changed is how I've come to realize that I am being judged by God, and becoming willing to surrender every aspect of my life to Him, and becoming more honest with myself, with what God reveals to me, being able to receive my gifts, my weaknesses, and my talents and give it all back to Him. I have learned to appreciate prayer. I did not see it coming to college. Prayer is very relational and intimate. Tangible changes in me include being able to talk, to share, and to socialize. I used to be very timid, scared to speak in front of people.

God told me to give it up to Him, it is not I live but Him who lives in me, so I become embolden through Him, to speak with strength and conviction, not because who I am but He who dwells in me.

How have you changed since freshman year?

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What advice/encouragements do you have for...

a. Incoming sophomores: Don't be discouraged, by grades, by rejections, because you have a relationship with God. He will never turn away from you. Know that all the potential failures and bad things that may happen to you are often ways that God uses to reveal who you are so that you can depend more on Him. The goal is so that you can eventually depend wholly upon God.

b. Incoming juniors: Pray, a lot, but don't just pray with just formality. Don't pray for the sake of praying. Pray with the expectation that God will answer. If you don't have the faith that He will answer, pray that He will give you the faith for that. If you don't like praying, tell that to God as well, just keep asking until you receive it. Also ask for others to pray for you, because all of us are needy.

c. Incoming seniors: By this point I hope seniors already know what it means to surrender everything to God and understand how amazing that is. The Father loves to give things to His children, but He also delights in His children cheerfully giving back what He has given them.

For some of you there will probably be a lot of waiting, a lot of uncertainty, it's going to be hard to trust God at times. But He is faithful

and He will bring you through that and make you stronger. Your suffering will not be in vain. When you lose heart, pray, pray with either other people, or alone, but be very honest and specific about whatever you are going through with God, allowing Him to really reveal to you who you are. Some of you will have a smooth sailing senior year and you might be bored or have a very light semester. Just because you are having an easy time, don't become lukewarm. Be open to help others, since you are in the best situation to do so. There are a lot of needs on this campus, and really pray that you have a heart for His Kingdom, and to be able to give back what He has given you already. But ultimately, it is not about what you do, but it's about always being needy even when you don't feel like it, so that you know that you need Him.

What are some of your quirks/hidden talents?

I can sing; I used to sing in the chorus. No rap, no hip-hop. Mostly choral music and worship songs.

What is one of the greatest fears that God has relieved for you during your time at Cor-nell?

I used to be very self conscious and still am sometimes, but God has really freed me from that by showing that He is always with me and He is the one that I should please and that I want to please, and He is always with me.

What is your favorite spot on campus?

Catherwood library. Because it has so many outlets! :D Uris does not have any, Olin is always crowded.

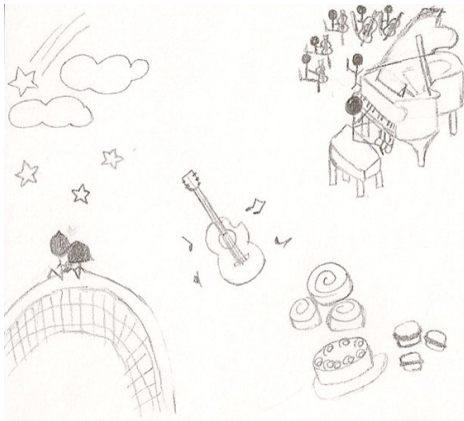
What is the most important thing that God has taught you in the past four years?

I always thought that I would have an up and down experience in my walk with God. But God has recently shown me that this is not what He has saved me from. He said: "I have saved you out of the world so that I can save you into Myself" I learned that I can walk with God blamelessly and I can always be filled with Him. And this can naturally flow in my interactions with other people.

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

Short-term wise, I'll be doing a co-op in Brooklyn with a federal agency, the National Labor Relations Board. That will be for the next 6 months. Long-term plans I'm open, I hope that I can go back to get a Ph. D in sociology or some other related fields.

I'm really grateful for God's grace, for Jesus's blood and the Cross, I'm also really grateful for the presence of God and Jesus through the Holy Spirit. And this is my prayer: that everyone who comes in to and out of CBS will learn to love to pray and to experience God and His reality.



Favorite Cornell Memory:

1. Hearing St. Petersburg Phil play Rachmanimoff Piano Concerto no. 2 (my favorite piano concerto!) at Bailey.
2. Baking! I picked up this passion at Cornell =] (pictured: cinnamon roll, cake, macaron).
3. Jamming/learning guitar with Ronny and Richard freshman year.
4. Trekking up to North at 3 a.m. sophomore year to see shooting stars that were covered by clouds.
5. Stargazing with someone on my 22nd birthday at the law school balcony.

Tiffany Tsai

Major: Biology

Hometown: San Marino, CA

Arranging this interview with Tiffany, I was struck by how things had really come full circle; Tiffany was the first person in her class I talked to when I first came to CBS and here I was interviewing her for her senior BoL interview! In the midst of baking a delicious banana pancake cake for her roommate (only one of her many talents), Tiffany took a break from her busy schedule to reflect on her past 4 years at Cornell.

CBS is... family!

How have you changed since freshman year?

I've learned a lot about God and what it means to be part of a Christian community through serving in FICCC & CBS. I don't know if I've changed per say, but I have more of an understanding of who God is which has changed how I see life. I'm more sure that He is a good God and I've learned to trust Him so I'm less afraid of things not going my way because I'm somewhat of a control freak.

What advice/encouragements do you have for...

a. Incoming sophomores: be involved in a church & CBS. Not just going to large group or the fun events, but make an effort to serve in various ways; whether leading a Bible study or just serving in different ministries.

b. Incoming juniors: really make an effort to love your class and pray for one another (I know they've been trying to). I think that's really important because our class started off playing every day and when school caught up our bond wasn't as strong as it could be. It isn't so much about just spending time together as opposed to really loving each other as brothers & sisters.

c. Incoming seniors: I'm just really excited for you guys to be the leaders in CBS. As you pour out to the underclassmen, remem-

ber that the brothers & sisters of your class are always there for you. Treasure this bond before they aren't there anymore. I think if you guys are praying for each other the bond could last a long time.

What are some of your quirks/hidden talents?

I don't know... I guess my talents aren't really hidden? [laughs] I bake, crochet, sew, cook, and when I want people's attention my voice goes a couple octaves higher. I trip easily. I'm good at handicrafts. *[Kim: Basically, she would fit the stereotype of a perfect Asian bride]*

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

In high school, it was my dream to go to pharmacy school, but I turned down an accelerated program to come to Cornell. However, my grades here weren't good & I wasn't doing research to improve my resume, so I thought it was the worst decision of my life and that I'd have to give up my dream. But God was just reminding me to trust him and miraculously got me in. God really relieved my fear that even if I screw up, He can still fix it.

What is your favorite spot on campus?

Oh no, it changes all the time. Currently, I really like law school courtyard. Underneath the tower there's an area overlooking the parking lot. I can't tell you why. It used to be Sage Chapel until I realized there were bodies there.

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

That He's sovereign & all-powerful and that there is nothing I can do to be worthy of His love, yet He still loves me. It's something I'm still learning, but was a big step for me. I had always felt that He shouldn't love me and that He probably doesn't, but He does!

Interviewer Name:
Kimberly Hui

This or That
Apple or Microsoft

New York Times or **USA Today**

Duffield or **Physical Sciences Building**
[Because it's closer]

Tim Tebow or **Jeremy Lin**

Words with Friends or
Draw Something

Bubble Tea or **Yogurt Crazy**
[if it was froyo in general, it'd be hard to choose, but I don't like yogurt crazy that much]

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

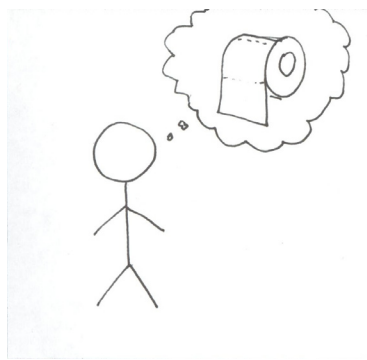
Short-term: go to pharmacy school in Colorado and become a pharmacist. Long-term plan: get married and have a family.

I had a lovely time just chatting with Tiffany and reminiscing about how God had worked in her life these past four years, our affinity for baking, and other random recollections. On top of it, she was gracious enough to share the delicious cake when it was completed!

Tim Shin

Major: Biological Engineering
Hometown: San Diego, CA

The stick figure is thinking about toilet paper. Strange thing, right? It represents living with the senior class and all of things we have done together, including running out of toilet paper together. Everyone in the apartment knew it. We hurt together. There was this sense of community; there was a need. We go next door (2E) and take one of their's [toilet paper]. Just all of the little things about living together; everyone little's quirks.



Interviewer Name:

Elbert Chang

This or That

Apple or Microsoft

New York Times or USA Today

Duffield or Physical

Sciences Building

Tim Tebow or Jeremy Lin

Words With Friends or

Draw Something

Bubble Tea or Yogurt Crazy

Who would have thought? It has come full circle. When Tim was a wee freshman, I had the opportunity to interview him at Jack's on a cloudy and dreary Saturday morning. This time, we decided to meet at Jack's again to recreate the event, instead on a beautiful, sunny day.

CBS is... community. CBS is blessings. CBS is God's faithfulness. CBS is flawed, but growing. CBS... yep, that's it.

How have you changed since freshman year?

I became "more sophisticated". Probably got more boring. Learned a lot about God, stuff, people, and myself. Good things and bad. Not for God, but mostly for people and myself. My heart and character has changed; it has been refined. Not to brag, I think that God loves me. I've been humbled a lot; still have a ways to go, though.

What advice/encouragements do you have for...

a. Incoming sophomores: Get your study habits together, but before you do that, get your God-habits together. You are going to need God to get through the next years. If you don't rely on Him and don't trust Him, it won't just be hard; He wants better for you. Don't be afraid to try new things. Explore,

see what you like; but also see what your weaknesses are. Discover God's passion.

b. Incoming juniors: If you guys aren't already leaders, you will be, whether or not you like it. The freshman will think you really got it together. You do know stuff, but at the same time to set an example for other people. There are a lot of eyes on you. Christians, non-Christians, professors, whatever; lots of people are watching you guys. It's important the testimony you have. You can be a good witness or a bad witness. Try to interact with the other classes even more than you are doing now. Grow in caring for each other. A lot of people are looking to you guys for guidance. You have a new responsibility. Don't forget that.

c. Incoming seniors: Lift your burdens up to God as you seek to care for each other as a class, the fellowship, and the people around you. Consider what kind of legacy you will leave behind and what that says about who you are, your priorities, [and] how you love God. Seek first the kingdom and his righteous. Everything will fall into place (the new Tim Shin "paraphrase").

What are some of your quirks/hidden talents?

I love movies; really big movie person. I love arts and crafts, but I hate arts and crafts (Interviewer's note: why do you think that is?). I always do my homework in pen; I hate pencils. Even prelims. If I'm semi-confident, then I will do it pen. Pencils are too wishy-washy. I love engineering. BAM, that's weird. That is grade-A quirk. Something about efficiency. Minimizing and maximizing things make my day.

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

I had this big fear that so many things were dependent on me and my performance. I didn't think I was smart enough, calm enough, wise enough, loving enough to be a good leader, older brother, Christian, a good son, to be an adult. I didn't think I could handle it. I thought it was completely up to me. But now I can understand that it is up to God. God has been faithful, through all of the different trials before Cornell and here. He has proved His love for

me, and even more importantly, He showed it on the cross. I am free to do my responsibility, striving to be a better person, because of what Christ already did and accomplished. That is to God's glory.

What is your favorite spot on campus?

This is a tough one, if you were to ask me before, I would say Duffield, but now I try to avoid it at all costs. I just like walking around on campus. I just like being outside and walking around, enjoying the fresh air. Being in those open spaces. It is very peaceful, but a very populated campus. It is something special. It is very pretty and enjoyable to walk on, even between campus. Just seeing all the familiar buildings and places, the sites, the gorges. Easy to take it for granted; it is very nice.

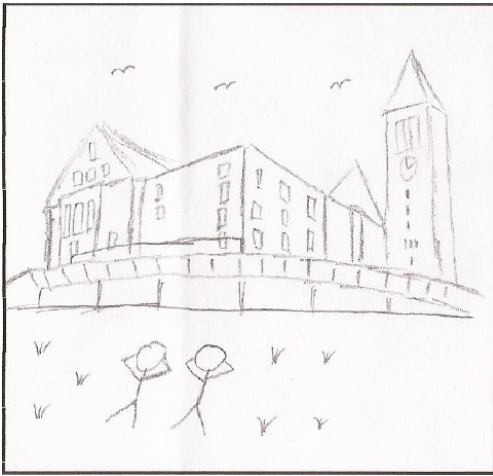
What is the most important thing that God has taught you in the past four years?

God is good. That is probably one of the most important lessons because it is more about God than it is about me. It's about His glory and faithfulness; His characteristics that He has shown me through trials, struggles, relationships, pointing ultimately to God. He is good, He is worthy of worship. He loves you and me. He loves us so much that He sent his Son to die for us. That is so critical. Then you can trust Him through anything.

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

Long term- become a doctor, go on missions, and grow. That's my plan. Short term- go home, look for job, maybe go on mission trip. Seeing what God has for me. Keeping my options open for now. [Elbert: Prayer requests?] That God's will be done in me and that I will be willing to obey it.

A long journey is about to close with a bright future in store for Tim Shin. Just to hear how God has been working Tim's life warms my heart. Please continue to keep him in your thoughts and prayers as he departs from Cornell to whatever He has in store for Tim.



Wences Lee

Major: Mechanical Engineering
Hometown: Taipei, Taiwan

It was quite an experience meeting up with Wences Lee once again. As one of the few Mechanical Engineers in CBS, hearing his thoughts on his past four years at Cornell was unique and innovative, seeing how different MechEs are from the ECEs. Read on to find out more about what this intelligent, well-mannered senior gained from his years here on campus and in the fellowship.

CBS is... on campus Christian fellowship. It's fun and relaxing.

How have you changed since freshman year?

Well first, I have become more studious. I think I am also better at making friends, understanding and respecting people of different religious beliefs, viewpoints, and personalities.

What advice/encouragements do you have for...

a. Incoming sophomores: Learn to cherish every moment you have. When you get to be a senior, you realize there are so many more things you want to do, so plan ahead accordingly.

b. Incoming juniors: You will have more responsibilities as you grow older. Be a good role model for the underclassmen, learn to be more mature, and give them advice.

c. Incoming seniors: Persevere to the end. You've already spent three years

trying to get your degree, and now you're almost at the finish line. Strive to reach your goal this last year, and encourage the classes younger than you.

What are some of your quirks/hidden talents?

Telling stories and personal experiences. I hate drawing, and am not good at it.

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

Not knowing what will happen in the future when you're at your lowest.

What is your favorite spot on campus?

The slope, outside behind Uris

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

You should never give up believing in Him because no matter what happens in your life, He will always be there for you.

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

I'm in a CS M.Eng program right now and will continue next semester here on campus. In the long

Interviewer Name:
Jeffrey Yu

This or That

Apple or Microsoft
New York Times or
USA Today

Duffield or Physical
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Tim Tebow or **Jeremy Lin**
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Something

Bubble Tea or Yogurt Crazy

term, I would like to find a full-time job in computer science.

Although Wences was always a MechE, it was nice seeing him in several of my ECE classes the last few years. He was very bright and was always a pleasure to be around. Listening to his interview was truly inspiring, seeing how much God has been working in his life these past four years. We thank him for all his involvement with CBS these years and wish him the best of luck in his future professional plans.

Senior Wills

Chris Torng

I will my Smash skills to Jerry.
I will my success in ECE to Tim Hu.

David Bu

I will my position as CBS intramural basketball team captain to Michael Feng.

David Ho

I will my Canto pride to Aaron, Agatha, and Jeff Wai.
I will my patience (and endurance!) for getting through all the Hotel School group projects to Tim Chen, Yuna, and Fang Yu.

James Gao

I will discipleship ministry to whoever leads it next year.
I will my ultimate potions (aka Organic Chemistry Lab) notebook to Grace Leu.
I will the status of being the manliest man to whoever feels worthy of taking it.

Jamie Tsai

I will to Jeff Huang continuation of Mat Sci.
I will to Jeff Wai, Michael Cao, & Wendy Gu WWP Pride.
I will to Next Year's STEAM being excited about what God is doing.

Jessica Lin

I will to Deborah the spirit of exploratory cooking.
I will to Grace some sort of boxing skills.
I will to Ann Lin all the chocolate I never had to give you.
I will to Olivia our hug that means that we are now friends.
I will to JP the beautiful lawn to sleep on. And Vivian. [*Uhhh...*]
I will to Ellen my "Air Jordans".

Joshua Jeng

Do what you will.

Justin Deng

I will to the fellowship an understanding that there is so much more to God that we can still learn, and a hunger to grow deeper.
I will to my younger prayer partners the ability to call me or email me whenever they want.
I will to Tim Hu meeting up with lots of underclassmen to encourage them in their walk with God.
I will to Jesse Liu and the other New Jerseyans, New Jersey pride (I require you to scream every-time someone new is from New Jersey).
I will to Kim Hui my INFJ-ness.

Katarina Ng

I will to Jevon, Max, Stephen, Mona and anyone else from Boston to carry on the pride of Boston!
I will to Yipu the love, the care, and the patience for FICCC youth ministry.
I will to Jodie the love of God's Word and the desire to love people.
I will to Ellen a heart and a desire to minister to the people around her.

Mark Dong

I will Michael Cao the spirit of my red hoodie.
I will Dave Smith my Actual red hoodie.
I will Michael Cao the spirit of my rock band abilities.
I will Harry He my actual rock band equipment.

Michael Chin

I will Michael Cao my ability to give announcements.
I will Harry He my chin.
I will Stephen, Ellen, and Jevon my ECEness.

Senior Wills

Michael Hwang

I will 2E to the five Indian girls.
I will spending hours playing Brawl to... all y'all who play.
I will my Arrested Development addiction to Tim Chen.
I will all of my mannerisms and catchphrases to all of CBS. Yeaaaaa... too good!

Nathan Kwong

I will my (lack of) work ethic to Aaron Hui.
I will my prowess with annoying characters in brawl minus to Jesse.
I will CBS praise team male vocalist to Bo and Ray (hint hint).
I will a love of FICCC to Ann Lin.
I will the spirit of the dragon to Jeff Wai.

Patrick Liu

I will king title of noob to Jesse.
I will tennis and 5 consecutive Wimbledon titles to Stephen Wang.
I will 4 day weekends, the best major, and 1,000 WPM reading speed to Wendy Zhang.
I will the enjoyment of exotic super-cars to James Zou.
I will the art of capturing time and composition to Michael Feng.
I will Canto pride to the most awesome of men.
I will my appearance to Alex Chung.

Phuc Gin

I will my time management skills to Himmy.
I will my coffee addiction to Olivia.
I will my love for running to Wendy Zhang.
I will my sass to Samantha.
I will my ghettoness and gangsterness to Jeff Wai, David Cheng and all those other ghetto people.
I will the "glories" of being a bio major to James Zou.

Sandra Quah

I will my fobbiness and love of Asian things to Jerry and Yuna
I will the heart of reaching out to sisters to Wendy Zhang
I will my lack of Korean-ness to Heeyoung
I will the right to call Samantha "Fungus" to Jesse
I will the burden of being annoyed with VK's lineage to Kimberly, Grace, and Lauren
I will my haircutting supplies to whoever wants to pick up the practice.

Shao Chen

I will you my prayers (I'm a poor man, not much else to give).

Tiffany Tsai

I will to Olivia, Ailin, and Agatha my love and prayers forever.
I will to Jackie the title of "Best Roommate" for Sandra and the right to sit on Sandra's bed when she isn't looking (just kidding!).
I also will to Jackie one my biggest blessings from God: the most awesome-est roommate ever
I will to Olivia my 'gong zhu bang' and the bit that Michelle willed to me when she left. Now that you have both mine and Michelle's, you're a triple princess =]

Tim Shin

I will the mantle of "token Korean" to someone else.
I will a bunch of textbooks for David Cheng.
I leave behind a very mature granddaughter.

North Brother Group

Oh brother! Whether it be in the thralls of the Mott House or in one of North Campus' fine dining halls (e.g. not Risley), older brother Shao and very old brother Elbert were always there on Thursday nights to encourage the freshman guys of CBS, even if some of them were not always physically there to be encouraged. As they went through their final semester at Cornell, those who joined them went through 1st Timothy, learning about things such as leadership, sound doctrine and personal discipline. For as physical training is of some value, godliness has value for all things. And so let it be known that on Thursday nights, the brothers of North campus (and Ravenwood) worked out in the spiritual gymnasium of the Mott House.

James Zou

North Sister Group

This semester the North sister group studied the book of 1st Peter, complete with all its hope, and holiness and strangeness, beauty, and submission to authority, and love, and, of course, suffering¹--especially that one freakishly hot Monday night, when the rooms on the third floor of Appel felt like saunas and nobody wanted to move, much less think and inductively study the Bible.

Lethargy-inducing heat aside, we persevered and learned a lot! We struggled through confusing passages together, the leaders often more confused than the rest. We did fun interactive activities together which involved hopping on one leg and force-feeding ourselves cereal². We played review-charades and discovered some brilliant actresses among us.

Our theme verse was "But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy."

With this verse in mind, we were reminded of who we are in Christ, and how that transforms our hearts, minds, and all that we do! This verse reminded us not only to enjoy learning from God's word, but to go and live it and give Him all the praise. We made care packages for our friends to show love, helped chalk for Easter on the Quad, and fellowshiped over yummy Appel food for a time of sharing and learning to lift one another's burdens up in prayer.

And now, for old times' sake:

Dinner at Appel
Across the hall people dance
Too cool too cool yahhhh

love,

THE NORTH SISTER GROUP

¹We learned a lot about what it means to suffer and to go through trials with the perspective that we have a living hope (1 Peter 1: 3) and that we are being refined (1 Peter 1:7) so we can have joy when suffering!

²Not only did we study 1st Peter, but we also took some time to think about grace and truth in our relationships with one another, our parents, our friends, and with God! Drawing on Henry's talk at CBS one week as well as thinking about what it meant to "[purify] ourselves by obeying the truth so that [have] sincere love for one another, [loving] one another deeply from the heart" (1 Peter 1:23), we completed a fun interactive activity called the grace and truth axis.

4C Brother Group

Our brother group is headed by the illustrious Jevon Yu and the slightly less illustrious Jesse Liu (but still extremely illustrious!). This semester, we studied the challenging book of James. Jevon's many questions kept us thinking about the Scripture, and especially how we can apply this to our lives. Jesse often played a support role, giving supplement questions as well as offering his interpretations and cross referencing Scripture. Through many debates, discussions, and sharings, our brother group learned the role of works in God's plan, controlling the tongue, trusting in God in all things, and many other valuable lessons. The brother group did more than Bible studies. Once, the group went out to volunteer at Loaves and Fishes, a soup kitchen for the homeless. Another time, the group participated in EV training for Easter on the Quad. Finally, it provided a chance to fellowship with many senior brothers that are about to leave us. This was an enriching brother group and encouraged me throughout my sophomore year.

Harry He

4D Sister Group

In our sister group, led by Kim and Yuna, we read from the book of Philippians. Each week, we would read half a chapter that would be printed out for us so that we could do an inductive study of the passage (noticing things like repetition of words, certain images, and asking "What is it there for?" whenever we came across a "therefore").

The first passage that we looked at was Paul's joy at where he was at that moment. The basic context of Philippians is that Paul is in prison in Rome and writing to the church of Philippi. Paul was thanking God and rejoicing even when he was in chains. We pinpointed the difference between joy and happiness and came to the conclusion that while the happiness that worldly people pursue is ephemeral, the joy that Christians have is grounded in God who is everlasting. Earlier on, Paul describes Christians as being "partners in the gospel," and we felt that was such a key portrayal of followers of Christ because of the implications that being "partners" has instead of simply being described as "friends." True Christians are invested in the gospel and in being fruitful; they are joined together in a common goal.

This quintessential theme is emphasized in chapter three. Paul encourages the Philippians to "press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus." The race analogy that Paul uses stresses that one simply does not stop running in the middle of the race. As followers who are committed to God's will for us, we must trek on, for Christ's sake. We are not alone, however. In chapter two, it says "for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure." In our weakness, God gives us the strength to carry on. Reading Philippians was like having a cold morning shower awaken us; it was encouraging to open our hearts as followers of Christ and to remind us of the approaching kingdom of heaven. Therefore, we must place utmost importance on our own salvation as well as that of the individuals we encounter.

Heeyoung Yoo

2D Brother Group

This brother group is led by the notorious crusher of dreams, Mark Dong, and the enigmatic and elusive Yipu Wang, slayer of unicorns and rescuer of orphans. Our brother group's topic was apologetics, which dealt with all critics who oppose or question the validity of Christianity. We learned about the historical significance of prophecies, the authorship of books, and the process in which different books were incorporated as part of the Bible. We examined the historical and cultural contexts of many biblical events and concepts, leading to a deeper understanding of how some of these events connected together. Apologetics does not seek to affirm people's faith, or convince people to believe, but deals with the defense and the establishment of the Christian faith.

Jeffrey Huang

4E Sister Group

This spring semester, we studied from the book of 1 Corinthians and learned from Paul's rebukes for this early Christian church. Overall, the Corinthian church struggled with pride and arrogance that came from knowledge. That is not to say that knowledge isn't good; in fact, we are encouraged to pursue knowledge ("Choose my instruction instead of silver, knowledge rather than choice gold," – Proverbs 8:10). However, when that knowledge is applied in a context out of love, it fuels pride and arrogance.

Over the course of our years at Cornell and in CBS, we will have gained much knowledge, and learning how to use that knowledge in the right way and for the right purpose is equally, if not more, important. Paul warns the Corinthians to not feel superior to others, whether they are non-believers or young believers, because of the things that they know about the faith. Instead, they are to focus on building the Church up by building each other up, to remember that the Church is one body composed of different, but equally important, parts, and to not forget that they are as vulnerable to sin as any other man, for no amount of knowledge can provide protection, aside from the Holy Spirit.

These rebukes are still relevant to our time. We need to remember the purpose of knowledge, which is not to build our egos up, but to build others up for the Church and, ultimately, for God's glory.

Shirley Qian

Shoutouts

Hey Tim Shin!

I am so grateful to be able to call you my brother in Christ!

Remember, regardless of where life takes you after Cornell, know that God is good and that He is always in control (:

Stay strong, Tim! You're actually a lot cooler than I will ever admit to you in person...

Guna Yu, thanks for always making time for me, being transparent, laughing through life with me, and reminding me to strive towards greater faith. I love you, sister! Sheldon piano room time ftw :]

Ellen,
thanks for praying and worshiping and sharing with me on thursday mornings! =)

KIMBERLY.

Can't explain how grateful I am for you. 3 years! Wow how God brought us this far and how we never stopped caring for each other and keeping each other in prayer.

So glad that we're back on campus this semester he he he. The times of praying and sharing together...just loving each other - I'm deeply encouraged by your love for God and your desire to seek His will only.

David Ho,
I can see the growing substance; I am encouraged by you
~Jamie

Hello almost-same-netID senior! Thank you for being a genuine, warm, and dependable sister. Hopefully I didn't freak you out by crying in front you haha. You have such a big heart for reaching out to sisters and I know you will worry about us even when you're gone, so I won't forget your commission to the rising seniors...-- My middle name will probably never start with 'C' :P

Shoutout to Jimmy Zou,

Can you believe it's already been a year? I'm thankful for your desire to know Him more. Keep reading the Bible and encourage your apartment-mates to do the same over the summer! I'll be praying for you. Keep me in prayer too!

Cool Dave,

Thanks for reaching out to me when I was a freshman. I'll always remember those times we ate together in Okenshields together. Seems like it was just yesterday! It's been good seeing you grow in Christ and mature. Keep fighting the good fight!

Jesse Liu

To the Class of 2012:
God is faithful.

SQUAH. You poke me and you pick on me and you love to draw mushrooms. You are such a bully! But you are also one of the most precious sisters in my life. You text me and pester me and check up on me. You let me hug you and whine to you. You love with His love, and you serve with humility and grace. Thank you for your prayers, your time, your caring heart, your wisdom. woaini very very much.

BuDeng - Thank you for serving. May God bless you immensely.

¡Justin! Soy uno y eres uno. A juntos, somos uno y uno. Me alegre que descubrimos que somos la misma persona. Lo siento que tenía que esperar por todo el semestre para ver 'había una vez' conmigo. Con seriedad, me animas con su cuidado y atención por los luchadores (struggling). Me agradece por todos que has hecho por la fraternidad. Un día, vamos a jugar cuadrulado de poder. Ojalá que comprendas esta nota :) ¡Gracias por ser un buen hermano mayor!

Shoutouts

oh JESSICA. my lovely twin. beautiful sister w the most atypical cool wacky awesome “squiggly line” personality.

You are sooo... unique~~ I thank God for placing you in my life. I'm going to miss you so much even if you wont miss cornell :(

BuDeng. Thank you for serving the fellowship and loving God. Thank you for the example you've set for me. And thank you for letting me call you BuDeng.

TimHu and SammFung - Pray a lot. God will equip you for His work. -KatNg

Tiff, thanks for adopting me as your little pp this year! Thanks for watching over me, encouraging me, and just being a wonderful sister! Continue trusting in the Lord and His wonderful plans for your life :)

Shirley! Roasted peppers and asparagus yummm :)

Grateful for you - a dear sister willing to listen and eager to encourage~~

dear jr men (yes, i said men!),
it has been such an encouragement to see how God has grown each and every one of you these past 3 years! keep seeking Him with all you have and i look forward to how you will lead us next year :)

~your jr sister in Christ

JLin - You crazy, gurl. Run after God because He's the only One who can fulfill your needs. Yay for cleaning sprees! -KatNg

dearest angeline,
i always feel so inadequate but i'm very thankful to have you as my pp. God has encouraged me so much through how you've grown and your strength! i pray that He will continue to fill, sustain & shower (bathe [:) you in His love.

Grandpa. Thank you for the “H for Horse” card. Thank you for the granddaughter birthday card. Thank you for drawing me dinosaurs. This is to say - thank you for knowing me, for encouraging me, for serving me. Keep being EXPANSIVE; keep in touch; keep being the Light you already are.

Senior guys,

It's been a great three years and we've had a good run. I've seen a lot of you mature - remember when you were still sophomores? I'll really miss you guys next year. Don't forget what you've learned here and keep pursuing God.

Kat my dear roomie, I shall miss you mucha :(Who's going to tell me to sleep before 12:30 on Saturday night?? Who's going to listen to my random rambles?? Who's going to tell me “it's okay” when I freak out about stuff?? Who's gonna fall sick w me?? Who's going to wake me up when I oversleep?? sigh. I guess your pp will have to... PLEASE COME BACK AND VISIT. You are a light in my life :)

Jingpeng,

Thanks for showing me so much love

~Jamie

sandraaaaa. you listen me to me cry, speak wisdom into my mess & let me molest your tofu. in other words, i'm thankful for how God has poured out His grace to me through you - i couldn't ask for a better pp (sorry, but you're stuck with me for one more semester :P) Keep holding on to His promises & who you know Him to be! [Psalm 91]

Hi Himmy!

It was great meeting up with you for the past 2 years. Remember to look up to Him in all your worries and troubles!

Ephesians 1:17-23

PP

Shoutouts

To the Senior class: Thank you for always letting us crash your apartments and for playing with us and making us feel welcome. Thank you for helping us when without hesitation and feeding us when we were hungry. You have shown us Christ's love through your actions. Continue to grow in the Lord and being His humble and faithful servants!

Samm, I'm so blessed to have been able to lead sister group with you this year. Through that, I was able to see your love and heart for the fellowship and I know that God will continue to grow that as you serve Him in the coming year. Thank you for being a great sister to all of us!

Jevon - Good luck w/ the next couple of years! Trust in the Lord, pray, and serve. God will do great things in and through you! -KatNg

Hey guys we are seniors now!
It has been a blessing to know you all and to see how God is working in each of your life! Continue to pursue Him with all your heart! Let's try our best to keep in touch with each other!

WENDYZ.
God has blessed our ""raw slaw"" time much.
I thank God for you beautiful one, fearfully and wonderfully made in His image :)
I don't say this out loud, but you know, I love you my dear sister <3
Psalm 62:5
xx

Justin Deng!
Thanks so much for being a great brother to me
~a sister in Christ

Jodie - I hope that you always remember that your circle is perfected by the only One who can complete it. Thanks for being a blessing in my life! :) -KatNg

4D (aka bachelor, newlyweds & old married couple)~
I'm really going to miss you all next year! It's been a blast - I never thought I'd find so much company at 3am, keep shaking that jar Vivian, "Noo, I missed brunch!", dinner dates, JCrew & types, the poll & late-night apologies, & every-day in between. 4D experience needs to happen next yr forreals though [; thanks for being my home this semester!

Bestfriend. I'm thankful for physics: for having the same wavelength in thoughts, in observations, in humor. I'm thankful for research: for your intentionality, your prayers, your burdens and your growth. I'm thankful for the saran wrap, the newspaper, the cups; for the orange and the trophy; for all the talks and all the songs. I guess I'm pretty thankful for you.

To Micheal H-w-a-n-g,
Thanks for being a good brother in Christ and listening to my problems. God is faithful. Do your devos. Find research. Keep in touch. See you in heaven.
Anonymous

Sandra,
Your friendship is wonderful to me.
Thanks for not killing me on the jet ski, and for giving me so much grace in matsci and in general.
~you know

Markie - Thank you for being the shoulder I lean on and the heart I speak to. Thank you for pointing me to Christ. Remember, vegetables are a boy's best friend. Go Wolverines! -KatNg

Hey underclassmen,
Continue to pursue after God with all your heart! Do not lose faith. He has His perfect timing for everything and will provide for all of your needs

Shoutouts

Womenof2012 - We are so different! But I'm glad God has brought us together. Thank you for all the support and prayers. God will take care of you. Be rooted in Him.

Menof2012 - Thanks for becoming leaders. Even though we have our disagreements and different interests, you have been a blessing. I am grateful to be your sister.

Ellen - Pining! Good luck w/ the next couple years here. Pray a lot. Thanks for taking the initiative in starting our Monday escapades. Don't hate me if I ever move to Michigan....:D
-KatNg

Michael Farts!
Black Lady Laughs!
Monopoly Players Mad!
Make sure you get that checked out! :P

Yau-PP/PewPew and YauPooPoo/PowPow,
Prov 4:23, Ecc. 12:13, Mic 6:8
God has somehow seen fit to make men out of you yet ;)
I'm very proud of you two. -YauPapa

Dear Weirdo #2,
Thanks for being so fun to make fun of! :P In all seriousness, I've truly been blessed to have been stuck with you for sister group & BigBreak. Keep seeking, trusting and being rooted in Him and His Word. I can't wait to see how He continues to grow you into the beautiful woman of God I already see! [Philippians 3:8-9]

check out twitter.com/eddygate2e! There are over 2 billion potential followers!

Hey senior guys,
Thanks so much for caring and praying for me! Though I can be hard at times, I appreciate all you guys have done for me.
Phuc

Hey senior girls!

Thanks for always being an encouragement to me! I am so blessed to know you guys and to see how God is using each one of you after graduation!

Phuc

To the freshman class: It's been such a blessing having you guys in CBS! I pray that God will bring you closer together as a class, and that you'll continue to experience His love in your years here. Don't let this so-called "sophomore slump" bog you down! I'm excited to see what wonderful things God has planned for all of you!

⁸More than that, I count all things to be loss in view of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them but rubbish so that I may gain Christ, ⁹and may be found in Him, not having a righteousness of my own derived from the Law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness which comes from God on the basis of faith, ¹⁰that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death; ¹¹in order that I may attain to the resurrection from the dead.

Philippians 3:8 – 11

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