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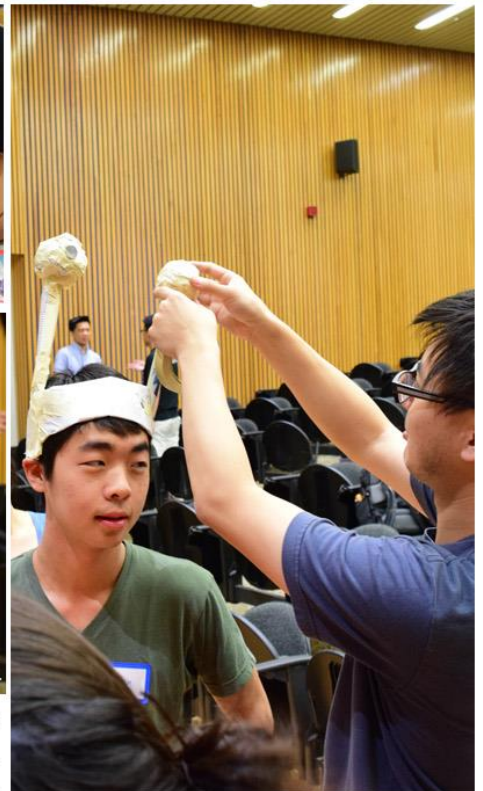
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# Bread of Life Fall 2015



1. Trudging up the slope, Tim Tsang '18 holds an ice cream cone from the Keeton dining hall in one hand and two sophomore picnic t-shirts in the other. The sophomores rushed to large group, even though their t-shirts were not dry.

2. Imitating someone's past experience, Nicholas Kung '16 tries to accurately portray his key phrase while the group looked intently. In an effort to get each other acquainted during the Sophomore Picnic, the ice breaker crew chose a charade game involving memories. 3. Taping large pieces of newspaper together, Daegun Kim '19 and Christina Ho '16 work together to build the helmet of Sandy. For the first ACE of the semester, Project Runway had the theme of Spongebob.

4. Linking arms as a sign of brotherly affection, Wesley Chow '16, Nicholas Kung '16, Zhijiang Li '16, and Matthew Yang '16 look out at the under classmen as they rush to complete their costume. The CBS senior brothers have a way of expressing their love for each other through touching. 5. Mounting an eye of Newton Ni's '19 head piece, Sebastian Jusuf '17 carefully ensures that Gary's eye will not fall during the cat walk. Some say that the CBS Project Runway ACE is a way to haze the freshmen, but none have confirmed this suspicion.



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# Editor Letter

Dear CBS,

It's been a semester of changes for us. Our five ministries have shuffled around roles, becoming four ministries. Discipleship ministry changed to Bible Study Ministry, with the responsibility of pairing prayer partners being passed to the coordinators. Inreach and Outreach combined to become Reach (not In-and-Out, much to my disappointment.) We no longer meet in the traditional Phillips 101, but instead we meet in Goldwin Smith Hall. There were also annual changes that were new to me. Being a sophomore, this was the first semester without the seniors (Class of '15) that I had come to love. My class were no longer the babies of CBS and more responsibility fell on us to step up and take up leadership. The most significant change of course, was the title of Editor in Chief being passed down to me. But these changes has taught me the control God has over my life. Despite my insistence for everything to remain exactly the same, God took our fellowship and my life in a storm. Through these changes, I have come to see CBS grow in a short four months. I've seen ministry leaders work incredibly hard to make sure that large group runs smoothly. I have come to see the brothers and sisters step up to be bible study leaders and throwing themselves in ministry work. I have seen my class come together and grow closer as our academic load becomes harder and harder.

However through these changes, God has also shown me the steadfastness of His Love and his unchanging grace. While studying Hebrews with the Saturday Co-Ed Bible Study, we came across Hebrews 6:19, "We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure. It enters the inner sanctuary behind the curtain," which is the verse the lyricist of "Cornerstone" and "My Hope is Built" found their inspiration.

***When darkness veils His lovely face,  
I rest on His unchanging grace;  
In every high and stormy gale  
My anchor holds within the veil.  
On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;  
All other ground is sinking sand.***

What a great thought, that no matter what happens, "my anchor holds within the veil." God's covenant with us and his grace for us will hold strong no matter what changes occur. The frustration and problems that come with every new change will not affect God's love for us. If we messed up or miss a deadline, God doesn't pour his wrath on us and deliver death blows to everyone who makes a mistake.

While this isn't very closely related to BoL (haha), I want to use this letter and this edition of BoL to challenge one another to step up and embrace change. I have a vision that BoL will have an abundance of articles where members of CBS encourage one another through their testimonies of the semester, or input wisdom they have learned in the semester. Make sure you take some time to read the open ended articles that members of our fellowship have written! It's been a great semester, so really read what God has been doing in our fellowship, in our ministries, in our bible studies, in our freshmen, and in ourselves! God bless!

In Him,

Zoe Chan '18



# Coordinator Letter

Dear CBS,

As I'm writing this letter, there's a lot I would like to say, but considering how I tend to ramble on during sharing and every time I talk, I'll try to have my thoughts more collected and brief. Coming into this semester as one of the coordinators, I was very anxious: anxious for how we would reach out to the new students coming in; how we would adjust to a new room and new leadership format; and how we as a fellowship would continue to grow and flourish. I wanted to do the best for the fellowship and I didn't want to fail you guys.

Right now, I am no longer anxious about those things. Praise be to God, who has blessed us with amazing new students and earnest seekers. I had always been worried about the number of incoming newcomers, but over the past three years, God has taken my fears and shown that the size of the fellowship does not affect the sweetness of its fruit. Each year, the newer ones teach me more about how God works in our lives and how He is so amazing to love us all the way only He can.

Looking back, I can't believe how far I've come. When you get to be in my position as a senior, perhaps you will say something similar. One thing I've come to know in my time here is that I was always meant to serve our God this way; whether I knew it before, I know it now. All the failures and successes I've experienced have served to bring me where I am today. To say I don't have regrets would be a lie, but I am glad that my experiences have brought me here before you.

CBS has become my family and my home these past three years, so much that I don't want to leave. I never imagined being so connected and close with a group of people, even Christians. As a friend of mine from another church tells me, "You will never find anything else like this ever again." As this semester closes out, the weight of this statement continues to grow. Though I do not ask of God to extend my time here, but rather for Him to use me to my highest potential with the time I have left. Even so, I know that I still do not live up to that request. Loving a person (or in this case, many people) just the way we are is no small thing, and there are times when we are so burned out and so tired that we want to just slow down or stop. I am sorry to you all, for the times when I had slowed down or ceased to love to my fullest potential, but it is through God's grace and his mercy that I am given the second and third chance to try again. College has been a series of failings, failings to learn from said failings, and few victories. But the victories are God's way of telling and showing me how I am capable of doing good in this world, not just here at Cornell and in CBS.

I'll leave you with the first verse of my favorite hymn, *It Is Well*:

***"When peace like a river attendeth my way  
When sorrows like sea billows roll  
Whatever my lot, God has taught me to say  
It is well, it is well with my soul"***

Through the high times and the low times, God is always with us, so we should not despair but rejoice that the Lord our God is by our sides. With our share of talents and abilities, God has his plans for us, and what greater joy than to be a part of this perfect plan to bring about His kingdom here on earth. Friends and family, let us continue to strive for greater things for the glory of our God. Though the waters may not be still, let us not fear and keep the faith.

In Christ,

David Cui Cui '16

# Coordinator Letter

Dear CBS,

God is so good. He has greatly blessed our fellowship and answered our prayers. It has been an amazing semester serving CBS because there has been so much growth. At the beginning of the semester, many freshmen joined CBS; during the semester, a sister came to Christ and many underclassmen have been stepping up. Not only have we grown in size, but we have also grown in our knowledge of God, our love for Him, and our love for one another. We also met at a new location this semester, which could have been a rough transition, but we have been able to smoothly hold large group in Goldwin Smith. Furthermore, with the new room, we can all sit together and make an effort to hear about each other's weeks, something I love seeing each Friday night.

God is patient. It is one of the characteristics of love (1 Corinthians 13:4) and one of the most amazing characteristics of God. We always fall short of His glory and fail to heed His commandments, yet He is patient with us despite the sin in our lives. I stepped into the coordinator role knowing that I needed to work on my patience. Many times, I take things in my own hands and do things on my own. However, by serving in CBS, I learned to be patient with people in charge of various tasks and trust in God's timing for things. I have even been able to apply these lessons of patience to my coursework, which makes me not only a better team member but also one who can care for my fellow teammates. Thank you to all who taught me patience this semester.

God is love. 1 John 4:7-12 describes love as:

***"7Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. 8Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love. 9This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. 10This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. 11Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. 12No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us."***

This semester, we have been learning about God's love in the Old Testament from the fall of man to prophecies about the ultimate example of love: Jesus. I pray and hope that each member of the fellowship now sees God as a loving Father who is the same in the Old Testament and the New Testament. His love started with the creation of man, persevered through the nation of Israel, and is fully exemplified with His Son. Now that we have a better understanding of God's love, we should strive to love one another because by doing so, "God lives in us." How amazing is that?

With love,

Dorothy Zhang '16

# Bible Study Ministry

Hi CBS!

This semester, we studied the book of Hebrews. Hebrews is a letter that was written to Jewish Christians who were tempted to quit Christianity and return to Judaism. One of the reasons we decided to study Hebrews is because it helps bridge the Old and New Testaments. The author of Hebrews draws on passages from the Old Testament to encourage and rebuke those he addressed. These passages would have been familiar to the audience and support the author's argument for Christ's authority. By reminding them of God's promises and faithfulness, the author encourages readers to remain faithful by pointing them to Christ in their struggles.

This year we had two goals we wanted to see accomplished in the fellowship, hence we had two vision verses. The first comes from Matthew 13:23.

***"As for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it. He indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."***

We wanted to see people in the fellowship grow in their knowledge of the Word of God. The Bible is so fundamental because it reveals to us who God is and how He has provided for salvation through His Son. If our ears aren't opened to hear the Word or if we aren't desiring His guidance to understand it, we will not be able to bear fruit for Him. Additionally, as Christians, we are all called to be sowers of the Word and as such, we are responsible for faithfully sharing the Word, but ultimately God is the one who works in hearts to accomplish His purpose. By His grace, we can participate in the work He is doing in our Bible studies.

The second comes from Hebrews 3:12-14.

***"Take care, brothers, lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart, leading you to fall away from the living God. But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called "today," that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin. For we have come to share in Christ, if indeed we hold our original confidence firm to the end."***

The normal Friday night large groups are a good time to fellowship and learn from a speaker. However, being in a large gathering of people, it can be difficult to be personal with one another. In a smaller group, it is easier to be more open with each other. We try to create an environment where people feel safe and comfortable with each other because it is so difficult to go through life's struggles alone. It is very easy to drift away from God, as the Israelites had done in the desert, if we do not actively pursue Him. One responsibility we have as brothers and sisters is to lovingly rebuke each other to make sure we are striving to grow and mature.

It has been very encouraging to see that people do come out to Bible studies. Traditionally, attendance has been a problem, but it seems as though people come regularly. It's awesome to see people seek after Him and desire to be in a community of believers. We as leaders have been praying to see the Word of God change the people of CBS, molding them to be more like Christ.

Most of our growth has come from leading a Bible study so go read those articles to see how we've grown.

In Christ,

Matthew Yang '16 and Stephanie Chan '17

# Praise Ministry

Dear CBS,

It's been a pleasure to serve as co-coordinators for praise team thus far. Throughout the semester, we've been focusing on our vision and what it means. Our vision comes from Hebrews 12:1-2:

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

With the last few generations of coordinators having focused on praising God in the midst of certain situations, we wanted to wrap these situations into the logical next step: living out our praises day to day. The opening verses of Hebrews 12 reflect on the "great cloud of witnesses" of chapter 11 who have lived before us. Many of them displayed various scenarios of great faithfulness; however, it is Jesus who remains the exemplary figure - the "pioneer and perfecter of faith." We, in turn, try to model our lives after such great faith "run[ning] with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus."

As praise team, we lead worship on Friday nights, but our vision calls us to do more. It is a challenge for our team and the fellowship to live beyond the words of the songs we sing, to be more than just leaders through our voices and instruments, to be leaders of the fellowship continuing to seek Jesus and eternal joy in heaven. Over the semester, it's been a tremendous blessing and a continual encouragement to see the team grow in these ways. Not only have we bonded together in putting together and practicing set each week, but also as brothers and sisters growing our faith in Christ.

Our weekly meetings on Sunday afternoons (shameless plug: 2pm @ the Pillbox aka 301 Bryant Ave. Apt. 5) have got to be one of our highlights this semester. Apart from debriefing on the past Friday's set, we come together to learn from both God's Word and each other. Some meetings include dissecting the lyrical content and background behind a worship song while others include time for our team to gather and pray. Regardless of what goes on, the dividends are showing. It has been encouraging seeing both old and new faces grow musically and spiritually. So here's to an awesome semester and one more on the way!

In Christ,

Justin Yeh '15 and Wesley Chow '16  
#spiritualgains



# Prayer Ministry

Hi CBS,

It's been a good semester serving as your prayer ministry coordinator this year. As I continue to walk with (and sometimes fight with) God, I'm always surprised at how much God can continue to teach and show me.

Just as how communication is vital for any relationship to flourish, so too prayer is necessary for a relationship with God. And if our lives are now inextricably tied with Christ in every aspect, then prayer must abound in all circumstances. For this reason, our vision verse for prayer is from James 5.

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

***-James 5:13-18***

Here, we see that in good or bad, in sin or in righteousness, we should pray in faith, knowing that God will answer us. Elijah was a person like we are, and through his prayers, God worked in amazing ways. Many times, however, we don't think in this way. It might be that we "don't have time," or we think God is distant, or we don't think He'll answer our prayers, or maybe our hearts are far from revering God. Perhaps we think God is small and we confine Him into a small box, or we simply just forget. However, even in this we can take encouragement from the heroes of faith who

similarly struggled with God. Elijah ran away for fear of his life from Ahab and asked God if he could just die. Job argued with God about His goodness.

David strayed many times and acted without consulting God first. Despite all these things, God worked in their lives so powerfully that to this day we remember them as men of faith. God, in their outcries and prayers of faith, responded in such a way to demonstrate His power and glory.

As I reflect on this, I am guilty of all these things. There have been times where I am scared of praying to God because I'm afraid of what He will ask me to do. I don't always think of prayer, and I don't always have even the small faith to ask God to move mountains. Even so, God is gracious. He let Elijah run away for months and even helped Him along the way before He asked Elijah what he was doing. When I pray, no matter where I may be or how distant my heart may be from Him, God responds and continues to call me to Himself, showing His glory throughout my life.

Our heart for CBS, as it has been for many years, is that we would be known as a praying fellowship. Our encouragement to you all is that God will answer our prayers, and that the prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective. Let us come to God in prayer, asking Him to use even the smallest or most repugnant parts of our lives to accomplish His great purposes. May God continue to teach us to pray, that we may fully understand the wonder and the marvel of the work of the cross.

In Him,

Aaron Hui '15 and Phoebe Lo '17

## Reach Ministry

Dear CBS,

Perhaps you were looking for the inreach article, or maybe the outreach article. But this year CBS has combined the inreach and outreach ministries. Under a new name, Reach ministry serves CBS by promoting love and care to all, from non-believers to faithful servants. It was commonly said that "inreach is outreach, but in" or "outreach is inreach, but out," but it was not easy finding a vision verse to encompass both ideas. Anyhow, our vision verse this year is Ephesians 4:32 - 5:2:

***"Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you. Follow God's example, therefore, as dearly loved children and walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God."***

This verse was on our hearts for a few reasons. It centers on the gospel, which fuels our lives. The gospel unites us, it gives us a common goal and purpose, and it informs our actions as well. Through the fact that Jesus Christ loved us and died for us, we have freedom from our sin, death, guilt and shame. How then should we act in light of this liberation? Paul instructs us to imitate Christ through how he loved, how he taught, and how he sacrificed. It is hard. It is challenging. We can never perfectly imitate Christ in His sacrificial love, but our prayer for the fellowship is to press onward in this race, to allow God to work within us when we want to give up and to strengthen us when we feel weak.

Incorporating this into both the inreach and outreach ministries has been a challenge. Inreach in general is logistic heavy. Care packages are a great way to show love to members of the fellowship and

ACE's are another great opportunity to get to know others in the fellowship especially those who are not in your class. It's relatively easy to create care packages or to plan for ACE's, but sometimes it's difficult to know or have the heart of service behind it. We enjoy seeing members of CBS work and laugh together, however, we also hope and pray that through these initiatives we have encouraged Christ-centered relationships amongst classes and the fellowship.

On the other hand, outreach events are sparser. We've sent groups to community service opportunities like serving food at Loaves and Fishes and we are trying to bring back the weekday cold contact evangelism events. We admit that these are tough initiatives, but we are constantly praying to be obedient to God's calling and to be bold in proclaiming our faith. Why should we hesitate in sharing the good news of salvation?

Nonetheless, it has been a joy to serve. We are very impressed with the talents and gifts that God has bestowed to people in our fellowship. We see passion in reaching out to others, eagerness to take up responsibilities, and excitement to contribute valuable ideas. Whatever one's gift is, we are encouraged to see how they use it to fill a need in CBS. In the end, though we might not see the fruits of our labor, we are learning to trust that God is still working through us to plant seeds or to move mountains. God is always there to show us how to love and we hope that He has been teaching all of you.

In Christ,

*Nicholas Kung '16 and Zhijiang Li '16*

# Monday North Campus Men's Group

Each Monday night, our small group gathered in RPCC 220 around Kevin Gao's appointed semi-circle table with our Bibles / Bible apps open. Throughout our study of Hebrews, we have seen how Jesus is indeed the author and perfecter of our faith. This has stirred up a yearning within us for what will be fulfilled with the coming of Christ and in eternity. Our discussions throughout the semester have really helped us focus on what it means to grow and persevere in the faith. With many of the exhortations and warnings Hebrews, we the weight of pursuing a life of holiness and obedience to Christ.

Throughout it all, we had many laughs through sharing stories and making cheesy jokes and puns. As leaders we grew in our ability to imitate God's heart in shepherding and caring for his people. Additionally, we have also trained up other members and given them the opportunity to lead a Bible Study as well. Overall, it has been a great experience being able to grow closer together as a group of brothers pursuing Christ together.

**--Edward Chen '17 and Jevon Yu '15**

In our Bible study, Jevon asked us many questions. Some passages made sense, but other parts of Hebrews were hard to understand, and Jevon's questions guided us in deciphering tricky sentences and figuring out the references to the Old Testament. What has emerged over the last few weeks is a picture of how the old covenant is replaced by the new, of how Jesus, as the great high priest, made the sacrifice and brought us to a closer relationship with God, and that only through Jesus are we able to attain eternal life with Him in heaven.

As freshmen, we have found this study group to be a fresh new experience - neither of us has done Bible study in this way before. For us, Bible study is not just reading a book any more - it has become an in-depth discussion and analysis of select passages that help us learn more about the meanings behind these verses, and we hope we can continue to make this an educational and interactive experience in the future.

**--Kevin Gao '19 and Jeffrey Huang '19**



# Wednesday North Men's Ministry

"We have had an encouraging and fruitful Bible study thus far this semester on North Campus on Wednesday Nights after North Dinners. For the past semester, we have been studying one of our favorite books in the Bible, Hebrews. Every week, each member always brings interesting insights, questions, and dialogue to the group. We are so blessed to have a group of brothers who diligently study and dissect the living word of God with us each week. Thus far, we have learned about the various methods of God's revelation to his people, from past to present. We have discovered that the book of Hebrews is essential in gaining a clearer understanding about the bridges, connections, and relevant parallels between the Old and New Testaments.

Jesus, the author and perfecter of our salvation, has been foreshadowed and alluded to by various characters of the Old Testament in the past including Moses, Melchizedek, and angels. Notable tangents have included predestination, assurance of salvation, angels, Soy-lent and solid food, and best names in the Bible (Melchidek, Nimrod, Maher-shalel-hash-baz).

In general, the discussions have been a great mix of spiritual milk, solid food, and junk food (aka tangents). In leading the small group, we gained a deeper understanding about Hebrews, the Bible study members, group dynamics, and the effect of eating too much food before studying the Word of God.

The spiritual and mental growth from the discussions is evident as we have come a long way from where we first started. We are excited for the continued growth of this Bible study and the application of the topics we have discussed and will continue to talk about them in weeks to come."

**--Matthew Yang '16 and Justin Lin '18**

"Led by Justin Lin and Matty Ang, we met every Wednesday after North Dinner to learn, share, and bond. Despite our tight schedules and stress from school we strived to encourage each other to pray and pursue Him in all that we do. In particular, reading Hebrews has been a reminder to us all that God and His Son are superior over all beings, and that He is a just God that sent Jesus to be exalted in this world, sent to die because He loves us so much.

With the many challenges of each semester, from academic to relational to ministerial, Hebrews is exceptionally relatable. Our faith may be challenged and doubts might arise, but Hebrews reminds us of our savior Jesus Christ. We are reminded of the superiority of Christ, higher than the angels, a greater messenger, the perfect priest, and the final sacrifice.

As we resubmit ourselves to Christ, we find a great salvation, and a better rest. Personally rest has been difficult to find this semester. Between the work of ministry and of academics, physical rest is a luxury. But Hebrews encourages us to stay strong and be faithful, for we are promised a spiritual rest beyond all else. We are learning to be faithful and obedient to God, continuing to strive for the Sabbath rest which He promises."

**--Zhijiang Li '16 and Charles Zhang '15**

# Monday West Women's Bible Study

On Monday nights, we gathered on West campus in Bethe House to go through the Book of Hebrews. Being bible study leaders has made us accountable to one another to not just skim His word but to dig deep and discover more about our wonderful Creator. We have learned that He keeps His promises, and what He has done in the past, He will bring into fruition in the future.

Before we read Hebrews, we left time for discussion about topics like academics and priorities, relationships with brothers and sisters, and loneliness and mental illness. This gave us time to talk about topics we may not normally discuss in large group or even in our prayer meetings but are still important to discuss.

Throughout the semester, we kept an online document with group members' individual prayer requests. This allowed group members to update their prayer requests if they missed a meeting and reminded us to pray for our sisters throughout the week. It was encouraging to see how sisters kept track of who they prayed for. Leading a Bible study has taught us a lot about how God can use the time we spend together to sharpen each other through His Word.

--Stephanie Chan '17 and Christine Louie '16

*Let us therefore strive to enter that rest, so that no one may fall by the same sort of disobedience. For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart.*

~ Hebrews 4:11-12

The West Sisters Bible Study is such a supportive group that enriches individual growth, sisterhood, and my relationship with God.

As someone who came into this semester as a seeker, the idea of joining a small group was initially intimidating, but reading Hebrews with the other sisters has undoubtedly guided me closer to God. Hebrews has laid down many of the fundamental truths about Christ, for example his authority over the angels and his unique relationship with God the Father. It is amazing to see that Jesus was so powerful yet humble, as he was willing to lower himself by taking on the form of man.

One message from Hebrews that I've significantly applied to my life is to not harden my heart and to put my trust in Him. By opening my heart to God, I know that he is in control and everyday I'm so grateful for all the things he has placed in my life. My small group is one of the many blessings that God has given me and I look forward to spending the rest of the semester with them as we continue to spiritually grow and lift each other up. Thank you to my sisters!

--Ji-Won Choi '19

# Thursday North Women's Ministry

"I love studying the Bible in the small group setting. The first time this struck me was when I was 14 years old, sitting in the youth room with my friends on a Friday night. Priscilla, our youth group leader, stood in front of a whiteboard and wrote down our observations about the first chapter of John.

"What do you think this book is about?" she asked us when we finally exhausted all of our thoughts. We were silent—Jesus is the Word? The Word was with God?

"Who is Jesus?" she prompted further. Everyone looked down, unsure of what to say.

And suddenly it dawned upon us—Jesus is God.

This truth is both startlingly simple and impossibly intricate. And it is all the more breathtaking when we collectively recognize it. This semester, the beauty of Christ has been revealed again and again to my small group as we studied Hebrews. As daughters of Christ, we considered Jesus together, and it has brought us to a place of worship each week.

In addition to learning of God's Word and His truth, we are all amazed to see how God truthfully works in mysterious ways that we cannot comprehend. Michelle and I have been incredibly encouraged by Helen's conversion to Christ, and regular attendance of our small group members, despite heavy school work. From leading Bible study, we are convicted that God Himself draws His people to Him, and the Gospel mighty and transformative. "

--Esther Jiang '16 and Michelle Sun '18

"We are in Esther and Michelle's small group on North Campus! There are so many things we love about our small group (because it's the best!), but here are just a couple of our favorites.

- 1) **Bible**- going through Hebrews has really been a learning experience, not just about God but about the Bible as a text. We usually go slow through the passage, so that we can unpack the text and also draw in lots of references from other books of the Bible. Hebrews challenges us to think about the Bible in a different perspective and see how God's plan is revealed over time through the many books of the Old and New Testament.
- 2) **Jesus** - He's this really cool guy! We love going back to the basics of His supremacy, what He's done for us, and the different roles He holds in our lives.
- 3) **Esther's baked goods** - food is one of the components of fellowship and small group would not be complete without it. Fondue, chocolate lava cakes, mini carrot bundt cakes, and bread pudding with coffee ice cream. Enough said.
- 4) **The people** - Even though our small group is held on North Campus, we still get to study the Word and chill with seniors, juniors, and sophomores. The people in our small group are from all walks of life, new Christians, old Christians, newly employed, and scared freshmen (#us). It is so encouraging to share our experiences with one another and be able to offer support through vulnerable conversation and prayer. We love Jesus and we're so glad our small group does too! "

--Anna Tedijanto '19 and Evelyn Shan '19



# Saturday Collegetown Co-Ed Ministry

“Leading a co-ed Bible study is a unique opportunity. Girls and guys Bible studies have typically been run differently, and we wanted to balance the best aspects of both. Thankfully, the Bible has no gender, and its truths are universal. Our small group has also been blessed by members of a wide range of ages from sophomores to 2nd year PhD candidates, each at a different place in their walks with God, and each bringing a unique perspective on the Word to the group.

Though we hope everyone has been growing throughout this semester through this Bible study, we ourselves have probably been learning the most! By guiding us back towards the Old Testament, Hebrews has further affirmed for us the consistency of the Bible and grown in us a desire for more Biblical knowledge. Truly wrestling with some of the language and structuring of Hebrews has also shown us the importance of close reading, and we’ve gained much from just the process of pre-studying.

Most importantly, this small group has shown us God’s faithfulness to those who gather in His name. Although we, as leaders, are not the most knowledgeable nor the most qualified, we have been blessed with amazing members and interesting discussions; and only through His grace and the presence of His spirit, have been able to lead this Bible study through Hebrews.”

**--Jonathan Tong '16 and Boyi Li '16**

“It’s been great attending JT and Boyi’s small group. I never realized how little I knew about Hebrews until we really started digging into it. Actually, I’m pretty sure the only verse I knew from Hebrews was Hebrews 11:1 (the by faith verse). But what a gem Hebrews has come out to be! So many hymns and contemporary Christian songs have taken verses from Hebrews. It’s so good to really discover the context of the things we sing.

At first, it was really hard to understand the writing style of Hebrews. Maybe that was why I avoided this book for so many years. But just like how we learned that we need to eat solid food, not the milk of infants, we need to learn from all aspects of the Bible. From learning about the difference between the power of Jesus and the power of angels, to learning about Melchizedek, the OP priest, it has been such a blessing every Saturday. I haven’t been able to attend a bible study till now, so really dwelling into the verses has been invigorating.

I’m going to miss Boyi’s no-so-fun questions and JT starting prayer by telling us to ‘assume the position’ before we pray. Thanks for taking the time for guiding us into great discussion and thank you God for giving us opportunities to worship you through bible study!

PS: Still a little salty that you escaped my deadline wrath by making me write the bible study blurb. “

**--Zoe Chan '18**

## HOME

I was so scared- lonely, desperate, and helpless. My first few months at Cornell were torment. I swore to myself that I had made the wrong decision, that convincing myself distance from home didn't matter was an absolute mistake. "As long as I get into a good school. I just want to make my parents proud," was the only mindset I had when weighing my options. But this loneliness was a blessing in disguise. I turned to and became completely dependent on my faith in God. He was all I knew in this strange and high-strung environment. I became a regular member at FICCC and CBS, almost desperate to find a family on campus.

A little background on me and my faith. I've been a Christian for as long as I can remember. And for as long I as can remember, my family and I woke up early on Sundays to attend Sunday service. It wasn't a surprise that faith became a routine to me. The spark and passion for God was never there, or if it was there, it was buried underneath everything life has to offer as distractions.

And here, on this campus that I have grown to love so dearly, I finally know what I feels like to be kindled with a passion for God and to dwell in the joy that comes with knowing our heavenly father. God blessed me with this group of brothers and sisters. I cannot express how thankful I am to have found you. You guys are the reason Cornell shines brighter during those long stretches of gloom and cold. You guys are the reason I laugh until my tummy aches. You guys are always there, standing by my side, walking beside me as we both journey closer to God and his will for us. There is so much more I wish to say, but I promised this article would be a quarter of a page long!

I guess what I'm trying to say is: I love you, CBS. What would I have done and where would I be without you?

--Amy Zhang '18

## THE POWER OF HIS LOVE

*"The Lord is gracious and righteous;  
our God is full of compassion.  
The Lord protects the unwary;  
when I was brought low, he saved me."  
-Psalm 116:5-6, NIV*

I was as different as I could be back in high school -- I was judgmental, stubborn, atheist, and placed my identity completely in success in academics and life. Naturally I was overjoyed when I got my acceptance into Cornell. This means I was set for life, right?

Wrong. Summer before college I felt empty, hopeless, lonely, a void deep inside me that nothing in this world seemingly could satisfy. Around halfway through high school a friend invited me to his youth group. I fiercely resisted at first but eventually I went and I ended up liking it a lot. But it wasn't until two years later that I started going on my own will, out of *boredom*.

That summer before college turned out to be a crucial turning point in my life. People shared with me passages of the Bible. Those passages soon began to piece together -- that God has a perfect plan for us, He loves us, and that He is more worthy than anything in this world. But most visibly, those people -- who I now call my brothers and sisters -- didn't treat me any differently even if I was as wretched a person as I could be.

It was their demonstration of God's love that brought me to Christ, and I am fortunate to have experienced it firsthand through them. Coming into college, a cutthroat environment where outperforming others is but a dream, I found solace in trusting that God provides, has a perfect plan for us, and listens to us when we are brought low. And through His love and the love that brothers and sisters in CBS and FICCC has shown, I learned to love others, no matter how broken they may be.

It's been a long time coming, and today it's hard to imagine who I was in the past. And I owe it all to God. But make no mistake, being a Christian

is not easy. As much as we try to love God and love others, we fall short. We had, have, and always will, because we are mere sinful human beings compared to the almighty God we call our Father. But our God loves us still. And it is this love that compels us to love one another, to love others who are outside the Christian community, and to love Him more everyday.

Thank you, CBS, for running the race with me for the past 4 years. Thank you all for loving me even if I fell short, even if I wasn't as loving as I should be. My time at Cornell wouldn't have been the same without you, your prayers, and your encouragements, and I hope and pray that you'll continue to grow and serve Him in all that you do. But above all, I pray that you will continue to pour out God's love on everyone you encounter, that you can be examples of His children in this world.

--Charles Zhang '15

## A TASTE OF THE REAL WORLD

This semester I have been on co-op at Regeneron Pharmaceuticals in Tarrytown, NY. It has been four months of dealing with change, growing, trusting in Him, but also making the moneyz and having absolutely no homework.

The engineering co-op program was one of the biggest reasons why I chose to come to Cornell. The opportunity to have 7 months of work experience before graduation sounded like such a great resume-booster and would make me a super attractive new hire post-graduation. And at Cornell, that's what we all want, right? I had it ingrained in my mind that I would do it, but I later discovered deep into co-op application season that co-op opportunities for bioengineers were quite rare. I didn't get the positions I interviewed for, accepted it, and made other arrangements. Two months later than I should have, I got an offer from Regeneron, praised God, instantly accepted, and dropped everything without thinking twice.

I had this idea of what I wanted for myself and it was hard to let go because I was trying to make God's plans line up with mine. Yet, He still presented me with other (equally great) opportunities that I turned down in my

persistence to do co-op. It was a reminder that my life was completely in His hands.

At co-op, I lived in rich, middle-aged suburbia with no college-age fellowships around. There was no routine of weekly large groups, Bible studies, or even casual meet-ups where I could talk about how I was doing spiritually. It really tested why I study the Word, pray, and worship Him: social reasons, obligation, and routine were no longer enough. It has to be from a genuine internal desire to know God more and grow in Him. And for the first few weeks, this change was not easy. I had no Christian friends around me and it made me realize the importance of community. I made excuses that I was only there temporarily and it wasn't worth the effort of trying to find community beyond sitting in the pews Sunday morning. I'm so thankful for all the people who messaged me to ask how I was doing and being able to Skype into the junior class prayer meetings. But I learned that fellowship can't be used as a crutch. It's a resource for us as we grow in our walks, but it cannot be the foundation of our faith.

I love CBS so much, and the fomo was so real. Being away from school made me realize that I'm not ready for the real world where there is no CBS. I hope to continue growing in these next three semesters and make sure my heart is in the right place to serve Him, worship Him, and glorify Him wholeheartedly. Honestly, I don't know if I will ever think I am ready, but knowing God is always present gives me the ultimate comfort. To the people graduating soon (and everyone else too), also remember to hold your plans with a loose grip and not fear change because He is constant.

***"But blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord, whose confidence is in him. They will be like a tree planted by the water that sends out its roots by the stream. It does not fear when heat comes; its leaves are always green. It has no worries in a year of drought and never fails to bear fruit."*** Jeremiah 17:7-8

--Felicia Sadikin '17

## GRACE TO LEAD US HOME

Four years and one semester ago, I stepped onto this campus not knowing what I was getting



myself into. Today, I am in a similar position as I prepare to leave this place. Much has happened in the elapsed time and I am not the same person. However, the God who has brought me here is still the same and as I reminisce, I am overwhelmingly reminded of His goodness.

Cornell has not always been easy for me. I've struggled academically and have endured many late nights. Through going through a quarter-life crisis, choosing to switch majors, and struggling to find work over the summers, I have seen how God has used these pivotal experiences to help me see my need of Him. I have humbly learned that my identity isn't wrapped up in what I do or my accomplishments, but rather I am an adopted and redeemed child of His. While I knew many of God's promises in the Bible, I had trouble trusting them. Even when I worried and doubted His goodness, He would provide in unexpected ways. Even in my sin and laziness, He would work in spite of what I have done wrong or have failed to do. Even when I have failed and tried to run away, He would continue pour out His love and pursue me.

During my time here, I have learned how fulfilling it is to serve God in the ways He has called me to. Even so, there have been numerous occasions when I in my pride have taken on more than I could handle. I would try to muster up my own strength to do everything, thinking that I was so talented and spiritually gifted, but that would just lead to burnout and failure. However, during these times of weakness, I have turned the most to God and have found Him to be that much sweeter. I've realized that all of this provision and strength has been God's grace showered upon me. Even though I did not always realize it in the moment, God was always working to bring me to this point of dependence and worship of Him. Were it not for all the difficult times, I would not have come to this realization and experiencing of God in this way.

For those of you struggling, continue to persevere and press on. There is a greater hope and although life may not always play out as you envision it, know that God has a purpose. College is only but one leg of the race we are running and we are not meant to run it alone. Continue to be in close community and fellowship with one

another. Make abiding in Christ and His Word a priority and let the love that you receive from God overflow from yourself to others. Count the cost of living a life of following Christ and labor arduously and sacrificially towards making disciples. This is not an easy task and I'm not writing this saying that I have reached this goal. I still fall short constantly and I am continually in need of God's grace each day. It is this same grace that will carry you through to graduation and then to the finish line.

As I have been reflecting upon what home is for me, I am reminded that it is not back in Massachusetts or here in Ithaca. Rather, home is the final destination to which God is calling us towards in heaven. That there will be a day when we will all be reunited, spending eternity with God in ever increasing joy and worship. Although I will miss many of you when I leave, I know that there is never a true goodbye. That these memories and bonds that have been established here will carry over into eternity. As this season of my life comes to a close, I am still uncertain as to what God is exactly calling me to in the future. I know that there is still much kingdom work to be done here, but I am at peace knowing that God will continue to equip and use all of you to accomplish His purposes. Through Christ's finished work on the cross and His resurrection, I have a great confidence and assurance that He who began a good work in each of us will bring it to completion. Thank you for the honor and privilege of having been partners in the Gospel and may God continue to strengthen our faith by His love, grace, and mercy!

**--Jevon Yu '15**

## **PERSPECTIVE**

HEY CBS, you sure have changed in four years. Gone are the days of people of the same name like Tim and John and Michael, of the extremely tall like Elbert and Henry. Yet, some things never change. We still have felly dinners and are still weird and still congregate in 2E. The struggle with grades and jobs and future and relationships is still there. And I'm still here! Anyways, I just wanted to encourage you guys with some of my musings on what it means to be a Christian college student.

As I reflect on this, I'm reminded of a phrase Dave Smith always tells me: "Your purpose here at Cornell is to leave." Obviously, it didn't happen as quickly as anticipated for me, but it still holds. One of the main reasons why we're even at Cornell is in the hope that we'd graduate with a degree. Yet with all the bells and whistles of school, it can be easy to lose sight of what's beyond the next homework assignment or prelim. In the same way, as Christians, we are not meant to stay in this world forever; we are here for a purpose. Why are you here in Ithaca? Since this is not your final destination, what were you looking for or hoping to accomplish during your stay?

If you talk to any senior long enough, and you'll realize that they are still deep in the process of figuring out their future. You'll find that many of their original plans have gone to smash. God has that curious property: He lets us take things one step at a time, overrides our anticipated course, and perhaps even leads us to "failure". I submit to you that God has brought you to Cornell for a reason, that God has blessed you for a reason, that God has changed your plan for a reason that God has brought you to a point of despair for a reason.

As Christians, our purposes and our plans should be aligned with those of God. Yet in our finitude and sin, it is hard for us to understand or accept the purposes of God. At times, like Jonah or Job, I complain to Him over and over, not understanding why things are the way they are. However, most of this is because we lack perspective. His purposes are greater than simple academic or financial success, comfort or happiness. God is concerned about His glory: that people would be saved from death into life, that His name might be glorified. Rather than satisfy ourselves, He has called us to serve. Maybe it's offering food to a friend, maybe it's helping them move stuff into their house, maybe it's setting an example of academic and moral excellence, maybe it's overcoming fear and sharing the gospel with strangers. Rather than comfort, perhaps He is training us through suffering. Rather than academic success in our major, perhaps He is closing a door that to show you the greater path He planned for you, or maybe He wants to teach you endurance and perseverance. This is the good news, that God

has raised us from death to a new life! Throw away the old, worldly thinking and let your mind be renewed by the Spirit! Let our lives be filled with the sacrificial love Jesus showed, who demonstrated this love with excellence par none.

My encouragement to you is that God has a purpose for you, and that God has called and equipped you specifically to fulfill it. When Jesus sent out the 72 disciples, He already knew that some of them would be rejected by the towns they were going into. Even so, Jesus sent them there. That process might be painful and difficult; to be honest, there are times when I don't pray to God because I am afraid of what He would ask me to do. But as God brings us into frightening valleys, He will lead us every step of the way. Jesus prayed for His disciples, asking God the Father "not to take them out of the world, but to protect them from the evil one." Not only that, we know that in the end, we will be victorious alongside Christ, being co-heirs with Him.

There is a purpose that is greater than the world will tell us. There is a purpose for us as individuals and as CBS and as the Christian community here in Ithaca and at Cornell that God has laid out. And this purpose will be accomplished, because God is the one who will make it happen, and His purposes never fail. Any fear or doubt you have, bring it to God and He will give you peace. My prayer is that we would seek out the Lord and His righteousness. And when we do, God promises us that He will provide for us anything we would ever need.

**--Aaron Hui '15**







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# Inside Chinese Bible Study

1. Practicing for praise three hours before, the Praise Ministry do extensive sound checks and run through set multiple times. To get the team comfortable with lighting, the praise team often practices with the lights completely off. 2. Telling one of his many jokes, Cui Cui '16 makes everyone around him laugh with his humorous impressions and story telling. One way CBS finds time to bond with one another is through our North dinners, where different members of the fellowship argue about which dining hall is better, Appel or RPCC (Appel obviously.)



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3. Pulling out the much loved and much hated selfie stick, the Monday Men's Bible Study and Monday Women's Bible Study show off their delicious dish made for CBS Iron Chef. One of the most memorable quotes of the semester is from Charles Qian '17 commenting "I love how they're taking a group picture with a selfie stick, when there are tons of people around that could take the picture for them."

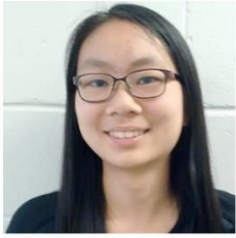


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4. Destroying her fellow opponents in HALO, Melanie Lim '19 shows everyone around her just how much they will regret taking her on in a battle. It is a common tradition for members of CBS to go to Collegetown and hang out in Eddygate, Apartment 2E for a fun night of video games, board games, movies, and general conversation.







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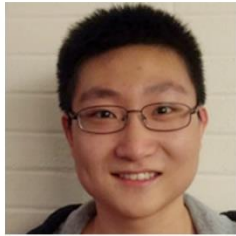
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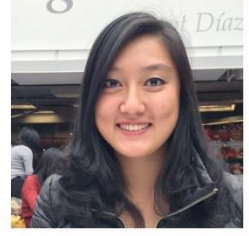
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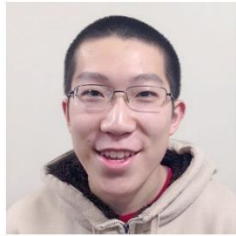
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# Alexandra Kung

## Questions

WESTCHESTER, NY

OPERATIONS RESEARCH & ENGINEERING

*Once upon a time, in the snowy land of Cornell, there lived a student named Alexandra. She had been to this kingdom before, but she was young and knew not of her destiny to return to this land on a quest to gain more knowledge. Now that she has begun her journey, she has deemed it necessary to document her journeys, and so begins her tale...*

## Word Associations

**Senior class:** Dorothyisglaringatme

**Junior class:** Who's a junior?

**Sophomore class:** Nice

**Freshmen class:** ummmmmm no

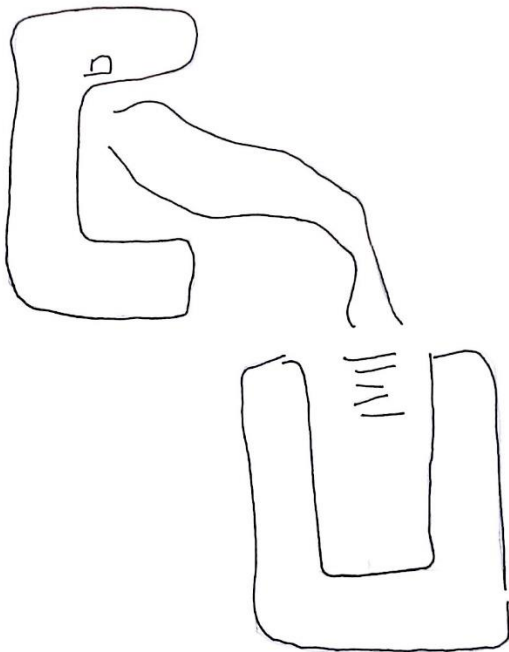
**Ithaca:** cold

**Appel:** AMAZING FOOD. BETTER THAN RPCC

**Roommate:** I don't have one

**Five:** Six

**Boba:** Great



My first impression of Balch and Dickson. Please excuse my drawings.

**1. What are your first impressions of Cornell? Of CBS?**  
I don't really remember... I was helping Nick move in and slept on a chair in his room as everyone else was moving stuff in. On my move-in day, the weather was really nice and I was excited. I don't really remember the first time I went to large group... but CBSers were nice, I guess...?

**2. One thing that surprised you about Cornell?**  
I didn't think I would be able to get to my gam classes. I was also surprised about the amount of walking.

**3. Favorite Disney/Pixar/Studio Ghibli movie? Why?**  
Frozen because I really like Olaf. He has his own song and dance, and it's adorable. I also have an Olaf stuffed animal and a poster in my room!

**4. What fruit or vegetable describes you the best and why?**

I would say dragon fruit because it doesn't taste like anything, but it's really good.

**5. Favorite article of clothing?**

Fuzzy socks!

**6. Which would you prefer: an alien invasion or a zombie apocalypse? What would be your weapon of choice?**

Alien invasion. I would just hide in a hole, preferably in the Ozark Mountains (I hear it's super safe there).

**7. What do you hope to accomplish by graduation?**

Get a job and not get any D's. I want to work in NYC and commute from home. =)

*And so ends our first glimpse into Alexandra's quest to gain more knowledge. Her tale will most certainly be an interesting one.*

-- Dorothy Zhang '16

# Angie Zhu

## Questions

SHANGHAI, CHINA

ELECTRICAL AND COMPUTER ENGINEERING

*It was not easy to find a time that worked for Angela and me to meet. Finally, we decided to eat at Risley dining hall for Monday lunch. It was actually my first time eating there. The dining hall was quite an interesting and different one. After each of us getting three or more plates of food, I brought out my computer and went straight into the interview.*

## Word Associations

**Senior class:** Graduation

**Junior class:** Nothing

**Sophomore class:** Nothing

**Freshmen class:** Fun

**Ithaca:** Countryside

**Appel:** Food

**Roommate:** Ambitious

**Five:** Lucky

**Boba:** Addiction



Sunny day at Cornell

**1. What are your first impressions of Cornell? Of CBS?**

The campus is really pretty and there are a lot of places to study. But the workload is heavy. CBS is welcoming, inspiring and somehow comforting.

**2. One thing that surprised you about Cornell?**

It's not actually that big, not as big as I thought it to be.

**3. Favorite Disney/Pixar/Studio Ghibli movie? Why?**

I'll say the Mickey movie because that is the first one I have ever watched.

**4. What fruit or vegetable describes you the best and why?**

Grapefruit. I don't know why, but my friend said I look like a grapefruit.

**5. Favorite article of clothing?**

I like sweaters a lot.

**6. Which would you prefer: an alien invasion or a zombie apocalypse? What would be your weapon of choice?**

I would prefer an alien invasion. Bible would be my weapon of choice.

**7. What do you hope to accomplish by graduation?**

First, find a boyfriend. Second, have a GPA above 3.5.

*After the interview, I went with Angie to her room to get her glasses and then walk back to the library together. I got the chance to experience Risley's elevator and it was very cool. Also, I really enjoyed interviewing Angie and I discovered that we have so many things in common. Both of us are from Shanghai and we completed high school here in the states. I look forward to spending more time with her and seeing how she will grow spiritually.*

--Michelle Sun '18



# Anna Tedijanto

CUPERTINO, CA  
COMPUTER SCIENCE

*On a chilly Friday in October, I walked down to meet Anna in the Beth House dining hall. Anna was fashionably on time. Before getting to the interview, we talked about the yummy Green Goddess dressing on West Campus and also how we were both sick. I woke up with some head congestion, but I was still excited to interview her.*

## Word Associations

**Senior class:** Quirky, close (both girls and guys), friends growing together.

**Junior class:** All gone, I don't know them very well, but they seem really nice.

**Sophomore class:** Really welcoming, inviting, some have strong opinions.

**Freshmen class:** Lots of girls (don't really know each other well yet).

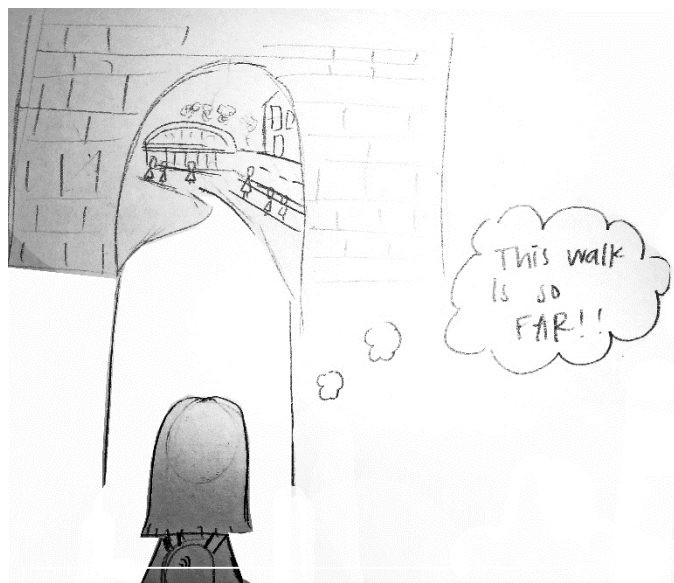
**Ithaca:** Cute, small town, change of scenery, Fall, water ('cause California is in a drought).

**Appel:** Better than RPCC, the gym.

**Roommate:** Home (They both know each other from the same church and got closer).

**Five:** Family (it's the number of people in her family).

**Boba:** I LOVE Boba. I miss it.



Freshman realizes just how large Cornell's campus is the first time she has to walk to the Engineering Quad

## Questions

**1. What are your first impressions of Cornell? Of CBS?**  
I thought it was really big. I felt like a small fish in a big pond. Especially since it's really competitive. It was overwhelming at first, but I'm glad I chose to come here because it's different than a state school. CBS is really lively and really supportive of each other. It's a really tight knit group of people who are all friends.

**2. One thing that surprised you about Cornell?**  
I didn't expect it to be this pretty. The buildings here are really nice. It's a nice environment to work in.

**3. Favorite Disney/Pixar/Studio Ghibli movie? Why?**  
Finding Nemo. It's so cute. I love it so much. I like the idea of family but this is about a parent searching for his son. It's just really deep and sad.

**4. What fruit or vegetable describes you the best and why?**  
Banana. Yellow on the outside but white on the inside. Anna Banana (it rhymes).

**5. Favorite article of clothing?**  
Dresses because they are comfortable but you also look nice.

**6. Which would you prefer: an alien invasion or a zombie apocalypse? What would be your weapon of choice?**  
Alien invasion. Survival tactic: stand at a safe distance and not be touched by them.

**7. What do you hope to accomplish by graduation?**  
I hope to make lasting friendships and to feel like I have the ability to do well in the world and feel validated/confident in what I can contribute.

*After lunch, we both set out to conquer our Fridays. I enjoyed getting to know this sister better and I love her enthusiasm to explore Ithaca and to take advantage of everything it has to offer. I hope in these next few years God will grow her in ways she has never imagined and build strong and encouraging friendships with the people God has placed in her life.*

--Christine Loui '16

# Brian Liu

FREEMONT, CALIFORNIA  
OPERATIONS RESEARCH

*As I walk into Duffield to find my new younger brother, Brian, I nom on a delicious granola bar. It's Nature Valley, my favorite. I thank God that Brian and I found time to actually meet up, given how busy we both seem to be. I finish up my granola bar as I sit down to get started with the interview. As we begin, I worry that Brian can smell my granola bar breath. I hope that the smell of granola, nuts, and protein does not distract him from the interview, or worse--myself.*

## Word Associations

**Senior class:** Old

**Junior class:** Not as old

**Sophomore class:** The picnic

**Freshman class:** Mostly girls

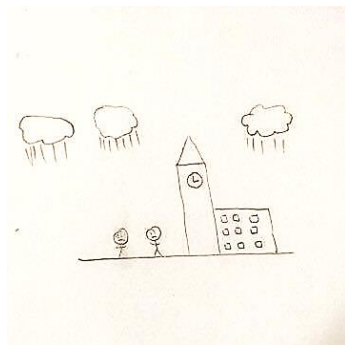
**Ithaca:** Cold

**Appel:** Upstairs

**Roommate:** Archie (don't see him, came back at like 2 in the morning, and didn't say a word)

**Five:** Six

**Boba:** Tea



So I came during spring break to visit when it was really cold and rainy and I saw a lot of sad people who looked very cold.

## Questions

**1. What are your first impressions of Cornell? Of CBS?**

A bit intimidating at first, since it's a big school and a lot of people. It's a bit rural, which is different. And for CBS, it's very homelike since there's a lot of Asians.

**2. One thing that surprised you about Cornell?**

Mm, I don't know, I guess probably how big the campus is, or how diverse the school is in general.

**3. Favorite Disney/Pixar/Studio Ghibli movie? Why?**

That's hard...Probably Finding Nemo, I think. Yeah, Finding Nemo.

**4. What fruit or vegetable describes you the best and why?**

Huh, wait...that's a really hard question...Uh...I don't know, apples? I can't think of anything better to say, not really sure why though. (*What is a trait of apples that describes you?*) They're very...ordinary? Or like, they're very calm, how about that? This is a very difficult question...How about blueberries because...I don't know they're blue and I like the color blue?

**5. Favorite article of clothing?**

I like jackets, I guess. Or like those like, sweater jackets that like zip up. But they're more comfortable than sweaters, but they're also really warm.

**6. Which would you prefer: an alien invasion or a zombie apocalypse?**

Probably zombies. Because...I don't know, it just seems more survivable, like you're shooting at things that like \*walk\* slowly. Sure you have to hit them in the head, but they're not moving very fast. And I mean, like aliens shoot back--zombies don't, I'd imagine. For a weapon, probably like speaking from a pure practical stance, probably like a small caliber rifle. Just cause, I mean, it's light, you could hold thousands upon thousands of rounds. Or, I don't know, how about--could we do survival tactic instead? [Yeah! What would be your survival tactic?] Probably just go on a skyscraper and hide until, I don't know--or something, they can't climb stairs very well, right? Or no no, I'd go on an island, or like find an island or a boat.

**7. What do you hope to accomplish by graduation?**

Mm, probably just like, both spiritually and intellectually just become more mature. It's going to be stereotypical, but grow up in both aspects.

*As I reflect upon the conversation we had, I can't help but feel grateful that we managed to find time. As we both had pressing amounts of homework due that day, I felt blessed to have had the chance to get to know Brian just a bit more. For him, I pray that he would grow and that God would help him understand himself more every year. Brian, if you're an apple, it's not because you're plain or ordinary--it's because you're a multinational tech company that can fundamentally change the way we experience the world.*

--Charlie Qian '17

# Caroline Chu

FULLERTON, CALIFORNIA  
ELECTRICAL AND COMPUTER ENGINEERING

*I frantically rushed out of my dreadful physics lab to PSB. I needed to eat lunch so I got my favorite soup and sandwich combo of Corn Shrimp Chowder and half a Chicken Panini. Good thing Caroline was very patient and let me finish my half sandwich before grilling her with questions.*

## Word Associations

**Senior class:** very funny, unique, interesting people

**Junior class:** wait, who's a junior?...motherly

**Sophomore class:** very proactive, welcoming

**Freshmen class:** family

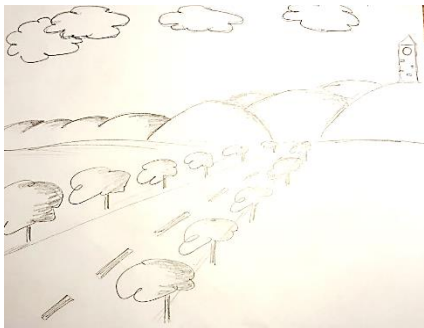
**Ithaca:** cold and lonely

**Appel:** ooh, good food and smoke salmon (first time I had it), further than RPCC

**Roommate:** Love them, crazy moments in the middle of the night, we talk about most random things

**Five:** ten divided by two

**Boba:** Right name, not bubble tea, Cali boba is better



The vast empty hills of Cornell

### 1. What are your first impressions of Cornell?

At first, I didn't think about college at all, so the first day was really overwhelming, I had no idea what was going on. I felt like I had to meet new people but I didn't know how. The next day I felt really homesick so that was bad. I really look forward to club fest though! I went to basically every booth. That Sunday when we ate lunch at Appel (*FICCC brunch*) the day after I felt home sick, it really felt like I had a community. People were more open to feelings and open about their faith. More than what I was used to at school

### 2. One thing that surprised you about Cornell?

The independence. It didn't hit me that I had to do everything myself until I got here. I wouldn't have someone to walk with to class (you know how girls always have someone to walk with). The first month I felt like I was on vacation or at a summer camp. It didn't feel like school and I felt like I was at camp or something. It didn't hit me that I had to really work until it got to prelims. But I've adjusted, I think.

### 3. Favorite Disney/Pixar/Studio Ghibli movie? Why?

Can I say three? I really like Minions (not the movie, the character). I also like Frozen because I like singing along. The emotions one (*Inside out?*) Yeah, that one. It made me cry but I thought it was cute. I really like that one character, the sad one... (*Sadness?*) \*laugh\* Yeah.....That one. So awkward.

### 4. What fruit or vegetable describes you the best and why?

I guess a peach? Because sometimes peaches are hard and sometimes they're soft. So depending on my mood or mindset, I could be two different kinds of people. I also really like peaches (not the artificial kind). (*Are you fuzzy like a peach?*) I could be very cuddly.

### 5. Favorite article of clothing?

Leggings, because they look nice if you wear something nice on top, but also comfy. But I'm scared about how cold it will be. I'm thinking I should wear two leggings on top of each other.

### 6. Which would you prefer: an alien invasion or a zombie apocalypse? What would be your weapon of choice? (If not a weapon, survival tactic)

An alien invasion because I don't like zombies and cause aliens can be cute and cuddly. I don't think I need to protect myself. But if I needed to on some occasion, I would choose a bulletproof bubble so the aliens just bounce off my bubble.

### 7. What do you hope to accomplish by graduation?

Hopefully get my degree. I definitely want to join a project team. I want to be able to do a backflip by graduation (I'm taking gymnastics) Maybe try to visit every single building on campus.

*It was really great getting to talk to Caroline again after our dinner date at Appel oh-so-long ago. It's so great to see that she's adjusted to Cornell quite well. I can see her going places with her great laugh and sense of humor. Stay gold, Ponyboy! Don't let the system get you down.*

—Zoe Chan '18

# Daegun Chung Kim

SANTA CRUZ DE LA SIERRA, BOLIVIA  
HBHS (PREMED)

*Daegun and I had agreed to meet at Ho Plaza at 7:00pm, October 25, which turned out to be a terrible idea. After running around for a solid fifteen minutes, we finally met up and decided to get dinner at Oishii Bowl. While waiting for our food, we engaged in a lengthy discussion on the acquisition of various accents and the language-learning process. Also, something about giving an interview?*

## Word Association

**Senior class:** Regrets, there was no time to leave any legacy at my high school.

**Junior class:** Almost there.

**Sophomore class:** Getting the hang of it.

**Freshmen class:** Chicks (baby chickens).

**Ithaca:** Desolated.

**Appel:** Food.

**Roommate:** A lot of things.

**Five:** ...fingers?

**Boba:** David (Cui Cui).



## Questions

**1. What are your first impressions of Cornell? Of CBS?**  
Too. Much. Walking. CBS reminds me of love.

**2. One thing that surprised you about Cornell?**  
Why are we still using chalkboards? I thought Ivy League was supposed to be modern!

**3. Favorite Disney/Pixar/Studio Ghibli movie? Why?**  
*Grave of the Fireflies*; don't cry, don't cry, don't cry! But yeah, it was the first movie that made me realize how cruel and insignificant life is.

**4. What fruit or vegetable describes you the best and why?**

Umm...can I get back to you on that?

Omnomnomnom...

**5. Favorite article of clothing?**

I really like necklaces, but I don't wear them.

**6. Which would you prefer: an alien invasion or a zombie apocalypse? What would be your weapon of choice?**

Alien invasion, and I'd fight it with prayer. And if that doesn't work, I'd dig a hole, encase it in steel, gather as much supplies as possible and hopefully wait it out.

**7. What do you hope to accomplish by graduation?**

I want to get involved, or do something, with Latino Bible Study. Oh yeah, and have huge, bulky calves.

*Daegun had a prelim tomorrow, but still made the time to meet up for an interview and agreed to an impromptu photo shoot at Willard Straight. Despite the looming horror that was BIOMG 1350, we still had our shenanigans. Rarely do I meet someone who faces challenges with such a carefree spirit and energy. I look forward to serving with him and hope that throughout CBS, he'll have the chance to make your day 20% more awesome.*

--Yiming Li '18



# Eric Zhang

LONG ISLAND, NY  
HBHS

*Eric and I met up in PSB over some Goldie's sandwiches. This was the first time I really got the chance to talk with Eric. Not only did I have a completely valid reason to ask him a bunch of strange questions, but I was also able to sit down with a brother and get to know him.*

## Word Associations

**Senior class:** "You"

**Junior class:** ...I don't know

**Sophomore class:** Tim [Tsang]

**Freshmen class:** There's so many... Daegun

**Ithaca:** Cold

**Appel:** Good food

**Roommate:** Snore

**Five:** Six

**Boba:** Can't drink (allergic to caffeine)



*Obviously, the clock tower; the symbol of Cornell. I'm never going up, though - height phobia.*

## Questions

### 1. What are your first impressions of Cornell? Of CBS?

Hmm, Cornell is very big. [There's] lots of interesting people, a lot of walking, a lot of food, but it's okay because I haven't gained a single pound because of all the walking. CBS? A caring community, all Chinese.

### 2. One thing that surprised you about Cornell?

The number of Christians that are here because so many occasions have occurred where I meet someone, and we're talking and then they bring up their fellowship and church, and I'm like, "Oh, you're Christian too?". So yeah, like a lot of random people.

### 3. Favorite Disney/Pixar/Studio Ghibli movie? Why?

Uhm, I forgot the name... the thing where you make robots that fight... and then his brother died. (Big Hero Six?) Yeah. I like that movie because they were Asian, and it was science-y. I like the idea of making things that fight each other. I'm into robotics.

### 4. What fruit or vegetable describes you the best and why?

Pineapple. Because, uhm, pineapples have thick skin, and I don't get hurt easily I guess. The inside is yellow. That's not racist because I'm Asian, too!

### 5. Favorite article of clothing?

Shoes. Because I couldn't think of anything else. Like, what other things are there? I hate hats. They ruin my hair. Winter boots, maybe? I think I'm going to need them.

### 6. Which would you prefer: an alien invasion or a zombie apocalypse? What would be your weapon of choice?

What cause the zombies? (Probably a virus.) Definitely the zombies then, because they're human, not aliens. Aliens, you don't know what they have. But humans, you can fight against them and you know what they do. My weapon of choice: vaccination.

### 7. What do you hope to accomplish by graduation?

Grow as a Christian. Nothing in particular. I think I want to be a dentist from shadowing my dad, but you're never completely sure of what you want to do until you're doing it. Dentistry is only one of my interests; I'm also interested in math and food photography.

*Eric and I talked for a bit more after the interview was done before we went off to class. Though bit quiet with a friendly demeanor, Eric was a joy to talk to. I hope that you will continue to grow in Christ as you desire, Eric. Also, maybe you can take pictures of my cooking sometime.*

--David Cui '16

# Evelyn Shan

CARMEL, INDIANA  
GOVERNMENT

*If I had known Evelyn's word association for Appel, I would not have picked to eat at RPCC. Evelyn told me that she was not going to get the Mongolian grill because the line was super long, but while I was at the table waiting for her, she came with some delicious looking Lo Mein. She was kind enough to share Lo Mein with me. Then we went straight into the interview questions.*

## Word Associations

**Senior class:** huge

**Junior class:** super cute, all I can think of is Stephanie and Xinran

**Sophomore class:** Tim and Justin are really annoying in scattergories

**Freshmen class:** Future squad

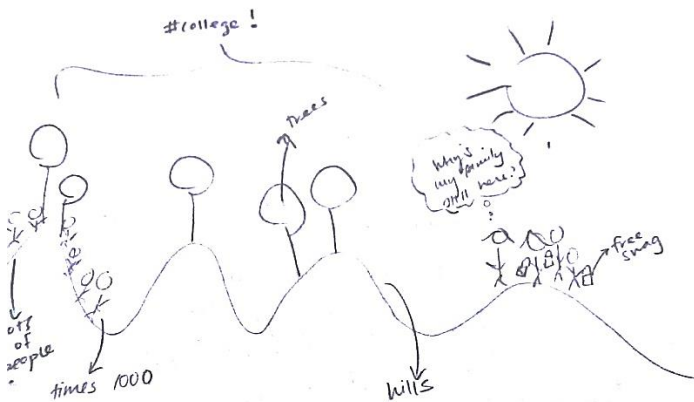
**Ithaca:** not as bad as I anticipated

**Appel:** Greater than RPCC

**Roommate:** the person who raves about Mac and Cheese with me

**Five:** five fingers on my hand

**Boba:** the reason I came



## Questions

**1. What are your first impressions of Cornell? Of CBS?**  
Very big, lots of people from New York. The first time was the barbeque, and people are super welcoming. They also have flavor ice.

**2. One thing that surprised you about Cornell?**

I probably shouldn't say the party culture. So I'll say how down to earth and unique everyone is. Most people I've met have something super interesting about them.

**3. Favorite Disney/Pixar/Studio Ghibli movie? Why?**

It's such a tough question. There are so many excellent options. I think The Lion King because I still cry every time when Mufasa dies. The music is incredible and the plot twists. The movie is so good that they made 4 sequels out of it. 10/10 strongly recommended. In the second movie, they have the message about segregation, deep meaning.

**4. What fruit or vegetable describes you the best and why?**

Umm. This is the most challenging question I've heard. The first thing I think about is eggplant. But I think most people don't like eggplant so I hope it doesn't describe me. Oh I got it. Mushroom, because you can find them at their natural habitats, just like me, I am from the Midwest. But when you put mushrooms in the food, they become really delicious and nutritious.

**5. Favorite article of clothing?**

Wool socks.

**6. Which would you prefer: an alien invasion or a zombie apocalypse? What would be your weapon of choice?**

So, I would prefer an alien invasion and I would use this small miniature baseball bat. If the aliens are evil, baseball bats are small enough that you can hide it and then wipe the aliens out. If the alien is friendly, you can come up to him and say do you want to play baseball with me? So it will be a win-win situation.

**7. What do you hope to accomplish by graduation?**

I hope I would have established long-lasting friendships that I will keep for the rest of my life. Also, I hope I have a stronger faith and become more dependent on God. Lastly, I hope I would have done gorge jumping.

*It was really fun and interesting talking to Evelyn. Her answers were so creative and made me laugh so hard. Also, it is encouraging to hear about what she hopes to accomplish by graduation. It makes me to rethink about my own goal. I am excited to see how she will grow during her time here at Cornell.*

--Michelle Sun '18

# Felix Yang

BROOKLYN, NEW YORK  
MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

*Chilly day. Okenshields. Long lines. Felix. He's better known as Flex. He tries to make sparkling cider (Apple Cider and seltzer), but because of a misunderstanding, ends up with Orange juice and Sierra Mist. I don't know what to expect, but I observe that he's gotten a haircut since we last talked. I sense this interview will go well.*

## Word Associations

Senior class: Old

Junior class: Cool

Sophomore class: Slightly older

Freshmen class: Fresh

Ithaca: Middle of nowhere

Appel: Food

Roommate: White

Five: Fingers

Boba: Fett



Cornell gives Flex a balloon and an F on his calc test for his birthday.

## Questions

### 1. What are your first impressions of Cornell?

Um...before I came here, I thought that I would have a really hard time fitting in just because everyone was going to be crazy smart but as soon as I got in, went to class, discussions and whatnot, I figured out I'm not too far behind. After all, we're all in the same intro courses struggling together. \For CBS, I think I came during the second week and my first impression of it was really good worship and I really liked that there was guest speakers every week, so it's kind of like a mini sermon, and I get a lot of out of that, even though it's not Sunday. And... there's a little bit of, like a tension, when it's like "Does anybody have something to say?" So I kind of find it weird haha.

### 2. One thing that surprised you about Cornell?

The sociability of the people around. Like I didn't expect everyone to be just really friendly. Like if you ask you for help, it's really hard to find someone who will actually deny you help.

### 3. Favorite Disney/Pixar/Studio Ghibli movie? Why?

Uh that's hard. I really liked Up. It was so fantastical and realistic at the same time. Because assuming you had enough balloons, it actually could happen. It was just a really memorable movie, really sweet seeing this grumpy old man eventually warm up to this fat boy scout and open up again, because he's been closed off from the world for so long, just was really heart wrenching.

### 4. What fruit or vegetable describes you the best and why?

Pineapple. It's spiky, but sweet on the inside.

### 5. Favorite article of clothing?

I would definitely say jeans.

### 6. Which would you prefer: an alien invasion or a zombie apocalypse? What would be your weapon of choice?

Probably alien invasion. Because a zombie apocalypse would be just plain terrifying. You'd see your friends turn into zombies. And your family. And just like, everyone's dying. Like at least aliens, you're all fighting together. Assuming they're technologically advanced...maybe I would use a gun, if a gun could shoot like EMPs.

### 7. What do you hope to accomplish by graduation?

I want to get on some sort of club team. So, maybe volleyball, or table tennis. I want to get to make lifelong friends, from here. I want to be able to touch the rim on a basketball hoop. I want to make my first prototype for a prosthetic limb. I want to pass my classes-- well that would be required for graduation. I want to spend a year or a semester abroad in probably West Europe or East Asia.

*After we finished the interview, we continued talking more about his life before Cornell, a bit about how he came to faith, and his past work experiences. I would hire him if I was a manager, but alas, this was not that kind of interview. I sense that Flex is a driven guy, and that he has a genuine heart. I hope that he can surround himself with brothers and sisters who help him nurture his faith through trials, doubts, and stressful prelim seasons. You've got an epic journey ahead of you, Flex, but keep your eyes on God, and I know you'll make it.*

--Charlie Qian '17

# Helen Sun

BALTIMORE, MARYLAND  
BME OR CS

*After desperately resisting the urge to order all of the wonderful sweets that Café Jennie offers, we found a table in the ridiculously bright, sky lit seating area. Our long awaited chicken milano's arrived and we dug into the interview... as well as our amazing sandwiches.*

## Word Associations

**Senior class:** Senioritis

**Junior class:** Work

**Sophomore class:** The CBS Potluck Dinner

**Freshmen class:** Housemates/Dorm mates

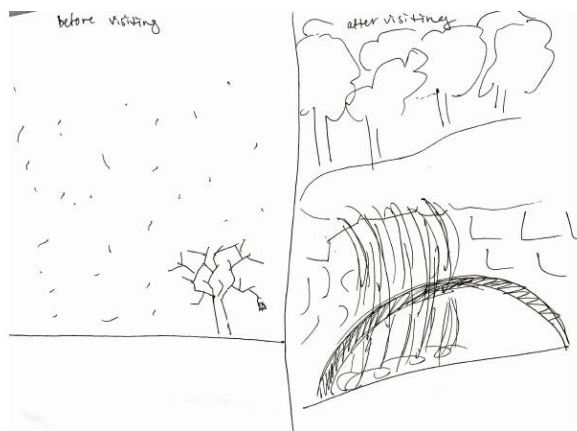
**Ithaca:** Middle of Nowhere

**Appel:** Dining Hall that I don't go to a lot

**Roommate:** I don't have one

**Five:** Six

**Boba:** Tea



## Questions

### 1. What are your first impressions of Cornell? Of CBS?

Cornell: It's a pretty campus. I visited for the first time in April for a Women in Engineering event and stayed with a host overnight. I also went to the observatory to see the stars although I couldn't really see them since I'm bad at telescopes. CBS' people were really, really friendly. Everyone was so easy to approach and overall it was a fun group of people.

### 2. One thing that surprised you about Cornell?

I actually wasn't even going to apply to Cornell. I put the school on last minute. It's much better than I expected... there's really good community. I was also surprised by how big the party culture is—I was not expecting that. All of my friends back home are from church or physics class and hanging out would be ice-skating and pho, not frat houses and partying... but I mean that's college. I just wasn't prepared.

### 3. Favorite Disney/Pixar/Studio Ghibli movie? Why?

I don't really watch that many... oh MULAN. It's different from stereotypical princess movies. It's cool how instead of the guy saving the day, it's the girl who does the rescuing. It reminds me of the Korean drama where the girl dresses up as the guy haha.

### 4. What fruit or vegetable describes you the best and why?

I wrote about this for my UChicago essay!! Or... kind of. I started it off but didn't know where to go from it. I'd be a pineapple. I'm a little bit acidic but I'm still delicious.

### 5. Favorite article of clothing?

Cardigans, they're good for any occasion. Thick ones are nice and warm, and they look nice. I like fall weather clothing in general.

### 6. Which would you prefer: an alien invasion or a zombie apocalypse? What would be your weapon of choice?

I'd prefer an alien invasion. Aliens are pretty cool. Plus that means there's extraterrestrial life. Even if they end up taking over it'd be ok. They're still pretty cool. In terms of weapons, what if they came here peacefully? I'm all for that intra-terrestrial peace. I think I'd be the peacemaker.

### 7. What do you hope to accomplish by graduation?

Definitely get a job and figure out what I want to do with my life. Right now I'm trying to look for an internship but it's difficult since I don't even know what I'm going to major in.

*The chicken Milanos were devoured, but that didn't put an end to our conversation. We continued to chat about Helen's sleeping habits, and she also shared some crazy stories about high school and... a petition to get rid of a teacher (??!!) Needless to say Helen is filled with excitement and adventure. 11/10. Would recommend.*

--Kathy Lin '18



# Jamie Wong

CUPERTINO, CA  
ORIE

*When I met up with Jamie at Appel, I had no clue that she was a trained assassin. Aware of imminent danger, she chose a strategic table in the corner of the room where no one could sneak up on her and compromise her mission. I whipped out a notebook to see what I could learn from this master of stealth.*

## Word Associations

**Senior class:** Tricycle (*What?*) His name tag! (*Who?*) Jevon—wait he isn't a senior. Who are the seniors?

**Junior class:** You, and who else?

**Sophomore class:** They're like our parents

**Freshmen class:** Everyone reminds me of someone from home

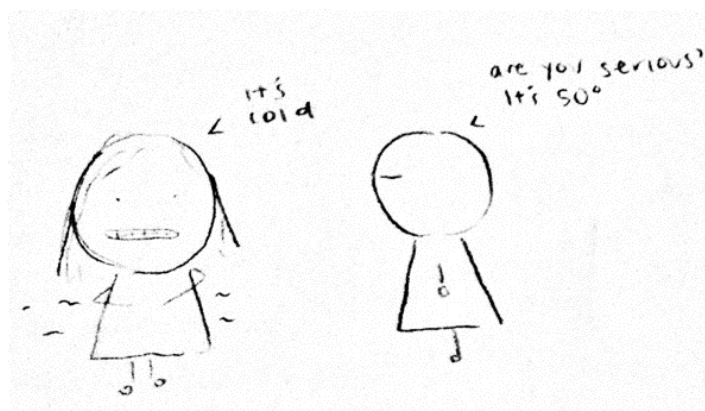
**Ithaca:** Really nice, pretty; trapped; really hippie; throwing things in the wrong trash cans in the Commons

**Appel:** Better than RPCC

**Roommate:** Best friend

**Five:** ...Guys

**Boba:** Cancer



East Coast people like to judge us.

## Questions

**1. What are your first impressions of Cornell? Of CBS?**

My first impression of Cornell was that I like the people and it's very nice to be around nature. Also, there are more opportunities and resources here than in high school (like the labs are really cool). My first impression of CBS was that everyone is quirky, fun, caring, loving, and genuine.

**2. One thing that surprised you about Cornell?**

People on the East Coast and West Coast are basically the same. I had thought that it would be a huge culture shock but it wasn't.

**3. Favorite Disney/Pixar/Studio Ghibli movie? Why?**

*The Lion King* because I like the soundtrack.

**4. What fruit or vegetable describes you the best and why?**

A strawberry because it can be sweet or sour, just like me. It's also my favorite fruit.

**5. Favorite article of clothing?**

Dresses, because I don't need to wear pants. I hate wearing pants.

**6. Which would you prefer: an alien invasion or a zombie apocalypse? What would be your weapon of choice? (If not a weapon, survival tactic)**

I'd prefer an alien invasion. I would just invade their planet first.

**7. What do you hope to accomplish by graduation?**

Above a 2.0 GPA. Becoming super close with my class.

*I left Jamie at Appel where she could continue to scope out her target under the guise of "working on an essay." Do not be fooled by innocent demeanor; Jamie is not one to be trifled with. I wish her all the best for survival!*

--Stephanie Chan '17

# Jeffrey Huang

BERWYN, PENNSYLVANIA  
AEP/ECE

*Today was a fine day to meet up with Jeff. The clock tower was in sync with my walking, and I could feel the love in the air. When I finally met him for the meet up it was as if a sweet prince descended from the heavenly bosom to meet me and I was an unworthy commoner graced with his presence.*

## Word Associations

**Senior class:** I don't really know who's in what year in CBS...so they're like 'leaders'~!

**Junior class:** Indistinguishable from Senior Class.

**Sophomore class:** Based on a very small sample size, outgoing and hyperactive.

**Freshmen class:** This is a hard one. I know too many freshmen to generalize? Let's go with something generic: 'hardworking.'

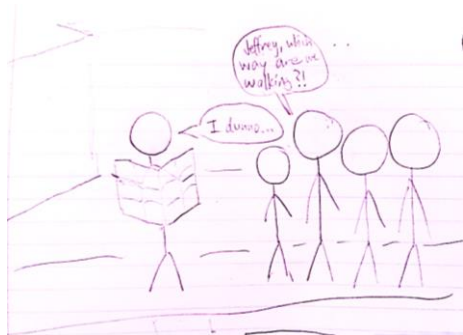
**Ithaca:** Gorgeous, duh.

**Appel:** Good asian food, mediocre pizza.

**Roommate:** Communication.

**Five:** Six

**Boba:** Fett



## Questions

### 1. What are your first impressions of Cornell? Of CBS?

Campus is bigger than expected This is hard. Let's see, first impression of CBS, probably through the emails I got, a lot of people like League of Legends and Hearthstone.

### 2. One thing that surprised you about Cornell?

Bad median grades at Cornell. I saw the score distribution for my ENGR1 class, mean was like 60, standard deviation was 11, which wasn't surprising

because I heard what the classes were like but..., I was surprised by how much free food there was. Here, if there's food on the table, I don't have to pay for it, like wow.

### 3. Favorite Disney/Pixar/Studio Ghibli movie? Why?

Wall-E was a good movie, it's sci-fi!

### 4. What fruit or vegetable describes you the best and why?

Oh no, I don't like eggplant. let's go with cabbage. Cabbage is multi-layered. Onions have too much acid, I don't make people cry as much as onions do, but with cabbage you have all those complex intricately folded layers, which is cool. Also, it's pretty easy to wash, unlike other vegetables.

### 5. Favorite article of clothing?

Jacket/Jeans...I guess I like them both. Jacket, light jacket, the one with the zipper, *\*lists jackets\**

### 6. Which would you prefer: an alien invasion or a zombie apocalypse? What would be your weapon of choice?

Definitely alien invasion. Zombie apocalypse is definitely a virus that affects mammals and stuff. For aliens we have a chance of fighting back or making peace. Weapon of choice would be thermonuclear weapons. US and Russia still have a sizeable arsenal left. I don't really see how else we can fight the aliens, supposing they come down in giant ships and stuff. If they come down in tiny aircraft, we're screwed.

### 7. What do you hope to accomplish by graduation?

Learn enough stuff to get a job and/or go to grad school, isn't that obvious? It would be good to get involved in CBS, join a project team, learn more engineering things: circuits, do more programming, or do research, preferably physics related. I also hope to find a cure for cancer and create a theory of everything, and finish up string theory and M-theory, and create a worldwide, giant global state and colonize Mars and the moon.

*After we were done with the interview, I thanked him profusely for stepping down to meet with me. He nodded quietly and touched my head with his glowing hand. Then, with a loud fanfare, a cloud of fiery unicorns came to his side. This glorious being knelt down before Jeff and Jeff mounted his noble ride. He spawned a miniature sun in his hand and used it to open an 11th dimensional portal to a quasar.*

--Jeffrey Huang '14

# Ji-Won Choi

DULUTH, MINNESOTA  
ECONOMICS

*Ji-Won walked into PSB wearing a lovely pink shirt. A shirt that Evelyn insisted was wedding worthy. So that does it. Ji-Won is getting married in this shirt, you heard it from us first. After this strange fashion interaction, we bid the PSB party good bye, ordered our food and got right to the interview!*

## Word Associations

**Senior class:** wise

**Junior class:** there are like 5 of them (stephanie)

**Sophomore class:** energetic

**Freshmen class:** BIIIIIIIG

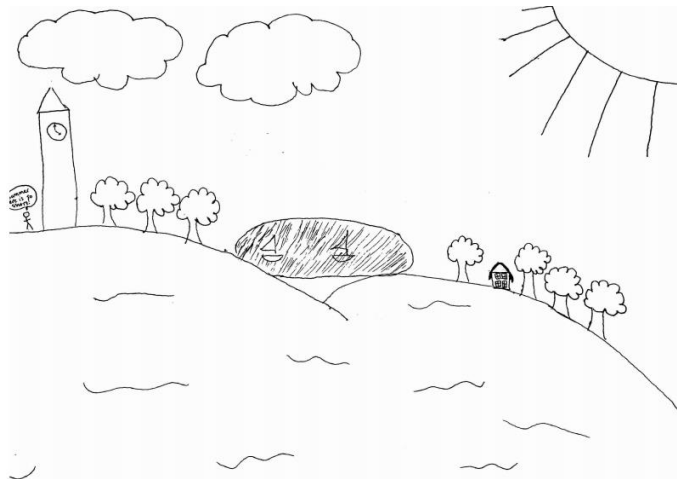
**Ithaca:** quaint

**Appel:** mmm.... aiiiiiiight. it's aiiiiiiight

**Roommate:** none

**Five:** guys

**Boba:** life



## Questions

### 1. What are your first impressions of Cornell? Of CBS?

Cornell: Oh wow the people here are really down to earth. My first impression was that everyone was so laid back... although now... not so much. CBS is really tight knit! It's like one big family. It's so cute!

### 2. One thing that surprised you about Cornell?

I was surprised about how much people could have fun. Not everyone sits in their room doing their homework all day long. Also I was shocked by the party culture. I mean... THURSDAYS? Wow. That's probably the most surprising part of it all. Man. Thursdays. I'm also pretty surprised about all of the Asians here. We don't have that many in Minnesota.

### 3. Favorite Disney/Pixar/Studio Ghibli movie? Why?

Spirited Away! It kind of makes no sense when you're little... and it's kind of creepy. But when you keep watching it it's just so deep.

### 4. What fruit or vegetable describes you the best and why?

Mm... I would be a peach. I'm usually feeling pretty peachy about life. Peaches are also my favorite fruit. And I love the way they smell. Those little peach Asian candies are really good too.

### 5. Favorite article of clothing?

SmartWool socks. [What are those??] It's a brand of wool socks. It's a Minnesota staple. My feet are always cold. I don't think they get very good circulation. But these socks are really warm. Some of them are so thick it feels like you're wearing shoes! They also never slip off. I think I'm wearing a pair right now [she then proceeds to show me these too-good-to-be-true socks].

### 6. Which would you prefer: an alien invasion or a zombie apocalypse? What would be your weapon of choice?

I would want an alien invasion because I don't believe in aliens. Although extraterrestrial life... maybe. I just want to see what they look like. Probably not like the human features that are shown in the movies. My weapon of choice would probably be my feet. My mom told me that my feet used to smell bad when I was younger. She told me that I could chase a bear and it would run away because of the smell.

### 7. What do you hope to accomplish by graduation?

I'm really hoping to gain some life long friends and a lot of wisdom.

*As Ji-Won drew her first impression of Cornell I got to learn a little bit more about her family and how her mother is an artist (wow so cool!). I've also been blessed to be in the same bible study as her so we got to talk about Hebrews 5. I'm so deeply encouraged by her desire to seek truth and I'm so excited to see her grow in these next few years!*

--Kathy Lin '18

# Kevin Gao

CARY, NORTH CAROLINA  
COMPUTER SCIENCE

*This interview was originally conducted at Terrace in Statler. I had met with Kevin for lunch and we both enjoyed quesadillas and mozzarella sticks purchased with my excess BRBs. Sadly, the original information captured from that interview has been lost in digital oblivion. In order to reinstall Ubuntu on my Chromebook, I turned on developer mode and forgot that doing so would wipe my hard drive. Despite my foolishness to not back up to the cloud, the answers captured here through Google hangouts are closely representative of Kevin's original words.*

## Word Associations

**Senior class:** sad, because they are going to be gone

**Junior class:** indifferent, I don't really know as many juniors.

**Sophomore class:** understanding, because they were freshmen a few months ago

**Freshmen class:** friendly, because they are friendly

**Ithaca:** bipolar, because of the weather

**Appel:** food, because they serve food

**Roommate:** intelligent, because he has business experience

**Five:** hands, because they have 5 fingers

**Boba:** thirsty



Everyone is very educated and enjoys the pursuit of knowledge.

## Questions

### 1. What are your first impressions of Cornell? Of CBS?

Cornell is very diverse and professional. Everyone seems smart and appears to have their act together. CBS comprises of very cool kids and it reminded me of my home church.

### 2. One thing that surprised you about Cornell?

How hard it is to get in clubs.

### 3. Favorite Disney/Pixar/Studio Ghibli movie? Why?

Toy Story because there are toys who can talk.

### 4. What fruit or vegetable describes you the best and why?

Oranges because they are great and crush people. (referring to the "Crush" soda he was drinking)

### 5. Favorite article of clothing?

Grey hoodie because it thick and warm and grey is the epitome of indifference.

### 6. Which would you prefer: an alien invasion or a zombie apocalypse? What would be your weapon of choice?

I would prefer a zombie apocalypse, and my weapon of choice would be a chainsaw.

### 7. What do you hope to accomplish by graduation?

I hope to get a good job in my field of study.

*Kevin is a cool kid with many tricks (magic ones, too) up his sleeves. Maybe it was him who deleted the original interview. I've really enjoyed having him in my Bible Study this past semester even though he makes fun of my bad puns and jokes. I know that God will work great things in him and through him during his time here at Cornell!*

--Jevon Yu '15

# Lauren Kam

BURLINGAME, CA  
UNDECIDED, ARTS & SCIENCES

*Calm and composed - 2 words that begin with "C" (throwback to Scategories from Fall Retreat) and describe Lauren. She took a test earlier that day and had another the next day, so I was glad that we were able to have our interview in between these exams! After getting our food from RPCC's abundant choices, we commenced our interview.*

## Word Associations

**Senior class:** Dorothy

**Junior class:** Xinran

**Sophomore class:** Kathy

**Freshmen class:** Evelyn

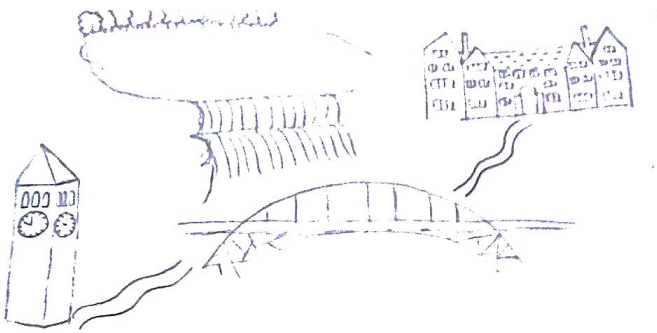
**Ithaca:** Cornell

**Appel:** Ok food

**Roommate:** Cleo

**Five:** Fingers (because Dorothy pulled out 5 fingers. Sorry, guys)

**Boba:** California's is better



## Questions

### 1. What are your first impressions of Cornell? Of CBS?

Cornell: When I first visited (age 12), I thought the gorges were really cool. I've been here at least 3 times before I was accepted, and now that I am here, I still can't believe that I'm attending school here. My mom was in CBS (WOW!), so I came in knowing that this was the group that my mom talked about (she kept raving about CBS). I thought, "Is this the group my mom kept raving about?"

### 2. One thing that surprised you about Cornell?

I guess I was surprised at how quickly I adjusted to Cornell. I thought it would take me a while, but I adjusted pretty quickly.

### 3. Favorite Disney/Pixar/Studio Ghibli movie? Why?

Spirited Away. I watched it a lot when I was younger with my dad. He said it was an story about a girl who was too selfish and that the morale of the story was for me to help around the house.

### 4. What fruit or vegetable describes you the best and why?

Strawberries! It's my favorite fruit, and it's red (my favorite color!).

### 5. Favorite article of clothing?

This white fleece jacket that I have because it's really soft and keeps me warm. It's also really light.

### 6. Which would you prefer: an alien invasion or a zombie apocalypse? What would be your weapon of choice?

Alien invasion. I would go to Lincoln Hall and shut myself in a big locker. They wouldn't think of looking in there because they would only expect instruments in the lockers.

### 7. What do you hope to accomplish by graduation?

Go inside every building on campus, including the dorms.

*After Lauren browsed through RPCC's fruits and vegetables, she was able to answer the questions. She really thinks before answering a question, so I was honored to get a glimpse of what she's thinking. Just as there are many choices in RPCC, there will be even more choices facing her at Cornell!*

--Dorothy Zhang '16



# Lucie Fan

## Questions

HONG KONG

UNDECIDED - CHEMISTRY/MATSCI/HBHS

*On a Friday night before small group, I had planned to meet with Lucie for an interview at Appel. They were serving delicious food (the Chinese section had steamed eggs!!!) because it was Parent's Weekend. We finally found each other after some miscommunication (we both realized we didn't have each other's numbers) and sat down to for an interview.*

## Word Associations

**Senior class:** Nice, Sweet, Welcoming

**Junior class:** Bubbly

**Sophomore class:** Big sisters and brothers

**Freshmen class:** Bonded early

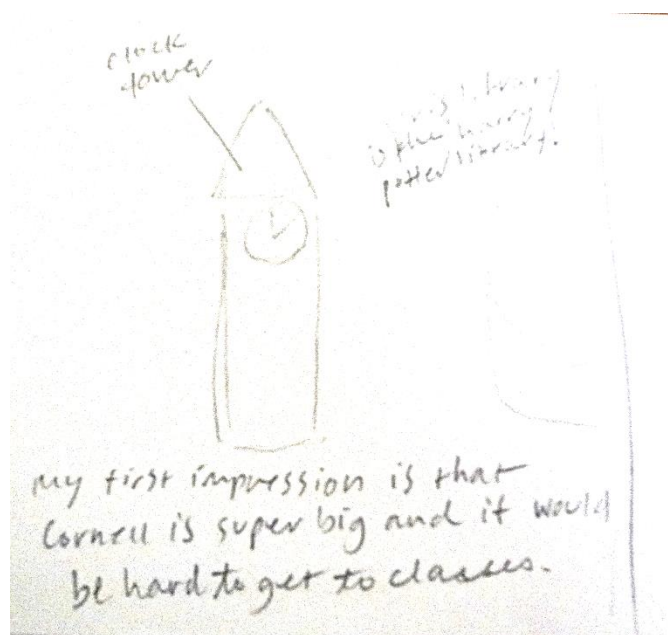
**Ithaca:** Country-side

**Appel:** Zip lock bags

**Roommate:** Comparative literature on the pre-med track

**Five:** High School (cause I graduated in 2015)

**Boba:** Evelyn (have a deal in which Evelyn would be rewarded with bubble tea if she got/didn't get in a club)



### 1. What are your first impressions of Cornell?

It's hard to find your way. It's too big. I thought I would never get to classes on time. CBS Seniors are super welcoming, so nice and so sweet, and the fact that they meet with freshman it makes me feel they actually care for us. It's not hard to talk to them.

### 2. One thing that surprised you about Cornell?

The course load is pretty manageable even though it's hard. I was worried I wouldn't catch up with people, but everyone is normal.

### 3. Favorite Disney/Pixar/Studio Ghibli movie? Why?

Big Hero 6. I don't have a particular reason.

### 4. What fruit or vegetable describes you the best and why?

Apple because I'm not creative.

### 5. Favorite article of clothing?

Crew neck shirt.

### 6. Which would you prefer: an alien invasion or a zombie apocalypse? What would be your weapon of choice?

Alien invasion. Survival tactic: Tae Kwon Do skills

### 7. What do you hope to accomplish by graduation?

Academic: I want to be clear what I want to do. Done with my pre-med requirements.

Spiritually: I want to be a more disciplined Christian, more loving.

*After our dinner, we quickly finished our food to make it to CBS large group. On our way to large group, I enjoyed our conversation about travelling abroad, and I couldn't help but smile at the bright enthusiastic personality Lucie brings to the people she talks to. I can't wait to see how God will grow and challenge her these next few years at Cornell!*

--Christine Loui '16

# Melanie Lim

NEW JERSEY  
MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

*Melanie and I sat down at a table in Appel and my first thought was "Goodness, I miss Appel." Melanie was adorable. She was smiling and laughing and I think my heart melted.*

## Word Associations

**Senior class:** Friendly, a lot of them. Sometimes childish.

**Junior class:** Small, couldn't really tell which ones were juniors in the beginning. (Attempts to name juniors. Does not get far.)

**Sophomore class:** Everybody is friendly, very diverse. I don't know; I can't really generalize.

**Freshmen class:** I like them.

**Ithaca:** Is Ithaca small? The only place I've been to is Target... and the commons.

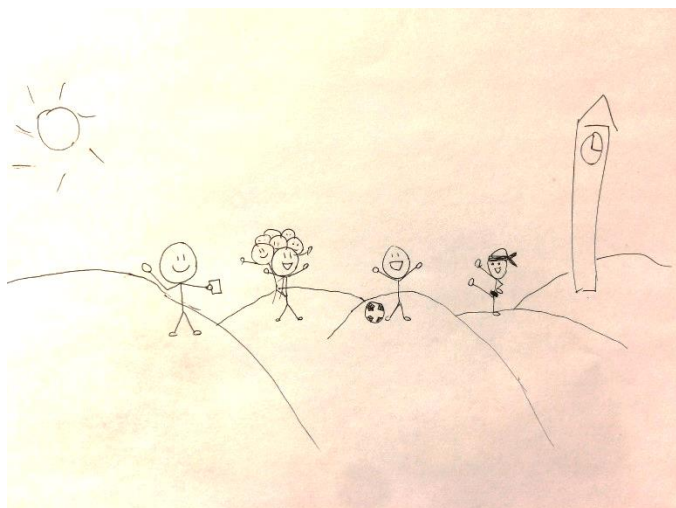
**Appel:** Yummy, always open, and I see everybody here.

**Roommate:** From Ithaca, short, kinda messy, but fun!

**Five:** What about it? Like high five?

**Boba:** What's that. (I clarified, "bubble tea.")

I've had more bubble tea here than ever, which is only like three but I've never had any before.



It's always sunny and nice, and I was like "wow this weather is great. " There are people with quarter cards everywhere. I was friends with a bunch of soccer people at the beginning. I made that (points to the 2<sup>nd</sup> figure) CBS and I joined taekwondo. It's also really hilly, and clock tower represents Cornell.

### 1. What are your first impressions of Cornell? Of CBS?

I thought it was huge. I thought it would take forever to get from place to place but it looked really nice. I learned that the nets by the bridges were real; I thought they were just rumors. There are also lots of Asian people. CBS is full of super friendly people. I went to CBS and I just liked it, so I stayed.

### 2. One thing that surprised you about Cornell?

You actually see a lot of people you know. It's not as cutthroat as I thought it would be; people are cooperative.

### 3. Favorite Disney/Pixar/Studio Ghibli movie? Why?

Lion King: My fav ever, because I love lions and it was one of the few ones I had so I just watched it over and over again.

### 4. What fruit or vegetable describes you the best and why?

I like Filipino mangos but I don't know why that would describe me.

### 5. Favorite article of clothing?

Sneakers, I'm pretty sure I could look at different types of sneakers forever.

### 6. Which would you prefer: an alien invasion or a zombie apocalypse? What would be your weapon of choice?

Alien invasion. My weapon of choice: I want to be able to fly (says in unsure voice). Or maybe turn invisible?

### 7. What do you hope to accomplish by graduation?

Besides requirements?

I just want to find a job, and make new friends.

*The alien invasion vs. zombie apocalypse question captured the attention of a group of guys sitting next to us at the dinner table. For the next five minutes, they began to discuss the question as well. What can I say? CBS is just that cool. As we wrapped up our interview, I was happy to know that Melanie will be with us for the next three years. I'm excited for the future! We made sure to leave early so that we would arrive at large group on time.*

--Amy Zhang '18

# Newton Ni

TROY, MICHIGAN  
AEP

People say Newton and I are similar. Maybe it's because we're both going to be in AEP (Applied and Engineering Physics). Or maybe it's our dashing good looks. But read on! You can be the judge.

## Word Associations

Senior class: tight-knit

Junior class: small

Sophomore class: friendly

Freshmen class: outgoing

Ithaca: New York

Appel: Commons

Roommate: single

Five: star

Boba: tea

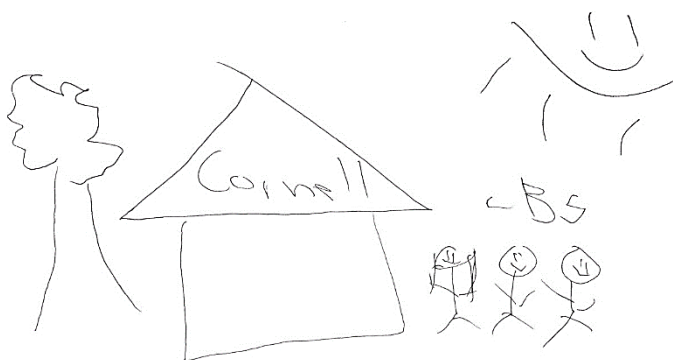


Figure 1: This is Cornell.

## Questions

### 1. What are your first impressions of Cornell? Of CBS?

Cornell: I never actually saw the campus before I step foot on it. It's beautiful.

CBS: At first I thought it was for international students, especially when I saw signs at Appel or something. I first thought I'd just join AAIV, but, at the fellowship barbeque, Justin and David reached out to me and I started going to CBS.

### 2. One thing that surprised you about Cornell?

I guess the sheer number of people. You see the numbers on paper, but they don't really mean anything until you see it. I think it was super easy to settle into a routine too.

### 3. Favorite Disney/Pixar/Studio Ghibli movie? Why?

I really like Up. I guess that's my ideal relationship (*wait the old guy and his wife?*) Yea, like whoever dies first, the other person just has to move on. (*I was laughing so hard*) You get to go on adventures and stuff after. This should be off the record. I wanna explore the world and travel a lot someday. I don't really have a favorite for other movies. I watched Howl's Moving Castle and Spirited Away, but those are kinda out there.

### 4. What fruit or vegetable describes you the best and why?

Maybe watermelon, cause I'm also mostly water. [A lot of fruit are mostly water.] ... I got nothing.

### 5. Favorite article of clothing?

I just like plain t-shirts. It's like low effort, but very solid.

### 6. Which would you prefer: an alien invasion or a zombie apocalypse? What would be your weapon of choice?

Probably alien invasion. That'd be cool, cause there's life outside of earth. It would raise a lot of questions, but yea. I guess I'd just hide in a bunker. I don't think there'd be much use in fighting back.

### 7. What do you hope to accomplish by graduation?

I guess figuring out what I wanna do for the rest of my life. Haven't really thought about that. I want to... So I've been messing around with my loop pedal for violin. What you can do is you can loop certain things that you play. I want to get good enough at that so that if I don't end up getting my degree, I can just go on the subway and play violin for a living.

*It's a shame I only interviewed Newton Ni, and not Isaac Newton. Just kidding, it was a great pleasure to interview him. We shared laughs, and I learned about his random quirks. With the right questions, you'll find gold under Newton's calm and cool demeanor. I'm excited to see how God will lead and teach him this year and years to come!*

--Zhijiang Li '16

# Rebecca Li

NEW YORK, NY  
HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

*Rebecca was open to eating anywhere on campus, so I suggested the rarely-frequented Sage Hall. Despite some initial confusion and learning the building had two names, we were ready to dig into our sandwiches and begin the interview.*

## Word Associations

**Senior class:** large, having authority

**Junior class:** hardworking, very busy

**Sophomore class:** in the middle

**Freshmen class:** confused

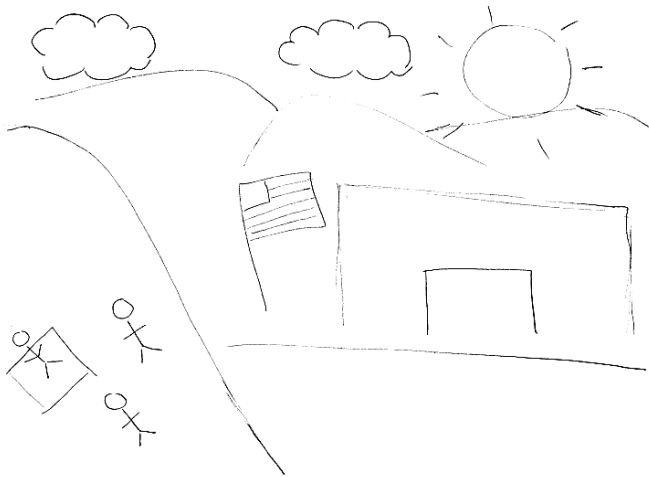
**Ithaca:** the weather is crazy

**Appel:** Asian food

**Roommate:** kind; perfect roommate for me

**Five:** nickel?

**Boba:** something yummy



Looking over the slope when I visited Cornell. It was a really nice day and I remember seeing the mountains behind the buildings and people sunbathing on the slope.

## Questions

### 1. What are your first impressions of Cornell? Of CBS?

My first impression of Cornell was that it's really pretty. The view is so scenic. I told everyone that this was the reason why I chose Cornell. My first impression of CBS was that everyone is really kind and willing to open up to you and talk to you.

### 2. One thing that surprised you about Cornell?

Besides the weather? I didn't think I would adjust so quickly but I definitely like college more than high school. My lectures are really interesting.

### 3. Favorite Disney/Pixar/Studio Ghibli movie? Why?

*Finding Nemo*—I remember watching it a lot as a child because they always showed it after church. It's also sort of scary; I think the first time I watched it, I cried.

### 4. What fruit or vegetable describes you the best and why?

A banana, because I get hurt easily. When I worked at a summer camp, there was a nurse's office and half of the time I went there, I went without bringing a child, because I would get so many paper cuts.

### 5. Favorite article of clothing?

Cardigans, because you can wear them with anything.

### 6. Which would you prefer: an alien invasion or a zombie apocalypse? What would be your weapon of choice?

An alien invasion, because you can kill them, so you have a better survival rate. I would throw rocks at them because there are so many rocks around here.

### 7. What do you hope to accomplish by graduation?

I want to accomplish a lot. Academically, I want to know a lot more. I enjoy learning here. I would also like to become more skilled at guitar and learn how to play properly.

*After the interview, the only thing left to do was to take a couple of photos. Rebecca humored me in the search for trees with colorful foliage for a nice backdrop. The leaves were mostly green, so we settled on the scenic area behind the Cornell Store. I enjoyed getting to know this sweet sister in Christ better and hope she accomplishes all her goals throughout her time here!*

--Stephanie Chan '17



# Shelly Zhang

CLIFTON, NY  
PSYCHOLOGY

*I rushed out of the basement of Bartels and made my way over to Synopsis on an unusually warm November day. It was Friday which meant lunch with my new prayer partner! I had been looking forward to eat with Shelly all week long and was excited to celebrate the end of another week with her. We beat the lunch rush and ordered some of my favorite lunch specials - the turkey grilled cheese and Mediterranean flatbread pizza - as we sat down for her first BoL interview.*

## Word Associations

**Senior class:** Pretty fun

**Junior class:** They're so small!

**Sophomore class:** Very interesting...

**Freshmen class:** No idea

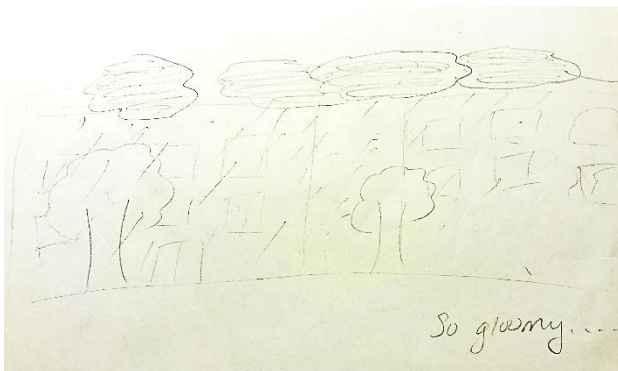
**Ithaca:** Cold

**Appel:** It's alright

**Roommate:** Alright

**Five:** Four...

**Boba:** Bubble milk tea!



## Questions

### 1. What are your first impressions of Cornell? Of CBS?

Cornell: My first ever impression...? Our state swim meets are in Ithaca in November and March. It was always miserable because of the terrible weather - dark, windy and awful. That was my first impression. \*Me: Any second impressions?\* When I got here, it was very big and confusing. I got lost a lot and I didn't know how my roommate knew everything already!

CBS: To be honest, I didn't think I'd join CBS because I had friends in Cru and I met Becca (she's the same major as me). I didn't think I'd join CBS. I thought I'd join AAIV or Cru.

### 2. One thing that surprised you about Cornell?

How many Asians there were, hahaha!

### 3. Favorite Disney/Pixar/Studio Ghibli movie? Why?

*(Off the top of her head)* Aladdin! Growing up I've always been with Aladdin, although right now I might change to something else.

### 4. What fruit or vegetable describes you the best and why?

Definitely not a vegetable. Grapes, because my favorite color is purple and because I'm very picky about my grapes. I only really like seedless country grapes. If you pick it at the right time, they can be pretty sweet. I'm pretty picky as a person. I'm pretty upbeat most of the time, but if I'm in a bad mood, it can be pretty bad.

### 5. Favorite article of clothing?

Leather gloves

### 6. Which would you prefer: an alien invasion or a zombie apocalypse? What would be your weapon of choice?

I think alien invasion because you can hide behind the government. I saw this thing called "How to Survive the Zombie Apocalypse." You line your streets with treadmills! The zombies would keep walking because they don't have minds so they'd just walk forever.

### 7. What do you hope to accomplish by graduation?

\*Eye brow raises\* Eat at all the food places! \*Me: We can do that together!\* And study in all the libraries. \*Me: Career wise?\* I don't want to think about that. Also, I hope I can make a lot of lifetime friends, not just for during college.

*I'm so excited I had the opportunity to interview my very own prayer partner! Shelly makes me smile when I see her. She is bubbly, energetic, and reminds me of myself. (I mean, c'mon, grapes and the zombie apocalypse? We were meant to be!) I'm ever so thankful to have met this beautiful sister in Christ, and I praise God for giving us the next two years to love and care for one another. I pray He would continue to bless our relationship as we seek Him together*

--Xinran Pan '17



# Sonya Tao

ARIZONA  
GLOBAL PUBLIC HEALTH

*Sonya and I met up during North Dinner. She sat next to me and was all smiles all the time.*

## Word Associations

**Senior class:** Old

**Junior class:** I don't know

**Sophomore class:** Amy (hollaaaaaa)

**Freshmen class:** New

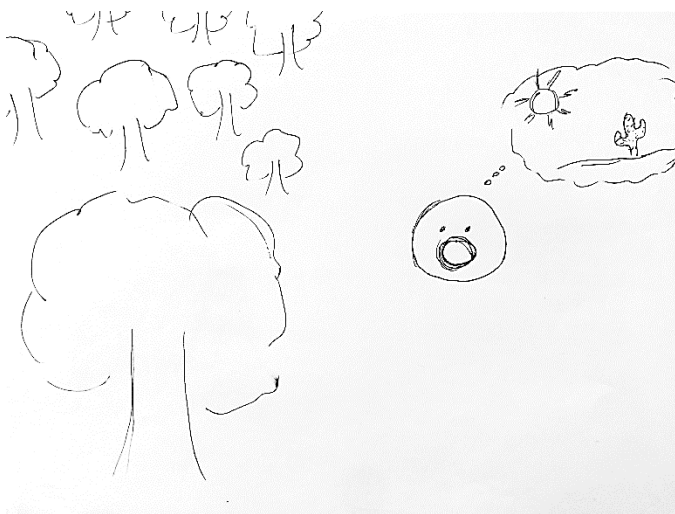
**Ithaca:** In the middle of nowhere

**Appel:** Is better than RPCC

**Roommate:** Jewish

**Five:** Number

**Boba:** Is good



I drew a lot of trees. I'm not used to seeing a lot of trees because I live in Arizona and it's kinda like a "dessert," and we don't have a lot of trees.

## Questions

**1. What are your first impressions of Cornell? Of CBS?**  
Cornell is huge, and I had to use Google Maps the whole first week I was here. There are a lot of people who want to get to know you. Low rise 7 was not as bad as I thought it would be because there was a NY times article that included low rise 7 as one of the worst college dorms. CBS is a friendly environment. It is almost like everyone is already your friend. I came to CBS with my friend who asked me to come, and I noticed that everyone is very accepting. I don't have a religion and I expected to feel like an outsider, but the CBS environment is very welcoming.

**2. One thing that surprised you about Cornell?**

The amount of hills surprised me. I thought it would be harder to make friends. I came here with my friend, and it feels like a totally different environment. Back in the friend game.

**3. Favorite Disney/Pixar/Studio Ghibli movie? Why?**

Wreck-It Ralph, because of dat plot twist.

**4. What fruit or vegetable describes you the best and why?**

Watermelon because every summer, I go on watermelon binges, especially during watermelon season.

**5. Favorite article of clothing?**

Fuzzy socks because they're fuzzy and I have a lot of them.

**6. Which would you prefer: an alien invasion or a zombie apocalypse? What would be your weapon of choice?**

Alien invasion. I want my weapon to be my "Men in Black" crew.

**7. What do you hope to accomplish by graduation?**

To know what I want to do in the future.

*The interview helped me get to know Sonya a lot more. I'm so glad that whoever paired up interviewer and interviewee made this match! <3 I look forward to getting to know this sister more!*

--Amy Zhang '18

# Tatiana Yeung

AUSTIN, TEXAS  
PSYCHOLOGY WITH MINOR IN CS

*After completing a total of 5 prelims between the two of us, Tatiana and I were finally able to meet. She lived on North and I lived in collegetown, but we decided to eat on West instead. We got extremely lucky that there were some dumplings and spring rolls that day. There were also tofu and broccoli, which I remember being the only source of vegetables that I consumed when I lived in Becker two years ago. But above all, there were good company, good conversations, and good laughter.*

## Word Associations

**Senior class:** Graduation

**Junior class:** Almost graduation

**Sophomore class:** When I had to take orgo

**Freshmen class:** Prelims

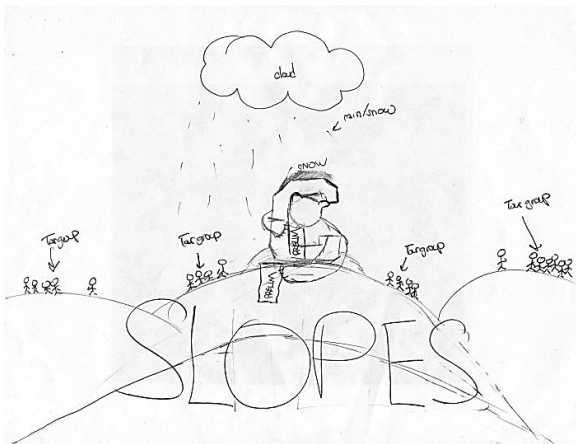
**Ithaca:** Cold

**Appel:** Variety

**Roommate:** I'm in a single

**Five:** Ten

**Boba:** Collegetown



First Impression of Cornell

## Questions

**1. What are your first impressions of Cornell? Of CBS?**  
I was very impressed with the food. There are a lot more hills than I thought there would be and things are farther than I thought. I also think it's nice that the buildings are somewhat segregated from the street; it's less sketchy. For CBS, there were really friendly people, they can make good food (in the dumplings event).

**2. One thing that surprised you about Cornell?**  
It snowed in October, but it's 70 degrees in November.

**3. Favorite Disney/Pixar/Studio Ghibli movie? Why?**  
Mulan, because it's pretty much my childhood, and Big Hero 6, because it was actually the last animated movie before I came to Cornell.

**4. What fruit or vegetable describes you the best and why?**  
Loquats, because it's the only fruit that we have growing in our yard.

**5. Favorite article of clothing?**  
Well, there's this t-shirt that I got from a convention. I've been going to it for the past few years.

**6. Which would you prefer: an alien invasion or a zombie apocalypse? What would be your weapon of choice?**  
Zombie apocalypse, just because that seems to be the crisis that comes up a lot in model UN, but I don't know much about either. Weapon will probably be a bazooka? Or anything that kills the zombie... fire?

**7. What do you hope to accomplish by graduation?**  
Getting into med school. I also want to try out the wine tasting class, although I heard it's kind of a hard class.

*I was very blessed with the conversation that we had whether it's about how our weeks have been, what we see ourselves doing in the future, how we are able to bond through the struggles of classes with our other friends or even just about how ridiculous some of these interview questions are. I really look forward to being able to see her more in CBS and randomly around campus too while we struggle walking across the hills and slopes. Stay warm, Tatiana!*

**-Felicia Setiono '16**

# Tyler Wang

NEW YORK CITY, NY  
OPERATIONS RESEARCH & ENGINEERING

*After a nice CBS Large Group, Tyler and I decided to sit outside of H.E.C. auditorium to have a quick chat. Tyler seemed pretty focused on making sure the interview was short as he had an important C.S. project to complete. Even so, I did not take offense at this and was happy we got this chance to know each other a little more.*

## Word Associations

**Senior class:** Nice

**Junior class:** Slightly less nice

**Sophomore class:** Okay

**Freshmen class:** Rocking, Dope

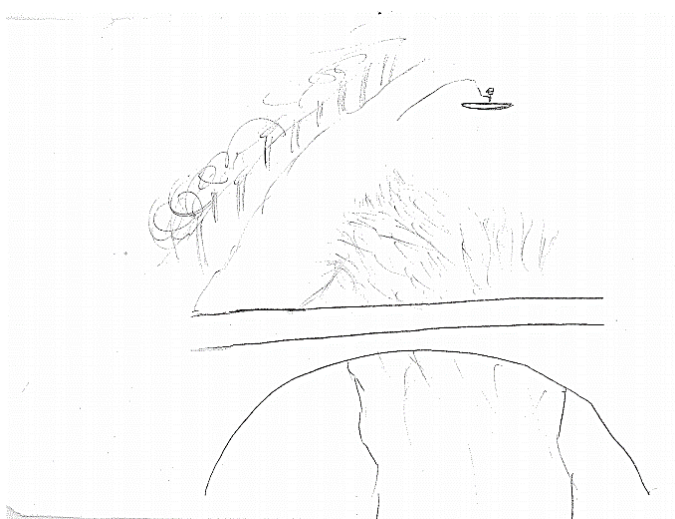
**Ithaca:** Pretty good for studying, but boring

**Appel:** Terrible (LIKES RPCC SO MUCH MORE)

**Roommate:** Don't have one

**Five:** What? I'm sorry this is too complex for me.

**Boba:** Mango Green Tea with Coconut Jelly



## Questions

### 1. What are your first impressions of Cornell? Of CBS?

I think Cornell is a huge transition in terms of the environment itself. It is suited for studies and for becoming a good engineer. I can appreciate that, but I miss home because everything in New York City is just so much easier to access. But I think CBS has just been a nice family to me. They've been really welcoming and they make me feel at home here at Cornell.

### 2. One thing that surprised you about Cornell?

Before I came to Cornell, I kept thinking about it as an Ivy League. But once you come here, everyone is so down to Earth. No one throws around the term "Ivy League"

### 3. Favorite Disney/Pixar/Studio Ghibli movie? Why?

In terms of full length movie, I really enjoyed Inside Out. It's such a complex film. My favorite short movie is probably One Man Band. I'm a big fan of music.

### 4. What fruit or vegetable describes you the best and why?

Jalapeno because I'm hot.....and I like a little spice in my life. I also really like spicy foods.

### 5. Favorite article of clothing?

Pocket T's

### 6. Which would you prefer: an alien invasion or a zombie apocalypse? What would be your weapon of choice? (If not a weapon, survival tactic)

Alien invention and I'd use Rabadon.

### 7. What do you hope to accomplish by graduation?

I want to have a solid definition of what my life is for both in terms of academics and my career choice and my relationship with God.

*Well that was the last time I'll ever interview someone for BoL. It's a sad feeling that the next time I'll sit down for an interview will be my last BoL. Tyler is a nice guy and I hope he continues to stick with CBS for the rest of his college experience. Good luck with the rest of the year!*

--Nicholas Kung '16

## CBS Vision Verse 2015-2016

“Dear friends, let us LOVE one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love. This is how God showed his love among us: He sent His One and only Son into the world that we might live through Him.

This is *love*: not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us and His love is made **complete** in us.”

### 1 JOHN 4:7-12

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