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editor letter

Dear CBS.

As I was compiling this edition of Bread of Life, the words "it's like a yearbook" were spoken to me many *many* times.

Yee, this edition is a whopping 79 pages long-the longest yet-and although it made me super stressed for the majority of this whole process, I have come to realize that I wouldn't want it any other way. The overwhelming amount of content in this edition is all because everyone has so many encouraging words and spiritual experiences to share, and it's just shown me over and over how powerful this community that's been brought together for Christ can be. I love the vulnerability, the growth, the support, the love that flows through everyone and every part of this fellowship and not a single part of it should be cut out for the sake of a page count.

This year especially, I've really noticed how important the relationships I've made through CBS are to me. Not gonna lie, sophomore year has been pretty rough for my whole class (Suffermore Squad!), and I am so glad it's coming to an end. This year has taught me a lot of hard lessons the hard way, but it's shown me the value in relying more on the relationships I've built and letting people see my vulnerabilities, especially when it comes to my faith. From ranting to celebrating to crying, the people here are always down to lend their ears or shoulders. Even though it's been tough, I'm also grateful that God has given me these experiences so that I may be able to grow from them and guide others away from my subpar life choices... as our Father is our strength, and He will never lead us astray.

I hope this verse from Joshua 1:9 reassures everyone and really summarizes the message I'm trying to convey in this letter:

Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.

I just want to thank everyone for making BoL possible and being so patient with me as I scrambled for content. You're all amazing brothers and sisters of Christ, and I feel blessed to be part of such a supportive community of believers. So, I hope that everyone enjoys reading this edition and will be able to take away at least one small piece of encouragement or wisdom from all the letters, shoutouts, articles, and interviews!

I'm excited for what next year will hold for CBS! :)

With love, Joy Thean '21



coordinator letter

Dear CBS.

My dear friends, what a YEAR. There are many things I'm still mulling over, but what I'm certain of is that in all the things I thought I could do in my own strength and wisdom, God very thoroughly proved me wrong. Not only that, but He has painfully contrasted my stubbornness, self-sufficiency, and feeble supply of love to His own perfection and holiness. Maybe you can relate to these lessons, too. This semester, some of you have wrestled with academic burdens and busyness, some with finding joy, others with seeing the fullness of God in this broken world, and still others with truly desiring to know God.

Yet in these things, I have seen how powerfully God can work. He has grown your hearts for each other, directed them to be full of love and long-suffering, and shown you how blessed it is to give rather than receive. He has magnified boldness in sharing the Gospel on campus, and in sharing life with a brother or sister. He has used times of prayer together to soften hard hearts, and He has shown some of you new ways to joyfully surrender to Him.

Sometimes it's difficult to see God's provision amidst trials, anxieties, or unbelievably dry seasons. Sometimes it feels like our experiences do not line up with who He is supposed to be, and it feels pointless to pursue Him. And sometimes it seems like our screw-ups are too frequent for God's promises to actually be true. It's in these times, when we forget the gravity of His love, that I want to encourage you, dear fellowship, to hold fast to what the Bible says.

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. "The Lord is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him." (Lamentations 3:22-24)

The speaker here is so low that his soul is literally "bowed down" within him, and even so, he praises the Lord as his portion, as more than enough. And this, dear CBS, is my

prayer, that your eyes would be opened to the ways that God is more than enough for you. I pray that His faithfulness would be a comfort that doesn't falter and never fades, no matter your circumstances or emotions. I pray that you would experience His mercies as new every single morning and understand that they completely cover your deepest shame. I pray that you would see just a teeny fraction of how His relentless love holds you secure. And I pray that you as a fellowship would continue to seek what's above and abide in the Lord, knitted together not on the basis of shared interests, but on God as your source of life everlasting.

So much of this semester has revolved around the uncertainty of CBS' future, but even now, I have no idea what's to come. I don't know how many freshmen God will bring next fall or what crazy things He has in store for this group of broken, beautiful people. But this I know: that He will love, nourish, and refine you as his children, both individually and together as part of His covenant community. And what can we possibly fear when we are loved and ruled by such a steadfast, perfect king?

So, thank you, CBS, for letting me walk with you for a little bit, for everything you have taught me about doing life together, and for showing me what God's abundant love can look like. Let us press on to know the Lord, our strength and portion forever!

Your servant & sister, Evelyn Shan '19

coordinator letter

Dear CBS,

I found myself thinking about Christian community and just how precious it is. Last summer was a bit different for me: I left Ithaca to do a research internship in the suburbs of Chicago after having stayed here for two consecutive summers. The church that I ended up going to was two miles away. Before I got acquainted with people that offered to give me rides, I would walk to church on Sunday and Friday for the worship service and Bible study.

That summer, I spent more time alone and always questioned this: Now that no one is looking over your shoulder, now that your family and friends are far away, will you continue to love and obey God?

All things considered, I am very thankful for that summer. It was a different schedule from being on campus. Though some weeks were very busy, I was also sometimes able to devote extended periods to reading the Bible, prayer or personal reflection. On the flip side, in my aloneness, I struggled with some temptations - a brother reminded me of Paul's struggles in Romans 7.

Earlier in junior year, a sister in CBS lent me a copy of *Life Together* by Dietrich Bonhoeffer. In the opening section Bonhoeffer writes, "So the Christian ... belongs not in the seclusion of a cloistered life but in the thick of foes... According to God's will Christendom is a scattered people, scattered like seed 'into all the kingdoms of the earth." He quotes Zechariah 10:9, "Though I scattered them among the nations, yet in far countries they shall remember me." This didn't make sense until I started my internship that summer. I was trying to get to know my fellow interns, looking for opportunities to witness to them. Meanwhile, Christian community was a rare thing that I began to treasure.

During the internship, I only got to see that group of brothers and sisters at church once or twice a week. Spending time studying the Bible and praying for one another's weekly struggles and future plans. Encouraging one another about ministries and outreach. Our time together was limited compared to what I experienced here at Cornell; nevertheless, I was grateful.

At Cornell, sometimes I wondered about how I could be in a community like CBS. CBSers come to Cornell from very different places: not necessarily studying the same things, not necessarily having the same interests or hobbies. How can we love one another? How can we live in unity? (Maybe that's a strange perspective to have! The church I was at, for instance, was less homogeneous than a student fellowship like CBS.) Even with our differences, we have fellowship. We share our lives with one another. We pray and do Bible study together.

Perhaps it seems like our human nature draws us together, but in fact, Jesus Christ is the one who truly reconciles. First, Jesus reconciles us with God. Next, in Jesus, we can love and serve one another despite our differences. "Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy." Bonhoeffer declares, "I have community with others, and I shall continue to have it only through Jesus Christ. The more genuine and the deeper our community becomes, the more will everything else between us recede, the more clearly and purely will Jesus Christ and his work become the one and only thing that is vital between us."

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. Colossians 3:16

It was a blessing to serve you all as coordinator this year. Often, I turned to God in prayer; often, it was clear that I was not enough, and that if I were to do anything, it would only be God working through me. I thank God for your love for one another, for your sharings and encouragement, and for your eagerness in knowing and serving God.

With love in Christ Jesus, Jeffrey Huang

bible study ministry

Dearest CBS,

Wow, what a journey and privilege it has been to serve the fellowship through Bible Study for the past three years. I still remember telling upperclassmen that I wanted to serve in Bible Study ministry back when I was a freshman. At that time, I don't think I could've guessed I'd end up as the ministry lead for not one, but two years. My time as a Bible Study Coordinator has been full of ups and downs. Sometimes, I'm so excited about the books we're studying, the leaders I meet with, and the girls I share Thursday nights with (s/o to the West Girls Bible Study!). But sometimes I honestly don't feel like going to small group when I have so many other demands and distractions. That being said, one of the biggest benefits of serving in Bible study is the accountability. There's been plenty of times when I wanted to skip one to study for a prelim or write an essay, but I can't miss it when I'm the one leading.

This spring, we brought back the character studies to examine some of God's people who faithfully lived their lives according to His principles. Ruth, in the midst of sorrow and uncertainty, was willing to commit her life to serve Him. She probably had yet to experience God for herself, but she trusted in Him for her future and worked diligently to fulfill her promise to Naomi. Likewise, David, though showered with great blessings and promises from God, is solely focused on His sovereignty and goodness. David did not find himself any greater despite having received God's gifts; rather, it made God greater in his eves. And this shows in 1 and 2 Samuel when David demonstrates his submission to Saul's (questionable) leadership, an enduring patience for God's timing, and a great deal of humility during his successive military victories over the Philistines.

Throughout this semester, I can't help but constantly reflect on and compare my walk to that of Ruth and David. Christian culture today seems to be shifting towards a

"feel good" mindset because we're more focused on how we experience God. I've personally been amazed by Ruth and David's God-centered faith time and time again: how they value God simply for who He is, and not for what He does for them or how He makes them feel. Their lives remind me to worship God because He is always worthy of my praise, independent of my circumstances and feelings.

As a graduating senior, Ruth's courage to say yes to following God in the unknown is an attribute that I strive to imitate. She didn't place her hope in God's blessings or in her God-given value, but rather, her hope was in the treasure that is God Himself. She took refuge under His almighty wings and was, in turn, surprised with His grace. CBS, I pray that you and I can love God like Ruth and David did and prioritize Him before ourselves. Before we seek any of His blessings, let us seek to honor God Himself. May we be not only hearers, but also doers of His Word.

With much love, in Christ, Lauren Kam '19

discipleship ministry

Hello CBS.

This year has flown by! Our beloved freshmen class has slowly but surely grown together and grown in size and has been such an incredible source of encouragement to the fellowship. We have had the joy of connecting more prayer partners with one another and fostering spaces for Men's and Women's times. Though CBS's numbers may rise or fall, God's loving provision remains constant and we continue to pray — and ask for prayer — for the fellowship to develop a heart for discipleship.

Looking back on some of our questions from the beginning of the year, we recognize that we still don't have solid answers. How can we gauge and check in on everyone in their individual walks with God? What does it look like for us to provide discipleship to CBS according to each person's needs? Though we have most definitely struggled in searching for the best ways to encourage and support CBSers, we've also come to recognize that the 'answers' involve a process, not just a one-time solution. In reaching out to one another, encouraging and challenging each other in faith, we will always struggle with issues of feeling inadequate, swelling of pride, and overextending ourselves.

Yet despite all of these flaws, the hope we have in Jesus pushes us to get back up and keep fighting the good fight — to keep turning to God, to keep caring for those around us, to keep learning more about what it means to live out our faith, and to keep sharing and walking with one another. It is this repetitive cycle that we hope to conquer: we aim to be constantly walking with God and to remember that all we have available to give others is simply an overflow of the love that we have received from Him.

Through these challenges and encouragements, discipleship has been made even more important to both of us as we seek discernment and wisdom in leading at Cornell as well as in next steps in life.

Looking forward, whether it be post-graduation or next semester, let us never stop striving towards His precious words:

'Come, follow me,' Jesus said, 'and I will send you out to fish for people.' (Matthew 4:19)

So, we follow Him, and His love overflows as we fish for people. But as we've learned through leading Reach and Discipleship, despite what our human hearts and pride may think, let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us yet leave the outcome to God, trusting that all that happens is for His glory.

In Christ, David Wu '19 and Melanie Lim '19



praise ministry

To CBS:

This is my farewell letter to my precious Praise Team ministry. You have been one of the best parts of my year and perhaps even my Cornell experience. Throughout this semester and this year, I have been encouraged so much by how this ministry has brought joy and has been used to serve the fellowship. After seven semesters, my time on Praise Team draws to an end.

As a freshman, I didn't think too much about joining Praise Team. I thought that since I had some musical background, I could use that to get more involved in the fellowship. Then I was given the diagnostic and backpedaled immediately. But upon reflection, the diagnostic challenged me to take seriously what I believed and what my intentions were. Praise Team meetings as an underclassman showed me that this was about more than the music and picking songs that I liked. As a sophomore and junior, Praise Team ministry had always been a present part of my spiritual and CBS life. It taught me to be obedient even when I didn't want to be, conscientious when being on set, and reflective on God's character so I can truly worship Him.

Throughout this year, I feel like I have a better understanding of what it means to praise God in all circumstances, and a better grasp on the fact that worship is God-centered, and not uscentered. Sometimes I've made Praise to be about me- thanking God whenever I felt like He had given me something, singing songs that I liked, and living how I wanted to live. In this role I have really understood the idea of worshipping God simply because He is worthy of it all. This is just one example of how God has been teaching me in my walk with Him and revealing to me the ways that my ideas were all backwards.

Being in this leadership position has challenged me in my own identity. I've gone from one extreme to another: There are days when I feel extremely prideful in thinking that I myself can change the hearts of people and am the cause of the successes I see. Then there are other days when I ruminate in my brokenness and sin and I feel like a hypocrite, fraud, and imposter. "How can I be in a position to lead others when I myself am so unqualified?" Thankfully through this all, God has spoken His truth into my life and shown me again and again that everything is about Him. They say humility is not thinking less about yourself, it's thinking about yourself less. When I say that God has humbled me, I don't just mean that He's shown me

all of the ways I fail and need him (although I certainly have been humbled in that regard), I mean that God has shown me to think about myself less and think about Him and others more. This is how I can imitate Christ's humility (Phil 2:1-8).

This semester, due to frequent travels, I felt more absent than I have been in a while. I hated missing CBS large group and Praise Team meetings when I was away. However, I was so encouraged to see how everything still ran smoothly and how this presented more opportunities for others to step up. I have full assurance that next year will run smoothly as well.

I hadn't meant to make this letter all about me, oops, but I think that as I reflect on Praise Team for this article, I can't do so without telling all the ways that I have been blessed by this ministry. My prayer is that I can pass it forward, and that I can share the love that I have and encourage underclassmen in the same way. I hope that everything that we do (moving equipment, studying Bible passages, jamming, learning history of hymns, sharing new songs, planning for Night of Worship, walking to Ivy room for dinner, analyzing lyrics, etc.) will alllll be for the glory of God, and be a way for us to present our bodies as a living sacrifice ('...for this is your true and proper worship' - Romans 12:1).

I'm immensely thankful for the people who have served Praise Team and have made this ministry what it is. I'm thankful for the musical gifts that God has equipped us with and the heart for worship that the Spirit gives us. I'm thankful for the alum that donate money for nice equipment. I'm thankful for drivers that make set possible. And I'm thankful for God who is worthy of all this and even more. Let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise (vision verse Hebrews 13:15-16 eyyy).

I love you all so much. I'm so excited to see how this ministry will continue to grow. Make sure you plug the cables into the "Line In" on the monitors.

In Christ and with all my love and gratitude, Shelly Zhang '19

prayer ministry

Dear CBS.

James 4:8-10 New International Version (NIV)
8 Come near to God and He will come near to you. Wash your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. 9 Grieve, mourn and wail. Change your laughter to mourning and your joy to gloom. 10 Humble yourselves before the Lord, and He will lift you up.

After focusing on the first half of our vision verse "confession" last semester, we sought to fulfill the second half by focusing on God's promise to "lift us up." The exact meaning of "lift us up" was ambiguous to us, so we sought the wisdom of God to steer us toward Him. Thus, this semester had an especially heavy emphasis on reflecting on the psalms and liturgy at prayer meetings. Large group prayer requests tended to be more reflective and introspective to allow people to see God's will and work in their lives. Through it all, we could see God providing for and leading us during uncertainty. In the areas we lacked, God always sent a gift our way even as we continued to stumble.

It is always a blessing to pray with you all. Every moment spent in prayer is hopefully wonderful for you as well. We hope that class prayer meetings brought back the vulnerability and love needed for us to draw closer together as brothers and sisters in Christ. People often struggle with prayer because they feel like they need to pray perfectly eloquently or be a "better Christian." But God already sees our brokenness and weakness. He sees the intentions behind every word and thought we speak or think. So when he tells us to "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest" (Matthew 11:28 NIV), please run to Him no matter what state you are in.

Not saying that doing so is easy. It is hard for us to remind people to do things that we struggle with. We still wrestled with last semester's struggles and many new ones. Finding time to prepare was harder amidst greater busyness which also led to our weariness. In those moments it is imperative to pray without ceasing and remember that our God always listens to and answers our prayers. Even when we know these truths, we still easily stumble or lose sight of these promises. We are all humans in those moments, and it is only by God's grace that we can even begin to live out a life that follows after him.

Next year, prayer ministry will look vastly different. Although prayer ministry may no longer be an official ministry next year, we pray that prayer will still be part of your hearts and walks with God. Please never cease to humble yourselves before God and be vulnerable with each other. Please pray for yourselves, our fellowship, our campus, and our world. Be bold to ask your brothers and sisters to pray together with you. We may not see God's will immediately, but God does listen and answer them. God answers prayers as ridiculous as "God, thank you for letting me find my house keys again after losing them twice today." He will be there when you think life is a disaster or is perfectly chill, so speak to Him whenever and wherever you can.

We know that prayer is never easy. The spiritual dry times do happen and turning to God during these times is challenging. When we were experiencing lows in our spiritual lives, we could only rely on God. If and when we attempted to support each other, it was always sufficient to point each other back to God through his word or impromptu prayer. We hope that in your times of walking in the valley of the shadow of death that you will come to God, cry out to Him and find that He is always with you. He is our Savior, He is our Father, and He is our God, so have confidence in His love for you and His people.

In Christ, Angela Huang '19 and Ray Zeng '20



reach ministry

Dearest CBS,

For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another. For the whole law is fulfilled in one word: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' — Galatians 5:13-14 (ESV)

What a year it has been for Reach Ministry! God has shown us again and again what it means to rely on Him and fully trust in Him, being assured in His plan and will.

In terms of outreach ministry, God truly moved the mountains and revealed His faithfulness to our fellowship. We had been praying for a long time to figure out how to equip our fellowship for a life of evangelism/outreach and how to put these skills into practice. A huge milestone was being able to dedicate an entire large group to discussing relational evangelism. We believed that this topic would be useful to elaborate on because outreach can come naturally in the form of intentional friendships with people who do not yet know Christ. Being able to share about how to utilize the relationships we have with peers in a way that reflects the sacrificial love of Jesus was incredibly fruitful. The follow-up Bible study and discussions that people engaged in challenged each and every one of us to reflect on how we can share God's love and the gospel to our friends. Our prayer request for CBS in terms of relational evangelism is that we would be convicted to invest in our friendships with non-Christians and reveal Christ-like love to them. One of the greatest highlights of the evangelism large group was participating in a fellowship-wide fast. Fasting is a spiritual discipline that we often forget to prioritize, so being able to encourage brothers and sisters during the fast was truly uplifting. We were able to utilize this time of fasting to diligently focus on praying for the fellowship's love for evangelism and opportunities for CBS to make Christ known.

In retrospect, God answered these prayers in a bold

manner, especially through our tabling sessions in Willard Straight. Reach ministry used Perspective banners and various spiritual questions to engage with students passing by. Even though we often had low expectations in terms of the conversations we might have with non-Christians, God proved us wrong every time and allowed for many fruitful interactions. We got to discuss the meaning of sin, life's purpose, what brings us joy, and the existence of eternal life under the Christian framework and even shared the gospel! To see our small fellowship, which has struggled with outreach efforts in the past, boldly proclaim God's glory and learn about common secular beliefs was a true reflection of God's omnipotence and faithfulness. By our own strength, we certainly would not have been able to have these challenging conversations. But we lift up all the glory back to Him who uses our Holy Spirit to give us the words to speak at the right times (Luke 12:12).

A perennial challenge of inreach ministry is learning how to foster a Christ-centered community, in which everyone has a heart to walk together and continually support each other in their day-to-day lives. In many ways, it is not possible for this to be done through any particular event — to engineer community or to micromanage people would not be true to our vision of inreach motivated by love and the desire to honor God. Therefore, inreach has been a humbling experience in praying over and thinking about this particular balancing act between having faith in God to transform our fellowship with His selfless love and humbly planning certain events in line with that vision of a more Christ-resembling fellowship.

There were many encouraging fruits that bore this semester. By God's grace, we had another successful CBS Service Marketplace in which we raised funds to send to St. John's Community Services, a local Ithaca homeless shelter, as well as serve each other with our various talents and gifts. We also had our Valentine's Felly Dinner

where the members of the fellowship showered love unto those of the other gender. During our reach meetings, we challenged each other with discussions on the sin of partiality that we struggle with even in CBS, and also delved deeper into Acts 2 as an example of what fellowship looks like. These discussions encouraged us to consider what inreach looks like in both our personal ministries and group efforts. God was also gracious in fostering stronger community through our growing heart for outreach this semester. Through this, we learned that inreach and outreach are intimately intertwined. Through informal get-togethers, such as our study session, as well as playing sports together, such as bowling and intramural volleyball, we were able to learn how to love brothers and sisters within the community and encourage them to pour out God's love into others.

To be honest, this year of leading Reach ministry was no easy feat. Even with three leaders, there were moments when things fell through the cracks, we lacked adequate manpower, and we flat out lost the motivation to serve with a joyful heart. Looking back at all that God has delivered our ministry through, He has made it so clear that on our own strength, we are incredibly weak and

unable to love sacrificially. It is only possible to bear fruit when we remain in Him and God remains in us (John 15:5). Praise God that He has disciplined us to lean on His wisdom and power as the foundation of our ministry work. It has been the greatest blessing to witness the fruits of Reach's labor manifest in sacrificial love among brothers/sisters and CBS's increasing heart for outreach. Thank you all for the privilege to serve the fellowship as this year's Reach coordinators. We pray that CBS can continue to spur its members to love our neighbors and the church body as boldly as our Lord and Savior does.

Love and prayers, Ji-Won Choi '19, Alice Zhao '20, and Raymond Zhang '20

bible study: Monday Central

Dearest CBS,

-Mel

-Raymond

Man, our bible studies have been such a #blast this semester. Meeting every Monday evening in our Goldwin Smith room, we have such a wide assortment of people and dinner foods. It's been a huge blessing to study the characters of Ruth and David with this group. With many knowledgeable and opinionated upperclassmen along with inquisitive and opinionated underclassmen, our discussions have taken us into many different areas of thought. From crucial lessons about the weight and depth of our sins to subtle reminders of God's unceasing plan acting through seemingly unexpected people, I've learnt so much from spending time in the Word with these brothers and sisters.

Man, Monday bible study has been such a #blessing of a community this semester. We have been doing character studies of Ruth and David, which is something we as a fellowship have not pursued before in (my) living memory. Following the narrative of Ruth and David's lives in God's word has been demanding at times, as we have to jump throughout 1 Samuel and 2 Samuel for our study of David, but I would not have asked for a better group of brothers and sisters to discuss and wrestle with the text. At times, it may be difficult to see a direct application of Old Testament history in our 21st century lives as college students, but it has been such a gift to see how certain attributes of David's and Ruth's walks of faith (or lack of faith at times) can be applied to real situations in our lives. Indeed, God's word is alive, and His Spirit is actively teaching us, even in ways we cannot explicitly perceive.

In attempting to help each other lead and encourage this funky group, we've learned a lot about what it means to challenge the things that we hear, read, or assume we already know about stories and characters throughout the Bible. It's been a big lesson to not just settle with the many unanswered questions we have, but to enter into a continuous process of questioning and truth-seeking through prayer, discussion, and meditation on His Word.

#bitterprovidence #callmeMara #davidinthecave #ruddy

In Christ, Raymond Zhang '20 and Melanie Lim '19

For the past semester, I (David) have had the fortune of attending Mel and Raymond's co-ed bible study. The bible study is mostly seniors, plus Mike Cao, so there was certainly a lot to learn from my

elders. I really enjoyed the animated discussions that we've been able to have, which I believe in large part are due to the cumulative experience of the upperclassmen in the bible study. I missed a chunk of Ruth, so I guess I'll just talk about the part of the study relating to David. First of all, David is a p stand-up guy other than the adultery and such - what an iconic and well-named individual. In the course of studying God's promises to David and the manner in which David responds to the Lord, I am reminded that it is of the utmost importance to pursue God's will even after committing the gravest of wrongdoings. The shame of sin should not obfuscate our path, but rather draw us closer to the Lord. Our study of David's story has also reminded me that God's plan supersedes the human notion of feasibility, and that just as Solomon was raised up out of David's illadvised relationship with Bathsheba, so too does God use us wretched instruments for his divine plans. In summation, I am grateful to have been able to glean from the wisdom of the upperclassmen, and I feel that there is always something more to draw out of biblical narratives even if we are eminently familiar with them.

I (Anna) have also had the fortune of attending Mel and Raymond's bible study this semester. I also want to emphasize that Ruth and David are two outstanding characters that we can look at for guidance in walking with the Lord. Especially as a graduating senior, it is eye-opening and exciting to be learning about God's faithfulness in times of despair and bitterness, because I sense that will be something I will definitely face in my upcoming working years! In all seriousness, I've learned so much from this bible study and have loved talking about faith with different brothers and sisters that I normally don't see often. Also, I very much appreciate that (almost) everyone reads the passage beforehand so that we can spend more time digging into the meaning. Tenk U Monday Central Bib Stud <3

In Christ, David Tse '21 and Anna Tedijanto '19



bible study: Thursday West

Dear CBS,

This semester our Girls Bible Study was located in a Bethe study lounge, overlooking the best sunsets and wintry weather. We fluctuated between contemplative reflection and bursts of laughter (sometimes stopped short by students asking us to keep the volume down), and were consistently blessed with brownies, banana bread, and The Bread #letsgetthisbread.

We studied the books of Ruth and 1st and 2nd Samuel, and it was a privilege to be able look deeply into the lives of such Godfearing followers. From Ruth, we saw how God was working even in the smallest, seemingly "human" moments. We were encouraged by her unwavering commitment to His glory and confidence in His protection. As an anointed king riddled with sin and brokenness, David's life demonstrated yet again God's grace, mercy, and His infinite righteousness. In both Ruth and David, we saw how God was (and is!) so worthy of praise and worship - not just because of what He's done for us, but because of who He is.

It's been such a blessing to get to know my sisters this semester through good conversation, accountability, and prayer. We hope that we continue to live as people seeking after God's own heart, dedicating all aspects of our lives to Him, and continually praising and learning about His holiness.

> In Christ, Lauren Kam '19 and Louise Xie '21

Hello dearest CBS.

Lauren and Louise, L & L, L^2.

One of the homiest bible studies we've ever gone to. We always get good snacks. Lauren makes a mean brownie. Also, shoutout to Emily Kam for providing all the bananes for the banane bread. The gurls (gorls/grrrrls/women) bible study meets every Thursday in Bethe suite. We've focused on studying Ruth and David this semester. Two people of faith who trusted in God in so many different ways during times of uncertainty and instability and are examples to what it means to look to God in all decisions and areas of life.

One of the things that really stood out about Ruth was her

incredible faith in God. Despite being a Moabite, and despite having significantly less knowledge of God compared to Naomi, she continued to follow and obey God simply because of God's character and because she feared and trusted God. This pushes us to reflect on how we often demand God to give us reasons to obey Him (needing more of His presence, wanting more communication from Him or more direct revelations of His will). But we look at Ruth, whose heart was set on following God simply because of who He is. This is a simple, yet significant revelation, as it requires us as servants of God to trust in God simply because of who He says He is, rather than what He does or will do for us.

Then let's talk about our boi David. We see God's plan through David in how He raised him up to be king since he was young and shaped him into a godly man who had favor with everyone. His confidence in God in facing any kind of challenge, even in the face of death, pushes us to consider the ways we react to challenges. We often blame God or seek comfort in other things but find them unsatisfying. But praise God that He is faithful and doesn't leave us in our suffering; He brings us out of them and reminds us of His promises. Also, who doesn't love the bromance between David and Jonathan? Let us consider how we can trust and support our brothers and sisters, growing together in our faith and exhorting one another. Through David, we are also reminded on how significant the work of Jesus Christ is. Though David is deemed as 'A man after God's own heart', we also saw that he fell short and committed sins deserving of God's wrath. Thankfully, we have Jesus who died on the cross to bear the burdens and the punishment for our sins. It is indeed by faith that we are saved.

At the end of each bible study, we would form smaller groups and pray for one another. We decided to keep the same groups throughout the semester which made it a time of great accountability, making it easy to update people of our week's (or month's) goal since everyone already knows the context of our situations, which was a huge blessing to have. May we continue to grow in our confidence in God and love for each other!

> Much love. Felicia Setiono '16 and Alice Zhao '20

bible study: Tuesday West

Dear CBS,

Tuesday night Bible Study is always a pleasure for me as it gives me an opportunity to connect with fellow brothers in Christ in CBS as well as serve with my prayer partner Darren. Tackling Ruth and 1 and 2 Samuel within a semester was a big endeavor but I believe that the members of the group have been learning as much as they can despite the pace. Major themes that we explored included humility, trust in God's promise, and the continuity between the OT and NT.

The time and space for men of CBS allows for more transparency between the Bible study members and a chance to center discussions around struggles that men may experience more. For example, men are often expected to be tall and stalwart in appearance, which was why when Samuel was sent to look for Israel's new leader, he chose David's brothers before him. Soon, it became clear that it didn't matter that his stature wasn't that of an archetypal leader like Saul because he had the inner markings of a righteous man. Those traits were what made David a man who sought after God's own heart, what made him the true and rightful heir to Saul's throne, and what made him a person whose spiritual life we can look to as an example. However, just as godly as David was, he also was sinful, eventually making a mistake that cost him the peace and security of his kingdom. How sin is crouching at our door is something that we should never cease to forget, and as Christians we sometimes externalize sin to those who are not believers but forget to apply that critical eye to ourselves.

To the brothers who came out during the cold winter months despite not having cars, thank you for your dedication to the Word. To Darren, thank you for leading with me, and picking up the slack when I am tired or not sufficiently prepared. To Lauren, thank you for giving me the chance to serve the CBS community, and for organizing all the Bible studies. Even though it was only a handful of weeks, where we often would start late, low in energy and motivation, I really do feel like the Spirit was with us, and that we have all grown in wisdom from studying those passages together.

Because I love torturing myself and packing my schedule as tightly as possible, it's easy to try and rush through Bible reading as quickly as possible so I can get a bit more sleep. It's easy to just skim Bible passages and complain that I'm not getting anything new out of it. But Hebrews 4:12 says: "For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart." Allocating time for Tuesday's Bible Study and delving deep into the word of God really allowed me to think and reflect upon the Bible and our own lives, to read through it in a different perspective and eventually come to a renewed understanding of all these stories we might already be familiar with. Ruth taught me to always trust in the provision of God. Boaz taught me to love and care for those in need. David taught me to live a life trusting in God's promise and to seek His guidance in everything I do. All of this echoed one of my goals this semester: learning what it means to live a life centered around God.

Even if we can never seem to evenly divide a chapter so everyone gets a chance to read the passage aloud, even if we never seem to be able to snag a nice conference room in Bethe's common area and have to resort to going to Darren's small and oddly stanched suite (which we all love), even if we often derail the discussion with garbage jokes and memes, even if we're so tired after all our work and prelims that we barely want to open our eyes — even with all these distractions and obstacles, none of this has deterred us from our desire to know God through the Bible. As we end this semester and leave for the summer, may we continue to equip everything we learnt in this time and live it out in our lives.

-- Attilus Leung '22

-- Felix Yang '19



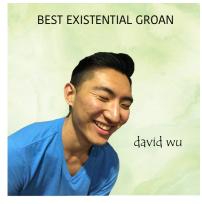
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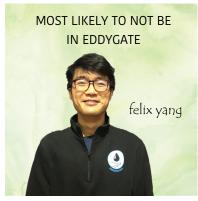






















senior superlatives























ALEXANDRA KUNG

hometown: CHAPPAQUA, NY

major: CS

I ran up the slope to Sage and found Alexandra sitting in the bright atrium waiting for me to arrive. We were both pleasantly surprised that Sage was not as crowded as usual and suspected that everyone had left early for Spring Break already. We proceeded to get lunch and dove right into the interview...

praise song: Can I look at my Spotify? Wait there's

a lot... I like Prince of Peace... Not the peppy one but the slow one by

Hillsong United.

cornell class: Mushrooms class! PLPPM 2010 Magic

Mushrooms, Mischievous Molds

study spot: I like going to Sage. Sage library has

a lot of outlets.

place to eat: Café Jennie

movie/tv show: The Mindy Project. I just randomly

rewatch old episodes.

asian snack: Pineapple buns

music genre: Pop

cbs tradition: Where we tape freshmen to the wall

1. CBS is...

a group of imperfect people who support each other and push each other.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

I came in with a lot of expectations of how the college experience would be like - if you study hard then you get a job - and I guess that's not necessarily true unless you put in the work. Not getting too worked up in grades cause for the most part they don't really matter or they're not as important as you think they are.

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

a. Freshmen

I guess try new things like a lot of events on campus that I've never gone to and put yourself out there. Even if you don't feel comfortable, it always isn't as bad as you think it'll be. Don't worry if you really know what you want to do cause there's 3 more years to figure that stuff out.

b. Sophomores

I feel like sophomores know what they're doing. I guess classes are harder now and it's common to get stressed but still remember to spend time with your class, especially if you don't live close to each other. Don't let proximity prevent you from spending time with your class.

c. Juniors

I don't really know because I wasn't here for half of junior year. But I guess what I would say is don't let rejection discourage you from putting yourself out there. I guess this is like in terms of finding a job. I would assume people who live off campus have a lot of more shared responsibility and sometimes it can be hard to live with people who have a very different standard as you. Just finding a balance between being understanding of that and if something bothers you then being able to say something.

d. CBS in general

Be intentional and reach out to people because I feel like a lot of people don't know each other and you don't know what people are going through. Some people are more private than others so just being able to reach out to them.

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

There's so many... I can't really pinpoint one in particular, but I guess the random impromptu things people do. I remember sophomore year when it was nice out, people would just be like let's hang on the slope or let's get boba. When we were sophomores, we would just go to noyes to buy snacks and candy.

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

Words games. I used to play competitive scrabble. I like playing words with friends, banana grams, scrabble (claims she is better than average!!)

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

Up the slope there's stairs and if you look out it's a really nice view of the lake and Ithaca. After coming home after a long day and seeing the landscape and the horizon, it's just so nice

to look at.

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

Trying not to put all my worth in my grades and accomplishments. I guess it's hard because it's a competitive environment. I guess this semester coming to terms with that fact that God has a plan for everyone and being able to listen to His will and what He wants me to do, even if it's not something I'm totally comfortable with.

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

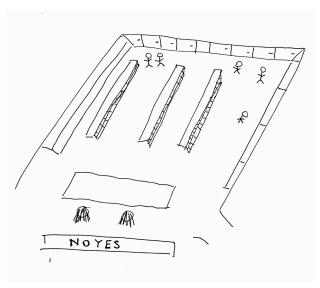
I'm moving to Chicago in June, still need to find a place to live. Long term... I don't know... I guess find new hobbies.

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

I guess the first one...? I think it's physically possible to force yourself to sneeze. I guess you can force yourself to sneeze in pairs of two.

After our interview, we stayed a bit to chat over lunch. This is the first time I got to meet up with Alexandra and it was so much fun! She gave me so much advice as a senior engineer and it made me wish I could have connected with her sooner. We ended our lunch with some dessert! Dippin' dots at Statler ~ yummmmm. We both had afternoon classes, so this was a perfect start to our day! It was such a blessing to be able to connect with an older sister who has had so many wonderful experiences and encouraging things to share. Alexandra is such an amazing person all around. I pray that as she starts a new chapter in her life that she can trust in God to continuously bless her and provide her with challenges that will allow her to grow. I know that Alexandra will do amazing things in the future!

-- Kimberly Yap '21



Noyes has really good snacks. Try the Snyder's honey mustard pieces or the Warheads Hotheads gummy worms.

ANGELA HUANG

hometown: WALLINGFORD, PA

major: AEM

Sometimes it's hard to get interviews done in one sitting, and that was the case with Angela's. So, we did it in two parts. On day one, Angela and I meet up for dinner at Cook, hoping that they would have our beloved Thai iced tea since it is Asian Food Thursday. As she always does, Angela greets me with a warm hug before we head into the dining hall, and after a good 45 minutes of getting distracted, we start the interview questions until we realize that it's time to go to Bible study! Fast forward three weeks, we meet up again for lunch at Mac's, where we successfully complete the second half of the interview!

praise song: Before the Throne of God Above

cornell class: Shrooms

study spot: Mann (3rd floor for studying, 2nd floor

for chilling)

place to eat: Franny's food truck (especially the

Pan Asian Fries)

movie/tv show: Our Times/The Great British Bake Off

asian snack: Yakult

music genre: Sad Chinese ballads cbs tradition: Corny corny games

1. CBS is...

my second favorite family after my real one.

sophomore

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

Cross it out and say sophomore year. Was Tiff like super quick and on the spot with all these questions? [Me: Kinda lol] She's much better at these, we'll probably have to have a part two at this point. I think God's helped me recognize that there are still a lot of questions out there that we don't know the answers to, and I think I'm now more eager to ask these questions while still being okay with not receiving an answer to all of them. Like, why is there suffering that only affects some people? Or, how did all the dogs get on Noah's ark and how did they fit them all on there?

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

a. Freshmen

Y'all are cute but you're going to be replaced by the new freshmen. [Me: SHOOOOK] We can add onto that but it's okay.

Because no one will forget you. And you're still loved.

b. Sophomores

Stay alive and join Veritas. Just kidding. Try to push yourselves to grow during these last few days here. And recruitment is gonna suck so just rely on God through it all. And just know that you should be satisfied with wherever God places you because He will make it worth it in the end.

c. Juniors

I hope you all stay alive till the end. And don't feel obligated to do everything because the sophomores are there to pick up everything. Just kidding, you should do most of the work.

d. CBS in general

CBS will continue to experience major changes and it will be scary but really just letting go of things you can't control and staying away from worry is the best way to really center your life around God through all these changes. But also, don't forget to have fun. And drink kombucha.

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

There are so many good memories dang. Sorry I'm trying to filter through and process everything right now. I guess my favorite moments were late night conversations with brothers and sisters about eating or making weird foods.

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

None? None that are applicable? N/A, is that what they call it? I drink kombucha... I drink a lot of kombucha. [Me: Is that it?] I think I have no personality so yeah. There's just nothing interesting so... wait that's my personality. You know how they say drinking boba isn't a personality? Drinking kombucha is also not a personality so there's nothing interesting. Should I say my hidden talent is dumpster diving? As the former treasurer of dumpster diving club, I have a keen desire to reduce waste and encourage others to reduce, reuse, and recycle.

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

On top of the clock tower. Partly because every time I go there,

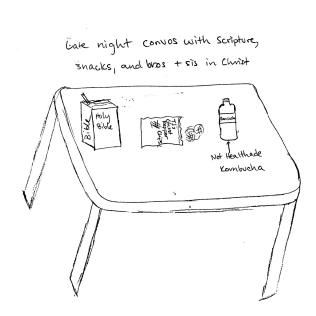
I see my friend who's a chimesmaster who plays my song requests. I always just feel empowered even though I am truly powerless.

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

God has truly blessed me with the understanding of what it means to live amongst fellow Christians and grow together in our love and desire to know Him more. As the daughter of parents that love church hopping and even now are considering hopping to a new church again, I was always a little skeptical of the idea that people could truly find a community with other Christians and love one another. But here at CBS, I've found so much love that God has provided us, and He's allowed us to listen to one another and serve each other and most importantly to come to Him together. And I'm grateful for every experience that God and CBS have provided these past three years.

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

Getting a dog is short-term. Finding real hobbies and talents. Long-term goals I guess would be to continue to learn more about God through scripture and prayer and to not be worried



Late night convos with Scripture, snacks, and bros + sis in Christ

or anxious about how God will use me in the future. [Angela sees Gabby] Gabby!!! [Gabby: Hello!] Oh. And also try not to get fired from this job too. Jk. I want to trust in the Lord as I enter this big pharma industry.

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

Switching gender. Life would be so much more interesting. And I'd rather not have to decide whether I'm eating a muffin or a baby and have to guess. Cannibalism isn't healthy for the soul.

For both meetups, Angela ends up eating significantly more than I do. (For some context, I usually eat about three times the amount Angela does during any given meal, so this was kinda wild. I'm not sure if she really did anything different though—I might've just eaten less than I normally do.) Following the conclusion of part two of the interview, Angela treats me to a smoothie at Mac's with her huge amount of BRBs and we walk to her class in Warren together. Getting to spend time with Angela is always so much fun, and I am so grateful that I had the chance to get to know her through CBS because she has truly been a blessing in my life, as I am sure she has been for many other people as well. Although I am sad that we will soon have to send her off to Philly to be a full-time snek in the pharma industry, I am also super excited to see what kinds of amazing things God has in store for her to experience and learn! I pray that she will always remember to rely on Him even when life throws challenges in her way, and that she will continue to grow in her faith and grow stronger in Him through it all!

-- Jackie Peng '21

ANNA TEDIJANTO

hometown: CUPERTINO, CA

major: CS (& MEng)

When the two most confused people in the PSB atrium started walking towards each other, we both knew who we are meeting. Ten minutes after a 12:05 class is not a great time to visit Goldie's, so this is a foodless interview.

praise song: Lead Me to the Cross by Hillsong cornell class: CS 4820 (Junior Fall) with Eva Tardos study spot: Olin Library Newspaper room

place to eat: Mac's Cafe

movie/tv show: About Time (because of Rachel

McAdams)

asian snack: Korean Honey Butter Chip

music genre: "Acoustic Pop"

cbs tradition: BoL

1. CBS is...

a group of believers that support one another, and love one another

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

When I first came to college, I was a very immature Christian. I grew up in a Christian home and did not have a personal relation with God. But I think being at Cornell, because it's so difficult, it shows where my weaknesses are. I used to have a lot of pride in different areas of my life, like academic and faith. God helps me become humbler and He became more like a father that I could have a personal relationship with.

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

a. Freshmen

Try new things, and don't wait too long to do so. Because 4 years goes by really really fast.

b. Sophomores

Don't be scared of becoming upperclassmen and being older in the fellowship. Be confident that god has taught you a lot in the last two years

c. Juniors

Make the most of your last year and grades don't matter

d. CBS in general

Be intentional with one another. Boldly love one another. Take initiative when it comes to fellowship, faith and friendship,

4. What is (one of) your favorite memory of your college career? Last year (might be after a felly dinner) one of my friends brought wings and we all sat in apartment 1G and just talked. The backstory

is that junior year has been hard for a lot of us. We did not have time to hang out as a class. But that time it just felt really nice that we find some time to just hang out with each other. It was a really spontaneous thing.

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

I actually said this in the first CBS large group, but I am really good at stalking people on FB/Instagram. Sometimes I remember very specific details that can sound creepy haha.

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

The Libe slope. I hate climbing the slope, but I had so many good conversations there. Say, when the sun is setting on a warm day in September or May. It's a very peaceful spot; it reminds me of why creation is so beautiful.

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

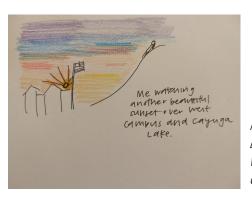
When I came in, I wanted to find a really good support system and it was definitely answered. It took me a few years to be comfortable with people and to form strong friendships. At first, I was disappointed at Cornell and CBS, and I was not a very helpful/supportive person to others. But now Cornell and God have given me a lot of strong, life-long friendships.

8. What are your short-term and long-term plans after graduation? Short term: Moving back home; work on software engineering. Long term: Travel more; do something in the creative field for a job.

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

Change gender because I wouldn't want to accidentally eat a baby and it would be good to live in the other gender's shoes.

The interview went by quickly. We parted ways after because both of us had classes and work. It was great to get to know Anna, and it was certainly fun to interview a BoL veteran. I hope she always finds peace and joy wherever she will be!



-- Jessie

Me watching another beautiful sunset over West Campus and Cayuga Lake

DAE GUN CHUNG KIM

hometown: SANTA CRUZ, BOLIVIA

major: HBHS

Dae Gun is one of the few who is bold enough to proclaim his appreciation of Okenshield's loudly and proudly. So of course, we meet at Oken. Along the way, I run into Angela and Angela, then Felicia, then Kevin and Dae Gun. Wow so many friends. I feel like we are Dorothy and crew in the Wizard of Oz just picking up friends as we move along. We hang around in WSH lobby to talk a bit about how Dae Gun is a very attached person, giving me a preview into his big heart that's full of so much love for all of us. We decide to dive right into the interview before eating.

praise song: Holy Spirit You are Welcome Here cornell class: NS 1150. I feel like everyone should

take that class. That was when I found my true passion for nutrition. If anyone should take one class, it

should be 1150.

study spot: Right now, most productive in

basement stacks of Olin Library.

place to eat: Anywhere in the world? Honey Pig in

Georgia: Pork belly that's rolled within rice flour wrap with rice and veggies and red pepper sauce. I could eat it forever. At Cornell? Okenshield's. Nobody cares if you're eating alone; You can just plug in headphones and be on your own, but

food is awful.

movie/tv show: Anime. Not Cells at Work because

it's terrible. Erased is a masterpiece. Movie? How to Train Your Dragon. All

of them.

asian snack: Dried squid

music genre: Meaningful Spanish worship songs

cbs tradition: Large group sharing

1. CBS is...

my brothers and sisters in Christ that I love a lot.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

My sense of self-reliance is gone. I learned to listen to God and have such a personal and deep relationship with the Holy Spirit. I accepted the Holy Spirit into my heart in a very supernatural way - that is by the grace of God for sure. God helped me love people more by understanding them and understanding that we are all broken and that we all need help. And it takes time for people to change. God helped me realize that I'm not the only person who is going to change someone's life. That is being greedy, and it is God who changes hearts and it doesn't have to be me. But I will be very happy to help when God calls me to help. Lastly perseverance in God's ministry, especially with LCC. It's kind of discouraging to go to a fellowship every week where there's few people. I had to sacrifice my community with CBS and my free time to do this ministry, but God taught me to persevere in obedience. Finally, God changed my expectations of friendship like God provided me with friends that helped me so much in spiritual support, prayers, words, providing me with someone to talk to.

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

a. Freshmen

Be careful depending on people too much because they are human too and will fail. Expect that other people are also going through a lot of things and that they will fail on you and you should be merciful in that. It is a transition and patiently wait until everyone figures out who they are and what they like and don't like. Try to figure out who you are and it's okay to fail. It's okay to feel lonely. It's okay to not know who you are because you will know who you are eventually. It's very abstract...My advice would be to persevere in whatever ministry you are in. Don't give up. Seek the Lord even more. Find the truth in God rather than in men. Seek a mentor - this is the time where you have to find an older mentor, like a discipler. Can be a pastor or someone from your church. The main point is not trusting men but trusting in God - that would be the main thing for the entire transition from freshmen to sophomore.

b. Sophomores

Don't forget the incoming freshmen. Your job is to nurture the freshmen, to be there for them, to meet with them, to listen to their struggles, just be there for them. Let them know if they need anything, let them know you are there for them. I think CBS is a really nice place to do that. Don't forget that

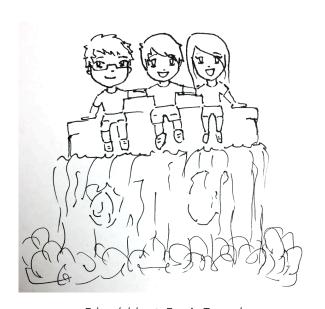
your tone, your culture, is the culture of CBS. Whatever little thing you do, that sets the tone of the entire CBS. Make sure to say "Hi" to people. Pray for people. If somebody is going through something, pray on the spot. That is a really good culture to have and that will also set the tone for CBS. Don't feel too pressured in meeting everyone. Junior year is hard. You're taking really hard classes. Don't feel too pressured in doing everything. Ministry-wise. Take your time. Don't say yes to everything. Put everything in prayer, for sure. Love one another, love God. Basically, build a community, set the tone, and love God.

c. Juniors

You made it. At that point, I think most seniors know what their strengths and weaknesses are and what they can and what they cannot do, what they want to do, what they don't want to do. But I think it's easy to be too comfortable, so you don't reach to the freshmen and the underclassmen. Seniors, use your time to meet with underclassmen, especially in passing on the baton to upcoming juniors. Good luck on job hunting, but God has something in store for you so be assured of that. You are not a failure. And if you have made it, congrats and help those who are searching for jobs.

d. CBS in general

Keep going at it. You are doing great. Make sure to love God to make CBS a God-centered fellowship instead of a social club. In every decision, rely on God and pray. Make sure to have prayer meetings for sure. That is the engine of CBS.



Friendship @ Ezra's Tunnel

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

How Rebecca and I were suffering a lot while we studied for Orgo in the Uris Cocktail Lounge. It was a painful experience, but I think it was very memorable because it helped us to grow in our reliance on God and realize that it doesn't matter how much you study, your grades are really in the hands of God. Before studying, you must pray. Also, Worthy. The Worthy concert is so great. It's a piece of Heaven on earth. God is doing wonderful works in Cornell and in Ithaca. Worthy showed me that God loves Ithaca, God loves Cornell.

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

Vlogging. ("Is that a hidden quirk? Meh it works"). Double-jointed fingers. I'm a boring person, that's my talent. If you talk to me, I'm going to talk to you about God.

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

Ezra's Cave. It reminds me of friendship.

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

Getting into medical school. Tuition money for Cornell. Friends. And receiving the power of the Holy Spirit.

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

Short-term plans: Go to medical school. Getting a girlfriend. Long-term plans: Going to theological seminary. Going back to Bolivia to help with the mission there.

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

I hate muffins. Telling the difference between a muffin and a baby and I would never eat muffins again.

What a blessing it has been to get to know DGCK1 in my first two years at Cornell. God has truly grown him and shaped him and given him such a heart and perseverance for furthering His kingdom. I'm so grateful for all the seeds of wisdom and cringe-worthy puns Dae Gun has shared. I'll give him an A for effort in his puns, though. Ask him about his purchase of an iPad if you want a sample, but don't say I didn't warn you.

-- Stephanie Deng '21

DAVID WU

hometown: LEXINGTON, MA

major: ECONOMICS

David and I met in PSB a few days before spring break. During our interview he savored a spinach and feta soup from Goldie's with four packs of oyster crackers (I counted). Although I share his zeal for oyster crackers, I settled on a salad. After agreeing that the French Dip Sandwich gave you the most for your money, we began the interview.

praise song: "To the Cross I Cling" or "Still" cornell class: Game Theory (ECON 2801)

study spot: That implies studying. I would say

the 1G folding table. On campus I

would say Sage.

place to eat: Terrace

movie/tv show: The Godfather.

asian snack: I really like Asian pears and nai you

bao (coconut cream buns)

music genre: Pop or whatever's on the radio is

fine with me.

cbs tradition: Valentine's Felly Dinner. Like yeah,

hosting felly dinner is a lot of work and it's kinda stressful, but it's nice to see all the classes come together and see the guys do something nice

for the girls and vice versa.

1. CBS is...

is an on campus Christian fellowship that seeks to help people know Christ and to grow in their relationship with Him. I feel like CBS differentiates itself in that it's a community of fellow brothers and sisters. Yeah, we're not perfect—we're still human, but as a whole it's still nice to live in that Christian community and to be encouraged by people with a similar set of values to you.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

I tried really hard to get good grades and find an internship, and when you put so much time into that stuff you also put your hope into it to sustain yourself. Once I got them, I initially was really happy, but later it still felt like there was a hole in my heart. God is the only thing that would bring lasting satisfaction. I knew it in my head, but to really understand it in my heart and truly believe was hard. Fast forwarding, I

went to CROSS. At a speaker event, the guy said "God may have given you the gift of a high paying job. The caveat is that money is tempting. But if you can handle that temptation, shouldn't you make money to use for God's purposes?" And that made more sense than just hoarding money for myself. That changed my life trajectory and goals.

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

a. Freshmen

Sophomore year is hard. Sophomore slump is a thing. As freshman people will cut you a lot of slack, whereas in sophomore year you start taking on more leadership positions, and it can be hard. Remember to be there for each other. But also, be aware that we're all still human. People will fail you—be able to forgive them for not being there for you. Also, keep in mind that God is always there for you. I've found that in the low points of my life, that's when God grew me a lot.

b. Sophomores

Continue to have grace for each other. In the dorms you have people to clean the trash and bathroom, but in an apartment all that is done by yourself. When you live with people it's really easy to see all their faults. Remember that we've sinned so much worse against God, and yet God still forgives us. Still try to have class prayer meetings. Also, some people will start serving a lot more in CBS or in FICCC youth. It's easy to get lost in the details, but you still need to remember the point of everything we do, which is to glorify God and grow closer to Him. And try not to get super burned out. It's important to remember to delegate work and not try to do everything yourself.

c. Juniors

I remember when the seniors graduated (in my high school fellowship), and I was like, "I don't know how to do anything! What do I do?" I think CBS tries to be better in that we try to pass down roles in ministry. As a senior, you're kind of expected to give back more and disciple the underclassmen, like being an older prayer partner or leading ministry. I think it's easy to be so focused on helping other people you forget your own spiritual growth. It's good to serve, but you also

need to feed yourself and part of that is supporting others in your class, especially the coordinators. They still have struggles and they still need support.

d. CBS in general

CBS will probably get smaller after the seniors graduate. There'll be a lot of uncertainty, but the core of what the fellowship offers is a community to support each other in our pursuit of God and walking closer with Him. Don't lose sight of that goal. Be flexible with whatever changes that happen. Trust that God will work for His purposes. If the Lord is not there, the builders strive in vain (Psalm 127:1). Sometimes what happens isn't what we think success looks like, but everything is for His glory. Sometimes we just can't see it at that moment.

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

We played Sheng ji [a Chinese card game] until 8am in Bethe, and then we were like, "Oh it's 8am! I guess we can get breakfast downstairs." *scrolls through a list he made beforehand* If I had to choose one, it'd be finally feeling God's love and grace. Yeah. Many good memories. And of course, the time I spent with Alexandra. [Nice save, David]

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

I don't know, like—I sway a lot, I move around a lot. My elbows are double jointed. *demonstrates* People think it's really weird.

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

Either PSB or Sage. PSB because it's a nice place to stop by between classes and hang out with people. I also really like Sage, because the atrium is lit. Like, well-lighted.



Anna, Helen, Phoebe and David playing Sheng Ji in Bethe at 8am in 2016.

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

I've talked about the whole getting closer to Him and understanding Him more, but more specifically... getting over sadness. In your low points you think, "Everything sucks, and my life is falling apart!" In those times I've found a lot of comfort from the Bible. "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, 'plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." (Jeremiah 29:11) The point is not that it'll be over soon, but that God still has a plan. God brings you through it.

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

Short term: travel. I haven't had a summer break for two years because of work. I would like to take some time off, travel with friends. Long term: I'm working at Optiver, which is a trading firm in Chicago. And going along the lines of what I learned at CROSS, trying to use the money I make for His glory. Strengthen the church, fund missionaries overseas, that type of stuff.

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

Classic CBS question. I have never been a girl, so I don't know if it's better, worse, or whatever. There's ambiguity about how that change is affected. Is it like Hulk and your clothes get ripped? That'd be weird. And with the baby, can you infer by context or can you really just not tell? I think it could be interesting to see what it's like being a girl—maybe find out it sucks and have more appreciation for our current gender. Eh. I'll go with the baby and muffin for now, just because I don't see babies that often and I don't eat muffins.

David finished his fourth pack of oyster crackers, and thus I concluded our interview. I only previously talked to David about the pros and cons of eating junk food, so I found our conversation to be a pleasant and interesting exchange. David has many granules of wisdom to share, and I appreciate his honesty, authenticity, and the thought that he puts into his answers. I pray that as David navigates life after college, he will continue to pursue God and bask in His everlasting love. Come back to visit!

-- Emily Kam '22



EVELYN SHAN

hometown: CARMEL, IN major: GOVERNMENT & HISTORY

Because I was late to our meetup at Rose and needed to go to UTea before 8pm, we were only able to finish our dinner at Rose before we had to go. Evelyn suggested that we do the interview at UTea, and so we did. It was a great interview experience with good tea and even better company.

praise song: Unashamed

cornell class: Post-colonial Theory study spot: Temple of Zeus

place to eat: Statler movie/tv show: This Is Us

asian snack: 大白兔奶糖 White Rabbit

music genre: Indie

cbs tradition: Service Marketplace

1. CBS is...

a growing family, a community of people who wouldn't necessarily be drawn to each other in other contexts, who are not necessarily equipped to serve and love each other, and who have different backgrounds, different needs and different stories. But it's also a family that is able to grow and work solely because it's a community knit together by God's love and grace.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

God has brought me out of myself. Coming in, my frame of reference was to perceive things in a way that was centered on me, focused on me and serving me. That's so easy even when we are serving other people; it's easy even then to be preoccupied or be overly dependent on my own understanding or perception of things or my wisdom. Throughout the past years, God has just been continuously breaking that down, breaking down self-reliance, self-efficiency and packages that come in. God has used that shift and different circumstances to cover parts of my pride with humility that has stretched into every part of my life, whether it's academics, ministry, or the way that I interact with people. Of course, I'm still learning and there are so many more places to grow, but when I think back on this continuous journey, it's been liberating in a lot of ways. In many ways, I've seen how ill-equipped we are and how fully God equips us.

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

a. Freshmen

Continue to strive to know God and to cling to the relationship with Him. During the first couple of semesters, so many things are new, and novelty is refreshing and can be full of joy, but if the novelty wears off in different parts of your life, don't be discouraged by that. The relationship with God is steadfast and completely dependable while your perception of other things changes.

b. Sophomores

Two things. One is to continue to dream big and the other is to have grace for one another. Being in such a large group of people who are different from each other in a lot of ways, I think you have a lot of love for one another and joy in relationships that are being built and strengthened. So, this is an encouragement to continue to pursue that and to enjoy the fruits of fellowship. But I also encourage you to pursue grace. Sometimes there are different expectations, things that come up or different needs, and I think in those little gaps being generous with grace is what allows your class to stay knit together and to continue to grow.

c. Juniors

Do not lose heart. Your class is different and non-traditional in many ways and maybe sometimes the differences are all that you can see, but don't let your expectations of community, serving or being a senior be only shaped by what you have seen in the past. I think God is willing and able to work in so many ways in your class however small it is. And trust His plan and His power.

d. CBS in general

Pursue growth. It's easy to be comfortable with where you are now, what you are doing, who you are spending time with and how much you know God. But when we are complacent or stagnant, I think it becomes easy to be content with the ways in which we are not fully glorifying God in what we are doing. And don't forget that God's Lordship does affect every part of our lives and our identity.

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

That's really difficult. I remember very little about the past four years but let me try.

One time after some felly dinner - I don't remember which one - we were all in 1G with a bunch of people in my class and maybe some other people, I don't remember. For some reason, we ended up sharing about different parts of ourselves, things we liked and didn't like in ourselves, which turned into an affirmation circle, which turned into everyone stacking stuffed animals on Anna's head, which turned into selfies with Anna with stuffed animals.

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

I can sleep through more than one hour of alarms.

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

The lobby of the Johnson Museum. It brings me peace. I go to the museum when I'm sad.

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

"To fill me with wonder at His word."

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

Short-term: I am doing Teach For America in Mississippi. I've been placed in elementary and a lot of details are still forthcoming, but many things are gonna be different from what I'm familiar with.

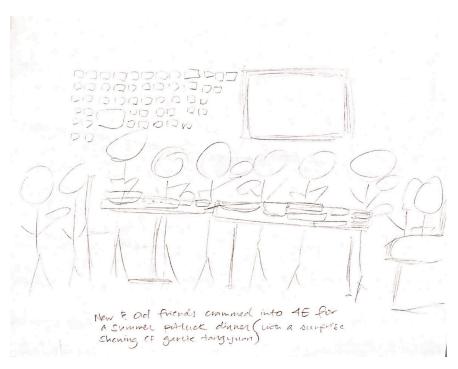
Long-term: A lot less certain and up in the air. There are different paths that I can take, but regardless I'm looking forward to the communities that God will place me in and equip me to serve.

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

Not be able to tell the difference between a muffin and a baby. I don't sneeze that often. What if I sneeze once in the next five months?

I sincerely praise God for how He has been working in Evelyn, how much He has taught her and how she has been striving to pursue more of Him through knowing Him more and serving in communities around her. I will miss her funniness, thoughtfulness, humility and love, but I also look forward to seeing how God will place her in communities where she will continue to serve Him and brothers and sisters in Christ.

-- Lucy Lu '21



New & Old friends crammed into 4E for a summer potluck dinner (with a surprise showing of garlic tangyuan)



FELIX YANG

hometown: BROOKLYN, NY major: ENVIRONMENTAL ENG.

This was the first time I grabbed a meal with Felix, and the third time I've actually conversed with him, so thank you BoL for giving me the chance to intentionally meet with him. Before we started the interview at Mac's, which like always is super busy and loud, we talked about our hometown and I found out, excitedly, that we were neighbors, only separated by several streets. To my chagrin, Felix was quite nonchalant about this revelation, but it made me very eager to get started with the interview and learn more about Felix.

praise song: Mighty and Saved

cornell class: That's a great question. Can I give

more than one answer? AguaClara

and Spanish 1220 (I think)

study spot: Uris Cocktail Lounge

place to eat: Ivy Room on campus; Saigon Kitchen

off campus

movie/tv show: I don't know. Let's just go with Blade

Runner

asian snack: Does mochi count as a snack?

(Shrugs) I quess wasabi peas.

music genre: Alt. Rock or Punk Rock

cbs tradition: I don't know what our traditions are.

Does Winter Retreat count as a

tradition?

1. CBS is...

like home. Home in a way that everyone there wants the best for you and is willing to support you when you aren't at your best.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

I think God has put me in a place where I am humble enough to see that Christ really did die for my sins. Before I just saw God as some sort of reliable friend, which he is, but I never realized the significance of his sacrifice until I condemned my own actions, and this is something I haven't done until college started. Like, I really only started to realize the errors of my ways and the necessity of Christ's sacrifice in college. I became Christian at 17, right before college, so my whole time being Christian and in relationship with Christ is completely contained in college.

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

a. Freshmen

There are two ways of acquiring wisdom: one is making mistakes and learning for yourself, and two is following the Word. Both are necessary but try to do the latter to avoid unnecessary suffering.

b. Sophomores

Enjoy school while you can. You're already half-way done.

c. Juniors

Remember to spend time in fellowship. You're even more pressed for time than the sophomores are.

d. CBS in general

Continue to glorify God in all that you do, and you can't go wrong.

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

The fleeting moments when I remember how grateful I am to God and also to all the friends that I've made at Cornell.

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

I don't know if anything's hidden. (How about a quirk/talent you are most proud of, or one that people often get surprised from?) I don't know if I hide any quirks. Cooking, writing, singing are all talents that are very visible and that I tell people about. Wait, I guess a quirk is that I sometimes say dumb jokes, and no one laughs, but they are so subtle it can get pushed under the rug and it seems like no one noticed my dumb joke.

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

Makes intricate hand motions Part of the slope where there is a railing and there are benches.

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

I often ask for wisdom, and I think God has answered that and continues to answer that.

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

Pay off my student debts, and probably work to uplift the poor. As a global vision, not just in America, even though inequality is still a big issue here.

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

That is a really weird question. I'll do when I will not be able to tell the difference between a muffin and a baby, because I'm not really around either. Wait, I got the question wrong. (Repeats question) Nevermind, I change my answer to change gender every time I sneeze and will try to stay as healthy as possible. (Why'd you change?) I'll eventually have my own children.

We ended our conversation talking about his plans when going back to NYC for work. I am so happy that God has answered his prayers and has willed him a job back home, where he can do something that's been on his mind for a while: sharing his testimony and faith to his family members. Hearing about His missional and loving heart for his family, I am once again amazed at Felix's faith in and passion for God. I pray that he will continue to discover the plans that God has for him and that he will approach it humbly, continuing to rely on God as he always has. Felix, we should meet up more.

-- Jessica Yuen '21



During my 1st Math 1910 Prelim in which I got a 33% uncurved Speech Bubble: Do I really want to be an engineer? Maybe I should switch to Creative Writing

GABBY WAN

hometown: SINGAPORE major: PSYCHOLOGY

I was so excited/nervous about this interview that I left my inclass prelim early to meet Gabby at the Willard Straight Hall lobby, and we headed over to good ol' okies to grab a meal together. After being swiped in by the Happy Dave, we sat down and explored the intricacies of Singlish, Hokkien, Taiwanese and Cantonese (We probably should have been linguistic majors tbh). We eventually finished our food and started our interview.

praise song: Lord | Need You

cornell class: Oh my gosh there's so many to

choose from... HD2800 Human Brain

and Mind

study spot: Home.. My room

place to eat: Kokos movie/tv show: House

asian snack: I don't know what they're called...

white cartwheel things? (googles)

Potato wheels

music genre: Why are these questions so hard?

Anything I can sing along

cbs tradition: Felly Dinner

1. CBS is...

a home away from home. Where I found a lot of good Christian friends who can encourage me along the way, worship God together and run alongside with in the journey of faith. Where I can see God's work.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

Umm... I have a story about this one... College for me can be divided into two parts - Pre Cornell and Cornell. For the first two years, there was a very transactional relationship with God... I believed he was real and almighty and prefect, but Christianity was just a part of my identity and not who I was. But in Cornell... after coming to Cornell, there was a shift in my focus, and I discovered what it means to be Christian... what it means to be a follower of Christ in learning how to love God and discover what he really means to me. Now it is no longer transactional but a relationship that grows more personal each day and that is fully covered by the grace of God... That's a gross simplification of it but I think I said most

of the gist.

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

a. Freshmen

This is a challenging one... so many things I can say... I guess with Cornell being such a competitive place, to go beyond just your grades to think about the deeper purpose of why God has placed you here, even though it's hard for the moment (for some). Really try to be intentional with the way you spend your time. Think about what it really means for the glory of God (ie, not skipping class to the best of your abilities) [Editor's note: I feel really targeted], but really seeking to live out your life in a way to reflect God's glory, even in your studies. And even if you do badly, Cornell is really hard, don't be discouraged, remember your life is in God's hands and that his ways are perfect. We own him and trust in him.

b. Sophomores

I should have saved some for them... (very long pause lol) Now that you're in sophomore junior year, a lot more things will be fighting for your attention. I guess the challenge would be to really remain focused on God... while it's good to be involved in many ways on campus and do the things you want to do, make sure you're still setting time aside to spend on God, because that is most important. Now that there's freshman under you, seek to be examples for them and also relatable at the same time. We all struggle and sometimes the freshman might need to hear that they're not alone.

c. Juniors

Strive for wisdom...There are a lot of big decisions that you need to make once you become a senior... applying for jobs, whether you need to continue for grad school, etc.. but importantly as you wait on the Lord, trust in him and focus on him. Also seek for his wisdom in the choices that you make. Consider what is good and what is excellent (which is in a bible verse that I don't remember) and look at the.. What is it called? Choices? That you have to make as opportunities to deepen your relationship with God.

d. CBS in general

We all come from very different backgrounds, different

upbringings and different church experiences (or lack thereof) but importantly we are all brothers and sisters in chirst. Above all remember to always exercise love and grace to each other, to encourage one another edify one another. Support each other with Christ as the center of your friendships.

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

Teaching Sunday school? Does that count? I interned at a special needs preschool in sophomore year? That was really fun. Probably any memories that have to do with children to be honest.

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

- Can drink more than one cup of boba per day?
- Sucks at falling asleep but wakes up easily? Does that make sense? I feel that this is not a very relatable college trait.
- I think I can count from one to ten in different languages.. (mutters some incomprehensible language while counting her fingers)... well I guess I can count from one to eight in different languages, so I guess I know eight languages? I'll think of what nine and ten are later. Oh Spanish! Nine. Yes. I can count in nine languages. I think that's good enough.

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

Mann library. 2nd floor. Check it out. Thank me later.

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

So many... I think most evidently is for him to draw me nearer to him.

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

Short term plan.. Go back to Singapore and find a job? Is that a plan? Is that a short-term thing? What's a long-term plan? I don't think I have a long-term plan... I can't think of anything right now.

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

Oh my gosh... Change gender.... but I sneeze a lot ... but I don't want to eat a baby so change gender it is.

Halfway through the interview, my loaner computer hanged and I had to scribe everything Gabby said on paper (thanks Ray). But the interview still went on, and we had so much fun that by the time we were finished it was way past the closing time of Okies, and only then did I realize that we were probably the only people still lingering in the dining hall. And while Gabby struggled a lot with the "deeper" questions of the interview, the fact that she took her time in framing the questions shows how much thought she puts into it and how genuine her answers must be. Good luck to her in Singapore and may God guide her through any uncertainties that the future may bring!

-- Attilus Leung '22



Thank you for every new good morning!

HELEN SUN

hometown: LUTHERVILLE, MD

major: CS

Helen and I met the day before the BoL interview deadlines. Despite cutting it (a bit) close, God blessed us with wonderful weather (Spring is just around the corner), good food at Macs (peep Helen's flatbread - basically a bougie pizza), and fun conversation. We sat down to chow and Helen opened us in prayer, the following is what ensued...

praise song: Captain and Alabaster Jar

cornell class: If PE counts: Sailing. If not: Human

Perception

study spot: Starbucks

place to eat: On campus: Terrace. Off campus:

Kimbap from SoPoong or Jjamppong

from Gangnam.

movie/tv show: Recently binged The Office (finished

in 2 weeks)

asian snack: Seaweed

music genre: EDM (*cackles*), Praise music,

and Generic pop

cbs tradition: Felly Dinners and exchanging gifts

there

1. CBS is...

a community that is dependable and reliable in pointing you back to the right direction. We learn from one another and are like family because we just happen to live together. It has been a big part of my college career. I joined it basically the second week of college and I have been in it ever since. It is a community of people who love Jesus and with our mission - to know Christ and make Him known. CBS is great.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

I'm not the most introspective person so I don't really reflect on these things a lot. I think God has made me a more open person. I have been more willing to share things with other people. He's definitely made me want to read the Bible more. I'm still not good with consistent reading but I'm trying with my prayer partner. Baby steps (laughs). He has made me rely on my academics a lot less which has been humbling. I came in expecting to get straight As, that clearly did not happen. He has shown me that I can trust Him even when things are going wrong. Even if I do my best, it's not gonna mean anything

unless I give it over to God.

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

a. Freshmen

Don't worry about stuff.

b. Sophomores

Who are sophomores? Are they David or Alicia's class - right? Sometimes I get the juniors and sophomores mixed up. (ARE YOU WRITING THIS?). I guess a lot of sophomores go through a slump. I'll say to look forward to junior year. Should I be giving better advice? I guess I'm not the best person to give advice because I don't have my life together.

c. Juniors

Don't push things you want to do back to senior year. The one thing I really wanted to do was swimming in the Gorges, but I kept pushing it back and I forgot about it. Enjoy Cornell cause you're more than halfway done.

d. CBS in general

Keep trusting in God and following His mission. I know some people have concerns of the future of the fellowship. I know that God is faithful through it all and He will lead the fellowship in the direction that He wants to go.

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

(Clutches head) I don't remember things (cries). I just live in the moment, man. Give me like five minutes.

(five minutes later)

I can list a couple. Going to Ezra's tunnel, sledding down the slope, that was fun too. We were there for like four hours, I'm exaggerating, not really that long. I really like going on trips with friends - that is something you really do only in college.

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

I don't hide any of my quirks. I can burp on cue. I can tie cherry stems in knots with my mouth. I can do this (makes weird tongue shape that creeps me out). I don't really have any hidden things...

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

Willard Straight reading library for napping. That purple sofa is the best.

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

I was worried I would have no friends, and so He gave me friends. I was worried that my social awkwardness would push everyone away, I guess some people didn't mind. I feel like my prayer requests are pretty practical, not really spiritual. I think He has answered my prayer to get through college (almost), gets a job, staying alive. Yep, that's about it - oh also, I always prayed to want to read the Bible more. Now, I do want to read the Bible more - but I'm still not really good at it.

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

Short Term: I want to do an Asia trip. Hopefully with friends, I don't know anyone that wants to go yet. I want to go home and see my dog and my family.

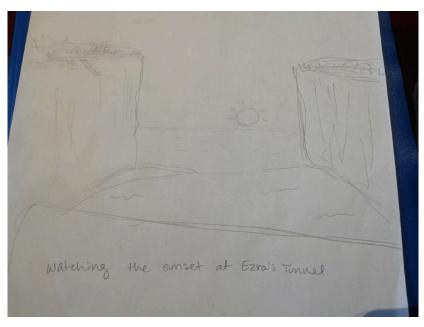
Long Term: Moving to Seattle, working. Like I said, I live in the moment so if you want even longer term (more than two months), - I don't know I don't really have plans after that. I want to work on a startup. Ideally, a decade down the line, I want to own my own startup, even if I have no business experience. I once tried to do the business minor, but I failed it.

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

I've heard this one so many times. Probably the baby muffin thing, I don't really like either really much so it's fine.

Talking to Helen was as refreshing as the Springtime air (even if it was ~45 degrees that past few days). She is always full of joy and laughter in all her responses. I know that God is making the path of life known to her as she graduates and goes forth into the world (+ Seattle).

-- Raymond Zhang '20



Watching the sunset at Ezra's Tunnel

JAMIE WONG

hometown: CUPERTINO, CA major: ORIE, MINOR IN SADNESS

Hillo, Interview 2: Electric Boogaloo. I showed up like 10 minutes late bc they were selling bubble tea in WSH. When I arrived at Terrace Jamie already had food, so I ran to buy some yogurt, and then began the interview.

praise song: cornell class: Man of Sorrows
Optimization 2

study spot: place to eat: movie/tv show: Starbucks
So poong

movie/tv show: asian snack:

Criminal Minds

music genre: cbs tradition:

Indie rock Eddygate

Pocky

1. CBS is...

a community of friends who are believers.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

How to have peace in stressful times. I used to have sleep problems before and after exams. So, in junior year, I prayed for God to help me with these issues and now I don't have sleep problems. God also put on my heart to seek forgiveness.

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

a. Freshmen

Try new things, keep an open mind. Don't be scared of what the future holds. Try to embrace your time here at Cornell because it'll go by really fast and you don't want to miss out. You aren't going to remember the times you studied or the times you failed a test, so try to say "yes" to opportunities to have fun.

b. Sophomores

Don't overload yourself with work. Sophomore year is a big jump from freshman year in terms of the difficulty of your courses, so listen to your upperclassmen who tell you to not take 6 courses. You'll thank me later.

c. Juniors

Go to class. Don't be so caught up in your leadership roles in CBS. When people are in leadership roles in CBS, I feel like they focus so much on numbers but just try to enjoy the community.

d. CBS in general

Sometimes you think that your work isn't coming to fruition, but God will handle it, don't be so hard on yourself.

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

Staying over the summer. Lucie made me a green tea cake from scratch, but she accidently used oregano olive oil, so it turned into oregano cake.

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

I have tendonitis.

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

Rhodes. Starbucks. Sage. Ok next.

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

The ability to sleep at night.

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

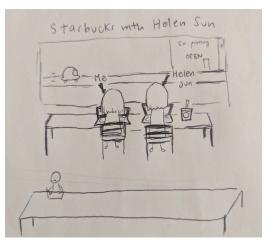
Short term: stay another semester Long term: move to California

9. Would you rather change gender every time you sneeze or not be able to tell the difference between a muffin and a baby? Change gender. You can understand how both genders feel. I feel

like that's difficult. Causes a lot of problems.

I enjoyed speaking with Jamie, good to get out and talk to engineers every now and then. I look forward to maybe seeing her around campus this final semester (even though I never leave Ives).

-- David Tse '21



Watching the sunset at Ezra's Tunnel



JEFFREY HUANG

hometown: BERWYN, PA major: ENGINEERING PHYSICS

Jeff interviewed me for BoL last year, when I was a firstsemester freshman. Upon special request, I conducted his second-semester senior interview. Both times, we went to Terrace. Both times, we got burritos. We have come full-circle.

Grace Alone

cornell class: Either Intro to Lasers or

Experimental Astronomy

study spot: Other people's apartments

place to eat: Terrace

praise song:

movie/tv show: Lord of the Rings

asian snack: 旺旺雪饼 (they're like glazed

crackers)

music genre: A cappella music cbs tradition: Class prayer meetings

1. CBS is...

a collection of sinners. We might look fine on the outside, but none of us have it together. But we're trying to love each other and point each other toward Christ.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

I think coming into Cornell, I was kind of aimless. I knew that there were idols in my life - academics or hobbies I had, like math, that kind of distanced me from God. I think God has been gradually opening up my eyes to the importance of community. Back in the day, I would say that the word "love" wasn't even in my vocabulary; I wasn't sure what that meant. Throughout these past four years, God has been teaching me about what it means to love people like Jesus did. I would also say that God has quieted some of the doubts I had about what the Bible says, and God's existence, etc.

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

a. Freshmen

Jeff: Oh, we're going by class here aren't we?

Kevin: Yes, we are.

Jeff: Sophomore slump is real. Classes are gonna get harder and you're gonna drift apart. So continue to be meeting with and praying with/for one another.

b. Sophomores

Jesus talks about ask, seek, and knock. So just persevere in seeking God and knowing Him, and He will reveal Himself to you.

c. Juniors

Juniors - you are going to be the leaders of the fellowship. Be sure to set a good example, lean on one another for support, and don't forget to keep growing! Ask older disciplers for help.

d. CBS in general

Don't feel constrained by the traditions that you see in your years of CBS. The times are a'changing. The important thing is to be studying the Bible and praying with one another. Try to fully grasp what it means to live as a community of believers. We're not just defined by our Felly Dinners.

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

Back in my freshman year, there was a time when I went with my Bible study (Justin Lin and Myung) to a graveyard after dark, and we had a good talk.

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

I haven't done this much lately, but I like to draw and doodle things.

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

Space Sciences Building Room 622. It's like a big conference room, and there's this gigantic photograph of the planet Saturn on one of the walls. On the other side of the room, there's a large wraparound window where you got this great view of Cayuga Lake to Art Museum to PSB to the High Rises. I had two classes in there.

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

At times I've struggled with feelings of loneliness. I was always asking God, "how do I make friends?", "to whom do I talk to?". I don't think God has given me the tight-knit friend group that I wanted. Nevertheless, He has blessed me with

people around me who support me and who I've gotten to know better.

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

Short-term plans: going to the University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign to pursue a Ph.D. in Materials Science and Engineering.

Long-term plans: not too sure. I don't know where God is calling me. We shall see.

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

Jeff: That again? Kevin: "That again?"

Jeff: *nods in confirmation

Jeff: the first one. Less dangerous. I mean, think about it. If you can't tell the difference between a muffin and a baby, you might take a bite out of a baby. That would be terrible! If you just changed genders, it's just awkward, but nobody's life is in danger.

Jeff talked briefly about his first-semester freshman interview (with the older Jeff Huang). One college career later, I read over his freshman fall interview for closure. His heart to serve in CBS and his role as coordinator show that he has grown spiritually, and that he has centered his life around God during his four years here. He has accomplished so many of the goals he set out for, and I'm sure he will continue to achieve so much more and to grow even more in his relationship with God.

-- Kevin Hu '21



before praise team practice

hometown: ST. PAUL, MN major: GOVERNMENT & ECONOMICS

"My senior is interviewing me for my senior bol LOL" was Ji-Won's first response when she first found out that I will be interviewing her. For nostalgia effect, I thought that we could go to Ivy Room. But spring break thwarted our plans (we found out Ivy Room was closed), so I suggested Alladin's instead. Our struggle to meet didn't end there; Ji-Won was waiting for me in CTB because she thought I'd be coming from work, but I was actually coming from home, so I went straight to Aladdin's without telling her. And we both waited for each other. It took us a good amount of time to figure out what was happening, but we finally saw each other. After we started eating, I decided to pull off my multi-tasking skills to interview, type, and eat at the same time.

praise song: Alabaster Jar

cornell class: From Zen to Jpop. "There's even an

emoji in the course title, it's on my

transcript whoo".

study spot: Kroch library, because it's less

depressing than the stacks.

place to eat: Temple of Zeus. Also, SPROUTS, they

have alfalfa sprouts in their

sandwiches.

movie/tv show: Kim's Convenience

asian snack: Jo chung u gua. It's like Korean

Cheetos. But it's not actually, it's puffed rice dipped in honey, which is

probably just syrup.

music genre: R&B lately.

cbs tradition: Shengji. I feel honored to have been

part of that tradition.

1. CBS is...

everyone's going to say family, so I won't say that. I'll say CBS is where I found Christ.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

He made me a Christian which is pretty cool haha. I came to Cornell wondering or asking myself "why me?" Why a random Asian girl from the woods was here. I didn't know my purpose, but now it's becoming clear. Though it's broad, my purpose is to glorify God in all I do. I'm understanding how God ties in

with my academics, friendship, and broader vision for my life. I didn't expect to obtain my purpose here. I think a singular purpose in a secular word is not common; most people have goals to accomplish. But after they accomplish those goals, they would move on to the next set of goals. But what I found is a singular purpose that's enduring, and there is a deep joy being able to find that.

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

a. Freshmen

I want you to cherish the fellowship you have with each other and for you to see each other as Christ sees you. I also want the freshmen to take ownership of their faith, meaning that you should evaluate or re-evaluate the sacrifice that you have to make to follow Jesus. You shouldn't walk in their faith as if it's a given or to do it just because you're used to it. Also say 'yeet' less aka to Attilus.

b. Sophomores

'OOOOHH' (excitement). I want you to love the entire fellowship sacrificially and to grow your own personal ministry, especially because you might have to support people who are older and younger than yourself. It's also important to see the fellowship beyond the friendship aspect, meaning I want you to bear each other's burdens. Serving one another should be done because there is some gain for yourself or only when it leads to a good time or feeling. In other words, do not be partial in who you choose to love. I want you to learn how to serve out of joy rather than because of expectations. And definitely don't forget the people in your class who are not at Cornell campus either for co-op or other reasons.

c. Juniors

I don't want you to be discouraged by your small size. Some of you might feel that you're not the most unified class, but this shouldn't and isn't a barrier to love one another and to grow in your own walks. I want you to enjoy the relationships that you guys have and to not be impeded by expectations.

d. CBS in general

(As outreach coordinator) I want CBS to develop a heart for evangelism and to grow their own personal outreach ministry.

I want people in CBS to have the love of Christ radiate outwards rather than contained within such a small group of people. In some sense, I want people to realize the privilege that they have and to utilize it for God's good purpose (warning: this last sentence was paraphrased because we both struggled with articulating it during the interview).

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

I'm recalling the day that I got baptized. I remember seeing so many of CBS walked in, even though some people didn't know I was getting baptized. I was so grateful, especially because I didn't have my family there and I didn't have all of my family's support in getting baptized. Oh I'm getting emotional (:'(). I was able to profess my faith to people I love, and people I didn't know loved me. Coming from a small family, with a single parent, and having my family so far away, I had a deep longing for a family. Then I realized, seeing all the people who made it to the baptism, that I can call them family.

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

I can make a 3-leaf clover with my tongue. I can also wiggle all my teeth, but I guess that's not a hidden quirk; it's more probably something I have to go to a dentist for.

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

On the slope, between McGraw and Morrill Hall, there's a stone bench that I like to go to. When you skip class, you can take naps and think about deep stuff there. I also like to go to the balcony at Klarman Hall, when the weather gets nicer.

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

I literally was just thinking about this, but I forgot already. OH, I remember, which is a good thing because I feel like whatever I say otherwise won't be as good. During sophomore year, during the Light event, we were paired up to do evangelism on campus. I was paired up with this girl and we went to RPCC. She was obviously a lot more experienced and she was telling me that you can ask the Spirit to intercede, to give you boldness, and the words to speak. But I remember my heart was pounding and I was so fearful. But overtime, God has answered my prayers in this area in multiple ways. I realize that I was able to share the gospel with my fellow interns. Even talking to people in Willard Straight for CBS tabling; I never thought it'd feel so normal and for it to be such a joyful thing.

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

Short term, I'll be moving to NYC to work in an economic consulting firm in Westchester. After 5 years or so (that's long term right), I'll probably go to graduate school for public policy. I want to utilize this passion that God has given me since I was a teenager to care for those who are systematically underprivileged.

"Why 5 years?"

Oh, because that's when GRE scores expire haha

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

I probably wouldn't mind changing my gender. At least it'll give me an appreciation for the male gender, and I don't think that'll hurt anyone. I eat too many muffins, it's risky. Can God forgive you for eating a baby?

Our interview concluded with Ji-Won's extremely serious attempt to draw Klarman Hall properly for her picture. She was so serious that our waitress had to passive-aggressively asked us to pay the bill. As Ji-Won reflected on her journey at Cornell, I was reflecting on my own memories of Ji-Won when she was a freshman too. God really has great plans for all His children, and I'm glad to have known Ji-Won as a freshman and now as a senior. How much you've grown, and how much God has accomplished through you. Your journey probably exceeded both of our expectations haha and I'm very glad it did. I hope you continue to be a BOLD (channel that Baltimore spirit) witness to the Kingdom of God wherever you go next. Yeet

-- Felicia Setiono '16



I haven't done anything interesting since this...

JOSHUA YING

hometown: PLANO, TX

major: CS

I arrive at Terrace ready to eat with CBS' resident music master and find him on the line for a burrito. I tell him where I have put my bag and jacket and hop onto the quesadilla line myself. Fifteen minutes later I arrive at my table, which for some reason does not have a Josh there. I look around and find him calmly sitting at a different table across someone else's bag. We quickly move him to my table and awkward situation is successfully averted. He proceeded to open his burrito and eat the insides with a fork (:thinkingface:). After getting a chance to catch up on and learn more about each other, we began the interview.

cornell class: Grad Algo. CS6820. study spot: *eats burrito* E-hub.

place to eat: Nowhere?

movie/tv show: *chews* Sorry this is gonna take a while.

looks into distance Uhhh Spirited Away

asian snack: Snacc with two c's? Nian nian. The bread sticks with the... *hand motions dipping

bread in something* Hi-chew.

music genre: Jazz

cbs tradition: Uhh Men's time?

1. CBS is...

Chinese Bible Study.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

He has changed me by making me more able to help people and more willing to help people. He's instilled me with a drive to alleviate the struggles in others that I have personally struggled with.

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

a. Freshmen

Grades don't matter. *laughs* Yep. That's it.

b. Sophomores

thinks Probably grades don't matter again.

c. Juniors

Oh, in that case I should make different answers. Can I just put grades don't matter for all four years?

d. CBS in general

I would have some ideological things to say but maybe that's not appropriate. The things that CBS does is invaluable and there are probably a lot of people in college who needed to join, I guess. Can I come back to this? [Alice: yeah] *Note: we never came back*

4. What is (one of) your favorite memory of your college career? Doing the guys' rap in sophomore year. That was sophomore year, right? Yeah. I realized my true calling as a hard rapper. *head bops*

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

Hmm I don't know. I don't have any. Wait. I can do mediocre on an exam after studying for an average amount of time. I don't know.

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

Libe Cafe facing the Arts Quad. Like the tall desks that are facing the Arts Quad. Because it's cool. [Alice: do you study there a lot?] Yeah.

- 7. What is a prayer that God has answered in the past four years? Not being homeless after college. Or jobless, I guess.
- **8.** What are your short-term and long-term plans after graduation? Short-term is to work in NYC as a code monkey. A programmer. Long-term is to grab one of them PhDs.
- 9. Would you rather change gender every time you sneeze or not be able to tell the difference between a muffin and a baby?

laughs Uhh oh geez. Genders. [Alice: why?] I'm already a little bit feminine so it wouldn't be that much of a stretch.

What a lovely time and I'm so glad to have had this opportunity to get to know Josh more. After he finished his burrito insides (btw he did not eating the wrap itself. Idk. I'm confused too), we go our separate ways. I'm so encouraged to hear about his experiences in



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college and how God has shaped him in so many different ways to seek after and know Him more. I pray that as Josh continues to walk with God beyond Cornell, whether as a code monkey or PhDgrabber, he would find more and more strength, wonder, and beauty from what God has to show him every step of the way.

-- Alice Zhao '20

KEVIN GAO

hometown: CARY, NC

major: CS

Kevin and I had first planned to meet at Libe, but upon arriving I quickly realized there were no seats (silly me, I should have known) and settled at Cafe Jennie instead. I was working on my Korean homework when I felt Kevin's calm and composed presence enter the cafe (ie. I saw him out of the corner of my eye). He looked at my homework and asked, "Korean?" and I replied, "yes." It was a great start to our time together. I had heard a lot about Kevin from Wesley, who always seems to be messaging him, and I was excited to get to know K. Gao.

praise song: There's too many... I probably have a

different one every month or so.

Maybe "To the Cross" right now.

cornell class: Human Bonding. It is interesting. I've

learned a lot about social dynamics.

study spot: Home; 2E

place to eat: In Ithaca... probably DiBella's movie/tv show: Dang it. I don't have a favorite

movie, but I'd say favorite TV show is

probably Heroes. (Me: What's it about) It's about superheroes...

asian snack: Probably mochi

music genre: That also changes all the time. Right

now, I would probably say chill stuff.

cbs tradition: Service marketplace

1. CBS is...

too big for anyone to handle.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

I really didn't have much of a personal relationship before coming to college, and I think before I didn't actually really care about growing in faith but since freshman year, God has just put a lot of people in my life that have guided me and steered me towards learning more about him and how to develop that relationship with him. He's also showed me how to live a life centered around him more.

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

a. Freshmen

College is gonna suck in the next couple of years but don't give up. It's a very short period of time and for anyone who

truly believes that God is their savior and highest priority in life then no matter how bad everything else seems around you, you always have God as a stabling factor in your life to get through the hard times.

b. Sophomores

I would say keep all your brothers and sisters close to you. Again, like I said it gets harder as you get older and move up in college. I hope that people don't get too easily discouraged by their circumstances and you might discover new things about college that you didn't have to think about before but now they have to think about it more. I hope they find people that they can rely on to help them through. Also, learn to take things easy and not to always rush into things because I know a lot of people have passion and fire for stuff, but learn to take it slow and not to take on too much.

c. Juniors

Yay! Congrats! They did it. They made it this far already so that's a good step. There's not many of them but, I guess I would say to keep doing what they're doing right now because I think that despite their lack of numbers, they are still able to keep everything together and help out with CBS. I pray that they continue to encourage each other and be there for each other when they need it the most.

d. CBS in general

It is okay to randomly message people. Don't ever think that people are too busy and that they don't have time for you.

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

I remember sophomore year during one of our large groups Charlie, the coordinator, had his head completely shaved and that same large group he did a talk and very very dramatically took off his beanie and showed that he had his head shaved completely. That was pretty funny.

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

I'm not that talented... I guess most people don't know that I do fingerstyle guitar. I guess I didn't do it much before college, but just coming into college it all of a sudden became a

much more interesting thing to do.

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

PSB, let's go with that

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

That my sister would come to Christ

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

Short term plans... probably find a job or decide if I want to continue with school.

I guess long term would be to eventually find a place that has a very strong Christian community and a good church I can attend. I think that's important in choosing locations.

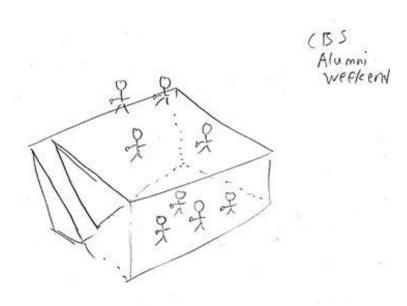
9. Would you rather change gender every time you sneeze or not be able to tell the difference between a muffin and a baby?

What the. What kind of question is that.

I would not want to bite babies. I think that would be gross, so unfortunately, I'll have to go with the sneezing one.

After our interview, Kevin and I had a short conversation in which I found out that his first class on Mondays are not until after 1:00 pm, which sounded amazing to me. With that, he was off to grab lunch before class. I think this was the first extended conversation I had with Kevin, and I was glad to be able to learn a little more about him before he graduates. It was a great encouragement to hear about how God has worked in his life since freshman year. However, his short term plans post-graduation play out, I pray that he will always find comfort in knowing that God is in control and that he finds the encouraging Christian community he is looking for. Kevin, may God bless you as you continue to seek him and serve him, however and wherever that may be!

-- Emily Jacobsson '22



CBS Alumni Weekend

Note: This is a different memorable moment at Cornell than the one mentioned above because Kevin thought it would be weird to draw a bald man and I respect his decision.

LAUREN KAM

hometown: BURLINGAME, CA major: ASIAN STUDIES

As I walk into Trillium on an increasingly frequent sunny day, I feel like today consisted of a lot of firsts. Having never had a whole lot of conversation with Lauren before, and actually never gone to Trillium, I wondered what the day had in store for me.

praise song: Shout to the Lord

cornell class: BIOG: Introduction to Comparative

Anatomy and Physiology

study spot: PSB upstairs, not the basic part, 3-4th

floor chem labs

place to eat: Terrace

movie/tv show: Spirited Away

asian snack: Ngau Lei Sou (Sweet Cantonese

Donut)

music genre: Classical

cbs tradition: BoL

1. CBS is...

is a family, a community where brothers and sisters can live, encourage, and grow with each other towards Christ. My whole life, I live with them and do four things with them a week, it honestly takes up more time than anything I do here.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

Be more reliant on him, coming into college I never had the feeling of knowing what it was like to trust God with school, I never thought of academics as something to trust God with or significant enough with him. God has taught me that he is a part of my life no matter what I am doing, whether it is studying or talking to a friend. He's really broken that self-reliance that I thought I had and shown me how much I need him; I think he'll continue to show me that after I graduate.

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

a. Freshmen

Encourage them to grow closer, keep having prayer meetings, get ready for sophomore year! Maintain that level of closeness and seek help from upperclassmen for whatever you need. It's easy to attempt to put your head down and try to do everything yourself but reach out to that community and stay with them.

b. Sophomores

I know it'll be weird with our seniors gone, and you'll be the biggest class. A lot of the weight might fall on you guys to show up to events, but I'd say just continue to be faithful in their walks with God. But also, don't worry about doing too much, know your limits, and put a strong healthy relationship with God above all things. Be sure when you're serving that you love God first.

c. Juniors

Spend more time hanging out and meeting people. Think about what matters most to you at Cornell since it's your last year. Pray about where God wants them to serve next year in CBS.

d. CBS in general

READ YOUR BIBLE MORE!! Don't let your faith slide when things get hard. Wrestle and meditate with the scripture and be able to bring it back with your life. Also, don't do too many things. Do things with your heart in it rather than as an obligation.

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

When I was a freshman, it was right before Easter on the quad, the 24-hour prayer meeting. Beforehand, we watched Inside Out in GSH, Newton found out how to get on the roof of Klarman Hall, so right before we all climbed up the roof and then went to go pray.

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

When I multiply, I always do it in Cantonese

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

The benches on the slope that overlook West Campus, a lot of memories of the sunset there. I used to sit there after physics prelims, and look at the lights in Ithaca, talk to God. Good Times.

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

I prayed to God to trust him more with my Pre-Med classes.

Sometimes I would think I would actually fail my exams. So, God has answered a lot of prayers about the future, and solely answering my prayers of trusting in him, although that in itself is a lifelong process.

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

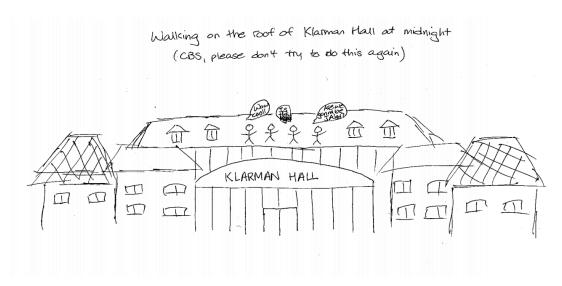
Well, first I'm taking a gap year to apply to medical school, and during that time I'll be going home to tutor kids for test prep. After that I'll be attending med school, I really want to go into pediatrics and become a medical missionary. I might even try to start up a non-profit! Who knows?

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

If I'm doing pediatrics the second option might be an issue. Then again, I tend to sneeze twice whenever I feel the urge to, so that kind of balances out.

Despite only finishing half of my food, I found myself enjoying hearing the perspective and experiences of someone who's about to complete her four-year experience at Cornell. Someone who's been through the joys and trials of college that we're all bound to go through. Even though I've only been here for less than a year so far, I want to thank Lauren for her commitment and devotion to fellowship and the spiritual well-being of everyone in CBS. It was such a pleasure getting to know her a bit better, and I hope that she'll keep God and the rest of us in her heart as she continues her aspirations.

-- Alex Xu '22



Walking on the roof of Klarman Hall at midnight (CBS, please don't try to do this again)

LUCIE FAN

hometown: HONG KONG/ITHACA major: HBHS, MINOR IN HD

Considering Lucie graduated in December, it should have been quite easy to find time to interview her. But alas Lucie ran off to the other side of the world (Malawi) and dashed those hopes. However, thanks to the wonders of the Internet, I was able to overcome the distance (without even leaving my apartment!) and spend some time getting to know Lucie better and see just how amazing God has been to her.

praise song: What a Beautiful Name and God I

Look to You.

cornell class: Global Health Economics. Not the

real name of the class lol. It was very different from my usual classes and gave me a chance to meet Professor Kim who gave me the opportunity to go to Malawi.

study spot: Olin Stacks (changes every semester)

place to eat: Becker Thursday Night (Italian Night)

movie/tv show: Greatest Showman asian snack: Green Tea Kit Kat

music genre: Christian music or indie pop cbs tradition: Seniors giving gifts to Freshmen

1. CBS is...

a community of believers who try their best to love one another and point each other to Christ.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

nervous laughter This is something I can answer for an hour. God has changed me a lot. To summarize, I've always been pretty insecure about myself and the things that I had, even coming to Cornell, thinking about how I got in. In freshman year, it was a struggle to not focus on proving myself and I tried to impress others a lot freshman year. In sophomore year, I felt every complacent and then God gave me a nudge and put people in my life when I needed most growth and the people that I met, some of them made me realize the things I was not doing and how inadequate I was. God showed me that I struggled a lot with pride and constantly compared myself with others. In the past, I've had a pretty flawed definition of humility and my self-worth was pretty low. And then God challenged me emotionally and I felt abandoned by God, but

I learned through circumstances that God does answer prayer and he has shown me how he has sanctified me, and he speaks to me when I seek him. I still struggle with insecurity, but he changed me into a person who is more faithful and reliant on God and his good promises. I see how God is fulfilling his promises through my life and what a blessing it is to know Christ and to not take that for granted anymore. I'm more eager to read his word and gave me a stronger desire to be more Christ like.

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

a. Freshmen

There was a page for prospective students and remember one student who posted that I want to find a Christian fellowship, but she got involved in other things in college and today I no longer see the same commitment to God and the church she had in the past. I think the friends and people she got involved in really shaped her. Remember the God you love and don't compromise your values to fit into certain circles. Pray that God will put people who are willing to grow with you spiritually and emotionally. But not just with Christians, there is also such an opportunity to witness to non-Christians.

b. Sophomores

Don't forget your first love in Jesus. Don't feel complacent and self-sufficient now that you're used to college because we always need God. Also, don't be prideful even when you're doing okay.

c. Juniors

When you become a senior, people will look up to and also some may judge you if you seem like you're not mature enough. Remember you only need to focus on your own race. Don't rely on your own abilities and remember God is the one that equipped you. You will have a lot of responsibilities and will probably feel really tired but remember that God is at work and that he is working through you. Remember to pray and rely on God.

d. CBS in general

To really trust in God and to pursue God in all that you do and to strive to demonstrate to others the hope that you have in

salvation and to see that God has placed you at Cornell for a reason. That every relationship you make, and every circumstance ask God what you want me to learn rather than asking why I am here. Ask yourself what you want to learn and grow in before each semester.

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

Being surprised by my goodbye party before going to Malawi. I felt very warmed and moved.

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

I'm really clumsy. Joanna and I have been joking for the past 5-6 years that I dance a lot so whenever I trip or do something stupid, she's like "you're dancing again." (Sorry this was a bit hard to articulate from what Lucie said into the transcript.)

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

MVR common area. It's not my favorite spot but I go there too often so it becomes home to me.

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

There are so many good ones. I feel like God is so gracious to me (read my blog!). One of the moments where I realized God is real. There was one time at CBS where I shared how I didn't want to cry but I ended up tearing up. There was a point in time where I was really struggling and felt like God was not answering my prayers. I was reading through Nehemiah and when God gave commands in the Old Testament it was so clear, and he could see and know those directions were from God. And I felt so sad while reading because it felt like God wasn't answering my prayers for emotional readings. It was hard for several months and it felt like God had abandoned me. Then, one day as I was walking back to Eddygate I realized that God is teaching me what it felt like when he died on the cross for us even knowing that so many people had betrayed him, for sinners like us. I realized the emotional pain I was feeling was nothing compared to the cross and that made me understand why God was putting me through those

experiences. God answered my prayers by explaining to me why it was so hard to let go of my feelings and it made me love God even more.

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

Short-term plan: go to med school. Long-term: long term missions. Although I'm not really planning, mostly just preparing my heart and asking that God would make me more receptive to his will.

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

Not be able to distinguish between muffins and babies because I can choose to never eat muffins. Changing genders is a little too much.

Lucie spent a good amount of the interview worrying over how much time she was taking and how busy things must be back here at Cornell, but I finished the call encouraged and confident that it had been a time well spent. Hearing Lucie share about how God had grown her through her four years at Cornell and through her time overseas in Malawi was a reminder of how good God really is. Lucie has always been a blessing to CBS with her gentle and caring presence and I pray that God will continue to use her and grow her as she moves on into a new chapter of her life.

-- Ray Zeng '20

*Unfortunately due to the long distance call and scheduling constraints (yay for a six hour difference!), Lucie did not get a chance to finish her drawing :'(

MELANIE LIM

hometown: EDISON, NJ major: MECHANICAL ENG.

Henlo here is the intro. I showed up at WSH Marketplace 15 minutes late to my interview with Mel. We spent several minutes milling around the prepared foods, there ain't enough options there. We planned to sit outside on the terrace thing, but it looked like it was closed: (, after the interview we found out it wasn't $\[\] \] / \[. \]$. We spotted several people with chick-fil-a at the beginning of the interview, how exciting!

praise song:

Forever, Kari Jobe

cornell class:

Mechanical Synthesis (class she is TAing)

study spot: Upson
place to eat: Apollo's
movie/tv show: Lion King
asian snack: Egg tart
music genre: R&B

cbs tradition:

Hanging out in Eddygate

1. CBS is...

many different things at different times to different people, like, it's like an intro for a lot of people to Christian community, also a hot mess and a source of much stress to a lot of people. I guess, most recently I've thought of it as a house that everybody is holding up for other people to enter the house, and eventually the people outside the house come outside to hold the house, and the other holders graduate.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

I've learnt a lot more about people at different points in their faith, those people have made me question what I believe much more and have made me want to think more about the reason for my faith and my reason for doing things. I'm still learning though, and there are still lots of unanswered questions.

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

a. Freshmen

Get involved in CBS, but also maintain friendships outside of the Christian bubble.

b. Sophomores

Don't call yourselves suffermore squad, stay together, keep checking up on one another, sophomore year is the hardest slump, don't forget about people.

c. Juniors

Don't try to do too much, make time to take care of yourselves "I'll be here".

d. CBS in general

Keep loving each other, be generous with time, don't think that we're bigger than we are, appreciate the small ways we can help each other and those outside of CBS.

4. What is (one of) your favorite memory of your college career? Hiking/climbing through ezra's tunnel freshman year.

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

Can't make a 3 sign with my right hand. Pretty good at smash (melee)

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

The slope.

7. What is a prayer that God has answered in the past four years? Every year God has plopped people into my life and plopped situations that lead me through different experiences where I can learn stuff. Even if it seems like there is no direction I am moving somewhere in my faith.

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

Short term: Work and come right back (to Cornell) Long term: probs get married, go to Dubai Super long term: take care of my mom, have kids

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

Muffin/baby, because so many people choose the other one, I hope I have enough self-control to be gentle with every muffin and every baby.

After the interview we chatted for a bit and then headed to PSB to find Aaron Hui. Mel was cheerful throughout, and it was a blessing be able to interview her. In our conversation it seemed that she was



very thoughtful about the advice she had for CBS, top tier reach personnel. I'm glad that this wonderful sister will be staying with us for another year UWU. Conclusion is over, cya.

-- David Tse '21

"I kicked a moth mid-air and it died. 4E cheers"

NEWTON NI

hometown: TROY, MI

major: CS

It's a gloomy, cold day but the Sage Atrium is warm and buzzing with lively conversation. I settle into a seat at one of the high tables. But it turns out Newton wasn't thinking about the atrium when we planned to meet at Sage because he's waiting in the cafe area. Oops. All's well that ends well though and I find him reading a book. We enjoy a nice Sage lunch and conversation before I whip out questions and begin.

praise song: Come Home Running

cornell class: CS 2112 study spot: Duffield

place to eat: Terrace at Cornell and Chipotle

outside of Cornell

movie/tv show: Brooklyn Nine-Nine. The Dark Knight.

asian snack: Choco Pies. They taste super

artificial but taste good.

music genre: Classical chamber music, string

quartets

cbs tradition: Camping Trip

1. CBS is...

a reminder that there is more to life than academics.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

Coming into college, I was overconfident in a lot of ways. I just thought I could accomplish whatever socially, spiritually, or academically. I just thought if I worked hard enough, tried hard enough, everything would be okay. This past year, having to face a lot of disappointment, a lot of failure, has been humbling. I'm still in the process of figuring out my relationship with God.

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

a. Freshmen

Don't take community for granted. It takes effort to maintain friendships, especially when you're not all stuck on North together.

b. Sophomores

It's easy to lose track of people in a bigger class. Try to be proactive in reaching out to people who you maybe don't know as well.

c. Juniors

Leadership is difficult but remember that you don't have to be perfect and that you do have your class to confide in, and underclassmen as well. You don't necessarily have to be flawless. Definitely remember to rely on other people in your grade who are going through the same struggles.

d. CBS in general

I think we're really good at being super inviting and welcoming at the beginning of the year especially for the freshmen, but I wish we saw more of that enthusiasm throughout the year and for other classes as well. Ideally, we wouldn't only care about people when we're trying to convince them to join our fellowship.

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

Freshmen Spring, it was when the 24-hour prayer tent was happening. Our class was signed up for a 3am shift and we were hanging out in Goldwin smith. I was wandering around a bit and I found a way to get to the Klarman roof by climbing out of a bathroom window and I went back and showed everyone else. But unfortunately, it's locked now.

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

I can recite about 80 digits of pi from memory. I'm pretty okay at pen spinning, pretty good. I can do some basic beatboxing. I'm allergic to most fruits.

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

It's not so much a spot, but more of a time. When I'm wandering around campus at like 4am. Everything is so quiet, especially during the summer. I practice violin in Uris G01 in dead of night in the summer. And play video games in Carpenter computer labs also in the dead of night in the summer.

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

I really enjoy welcoming the freshmen and trying to make them feel at home. Just seeing the former freshmen doing pretty well now in their respective fellowships is pretty cool. I just remember going up to North to meet up with Chris and teaching Bible Study for your class (ZOZI) with Shelly. Just like to know that even if I'm doing as well, I can still be positively impacting others.

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

Short-term: I want to find some kind of teaching position (tutoring, workshops) outside of work. Find a church nearby Boston maybe connect with some alums. Sell off my textbooks from freshman year - they were a scam I never bought textbooks again.

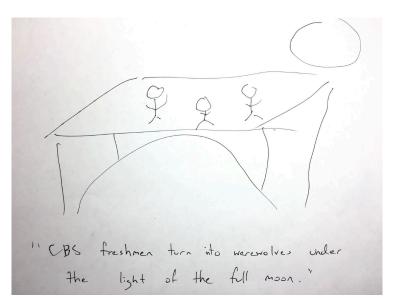
Long-term: Get a PhD in programming languages/systems, become a professor (?)

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

Probably the muffin or baby thing.

Bible Study with Shelly & Noodles & Co (led by Newton and Shelly) was such an encouragement and blessing to me freshman fall. I think we've all grown and changed in many ways just within the last year, and Thursday night Bible Study at RPCC seems so long ago. But Newton's desire to teach and be welcoming is still just as fresh and encouraging and I'm so grateful for the time we've been able to share together.

-- Stephanie Deng '21



CBS freshmen turn into werewolves under the light of the full moon

REBECCA LI

hometown: QUEENS, NY

major: HD

I met Rebecca at Trillium, which is packed, but the line is surprisingly short. We ask each other how our day was going: I missed the morning lecture of the class we were taking together; she was busy with numerous meetings for the day. Despite this chaos before noon, Rebecca had a warm smile on her face and was excited to begin answering the questions.

praise song: This is so hard. Currently, I think,

Christ Alone. I have a lot.

cornell class: HD 1150

study spot: Mann 2nd floor

place to eat: It used to be Martha's, but it closed

down.

movie/tv show: Well, the last movie I watched was

Incredibles 2.

asian snack: Honey Butter Potato Chip

music genre: Christian

cbs tradition: Dumpling party/making?

1. CBS is...

a place where people gather together and just really worship God and be with God. It's not just Fridays, but our relationship with God goes beyond Friday nights. I think it's a place where we can just talk about things that really matter.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

I think He really taught me how to love God with all my heart, soul, mind and my strength. That's out of order (No, I think it's in the right one). Freshman year, I had a relationship with God, but I was still holding a lot back and having a lot of idols that I placed before God. I shared this in my testimony, but I think I learned a lot about how school was an idol for me, and pleasing others over God. He's taught me that He is the only one that doesn't change and the only one I should worship. Everything else will fail my expectations, so God is the only one who I should please.

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

a. Freshmen

Treasure the people around you. They will be with you for the next four years. And find a community that you can share your burdens with over the next four years.

b. Sophomores

You all might deal with many academic struggles and commitments. I guess that as you do everything, remind yourself why you are doing these things: is it just for the sake of doing it, or is it for a greater purpose? For me that purpose would be to glorify God. Don't be afraid to say no and back out, and with whatever you do pray to God about it.

c. Juniors

Oh gosh, you all are growing up. You have probably taken a lot of responsibilities, especially with CBS, but I think I will give the same advice to you as to the sophomores. When we love people, we shouldn't do things for the sake of doing it. Like meeting up with someone, don't just do it to meet up with someone. As a senior you will step up and do a lot of things, start off your day praying to God. I pray to God every morning: God, may my actions and words and everything I do today be from you. Something I realized is that I need to be humble sometimes and that I am not the only person to make a change in someone's life. I ask God if he wants me to do it, or if there are other people that will do it for Him.

d. CBS in general

Continue to encourage each other. I guess don't be afraid. Encouragement is not just the good things, but also rebuking in a kind and gentle manner. Don't be afraid to sharpen another. And the other side should listen with an open heart. I guess also humility. I wish we can open up more to each other.

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

That's so hard. One of them is very general, I think just sitting on top of the Slope and looking across, which is nice. Also, I think when I went across Ezra's tunnel; I think I did it three times. It was the most adventurous thing I've ever done up until that point. Going down this little ledge and through the cave. We also did this time capsule freshman year, and we would write letters for our senior selves. We wrote letters inside a pen and placed it in the cave. We videotaped the whole thing too. But now the tunnel is closed and so we can't go there anymore.

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

I really like to bake but I can't bake. I have many baking horror stories. Especially when I'm studying for the MCAT. After I finished the 7-hour practice exam, I would bake. When I was a freshman, I set off the fire alarm twice, and then once I was baking and I couldn't find my phone. Turns out I left my phone in the freezer and it didn't work for 24 hours.

6. What is your favorite spot on campus? On the ledge of the slope

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

So many prayers. I'll just share one. So, sophomore year I went to this thing called Light, a mission conference. That night I cried so much; I had such a rough sophomore year. There were many things that happened that night that made me believe that God was calling me to do mission work, to do work in a global context across the world. For me, he revealed a bible passage. I remember praying to God that he was calling me, but I was being held back by (1) money-I'm in a lot of debt and I will be later on too—and (2) family. I really want my family to be supportive of me, but (1) I want to take care of them and (2) I know they do not want me to do this. This is a prayer that God has constantly answered: for mission trips, I had so much funding, and God provided as part of a research organization where I get stipends and funded through that. God has constantly provided faithfully moneywise. So, for family approval. For Cru my parents approved me to go, but to Bolivia, my mom was kind of approving, but my dad did not want me to go at all and didn't talk to me for 2 weeks because of it. But I was already meeting and preparing for the trip, and I got my mom's approval, but I wanted my dad to also give me his. I didn't get his approval until 10 days before the trip, and it was a miracle that he gave me his approval without much argument. Those are both still burdens I have, but I think God has been teaching me to constantly trust in him.

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

I guess next year I will be working at a Christian clinic in Memphis which will be exciting but scary. Even though I'm only there for a year, I want to be open to opportunities there and from God. Short-term goal: find a community there, talk to people, learn and practice Spanish. I'm going to do nursing, so I am going to go to nursing school for 3 years and hopefully

be a nurse practitioner. Along the way, I want to go to seminary. Post-MCAT, the only thing that kept me going was writing a paper on the identity of Jesus. I want to learn Hebrew and Greek to read the Bible in its original language. Also, practice medicine and share the gospel through that: location I don't know where, but I feel like multiple countries.

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

The first one! I'm not going to eat a baby, no way. That would be kind of cool though, to be a guy. I would not eat a baby. (You can just avoid both) No, I like muffins.

Rebecca and I ended the interview talking about ice cream and our wishes for warmer days. Meeting up with Rebecca, which was long overdue, was so enjoyable. She has a great heart for ministry and is such a faithful servant of God: using her gifts and interests to serve God with true, deep intentions. I will miss seeing her in class (even though I have missed so many) with her coffee in hand, hearing her talk excitedly about her walk with God and her cool adventures at Cornell, and praying with her. Rebecca has been tested so much at Cornell, and I pray that she will continue to find strength and comfort from God in future tribulations. Keep us updated on your plans Rebecca, as you go do amazing things for God!

-- Jessica Yuen '21



Green Tea at Purity

SHELLY ZHANG

hometown: ALBANY, NY major: PSYCHOLOGY & ECONOMICS

Terrace, a week after spring break: I found Shelly coming from Uris Hall (psychology of course!) to join me for lunch. After talking about, like, everything (Shelly is so great to talk to!), we were left with only so much time for the interview questions. Of course, Shelly had to go back to Uris Hall. Ivy Room, after a tiring Tuesday: Shelly is both a great talker and a great listener. Whether the conversation is casual or deep, serious or funny, it constantly keeps us thinking, opening up, and sharing.

praise song: cornell class: study spot: Jesus I My Cross Have Taken Advanced Social Psychology Willis Reading Room, Uris Library

place to eat: Terrace

movie/tv show: asian snack:

Friends. Forever Young. wangwang xiao man tou

music genre: Soundtracks

cbs tradition:

Serving the underclassmen and each

other

1. CBS is...

is love. CBS is life. CBS is very important.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

It's kind of hard for me to remember how I was as a freshman because I was so young and didn't really know how young I was. In my ignorance as a freshman, I wouldn't have been able to predict where I am now. I think that as a freshman, I didn't really understand God at all, and I just knew so little about Him and about Christianity. All the reasons I stayed in a Christian fellowship in college were very immature, like going out of habit and trying to make friends. Anything I did to increase my relationship with God was kind of like an outwardly desire. But through my time at Cornell, I've just seen and learned so much and truly feel like I have a better understanding of God and, just, everything. I think coming into college, I probably knew, like 10 Bible verses and I was such a high-schooler. Now I feel like I have become more of a person.

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

a. Freshmen

Do what you want. Take classes you want, don't worry too

much, try not to compare yourself and feel bad because you think that everyone is doing more than you and has their life together more. There are going to be times when you want to do things but have responsibilities and work (oh work is such a buzzword) and maybe you don't do it and choose not to and choose to take a risk with it. Just know that when you do go out and do something fun or different, those are the memories that will stay with you.

b. Sophomores

To class of ZOZI: I hope you guys will keep growing together as a class and as a unit. I really see a lot of potential for you guys to lead and to guide CBS in your remaining years. I'm really excited and I hope you guys can all support each other.

c. Juniors

The (current) juniors are like my children! I'm very very proud of the growth I've seen in you guys, and it just makes me so happy and very encouraged. I have full faith in you guys, and I hope that you will make many memories senior year.

d. CBS in general

I have this sense that people are worried for the future, and I think that there's not too much reason to be. I am confident that God will speak to the future the underclassmen of CBS, and that you guys will make godly, wise decisions. I am also confident that God will raise up leaders because of what I've seen in the past. Also talk to me please. Keep me updated.

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

One of my favorite memories was sophomore year prayer meetings, starting with dinner in Keeton (the seafood pasta), and then just going to Bethe 578 and having prayer meetings that sometimes took hours. Yeah, that was a good time.

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

Omg I'm so boring, man. I feel like with me, what you see is what you get. But maybe I'll think of something I'll let you know. I think some people know this, but I was a pretty competitive swimmer. I almost swam at Cornell, and I was just thinking about how different my life would be if I had swam

at Cornell. I probably wouldn't have been able to invest as much in fellowship - I just feel like it's been a really big blessing the way things turned out - even though I didn't swim, God has placed me where I am now. I also really have a really good memory for random details about people, like what they say, and really specific events, and clothes too.

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

Uris Hall (cracks up laughing). Nah, but I spend a lot of time in Uris Hall. My favorite spots are my favorite spots not because of location itself, but because of the memories I have with people there. So, for example, Sage Hall with Stephanie, Willis Reading Room studying with people, PSB because people are there. Also, Goldwin Smith 132.

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

A prayer that was answered (relatively quickly), was in freshman fall. I was feeling pretty lonely. I think the transition from high school to college was rather difficult for me. I didn't have a clique of friends very early on, and many times I felt very lonely. But God has really blessed me with a good community.

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

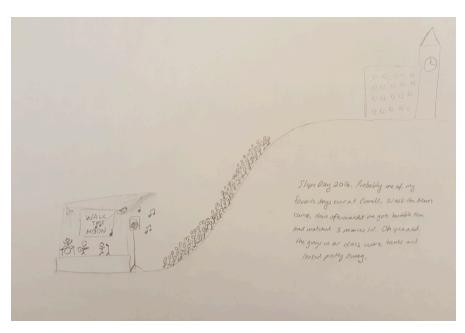
Short term plans after graduation - hopefully to be able to make use of my last summer, traveling and spending time with my family. I'm planning to start graduate school for a Ph.D. in social psych at UVA. Long term - Ph.D. is pretty long term - I guess to graduate from Ph.D. and hopefully continue in academia.

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

Definitely change gender. I really like muffins, and babies are really cute, and I really want to be able to enjoy each one. Changing genders is like a superpower.

Shelly's words were truly memorable. Her interview answers made a lasting impact because they were glorifying to God, and it is really uplifting to see how God has worked in her life-giving her new experiences to talk about, taking her to new places, providing her with a loving community, and allowing her to be a loving presence in the lives of those around her.

-- Kevin Hu '21



Slope Day 2016. Probably one of my favorite days ever at Cornell. Walk the Moon came, then afterwards we got bubble tea and watched 3 movies lol. Oh yeah and the guys in our class wore tanks and looked pretty swag.

TIFFANY KEI

hometown: ROSLYN, NY major: ANIMAL SCIENCE

It is 9pm on a Wednesday night as I return to West from my class in Upson. I was lucky enough to have snagged the opportunity to interview the one and only Tiff Kei, so I grab my laptop and move to a comfy spot in the hallway outside my suite to call her. Tiff is at home since she graduated a semester early, so we decide to do her interview over a Facebook video call. After catching up with one another for a bit since she has been gone for a while (sad reax), we proceed to tackle the interview questions!

praise song: It is Well (both versions, but

probably the Bethel one)

cornell class: BIOAP 3190 (a physiology lab) study spot: Olin (especially the 4th floor and

basement, but also all over Olin)

place to eat: Martha's movie/tv show: Parks and Rec

asian snack: Rice crackers with seaweed wrapped

around them, or wasabi peas

music genre: Pop

cbs tradition: Felly dinners, because you can see

how much everyone loves and

supports one another!

1. CBS is...

a group of brothers and sisters who share a love for God and seek to make Him known on campus.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

I feel like coming into college, I was in that phase where I was still transitioning to making my faith my own versus something that I had to grow up with. Since my family is Christian, I think this was the first time I was challenged to seek God independently. Since my freshman year, my spiritual life has grown a lot and I have found a new reliance on Him as I went through school. And even while transitioning to college, even though I felt lonely at times, I never felt like I was on my own because I could always rely on my faith. Also, I've learned that faith is a two-way relationship. Before, I thought that God would always reach out to me first, but over time I learned that I should seek after Him as well.

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

a. Freshmen

I guess like know that it's okay if you spend time with different people than you did freshman year, because people will come in and out of your lives and it's normal to make new friends and find new people that you click with. So, don't be afraid of changing friend groups or getting more involved in clubs. And also get a PP! My time with my PP was very important for my spiritual walk so yeah, I would highly recommend!

b. Sophomores

I guess everyone experiences sophomore slump, and I think sophomore year was my hardest too, so rejoice because the worst is over! You'll be stepping into more leadership positions, which might be scary, but know you're not alone and there are upperclassmen who have been in your position, so don't be afraid to reach out for advice or just to talk!

c. Juniors

Enjoy your last days at Cornell because you're definitely gonna miss it later, even if you don't think you would right now. And don't let your last year stop you from meeting new people because I was surprised by how many people, I met in my classes in my last year so always be open to that. Yeah make the most of your time!

d. CBS in general

I guess I would say don't be afraid to talk to someone you don't usually talk to—get to know people in your own year or outside of your year! So, get to know someone, get to know a neighbor!

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

I think my favorite memory was during my sophomore year. It was during my first set of farm chores and I had to feed the cows and I almost cried when I was first feeding them because they were so cute and innocent, and that was why I went vegetarian for like the next 1.5 years and ahhh I love baby cows so much!!!

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

I don't think I have hidden talents but like for quirks, Rebecca and Angela make fun of me for this, but I put garlic in almost everything I cook. And when I watch TV and movies, I always put the captions on—I almost never not put the captions on.

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

I feel like in Olin I've had a lot of good study sessions and conversations with people and stuff. But I think my favorite non-studying-related spot would be Ezra's Barn again. Because I get excited every time I go there, and whenever I'm there, it puts in perspective again why I'm studying what I'm doing. And there are always sheep and cows there and they're happy to see me and they let me pet them!

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

I think a big one was finding a home church in college because when I transferred my sophomore year, I feel like I used that first year as a transfer as an excuse to not find one because I was still settling in and trying to find my place. But God put it on my heart to find a home church and I prayed about it a lot both here and with people at my church back home. I think Alice was the first one to bring me to Tab and I really felt a connection to Pastor Paris' teaching, and I think God really answered my prayer that I was able to find a home church during my time here.

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

Probably like vet school is short-term. TBD location. [UPDATE: Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine '23!] And for long-term I want to be a smol animal surgeon. Unless I'm like sick of school by then... I feel like that's a lot of school. And typical things like get married and start a family and my collection of pets.

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

Probably the first one. I think it's kinda sad to not be able to tell the difference between a muffin and a baby. I don't know,

that's hard... like what if you accidentally eat the baby thinking it's a muffin?!

As we finish our interview, I don't want to end my conversation with Tiff, so I make her stay online with me for several more hours (oops) since spending time with her is always a blast! I guess normally, around here in the conclusion the interviewer would write something kinda sad about the particular senior graduating and leaving, but in case you missed my (not) subtle note in the interview questions, here's a big plot twist—Tiff will be coming back in the fall, where she will be taking on vet school at Cornell! So hey you @underclassmen, if you haven't already, you have another chance to hit this girl up—it's not too late and I would highly recommend getting to know her (she's really cool)! I am so excited for Tiff as she continues to pursue her dream of becoming a vet, and I'm confident that she will do so well especially with her love for animals and everyone around her, but even more importantly her love for God and desire to continually grow her relationship with Him!

-- Jackie Peng '21



Feeding milk to baby cows at Ezra's Barn

TYLER WANG

hometown: SHENYANG

major: CS

After my meeting, I was excited to meet with Tyler and eat at Koko's where I planned to order the budae jjigae as usual. When we got there, we were disappointed to find the closed sign on the door. As two extremely indecisive people, it took a while to pick a new place to eat. Eventually, we decided on the most delicious of all, Apollos, where we shared our love for Wanglaoji.

Ivorites

praise song: Oceans
cornell class: PMA 2800
study spot: Olin Stacks

place to eat: Koko
movie/tv show: Old Boy
asian snack: Lamb Kebab
music genre: Rap/Hip-Hop

cbs tradition: Going to 2E or 1G after large group

1. CBS is...

family

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

He has ensured that I will never stop looking for Him in my lifetime.

- 3. What encouragements/advice do you have for...
- a. Freshmen

There are people in this world who will love you for exactly who you are. You just have to meet them.

b. Sophomores

If today was bad, try again tomorrow.

c. Juniors

The strongest steel is forged in the hottest fire.

d. CBS in general

Nothing in this world can ever take your faith from you.

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

CBS camping trip bonfire.

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

I can say the alphabet backwards in less than 5 seconds.

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

Clock tower platform.

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

Please don't give up on me:)

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

Visit family in China; buy a house for my parents.

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

Change gender. I would feel uncomfortable changing a muffin.

After our interview, both Tyler and I had to rush off to do other things (probably because it took only about 40 minutes for him to draw his picture). Though we don't meet up often, it's good that we always manage to comfortably get back into the flow of things and pick up where things left off. It was great to catch up with him, and to hear his parting senior wisdom and reflections on his time at Cornell. I know that God has Tyler in his hands, and He has great things in store for his future. I pray that he will continuously look for God, and that God will draw him closer. I have faith in God's promise that if you seek him you will find him. (Matthew 7:7) I wish him the best as he looks towards the next chapter of his life.



-- Frances Liu '20

There was a snow day the next day.

WESLEY JACOBSSON

hometown: ROWLAND HEIGHTS, CA major: HOTEL ADMINISTRATION

I arrived at Ivy Room at 5:59pm and found Wes and Shelly together. It turned out that Shelly was also going to have her BoL interview with Kevin. Shelly suggested that we sit at both ends of one table for the interviews. And so we did. It was an interesting joint interview experience with lots of fun and good conversation.

praise song: All Creatures of Our God and King

cornell class: HADM 3650 Persuasive

Communication (because Wes loves public speaking and giving speeches)

study spot: Asian Library in Olin

place to eat: Los Angeles

movie/tv show: Home Alone 2: Lost in New York

asian snack: 豆花 Taiwanese Tofu

music genre: Worship

cbs tradition: To be honest I don't know any CBS

tradition. Oh. Felly dinner.

1. CBS is...

good with lower-case g. CBS is not perfect but still good from my minimal experience with CBS.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

He has taught me a lot about who He really is and that He is not the image of a popularized American God that just wants to give you everything you want that I had in my head when I grew up. I learnt that He is sovereign and Good and works in all aspects of life. What He sees as Good may not be what we see as good in the moment. He works out what I perceive as bad and works in aspects that I perceived as not related to Him when I was younger. All of the trials that he has put me through made me draw me closer to Him and fully submit to His will. He has also given me a different perspective of my view on life. I might live a life that is not materially wealthy or a life that is more difficult. But if it is for His glory, it is good.

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

a. Everyone

Be involved in your local church. Surround yourself with peers that will keep you accountable and spur you on to do good works. Seek out mentors and older people that can give you guidance in your walks of faith. Do not let the pressures of Cornell divert your gaze from God.

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

One time I went to large group.

5. What are some of your hidden quirks/talents? I am really great at singing.

6. What is your favorite spot on campus? Olin library.

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

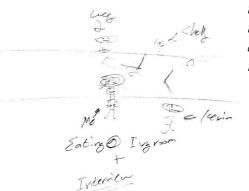
"Surround me with people that will help me or push me to know You and love You more."

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

Short term: To go to med school at Weill Cornell Medicine. Long term: To live a life that is centered around God and His church (and to be a good doctor).

9. Would you rather change gender every time you sneeze or not be able to tell the difference between a muffin and a baby? So, you would either be a transgender or be a cannibal. (After some discussion with Shelly and some time of thinking, he chose "not be able to tell the difference between a muffin and a baby.")

I hadn't really talked to Wes until halfway through this semester when I reached out to him about BoL interview. It turned out that Wes is a really funny and God-loving person even though he seemed reserved at first. I praise God for filling Wes's heart with passion for His kingdom and growing his faith in and understanding about Him during his four years here. I believe



that God will continue to be with him and draw him closer in his future journeys.

-- Lucy Lu '21

Eating@lvyroom + Interview

"This is fine"

"If "to yeet" is to say the word yeet, then you always yeet when you say the word yeet"



"It really do be like that sometimes"

SENIOR BABIES

"Just fake it 'til you make it"



"Stay alive until you're not"

"immortal horrors or everlasting splendours" -C.S. Lewis



"This is fine"

"I regret nothing. The end."- Ron Swanson



"People say nothing is impossible, but I do nothing every day"



"Who, being loved, is poor?" - Oscar Wilde

"Being a Christian is a lifestyle, not just a Sunday thing."

"Coffee please!"

"我是一個人"

"Well, we'll have to pray about that!" "I'm free as a donut"

"but they who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength;.." -Isaiah 40:31 ESV

"We must learn to regard people less in the light of what they do or omit to do, and more in the light of what they suffer."

- Dietrich Bonhoeffer



senior wills

Alexandra Kung

I will studying in Sage to the sophomore girls
I will Cantonese pride to David Tse, Victor Leung, Kim Yap, Attilus
Leung, and Emily Kam

I will TaB dinners to Raymond Zhang and Kevin Hu I will the love for stuffed animals to David Tse I will the Kung lineage to Jackie Peng

Angela Huang

I will to Jackie and Alice the love for kombucha, even though it's gross undiluted.

I will to Jessica and Felicia Guo continued blessed times at Christ Chapel.

I will to Tiffany (yay 4 more years) the addiction to late night Totino's and continued history of killing goldfish.

I will to Alice the authority to take over Veritas and rule with a benevolent iron scepter (seconded by Rebecca).

I will to Lucy, Hannah, Jackie, and Jessica our never-ending highfives. May they continue to never end.

I will to Emily J (my amazing PP) more BRBs and a trust in the Lord even when everything and nothing seem possible.

I will to Michael the Huang family legacy. May you continue to be vellow and a meme-r.

I will to Darren and Emily J the snek fam legacy (it's okay to switch majors).

I will to Ray our heart for prayer and all of my expired mac and cheese.

I will to Jackie the freedom to crash at my place and hug Bei Bei anytime. May you stay huggable and lovable.

Anna Tedijanto

I will to Jackie Peng the wisdom to lead not only a younger PP but love on underclassmen and be a welcoming face in CBS. You are stronger than you know! I also leave the ability to have lots of fun next year and not worry too much about grades because everything always works out in the end. God has so much planned for you the next two years!

I will to Joy Thean I grant the editorship of Bread of Life. This is (obviously) one of my favorite traditions in CBS and I hope you enjoy it as much as I did. No matter how late people turn in their articles, it's always a joy to see what everyone has reflected on from the semester and compile such a fun newsletter.

I will to Chris Qian I will a passion for praise and a curiosity for figuring out the name of every worship song played during LG. Keep playing Man of Sorrows!!!

I will to Ray Zeng I will the ability to not take hard CS classes and

actually CHILL for once at Cornell. You deserve to rest and enjoy your last year here. Even if you do decide to do M.Eng, take some easy classes and soak in all the fun (which admittedly is not very much bc Ithaca) before you take on the real working world. I will to Emily Kam, I will a love for music and Measureless. It is such a blessing and really special to be part a part of, and I hope you cherish singing and praising God together.

Dae Gun Chung Kim

I will my wisdom to whoever wants it XD I will to Dae Guang, my precious desk I will to CBS, my precious brother I will to Jesus, my life
Bye bye, farewell my darlings

David Wu

I will to Raymond the wordless groans

I will to Raymond and Darren 1G-2

I will to RayzenG the knowledge that #LeagueSucks

I will to my prayer partners Michael and David Tse my love,

prayers, and a shoulder to lean on whenever needed

I will to Darren and (hopefully not) Jackie the Economics major, in all its terribleness and uselessness

I will to Kevin Hu a heart for bringing people together in fellowship (even though it doesn't always work out!)

I will to Attilus the art of Y(earning to) E(xamine Christian)

E(vidences and Gospel) T(estimonies)

I will to Darren and David Tse the $^-_(y)_-/^-$ gesticulations

I will to Alex a #WINNING volleyball team

I will to Louise & Jessica slight updates to the Reach Passdown and a heart for Inreach & Outreach

I will to Jackie a love for the Pats and hopefully another decade of #WINNING and TB12

Evelyn Shan

I will to Frances my mediocre cooking, the rest of Knowing God, and my love forever.

I will to Megan my dependence on coffee, devotion to hoops, and pursuit of God among the sjw's.

I will to Karen decisive dinner decisions and persistence to answer those hard questions.

I will to Louise a table in Zeus and all the Oatly in the world. I will to Mel fresh eyes in every meet-up, late night taquito runs, and an undying hatred of moths.

I will to Alice and Raymond a great love for the fellowship, sensitivity to how the Lord is working, and soft hearts to receive



His grace.

Helen Sun

I will my ratchet salon to Frances

I will my love for dogs to Megan

I will Melchizedek to David Tse/future 1G and Totoro to Mel and Jme on behalf of 3G

I will to Alicia much rest, relaxation, time to read the Bible, and my love for Korean stuff

Jamie Wong

I will to Joy myself for another semester & my ability to dodge meetings

Jeffrey Huang

I will my saucepan, skillet, pot lid to Raymond, Darren, David, Kevin. I also will to them my sporadic impulses to clean. I also will the makeup mirror to David lol.

I will a verse reference - Philippians 4:10-13 - to Misha.

I will to Lucy those 7th chords.

I will to Ray my sleep schedule, if he should choose to accept it. I will to Raymond my inclinations for Research and Science; may you bring glory to God as you learn about His creation.

I will continuing hunger and thirst for the truth to Victor L; may you seek God and know Him.

I will to Chris my opinions and feelings about guitar.

Ji-Won Choi

I will to Mike the entire upper floor of Teagle gym.

I will to Aaron the ability to get to know all the future underclassmen of CBS.

I will to Felicia the love for delicious home-cooked meals and straightforward communication.

I will to Alice great weightlifting gainz and the desire to consume more protein.

I will to Raymond an undying heart for HIGH QUALITY kimchi and Five Guys. I also will to Raymond greater confidence in speaking in front of the fellowship, i.e. initiating shower claps.

I will to Megan my love for the social sciences and the government major position of CBS.

I will to Frances an unwavering support for AIESEC, even when it's literally falling apart.

I will to my beloved PP Lucy the heart for evangelism and serving non-Christians with God's love. May God continue to open up miraculous opportunities to share the gospel with those who do not yet know Him yet. I also will to Lucy a love for Carriage House's brie-stuffed french toast.

I will to Kim the executive position of leading felly dinner food, which is arguably the most difficult part of felly dinner.

I will to Jessica & Louise a very organized Reach Google Drive folder. May all the spreadsheets ease your transition into the

Reach Coordinator position.

I will to Louise a burning passion for Temple of Zeus. May you be the CBS gatekeeper of the greatest cafe on Cornell's campus. #OatMilk4Lyfe.

I will to Stephanie the position of Treasurer and the large bin of random CBS receipts from the past several decades. I also will to Stephanie the official Minnesota girl position of CBS. Now you shall no longer live in my upper midwest shadow.

I will to Darren the love for econ classes that require the least amount of real math.

I will to Kevin Hu the CBS Gym-goers group chat. May you watch over the physical (and ofc spiritual) gainz of the fellowship. I will to David Tse the ability to seek community and spiritual growth while being away from Cornell.

I will to Emily Jacobsson my Korean genetics. May you continue the Korean bloodline in CBS and bring diversity into the fellowship. I will to Emily Kam the role of consistent female member at North Dinners and a strong commitment to class prayer meetings. I will to Attilus the love for sarcasm and witty humor. May you seek discernment in your words so that they may always be funny yet edifying.

I will to Jasper the Canadian accent. He claims it's nothing like the Minnesota accent but I beg to differ.

I will to Alex the boldness to speak up at the gym and claim the leg press machine when necessary.

Kevin Gao

I will to Daeguang the mantle of the future of CBS league of legends.

I will to Kevin Hu the mantle of responsibility for all future Kevins. I will to Ray my printer and all the paper, also you get the pan I bought.

Lauren Kam

I will to Louise all the Korean food in Collegetown, a joy for serving others, the diligence to do devotions daily, and my love and prayers for a lifetime

I will to Megan, Joy, and Emily the CBS legacy kids pride
I will to Stephanie, Amanda, Kevin, and Daeguang an unwavering
trust in God while persevering through the premed life
I will to Darren the faithfulness to be the next longest-serving
Bible Study leader

I will to the West Girls Thursday Bible Study all my chocolate chip banana bread

I will to Emily the freedom of finally being the only Kam at Cornell, the confidence to keep challenging the status quo, and a faith in God's steadfast love and sovereign plan throughout your college journey

Melanie Lim

I will to Amanda our love for TKD and the crazy team, and to never stop dancing her heart out.

I will to Kim a heart that never tires of listening, caring, cooking, and praying for friends.

I will to Jackie a spirit that welcomes every lil freshman into the CBS fam.

I will the wild ride of MechE challenges, discoveries, and joys to Kim and Jackie.

I will the love and support of taquitos to Raymond.

I will to Michael, the best little, the joy of being in community and to always risk it for the biscuit.

I will the swaggin Adidas style and best driver award to Alice, and to never stop holding people's hands through all things.

I will the magic of turning pop tarts into mac n cheese and the appreciation of campus quirks to Chris.

I will to Steph the overflowing love for taking care of people old and young.

I will to Hannah continued questions, discernment, and joy in all relationships.

I will continued sporadic hand motions, greetings, and phrases to Darren.

I will my vote for future team captain forever to our MVP Alex. I will to Emily a spirit of never-ending question-asking, and to keep adding to that filing cabinet of precious people.

I will endless curiosity and excitement about all things big and smol to Jason.

I will the dropping of hilarious jokes at all times to Yessica.

I will the great appreciation for the freshest sneakers and most squishy stuffed animals to David.

I will to Kevin and Joy my love for movies and watching movies with people they love.

I will to Aaron graduation.

I will to Megan her intense love for all things cute and Ollierelated, to continue to be the strong, independent, fearless, loving woman she is, and future 3B adventures.

Newton Ni

I will my video game ministry to the freshman guys I will my love for configuration to Liam, Ray, Attilus, Chris, and

I will my ability to wake up early to Raymond

Shelly Zhang

I will to Christopher nkt, my love for lyrical analysis, my dinosaur Danny (now Jeff), and my beloved Praise Team.

I will to Ray Zeng whatever food I have remaining.

I will to Lucy my heart for serving others and my favorite movies.

I will to David Tse all of the oranges I can possibly eat and the right to beat me at Tetris.

I will to Jackie the CBS contract.

I will to Attilus and Jasper my barely competent Nertz skills.

I will to Kevin Hu my love for CBS and community and God.

I will to Alice my love for fluff.

I will to Louise all my drives to and from Albany and Cornell. I will to Alex my baking skills.

I will to Jackie, Joy and Kim the seats in lin alg (but mostly Jackie). I will to Darren and the rest of my children a mother's love.

I will to the Keeton girls my four dimensional experience. You may want to invest in a new router yikes.

I will to Praise Team my love for worshipping God in music, in spirit and in truth, in all circumstances, now and forever.

And to Stephanie, my dearest precious younger prayer partner: I will my mom-ness, my stories, PhD eggplants, Matt Chandler sermons, an enduring heart, patience, joy, and all my love.

Tiffany Kei

I will to Jackie an everlasting whale streak, all of Claire's Gourmet Makes videos, and more story times.

I will to Alice more banana bread baking endeavors.

I will to Alice and Raymond a fruitful coordinatorship in all its highs and lows.

I will to Lucie and Daegun endurance and reliance on God throughout the trials of med school.

I will to Rebecca the rest of our Summer 2018 bucketlist.

I will to Angela all the foods you substituted with dried mangoes and kombucha.

I will to my class a reunion at alumni week.

new freshmen!



Jason Chen



Grace Jia

JASON CHEN

hometown: GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FL major: BIOLOGY

Jason is quite the punctual dude. At 1:10pm sharp I find him in the middle of Trillium turning his head in all directions trying to find me. He comes over to my table and I whip out my lunch from my backpack. With a voice of curiosity, Jason then asks me what I packed for lunch. I flash him my salmon and broccoli and bring up the fact that I went to the Syracuse Costco to buy salmon & pork belly in bulk. He then becomes startled and asks if salmon and pork belly aren't available in Ithaca. I comfort him that Ithaca isn't THAT deprived but then the truth slips out of my mouth and I tell him that Ithaca is indeed deprived. And on that strange note we began the interview!

word associations

senior class: Old
junior class: Medium
sophomore class: Wise
freshmen class: Young
ithaca: Bland
appel Dining Hall: Good food
bubble Tea: Good

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

The week that I got here I was pretty surprised because I had never visited before. Before coming to Cornell, I went on Google Images and the pictures of Cornell weren't very good. There were only a couple buildings, the campus was in the middle of the woods, and there was a lot of snow. But then when I actually came here all the buildings were really cool and it turned out that Cornell wasn't in the middle of the woods! Actually, Cornell reminded me of Camp Halfblood from Percy Jackson. The camp is also in the middle of farmland and is surrounded by strawberry fields. I really liked the discussions at large group. CBS was a lot smaller than Cru and it was mostly Chinese people, which I don't know if I was expecting haha.

2. One thing that surprised you about Cornell?

I was surprised by how nice the professors were. My high school was a bit of a toxic environment, so it was great that professors were more understanding. The professors in some of my classes also want to teach life lessons. My orgo professor always has inspirational messages or inspirational alumni up on the slides before lecture and tells us that we'll be like those cool people someday.

3. If money was no issue, what would your dream job be or what would you be doing with your life?

I would like to do as many random jobs as possible — biotech, animation for movies, and acting. I'd also like to learn as many languages as I can in my free time. ALSO, a farmer. I feel like it'd be cool to be a farmer.

4. If you were on a deserted island with other people, what would your specific role on the island be?

I'd be the planner. I'd be planning ways for us to get food and not die. And then get help. I would probably throw all the ideas out there and see if people like those plans. If we manage to catch a lot of fish, I can also make sushi.

5. What fruit/veggie best describes you and why?

I don't even know how to describe myself. Peculiar? I guess dragon fruit is peculiar. I want a fruit that represents that I want to do everything. Let's stick with dragon fruit then. A dragon fruit wants to be a bowl and it also wants to look cool. But it also wants to be edible at the same time.

6. Favorite quote or saying?

"You gain strength, courage, and confidence by every experience by which you really stop to look fear in the face. You are able to say to yourself, 'I lived through this horror. I can take the next thing that comes along." - Eleanor Roosevelt

7. What do you hope to accomplish by graduation?

I want to become a significantly better person. I think this means being more at peace with life, having a stronger relationship with God, and being very wise. Oh yeah and being funny!

I'm so glad I had the opportunity to get to know Jason and his multitude of skills, talents, and interests! His drawing of Cornell was so magical that I asked if I could keep it for myself. It has been a joy having Jason join CBS this semester and spread his creativity and optimism with the rest of the fellowship. I pray that Jason will continue to utilize discussions with brothers and sisters to sharpen his understanding of God and delight in walking with Him.

-- Ji-Won Choi '19



Cool stuff at Cornell

GRACE JIA

hometown: HONG KONG

major: CS (A&S)

I was incredibly excited to meet up with Grace for lunch not only because I wanted to get to know her but also because she offered to treat me with her plentiful BRBs. I truly felt that Grace was a gracious gal who was willing to serve a senior living in BRB poverty. We started off our lunch talking about the awkwardness that comes with being a freshman and I shared many anecdotes of how I was desperate to find friends when I came to Cornell. As I was telling these stories, it became clear that Grace was much better at making new friends than I was. After getting to know each other and ranting about Hong Kong weather, we made our way into the interview.

ord associations

senior class: Graduating

junior class: Gonna graduate soon

sophomore class: Me next year

freshmen class: US! ithaca: Small appel Dining Hall: BEST bubble Tea: Love it

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

Cornell was much further from New York City than I had expected. The campus itself was really big and I enjoyed walking to and from classes, despite everyone else's complaints. *Disclaimer* I have the privilege of living in Balch so I'm sorry if I'm being insensitive to the struggles of people living in the Low Rises. CBS was tight-knit but super friendly for newcomers. It made me feel really welcome even though it was my first time coming to large group.

2. One thing that surprised you about Cornell?

There were actually a lot more sunny days than I expected, especially at the start of fall semester. Oh, and when the sun sets over Appel Commons... that's good stuff.

3. If money was no issue, what would your dream job be or what would you be doing with your life?

I think I'd do a lot of drawing. Maybe I'd make an animated movie! That sounds fun.

[Ji-Won: What kind of animation would you make?]

It would be a 2D animation. Maybe I can even pioneer a new animation style.

4. If you were on a deserted island with other people, what would your specific role on the island be?

I would be the scribe.

[Ji-Won: What would you even write about?]

Maybe I can keep inventory of stuff like, "today we ate 5 fruits and we have 12 left." I would be a very useful member. If fruit goes missing, I'll have the records. That's all I'm saying.

5. What fruit/veggie best describes you and why?

Should I say dragon fruit? (To give some context, Grace was asked this precise question during her first large group and I made a weird comment about the deceptiveness of dragon fruit and how they look eye catching but end up tasting bad.) I think I'll stick with it. I want to become a dragon fruit. The dragon fruit has aesthetic qualities and I aspire to have its bold coloration. It also has an unassuming but likeable taste.

6. Favorite quote or saying?

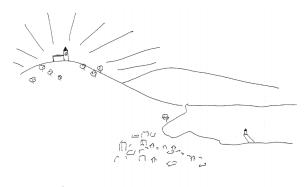
You miss 100% of the shots you don't take.
- Wayne Gretzky; - Michael Scott; - Grace Jia

7. What do you hope to accomplish by graduation?

Other than get a degree, I want to be able to say that I put myself out there and that I got to know as many different kinds of people as possible.

I'm incredibly thankful that Grace accepted my apology for the weird dragon fruit comment I had made when Grace first came to CBS. Obviously, I hadn't given her the best CBS welcome but I'm thankful she stuck around (and gave me advice to try pink dragon fruit instead)! I can't wait to see how Grace's optimism and kind spirit will touch the lives of the multitude of people she'll encounter during her time at Cornell. I wish her the best of luck in blossoming as a beautiful dragon fruit and of course, a faithful daughter of God!

-- Ji-Won Choi '19



"Far above Caynga's Waters" 2018, ink on paper.

VALENTINE'S DAY FELLY DINNER



Ji-Won Choi '19
smizes while
Kimberly Yap '21
piles on the French
toast







Jackie Peng '21 is a unicorn and Melanie Lim '19 takes an extra egg frittata, probably for the walrus



Kevin Hu '21, Amanda Ajim '21, Raymond Zhang '23, and Chris Qian '23 in line for food





open ended articles

Reflections and Thank You's By: Alex Xu

I feel like many of the peers in my year would say that the initial year of university was a bit of a mixed bag. Looking back, the amalgamation of thoughts and feelings concerning everything that transpired would probably need quite a bit of thought if I were asked what how I deemed my experience. But I think above all else, I've always found the relationships I've forged in CBS to be the clearest when reflecting upon the "freshman experience". For a while, I found myself in what would appear to be roadblock after roadblock in my faith, I even feared I would become a lesson that my pastor at home would tell children about people stagnating in their faith after moving. Faced with a new environment and back at square one in terms of fellowship, I felt God was guiding me to root my faith in a solid foundation. After 3 years of doing outreach in my high school, it felt odd being on the other side once again.

And I'm gonna be honest, wrapping myself in newspapers and tape, going to Toronto, and making low-budget baking shows was not how I thought I'd spend my year. Like if you told me I'd be hanging out with some of y'all every week when I met y'all....

(Just kidding love you guys)

But I think Cornell has tended to push the sense that we live in a world where the only ambition that is understood is the race to the next job, internship, or graduate school. Some even consider a person who takes time to foster interests that aren't related to his/her degree to be wasting their time, not living up to their potential, as if a number on a transcript or a salary were the sole measures of success and utility. Being in a fellowship helps you create a life that tempers the waves of stress and fear of measuring up to expectations that we're all familiar with; indeed there have been great moments of discouragement and falters in spirit, and I quarantee they lie further down the road as well. But at our lowest point, we remember have brothers and sisters in Christ to turn to, and most importantly a God who provides our every need. As believers, we can face each day with confidence, knowing and trusting that he is by our side, no matter the circumstance.

As for the seniors, even though myself and the other freshmen

have only known you for about 8 months or so, it certainly seems longer than that. At the same time, it feels like the rest of us never got to know you fully. But for example, exercising for 30 minutes when you wanted to for an hour, studying intensely for 1 hour when you really wanted to study for 3, is still ok. Maybe it's just me, but I've always felt good things that can't be done forever or even a long time, are still worth it. Not that I do either of the above things myself, but it's a nice sentiment, and I hope the freshmen made your curtain call as memorable as possible.

Living in Community By: David Wu

As I prepare to graduate, I've been thinking about the nature of fellowship on a college campus. What's the point?

For me, Christian fellowship is intricately linked with living in community with fellow brothers and sisters to better support each other in our struggles, spurring each other on towards a deeper relationship with God and helping keep each other accountable. Of course, you can take it too far and solely live within the "CBS Bubble." But while there *is* the need to spend time with friends who don't know Christ (where we can make Him known), and we *should* equip ourselves for life after Cornell when we might not have such close community, I think that it is completely reasonable to take advantage of the unique opportunity we have during our four short years here.

But what does living in community *actually* mean? What does it *actually* look like? This is especially pertinent for the freshmen and sophomores who might be moving into suites on West or apartments in Eddygate soon. After all, when you live with people the small annoyances add up. Even in a suite on West – maybe people make tons of noise in the common room when you're trying to sleep. And then you move on to an apartment in Eddygate, where there's no custodian cleaning your bathroom. People don't clean their dishes, never take out the trash, leave their stuff strewn about in the common room (I'm definitely guilty of this – sorry Jeffrey!), make a mess in the bathroom, etc. What should we do then?

The obvious answer is grace. The early Christian community of Acts 4 lived in fellowship. Surely there were disagreements and interpersonal conflict (Acts 6:1), but they were "one in heart and

mind" (4:32) and forgave each other. So why should we have grace with each other? It's easy to say that "nobody's perfect" as we try to understand each other's perspectives and forgive. But more significantly, we are able to love our brothers and sisters because God has loved us first (1 John 4:19). Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another (v11); whoever claims to love God yet hates a brother or sister is a liar. For whoever does not love their brother and sister, whom they have seen, cannot love God, whom they have not seen (v20).

Our brothers and sisters are still our friends, despite how much they annoy and hurt us. How much more do we sin against God? Yet even "while we were God's enemies" (Romans 5:10), Christ died for us. So if Christ loved us enough to die a painful, suffocating death on a Roman cross for our sins while still asking the Father to forgive us, can we not love each other enough to forgive not taking out the trash?

But grace, by definition, is receiving something we don't deserve (as opposed to mercy - not receiving something we do deserve, i.e. punishment). So if we don't deserve grace, how much can we say "we should just have grace with each other" (i.e. "deal with it") whenever someone brings up an issue or something that's bothering them? Love goes both ways: we need to have patience and forgive each other and turn the other cheek, but we shouldn't abuse and demand grace from our brothers and sisters. Like right of way on the road, grace is something to be given, not demanded from others. When it comes to living together, we should compromise and move towards each other (even though yes, it is hard to change our innate personalities and the actions that flow from it) - not simply say "I am not going to change; *you* just need to give me grace whenever I wrong you." It's a give and take - not just taking. Yes, it's hard, but both sides are called to lay down their lives for their friends (John 15:13).

So where does that leave us? Enjoy the four years we have together. Live in community, supporting each other in our struggles and spurring one another on towards Christ. Love each other by forgiving.

Love each other by listening to each other's grievances. Love each other by trying to avoid hurting each other in the future.

Love each other by forgiving when it happens again.

Love each other as [Christ has] loved you (John 15:12).

Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God (Romans 15:7).

And may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him (Romans 15:13).

Honoring God with Our Social Lives By: Ji-Won Choi

I didn't have many personal goals coming into Cornell as a freshman. I wasn't entirely sure what kind of clubs I wanted to join, what classes I felt passionate about, and what my life purpose would be. The only thing that I was certain about was my desire to have a "successful" college social life. For me this entailed being surrounded with friends, having drinks, attending parties, and seeking attention from people of the opposite gender. I held onto these values because these were propagated in popular culture and quite frankly, everywhere on North Campus. Most of my freshmen peers wanted similar, if not the same things. Therefore, I had no particular reason to consider my desire to have a great social life as morally corrupt. I still had boundaries in terms of what I was not willing to do just to fit in, so I was convinced that I held moral principles.

When I share my personal testimony on how I came to know Christ during the spring of my freshman year, I seldom tell people that one of the greatest things holding me back from accepting Jesus was the desire to continue partying and underage drinking. It's not that I was addicted to drinking or partying in and of themselves, but rather my self-worth was defined by being a "cool and fun" person. I was suddenly asking myself, what will happen if I suddenly commit myself to Christian activities over parties? Will my non-Christian friends think I'm being sanctimonious for choosing Jesus over Friday night parties? Will I be considered less interesting? Additionally, it was difficult to walk away from my secular social life because many of my close friends outside of the Christian circle were genuinely wonderful friends. This internal struggle that I had as a seeker went on for several months.

The reason why I felt myself holding back from becoming a Christian was not limited to the fear of losing my sense of selfworth. Choosing Jesus necessarily meant that I had to come to terms with the weight of my sin. I would have to actively repent for all the ways in which I had dishonored God by engaging in underage drinking, becoming intoxicated, and seeking attention and validation from others. During my freshman year, my prayer partner and I were going through the Book of John. One dav. I realized that the following verses accurately described how I felt: "Everyone who does evil hates the light and will not come into the light for fear that their deeds will be exposed. But whoever lives by the truth comes into the light, so that it may be seen plainly that what they have done has been done in the sight of God." (John 3:20-21, NIV). I was the evildoer who feared entering into God's light because it was so painful to see how disobedient I was. Simultaneously, I wanted to live by God's truth and enter into the light because I knew that putting my

self-worth in the status of my social life failed to satisfy my heart. Deep down, I was aware that I had to eventually choose between worshipping Jesus and worshipping sin. Whatever the decision, I was afraid that there would be no turning back.

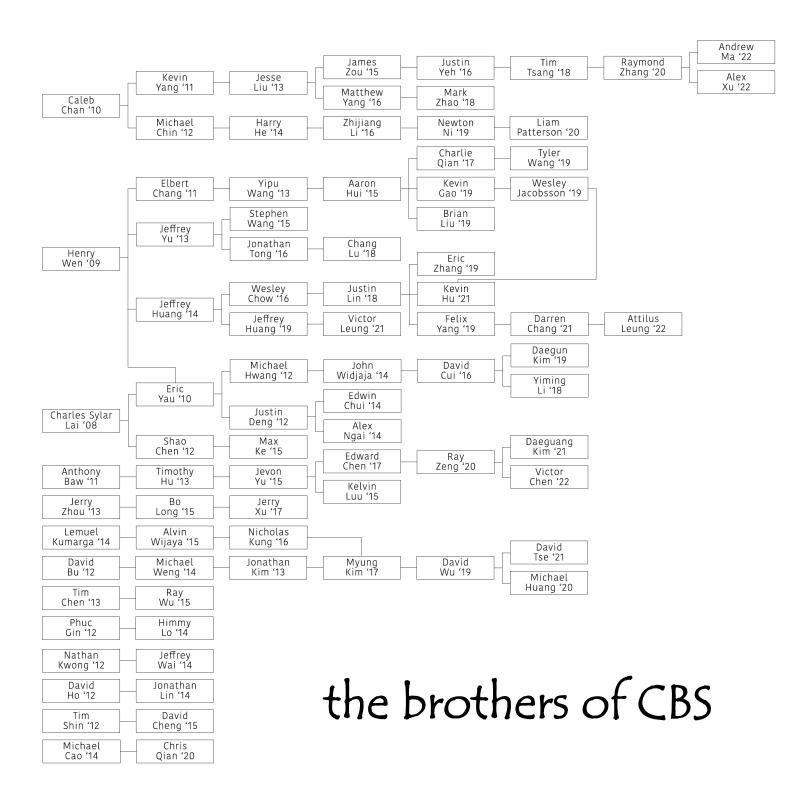
The Bible makes it clear that as Christ's followers we are to remain distinct and unstained from the world (Romans 12:1-2, 2 Timothy 2:22, James 1:27) but the temptation to satisfy the standards of the world should not be understated. Fearing that my social life would have to change if I followed Christ gave me significant anxiety during my time as a seeker. Though it was a long and slow process, I could sense God telling me that loving Him would be so much greater than any kind of satisfaction that a secular social life could ever offer. Even more importantly, the Bible told me that there was no sin too great for God to forgive as long as I repented. God promised to sanctify me as long as I opened up my heart and allowed Him to do so. "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness." (1 John 1:9, NIV). I came to accept that Jesus died for all of our sins. Although my sins were great, Jesus's love for me was far greater. It was this revelation that allowed me to be freed from my desire to sin and proclaim Jesus as my Lord and Savior.

The point of me sharing how I used to idolize my social life is not necessarily to point out all the mistakes I made and condone such behavior. I want to simply acknowledge that the desire to fit in and the pressure to go out and drink with your peers are very real. As Christians, we can try to keep ourselves pure by distancing ourselves from influences that we think are corrupting. But parties and alcohol are not inherently evil. What we should really be concerned about are our heart and intention

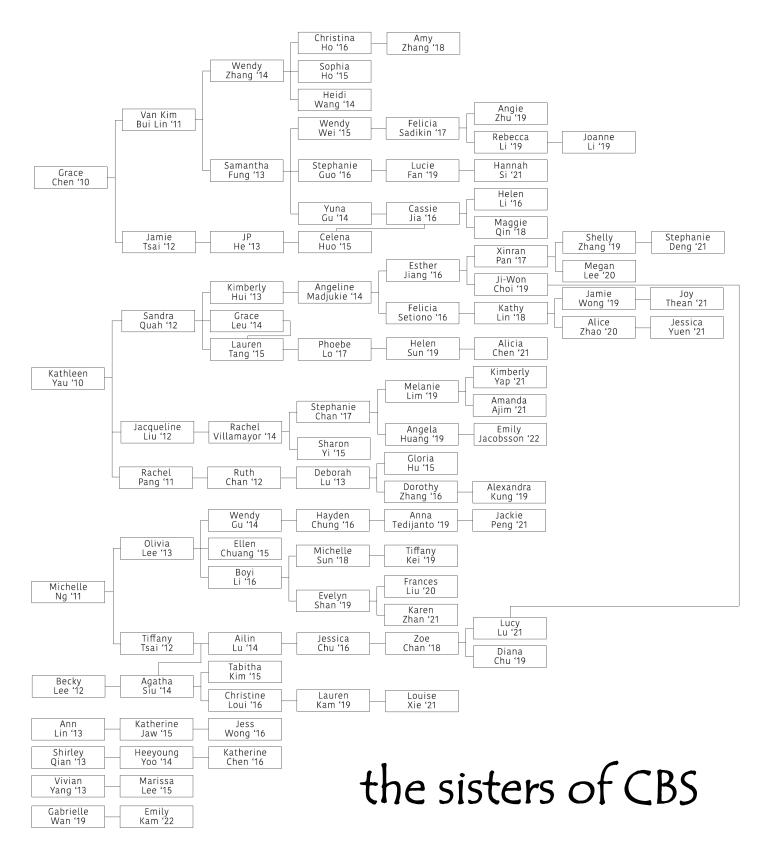
toward these things. If you are underage, it is pleasing to God when you obey the law and choose not to drink. If you are of legal drinking age, it is pleasing to God when you exercise caution and avoid drunkenness. If you are at a party, it is pleasing to God when you take care of others or show that it is possible to have a good time without being drunk. (Disclaimer: If these things are potentially stumbling blocks for you, then it may be appropriate to avoid settings in which parties or alcohol are tempting you.) In the case that you are struggling with temptation or sin in your own social life, you are not alone.

Even after I became a Christian, I sometimes caved in and failed to pursue righteousness. However, I did not let these setbacks define my relationship with God, and instead I repented. I repented for my transgressions against God and prayed for sanctification so that my actions would be a manifestation of my faith. I will not distort the truth and say that being a disciple of Christ does not come with its costs. However, our God is the embodiment of love and mercy. As long as we put our faith in Him, the Spirit can sanctify us in preparation for the life that is to come. I pray that as a fellowship we would continue to support one another in our transgressions and pursue righteousness as a collective body of Christ.

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shoutouts

Dear Shelly,

Shelllllyyyyyy thank you so much for putting a lot of thoughts and efforts into running praise team!!!! You did an AMAZING job <3 I learnt a lot from you in the past two years and I love you!!!!!

-- Anonymous

Dear Evelyn and Jeff,

WOW this year passed by so fast - it would have been impossible without you two!! You did an awesome job in leading the fellowship:))))) will keep you updated on how it goes in future!

-- Anonymous

Dear Angela & Ray,

Thanks a lot for leading prayer ministry this year!!!!! You did an AWESOME job!! I really enjoyed prayer meetings you two led and they helped me learn a LOT about prayer and what it means to constantly pray to God on everything in this world.

-- Anonymous

Dear Freshmen,

you all are so cute I LOVE YOU ALL!!!! looking forward to how God will use the abundant time you have here to help you grow!

-- Anonymous

Dear Emily Kam,

for always being down to have good conversation, being a constant source of brightness & endlessly encouraging zozz to meet up, thank you! LOVE U !!

-- Emily J

Dear Raymond & Alice,

Thank you for a wonderful year of leading Reach ministry! I will never forget your hearts of grace, forgiveness, and patience. It was a great blessing to witness your desires to serve the Lord and CBS. I pray that this past year will have equipped you (somewhat) for the challenges of coordinatorship next year. Let us not forget the great miracles that God worked through our ministry and His constant provision for CBS. I can't wait to see how God will continue to use your strength and weaknesses to create a relationship that is reflective of His wisdom and peace. I'm sorry for all of my meltdowns and whining during this past year of leadership. I also should've cooked more often for our reach coordinator meetings. OOPS. I will miss you two dearly!

-- Ji-Won

Dear Everyone,

Yeet

-- Anonymous

Dear the lame duck coordinators, you did it, duckies! you made it out alive -- Kevin Gao

Dear Felicia.

I can't believe you came back. Like, WHAT? Thank you for being an anchor and source of constant encouragement throughout this past year. You are incredibly gifted at listening and imparting wisdom to those around you. Being a senior would've been super uncomf if I didn't have another older person to look up to. Throughout all the moments of doubt, insecurity, and spiritual dryness that I experienced, somehow you were always there to listen and pray. I will miss you dearly and pray that God will continue to use you to bring people closer to Him. Thank you for all your service and love for the church and the fellowship.

-- Ji-Won

Dear Chris Qian,

thanks for always waving back at me in my specific style of waving. you're the only person who does that. :o i appreciate the reciprocated wave(s) and how observant you are.

-- *one single wave*

Dear Wes,

Thanks for the trips to Chipotle and Five Guys. Thanks for the great conversations we had there.

-- Anonymous

Dear zozz,

all yall #blessed my first year here. i genuinely enjoy spending time with you, whether it's studying, praying, watching you play smash/mario party/tetris in ckb or learning about God. i have many feelings and no words to express them, but someday you will experience the full weight of how much i like yall. im excited to spend the next three years in your company and for us to grow together as brothers and sisters in Christ. (also, @youknowwhos stop playing with the switch at north dinner and socialize. >:[)

-- Anonymous

Dear 4E,

love u guys. though we were all super super busy these past few years, I'm so glad I got to live with ya'll and make lots and lots of mems (+ memes). I will never forget our post-it wall, eating ramen l8 at night, and having people over to sit on our copious amounts of couch space.

-- Anonymous

Dear Lucy,

What a delight it has been to be your prayer partner this year! I never thought I would have a younger prayer partner who was so patient, diligent, and loving as you. I'm so thankful that we can share about the challenges and encouragements that come with knowing Christ and remembering so clearly what life was like without Him. Perhaps we didn't meet in the most trendy lunch spots but I will cherish the quality time that we were able to share with one another. Each week I was amazed by how much God was nurturing you and how much you desired to know Him and love those around you. I know that your powerful testimony and ways of sacrificial love will continue to convict the hearts of all those you cross paths with. I pray for continued strength and boldness as you take up your cross daily and delight in the new life that Christ has given you. Can't wait to upgrade our PP meetups from BRB/Ivy Room to NYC this summer;) -- Your 2nd PP, Ji-Won

Dear Chris Qian, Never change, Chris!

-- Banana

Dear Mike Cao,

Thanks for keeping me accountable to haul my butt to the gym three times a week. Hope you can continue the physical and spiritual gainzzzz

-- Your Teagle companion, Ji-Won

Dear em j!

i am v thankful for your friendship! u have such a beautiful soul and a warm personality and i luv having you around. seeing ur face always brightens my day and i can't wait to see what God has in store for u. ur da coolest. <333

-- em k

Dear Liam,

It's been three years and I've never seen you upset--hoping it stays that way! Thanks for sticking alongside me through everything. Let's keep in touch!

-- Yo PP

Dear Emily Kam,

I'm sorry I freaked you out during O-Week. I'm also sorry that I turned out to be just as weird as you thought I was when we first met in front of CKB. I'm very thankful that you have a high tolerance for weirdness and that you decided to stick with CBS. Can't wait to see how your love for serving others will continue to flourish and mature in the future. Best of luck on your mission trip to China!

-- Ji-Won

Dear Kevin Hu,

I always look forward to meeting up with you over the semester. God has really grown you in many ways and I am really eager to see how He works in you in the next few years.

-- Anonymous

Dear Ji-Won.

You're like the older sister I already have (but louder). Thank you for showering me with your love and wisdom and humor and excellent advice. I like talking to you about God and evangelism. Come back to visit or else I will be sad.

-- Emily K

Dear Gabby,

Thank you for introducing me to the miso salmon at WSH and for not only being my dear PP but also my daily devos accountability partner!! I miss you already and pray that you will continue to seek God daily and bask in His love. <3

-- Emily K

Dear Seniors,

So thankful for each one of you despite the many highs and very many lows, I am glad to have known and grown with this class of people. Praying for all of the different places/paths God is taking everyone after graduation!

-- Anonymous

Dear Helen Sun,

hi helen its me hehe :)) Thank you for being such a great prayer partner and just someone I can learn and grow from. It has been such an adventure getting to know you through our very not so set in stone spontaneous meetings (that sometimes people steal times for:)) lul) but although we are a mess, it's much better to be a mess together. In the short past few semesters, we have definitely grown together in our walk with Christ and I hope we can just continue to fellowship with each other in the future. Thanks for being awesome dude:)

-- Alicia the PP:)

Dear Jie,

Thanks for buying me boba. And for listening to me rant and complain and freak out about inconsequential things. And for always remaining calm and encouraging. If you weren't here to keep my head screwed on the right way I would have died or something terrible. I'm glad God brought me to Cornell; I think He knew I would need you. I milight miss you next year -- just kidding! I won't. (I will) -- ur fav

Dear Evelyn,

Hello my most beautiful pp!! So grateful for all these years of weekly meetups and talks over foods—its been a blessing hearing your words of wisdom and having our honest talks. Will also be immensely missing your five star cooking abilities(lmk when you decide to open a restaurant), and I hope that we will one day have the opportunity to get another Thursday dinner. Thank you for being such a joy in my life, and I hope that your love for Christ and your brothers and sisters continues to inspire those around you!

-- Frances

Dear Aaron.

Thank you for being here for many different people to talk to. You are very loved

-- Anonymous

Dear Emily K.,

Thanks for tolerating being referred to as "Lauren's sister" for yet another year and for always being down for spontaneous boba runs and hangouts. Even though we didn't get to hang out nearly as much as I thought we would, it's been a welcome change to have you nearby and to be able to go to events and stuff together. I'm so thankful that I got to share my last year at Cornell with you, and I know God has huge, huge plans for you in the next 3! And you know I'm always a Facebook message away, if you need me <3

-- Lauren

Dear Mel.

Thanks for being a great prayer partner, helping me with Tae Kwon do and making me feel welcome here at Cornell.

-- Anonymous

Dear Alexandra and Megano,

Thank you for accepting me as your daughter and for not disowning me. I'm so lucky I look like a hybrid of the two of you so that you could be my parents in CBS, I wouldn't want it any other way. Thanks for always looking out for me, supporting me, and taking care of me, luv u lots MOM <3

-- Your daughter

Dear Alexandra,

See you in Chicago <3

-- David

Dear Reach,

Thank you for all of your hard work!! Even though it's hard to see sometimes, people have been blessed in so many ways through the workshops, tabling, and events this year.

-- Anonymous

Dear Ji-Won

-- DWu & AXu

Dear Ray Zeng,

Thank you for always reaching out and being available for me. At times I'm not the most patient or present, but I thank you for your compassion and grace.

-- Anonymous

Dear Kevin,

-- red buff sona

Dear Joy,

Thanks for doing bol you worked hard and you're gonna do great, keep up the good work! <3

-- Anonymous

Dear Mel,

Thanks for having such a heart for fellowship and supporting brothers and sisters =)

(Also for carrying me in R&D lol)

-- DWu

Dear Ji-Won,

I'm endlessly grateful to have had you back in Ith this year, and I wish we were less busy so we could've hung out way more! Thanks for getting ready for bed in the dark every night because I went to sleep too early, for keeping 3G decently clean, for always keeping things real, and for challenging me to strive for more godly life standards. I'll miss sleeping six feet away from you, but I'll see you around NYC in the fall! <3

-- Lauren

Dear Jeffrey,

Thanks for being a great & caring coordinator, roommate, and friend =) Also for helping #Make1gCleanAgain

-- David

Dear FAM,

HEY FAM you guys are the coolest I'm your #1 biggest fan stay amazing pls I love you SO MUCH <3

-- Anonymous

Dear Alice,

You have been such a blessing to me this past year, and I am so grateful to God that you have been a mentor to me in AB and my spiritual walk. Thank you for comforting me when I am in my lows, and for rejoicing with me when I am in my highs. I pray for your role as coordinator next year (with Raymond), and that God may equip me to be a supportive sister in your times of despair and an encouraging sister in your times of joy.

And I really will try to reciprocate your hugs more, although I still feel pretty awk about them.

-- <3 Jessica

Dear Future 4D gorls,

Hello frens I am excite to live with y'all next year it will be a lit time

-- Jackie

Dear Kathy,

Thank you for the past 3ish years of accountability, prayer, and love. Always thankful for our meet-ups and encouragements and for helping me keep my eyes towards heaven.

-- Alice <3



Dear Anna,

HEY PP!!!!! Thanks for being the best big pp I could ever ask for. You are so cool and I really really enjoy meeting up with you and will miss it a lot next year. Thanks for putting up with me for the past two years and for always being there for me through all the ups and downs and for being so supportive. Having you as my pp, big sis, and friend has been such a blessing, and I hope we can continue to have many more good conversations and fun times together. Best of luck at google, you're gonna kill it Anna banana! I'm gonna miss you a hecka ton but I'll see you again real soon I'm sure of it! <3 -- Jackie

Dear Sophomore Class (but kind of also to everyone in CBS),

Thanks for including me in all your activities and fun from the very beginning (like literally, when the sophomore chat was still named "A Buffalo"). I am so glad to have gotten to know all of you and that you all have supported me so much spiritually and academically during my first year here. Looking forward to how the next two years will turn out!

-- Much love, Jessica

Dear seats for lin alg squad,

Thanks for sitting with me in lin alg lecture and for suffering with me in the prelims. I'm so glad we got to take prelim 2 together in the same room. I will miss sending out react messages before lecture as the admin of our gc and saving seats for everyone although I will not miss this class. Sorry that I don't always have the notes for you guys since I'm always passing out in lecture. I will make it up to you somehow. I will miss you guys (esp @shelly be graduating what?!:((() thanks for everything my dudes <3 -- Jackie

Dear Evelyn, Lauren, & Lucie,

Thank you sisters for hanging out with me at Urbana! It was such a cool time to get to know you all more, and really be vulnerable (I mean you saw me cry and all) at such an amazing conference. Thank you Evelyn, for your listening heart as I talk way to much. Thank you Lauren, for your steadfastness and calmness in such a tension-heavy place and time. Thank you Lucie, for worshipping so passionately. I will miss you all, and the times we shared this past year. I pray we all continue to raise our missional spirit for the Lord, and remember our intentions to be faithful witnesses for the kingdom.

-- The Fourth Urbana 2019 sis

Dear Michael Huang,

Thank you for coming on the spring break Boston trip. It was a b l a s t talking to you. Your memeful presence was most comforting.

-- Anonymous

Dear FAM,

For being lovely sisters and caring and supportive friends. May God give us more time together LOL.

-- 1/3 of FAM

Dear The gorlz of 4C,

Thank you for letting me leech off of you guys all the time and for giving me cheat day food, kombucha, love, and always a good time whenever I come visit. I think y'all deserve to experience the luxury of having paper towels and a guest towel in your apartment so I'll see what I can do about that.

I wanted to write individual things for all of you because even though y'all kinda the same y'all still different. Just a heads up this might end up being an essay- I'll try to keep it fun to read and not too sad though.

BIG SNEK ANGELA:

Thank you for being the best big snek a lil wannabe snek could ever ask for. I've always wanted to have a snek like you in my life. I will miss being able to see you literally whenever I feel like it, but at the same time I know you'll always be there for me no matter how physically far apart we may be, and in the same way I'll always have your back as well. I know you will do amazing things in the future and I'm so excited to hear all about it! But I will still miss you so much to an extent that I probably cannot even fully comprehend right now (maybe that sounded a lil too sad, oops). ANYWAY please come back to visit sometime soon Angela, that would be lit:D

To my smol animal surgeon- okay where have you been all my life??! I wish I had gotten to know you earlier because you are one cool dawg, but I'm so grateful that I eventually got the chance to experience what I had been missing out on (but better late than never right)! Thank you for your super funny snaps while you were gone and for tolerating me even though I bother you like all the time because I miss you too much. I can't wait to do cool things with you when you come back and I'm so happy (and relieved) that you'll soon be back for good! The countdown clock is goin which means I'll see you soon tifferz yay!

WUBECCCAAAA:

WUBECCA you're the prettiest girl in Brooklyn! Thank you Sir Jeffers! Jk I did consider just quoting the whole thing here for you one last time but I won't do it HAHA I will miss reciting the wubecca video to you all the time but don't worry neither you nor the video will ever be forgotten. I will also miss having you as my discipleship group leader, we had a lot of fun. Best of luck in Tennessee and you are always welcome to come back and stay over in 4D for as long as you'd like. Please lmk if you ever miss being called wubecca and I'll take care of that for you. Also don't forget to get lit like the dabbing panda;)

Caroline and Angie:

Thanks for not kicking me out of your apartment even though I visit too much, I really appreciate the fact that you've tolerated me this whole time, sorry there's not much I do for you guys, hope you enjoy the naps at least:')

4C, I will miss you more than you know. But you will always hold a special place in my heart and will never be forgotten. I'll always be around to spice up your post college lives if you ever need it, although I'm sure your lives will be very exciting already. Love you forever and always <3

-- 4C's mascot, official napkin supplier, and biggest leech

Dear Wesley Jacobsson,

Thank you for always opening your apartment to me. I love visiting. You should play quitar and sing more. You are SO GOOD.

-- Anonymous

Dear Angela,

Thanks for bringing me to the world of Kombucha and always reminding me to get on the church van to CC. Will miss your fervid scribbling during church service, your lovely prayers in every moment, and your wonderful advice that grounds me to rely on and trust in the Lord for everything.

-- The other CBSer that goes to Christ Chapel

Dear Mel,

Thank you for being an amazing older prayer partner <3 You have helped me grow so much through our bible studies and given me so much guidance as a senior MechE. I will be sure to continue our journey on finding and ranking the best pure leaf teas they have to offer!

-- Lots of love, Kim

Dear Reach for the Stars,

You guys are the BOMB. It has been a joy to work with you both and I'm thankful for all the love, accountability, and growth that we have all had. May God grow us in our inreach/outreach ministries until He comes again.

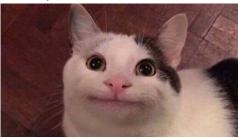
-- ALICE

Dear CBS,

Thanks for being amazing! Yall helped us grow spiritually and we learnt a lot from all yall (and some bad habits like yeet). We're sure you can remember how difficult and scary starting college can be. You've all made the transition infinitely easier for us by joyfully and excitedly welcoming us into the fellowship and making sure we all knew there was a place we could go every Friday night. Your acts of kindness and love have impacted us all. Love and appreciate you so much!

-- Class of 2022

Dear Kim,



-- Anonymous

Dear Jeff & Evelyn,

You guys have been a huge encouragement to everyone, thank you for leading us and spending so much time with CBS

-- Anonymous

Dear Jessica,

For always making me laugh (and being the only one to laugh with me in 6D), for being honest and thoughtful in our conversations, for some DELISH onigiri, for your love for outreach that always inspires me and pushes me to consider how to be more active in reaching out to others too, and for much, much more.

-- Alice <3

Dear THE ORACLE,

Thank you for suffering with me through our many engineering course requirements:') I hope that the oracle may bless you and give you the answers to every prelim you take <3

-- Kim

Dear Freshmen,

I have been greatly encouraged by all your individual gifts and walks with God. As the semester comes to a close, I am hopeful in seeing how you love and support one another and love God in the next three years you have here together.

-- Anonymous

Dear David Tse,

LUDICOLO

-- Anonymous

Dear Evelyn + Jeff,

Thank you for everything you have done for me and the fellowship; God has surely used you both as faithful servants in His plan and will.

-- 1/2 of your heirs

Dear Aaron Hui,

to the reigning ruler of PSB, thank you for your wisdom in many domains. May God guide you in your next steps. It was a good time singing silly things with you. Surely goodness, surely pizza.

-- Anonymous

Dear THE ORACLE,

I love y'all. Thanks for always having my back and just being your amazing selves. May the oracle bless you.

-- Joy <3



Truck driver Jeffrey Huang '19, Raymond Zhang '20, Darren Chang '21, Evelyn Shan '19, and Alexandra Kung '19 move sophomore belongings from Eddygate to West Campus. Thank God for Carshare!





Kevin Hu '21 is baptized by Pastor Paul Epp from First Ithaca Chinese Christian Church.

Jason Chen '22, David Tse '21, Attilus Leung '22, Jasper Liang '22, and Raymond Zhang '20 patiently await the start of the Veritas Forum.

Ji-Won Choi '19, Alice Zhao '20, and Felicia Setiono '16 serve as auctioneers for the annual CBS Service Marketplace.

