

BREAD OF LIFE

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But whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them garbage, that I may gain Christ.

Philippians 3:7-8

CBS Vision verse 2013-2014

Editor's Letter

Dear CBS,

It is the end of another semester and alas, another year of school! Time never ceases to catch me by surprise.

Anyhow, enough about how quickly time passes. The CBS vision verse from this year comes from Philippians 3:7-8, "But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ." Reflecting on the year and this verse, I realize the often times I have failed to consider the "surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus" above all else. In many aspects God has humbled me and shown me the idols in my life.

Particularly for BoL, perhaps I didn't enter into serving with the right heart and mindset. I initially wanted to serve BoL because of my experience with yearbook in high school; I wanted to create a "good" publication. But what constitutes a "good" publication? In the case of my high school yearbook, it was often our design that won us various awards. I was prideful, and

**In Christ,
Zhijiang Li '16**

wanted to bring this design into BoL; however, God and you all have taught me that this design doesn't matter so much.

Rather, the purpose of BoL is to give the reader a snippet of our fellowship. It is to see the structure of CBS, from the coordinators, to the ministries, to the individuals of the fellowship. It is to laugh along with our inside jokes and our many quirks. It is to experience the love and care of our leaders for the fellowship, and the direction toward which they desire CBS to go. With every edition of BoL, we should see how God has been present in CBS, and how God has guided or molded us.

Praise God and thank you for teaching me what our Bread of Life magazine really is. For this reason, I am blessed to have had the opportunity to lead BoL this semester. I pray that we would continually allow God to work in our lives and that we can understand what it truly means to consider Christ above all else. To quote a previous BoL editor (whom I have not met):

"What's Bread of Life? Jesus."

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Coordinator Letter 1

Dear CBS,

I'm pretty happy with how this semester turned out. We started off strong with a good Winter Retreat, stumbled a bit over the Valentine's Felly Dinner, and then had a great time bonding as brothers and sisters in our respective split gender sessions. In the middle of it, I think John and I have been more consistent with making sure we have a speaker on Fridays (even if it means one of us has to speak), and the new small groups seem to promote more accountability and community. Of course, there were hitches here and there, but I think God has really blessed us this semester, and I'm thankful that I get to stick around and see how CBS grows in the future.

One concern that I frequently have about the future is about the influx of new leaders. The ratio of members who lead a ministry whether in CBS or in a local church to members who do not is pretty high. There seems to be a lot of pressure on underclassmen to step up. I like that it keeps people from being complacent and pushes people to serve, but sometimes I worry it makes CBS less accessible. There also is no guarantee that there will always be members who will step up to positions of leadership.

**Sincerely,
Michael Cao**

**CBS Coordinator 2013-2014
Esteemed Historian of the Seven-Swords Family
Master of Unintentional Puns
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Rightful King Under the Mountain
Inheritor of Swag End
The Very Best, Like No One Ever Was**

Yet, thank God, there always has been. I think that has been God's greatest blessing to us. Despite being an organization that is entirely student run, with a number of ministries that require mature, dedicated Christians to lead it, God has always provided CBS with leaders. It's true that everyone has to mature and develop before they can become a leader, but they need to have the will to serve in the first place. I tend to take it for granted that God will provide new willing members with servant hearts each year, but I really should be more thankful about it.

It is my hope and prayer that everyone who graduates has served in a ministry and has become a leader in some way. Not everyone can be an official leader, but I think everyone can lead and become leaders. I think that as Cornell students, God has blessed us with many talents that we should invest in others. While we enter Cornell as disciples, I hope we leave as disciplers. When Jesus sent out his disciples, they didn't say, "Gosh, I hope I find a good local church to settle down in and be fed." They were sent out on a mission to feed others. I hope we have the same fervor when we go out into the world.

Coordinator Letter 2

Hi CBS,

I have been thinking about growth these last few weeks, especially as I reflected over the things I did well and did not well as coordinator. Our vision verse this year was based on Philippians 3:7-8: "But whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them garbage, that I may gain Christ." Our vision for CBS was basically to see CBS grow closer to God, to consider God as surpassingly worthy, to taste and see that God is better than anything else. I am still not completely sure what the vision looks like practically, but I think it is a mixture of challenging yourself and challenging others. I need to challenge myself to examine my idols, pray for strength to turn away, and then take steps to draw closer to God. I also need to challenge others by spurring others towards love and good deeds and confronting sin and idolatry. And in a sense, it is a feedback loop where challenging myself helps me challenge others and vice versa, which is why I think that people in CBS grow most when they take up leadership positions.

A natural part of a Christian's walk with God is that they will eventually become teachers. For example, in

- John

2 Timothy 2:2, Paul commands Timothy the following: "The things which you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses, entrust these to faithful men who will be able to teach others also." In Hebrew 5:12, we see that it is unnatural for a Christian to be stuck in a state of being fed and never moving on to feeding others: "In fact, though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you the elementary truths of God's word all over again. You need milk, not solid food!" I would encourage you to seek ways you can challenge others to grow. I think that is the heart of every ministry: to see people grow.

I became coordinator originally because I felt like God wanted me to do so. It was a feeling of obligation, a feeling that I had to obey God. But over the year, God has changed my heart for the coordinator role and the fellowship. I began to see CBS as less of an organization and more as individual people. I started doing my coordinator duties out of a love for the people in CBS; I really wanted to do whatever I could to help people grow closer to God. I think that there have definitely been many regrets and shortcomings, but in the end, I feel privileged to have been your coordinator. Oh, I hope this letter isn't too cheesy. I'm really thankful for the time I could spend with CBS. It has been such a blessing, and I love you all.

Bible Studies Ministry

Dear CBS family,

As I reflect on this past year, it never ceases to shock me how quickly time passes! Another year has flown by, and this year, I am thankful the fellowship I have experienced. To be honest, I never thought that I would love CBS as much as I do right now. It is not that I have ever hated CBS, but I have felt unsatisfied out of my own selfishness and pride. When I was approached last year about being a ministry leader, I was surprised that I had even been considered. I had a sense that this was where the Lord was leading me, but even so, I entered serving with a prideful heart. For this, I am sorry, but I know that God has been good and faithful to our fellowship in the past year.

The vision for Bible Studies this year comes from Jeremiah 9:23-24, in which the Lord proclaims that the man who boasts should boast in one thing alone: "that he understands and knows me, that I am the LORD who practices steadfast love, justice, and righteousness in the earth." My hope and desire for the fellowship was that we would come to a greater knowing and understanding of God, especially through our studies of Romans. Strangely enough, I seemed to forget that there was a process of humbling that needed to happen before we could truly draw closer to the Lord. For in those same verses, the Lord states that the wise man should not boast in his wisdom, the mighty man in his might, and the rich man in his riches. How easy it is for wisdom, power, and wealth to puff up our sense of self-sufficiency! Without realizing the pride rooted in my own heart, I came into the year thinking that I could push my own understanding of God, as well as the fellowship's, forward with my own strength.

Thus began an unexpected process of humbling. Inasmuch as I thought I could come up with great changes for CBS small groups, I found myself running into road blocks again and again. What should the structure of small groups look like? How could I take care of small group leaders? How do I make people excited about studying the Word of God?

With love and in Christ,
Esther Jiang '16

Through various prayers and conversations, I began to see that my heart was quite hard from the lack of love and belief. Even if I had the ability to change things from a structural and logistical standpoint, all of these things were null without a love for God and a love for people. Furthermore, I could proclaim that I loved God and wanted to understand God, but if I did not feel the same way about the people around me, my words were empty. At this point, I realized that I did not see CBS as the bride of Christ, worthy to be greatly treasured and loved. I did not truly know how to care for the fellowship out of my own will – I needed the love of God.

As I interceded for the fellowship, something changed within me. I found myself truly caring for the wellbeing of others. I wanted to see my brothers and sisters find greater joy in the Lord. I looked for various ways to serve those in need. I desired to see others grow in their spiritual maturity. I loved the people of our fellowship.

This, to me, was the greatest joy of serving as the leader of the Bible Study Ministry. It was to understand the Lord through experiencing a little bit of the immense love He has for us. It was to know Him through knowing the sisters of my small group. It was to love Him through building the community He has given us. These things are affirmed when we study the Word of God together and allow it to transform our lives.

Let us end this year with gladness in our hearts. I pray that as we look back, our eyes are opened to the blessings the Lord has poured into our lives. I pray that as we look forward, we are excited for the Lord's redemptive work in our lives, our families, and our communities. His kingdom is near, and Jesus is King.

To our God and Father be glory forever and ever.
Amen! (Philippians 4:20)

Discipleship Ministry

Hello CBS,

As discipleship coordinators, we sought to improve and facilitate the spiritual growth of CBS through deeper and more personal relationships. We also desired to see members develop into more mature and committed followers of Christ, valuing Him above all other things in line with this year's vision. This has usually been accomplished through the prayer partner relationships that this ministry helps set up and maintain each year.

At the beginning of the semester, we had put together and released a spiritual health survey to help gauge the strengths and weaknesses of the fellowship. We were able to use this information to help understand what areas we would need to grow in as well as what to pray for.

One aspect of discipleship that we saw that was lacking within the fellowship was discipleship within the context of community. Yes, being able to go deep and be vulnerable with one person is nice, but discipleship really begins to flourish when a group of people is supporting and helping one another grow. Thus, we desired to see this happen within the Bible studies.

Discipleship is all-encompassing of a Christian's life. As followers of Christ, we are to teach and exemplify to one another how to hear from and obey Scripture, how to pray, how to love one another, and how to share the Gospel, all to the praise and glory of God. This, of course, is a life-long process, and it is near impossible to learn all these things from one person alone. However, it is more realistic and beneficial to have multiple people teach and model these aspects and for everyone to learn from one another. Seeing discipleship in this way places the emphasis on the group as a whole, taking into account the strengths and weaknesses of the body.

Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it

Wendy Zhang '14 and Jevon Yu '15

builds itself up in love. – Ephesians 4:15-16

To really see this begin to happen with the changes of small groups that inevitably happen from semester to semester, we sought to place pairs of prayer partners in the same small group. Prayer partners are one of the only aspects of the fellowship that has continuity from semester to semester, so already being comfortable with at least one person in the group would help with openness and vulnerability.

Furthermore, there is a greater sense of accountability between prayer partners in the small groups. If one pair is struggling, then the other members of the group can help support them. Also, these pairs are able to challenge one another in serving the fellowship and reaching out to the community as a group.

We as discipleship coordinators could not bring about all of this growth that we had envisioned alone. To assist with this, we had to teach and equip the other leaders. Weekly discipleship emails with articles, prayer requests, and encouragements were sent out to the older prayer partners; and discussion prompts related to upcoming events and perceived needs in the fellowship were sent out to the small group leaders.

Overall, there has been growth and fruit from some of the things we have done. Though there still lots of work left, we give God all the praise for all that He is doing within our hearts and lives. We are all works in progress and we pray that God, by His grace, will continue to cultivate and shape us more into the likeness of His Son. May we heed the call to make disciples of all nations, dying to ourselves and laying our lives down for His name's sake and glory.

"If anyone comes to me and does not hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not bear his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple." - Luke 14:26-27

Evangelism Ministry

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

It has been such a blessing and pleasure to serve as the Evangelism Ministry Coordinator for the year. I am grateful for the opportunity to watch many of you grow in faith and courage for the proclamation of God's word, proving His great love and faithfulness to our fellowship. I praise God for how he used our fellowship to organize Coffee house so that it may be a blessing for both our Christian and non-Christian friends! I would also like to thank all of you who prayed, provided logistical service or invited your friends to Coffee House because I know that God takes these small offerings that we make and use them for the great glory of His Kingdom! Just like how Jesus took the 5 loaves and the 2 fishes to feed the 5000 people, we need to stop worrying about how inadequate we are to serve the Lord because we trust in His grace and not in our own works!

On that note, I would like to encourage everyone to serve the Lord with all your hearts and strength. Unfortunately, that might mean stepping out of your comfort zone and being vulnerable in our weaknesses. The world has misled us to believe that we can only be failures in our weaknesses but the Lord has told us otherwise.

"But he said to me, 'My grace is sufficient for you, for

Love,
Angeline Madjukie

my power is made perfect in weakness.' Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me." - 2 Corinthians 12:9

"On hearing this, Jesus said to them, 'It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners.'" - Mark 2:17

"Who gave himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to purify for himself a people that are his very own, eager to do what is good" - Titus 2:14

We may boast in our weakness because God is glorified through it. Brothers and sisters, we have been saved so that we may be eager to do what is good. In the same way, I pray and hope that your hearts will continue to be earnest in sharing the gospel with everyone around. Do not worry about feeling that you might not know enough or that you might not be able to defend your faith as well as you should, but have confidence in knowing that if Jesus Christ is the truth then the truth will always stand no matter how much you argue about it. God desires to use each and every one of you for the restoration of this world, so let's start offering our hearts up to him for we were saved to do His works!

Praise Ministry

Dear CBS,

It has been quite the year as your Praise Team coordinators. For both of us, it was not easy jumping into this ministry. We were afraid for many reasons, especially in terms of playing guitar and leading the praise set on Friday nights. Thankfully, God is gracious and He provides; He has taught us many things along the way, equipping us and preparing us through our trials in this ministry.

Despite our misgivings, our vision is a reminder that our own ability and confidence are not the most important players in the grand scheme of things. We worship God because He made us to worship Him. Our instruments and voices are but a part of the song we sing to God. As broken people, it's amazing that God takes this song we sing to Him - one that may be off-key and off-beat, full of failures and hypocrisy, coming from a people so naturally rebellious against Him - and considers it pleasing. Yet, this is exactly the reason why we sing: despite the fact that we were sinners, Christ died for us. Despite the fact that we still have this sinful nature, we have been made righteous before God. The sacrifice of God is a broken and contrite heart.

This year, we went through many struggles and hardships. There were definitely days when we didn't want to praise God for anything. The pressures and burdens of this world distracted us, calling us to worship other things. However, God is not to

In Christ,
Aaron & Agatha

be praised only at the whim of our emotions or circumstances. The apostle Paul, when suddenly arrested and thrown into prison, sang nothing but praise to God. David, when surrounded by his enemies on all sides, worshipped his Lord. Their songs of faith were very much so songs of faithfulness.

Furthermore, praise God for the generosity of his servants, that we might be blessed with so much new equipment! This has definitely been an abundant blessing for us. However, don't be distracted from what is truly important. Song choice, musical instrumentation, quality of our equipment - all of these things are secondary to the act of praise and worship. There are many different opinions and preferences especially when it comes to praise music; don't let this be divisive. The point of singing together is to come as one body, to sing one song, and to be unified in our praise to God.

Our heart and prayer for you is that you truly take in and grasp CBS's general vision of this year. Press on towards God, and consider everything as loss in the light of knowing Christ. He gives us the reason to sing and to dance, the reason to struggle and push onward, to seek and to hope, to praise and to worship. Continue to praise! Praise Him when all is good, for He has given you good things. Praise Him when all seems lost, for He is faithful to the end. Praise Him, for He is the only one worthy of our praise. Amen.

Prayer Ministry

Dear CBS,

We Cornellians are very busy people. "I can't go to Bible study because I need to study for a prelim. I can't go to prayer meeting because I have a problem set. I'm too busy to do quiet time consistently." But if we are honest with ourselves, "I don't have time for that" actually means, "That is not a priority in my life." How we spend our time and energy reveals what our hearts value. And we are never too busy to do something we truly value, for we make time for what we desire.

It is true that God calls us to be good stewards of the abilities he has given us (Proverbs 1:5 - "Let the wise hear and increase in learning, and the one who understands obtain guidance") and that we can serve him through our studying (Colossians 3:23 - "Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men"). But at some point, the pursuit of academics impedes our pursuit of God. We become too "busy" for God.

We recognize this; making God our life's priority has been the theme of CBS this year. Yet pursuing God is still so arduous. Why? Because we try to run two races: serving God and pursuing our own priorities. We try to make time for quiet time, large groups, small groups, ministry—and our own goals.

In Matthew 13:44 Jesus says, "The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and covered up. Then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field." We, like the man, have seen the treasure hidden in a field. Yet we try to

Jonathan Kim '15

retain some of what we have and thus have neither our possessions nor the treasure. We have neither what the world has to offer nor God's promises to his children. And living without both is exhausting.

Why is yielding our desires and pursuing only God so difficult? Perhaps it is related to us being self-dependent Ivy League students. One's priorities show what one trusts in. Our priorities are in academics and internships and other activities because we trust in them. We have faith that good grades will lead to a good job.

But the Bible tells us to do differently: "But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you" (Matthew 6:33). Total surrender is necessary. Only then will we have the treasure. Only then will we experience God's promises: "Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest...for my yoke is easy, and my burden is light" (Matthew 11:28-30).

"Therefore, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God" (Hebrews 12:1-3).

My prayer for the fellowship is that we would have one pure and holy passion, one magnificent obsession: to know and follow hard after God.

Our Lovely Seniors



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Operations Research and
Information Engineering

Redondo Beach, California

interviewer: Xinran Pan



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My footsteps quickened as I hurried down the road towards West. I was going to be late for my interview with the cat-loving Agamom! Thankfully, it was only a couple minutes pass six when I finally made it to Becker. Agathug and I excitedly piled mounds of food onto our plates and sat down to enjoy the Asian Night cuisine. Having satisfied ourselves with second and third helpings of fish, bibimbap, and too many refills of apple cider, Hasthtagatha contemplated on how to best answer the provoking questions I threw at her.

1. CBS is...

WEIRD.(I agree!) Besides that, CBS is a good group of brothers and sisters who are devoted to Christ and there for one another, like to play too much video games, eat too much Apollo's, and are interesting, weird, God-loving people.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

He's deepened my understanding of what it means to have a relationship with Him, helped me overcome my fears, and made me understand what it means to be a spiritual leader. He's also challenged me with things that I feel aren't my strengths.

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

a. freshmen

Don't study (WHAAT?). Don't study too hard, have fun, enjoy college. Keep in touch with people outside of CBS and don't get too caught up in the Christian bubble because once you lose touch, it's hard to reconnect with those friends.

b. sophomores

Don't study too much, play, enjoy college. Prepare yourselves to be leaders of the fellowship, and don't be afraid and trust God.

c. juniors

See advice about not studying and playing above ^^.
Senior year is fun! Spend lots of time with underclassmen. They're cool(Thanks Agatha!). Don't be anxious about future plans.

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

I love geography. I know all the countries in the world and

most of their capitals. I know many digits of pi. Basically, I'm a trivia junky. I don't have any quirks and talents. I'm a boring person. People think my elbows are gross? (They bend backwards!)

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

He's relieved me of the fear of not having security. I like to plan everything out, know what I'm doing, and always have back up plans, but many times in college God has taken away my plans and backup plans. He's shown me that I put my trust in all the wrong things and my faith should rest on him entirely, not on my own talents or success. That's not to say don't work hard, but don't let hard work or security become idols.

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

It depends! Fav place to nap? Willard Straight International Room!

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

I'm too caught up in myself because I want to plan everything out so that it works perfectly for me but ultimately He still has control over my life. I'm very selfish with my time and many times, I'd rather spend it studying then spend it with people. Also, I let my own fears and discomforts hold me back from what God wants me to do.

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

Short term plans are to move to Madison, Wisconsin and work for Epic by supporting clients in healthcare software. But I want to move around before I settle down and do something that is meaningful to society, though I don't know specifically what yet. I'll probably end up pursuing a masters once I figure out what I want to do.

We had a lot of fun feasting and jesting together but before I'd even gotten to dessert, the busy Agathor had to leave Becker. Though the interview was cut short, both interviewer and interviewee enjoyed sharing the lovely meal and conversation together.

Ailin Lu

(2048 with Hayden's faces)-er

Policy Analysis and
Management

Rhode Island

interviewer: Dorothy Zhang



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pics of food—**selfies**
hot dog—**hamburger**
books—**movies**

North Campus has a different feel to it when you visit after freshman year. As I waited in the Tatkon Center, I reminisced back when I studied in here. I was still doing a problem set when Ailin passed by the little conference room that I was nestled in. She spotted me with a smile on her face, and once she settled in, we began our interview--

1. CBS is...

CBS is always something I can count on. They're really helpful when I need things last minute or when I'm freaking out.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

God has challenged me to understand my faith through action, living out my faith rather than just being Christian at fellowship or Bible study or reading the word. He's taught me what it means to love your neighbors.

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

a. everyone

Try something new; don't be afraid to be who you are and learn how to be nice to yourself; really milk Cornell for all of its resources (not just free food) such as scholarships, financial rewards, Cornell Tradition, academic and non-academic advisors (they have good tips on how to get more money out of the university); learn how to ask for help and don't be afraid to ask for help; try to get some SLEEP

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

I sing to myself when I walk to places and I'm really good at shoulder dancing <rolls shoulders around>. I also like giving out candy to kids, such as the residents I advise.

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

Getting a C was one of my greatest fears that God has relieved me of (especially since I'll be graduating soon!).

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

By the gorges - a stone picnic table behind Risley next to the water.

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

He's taught me that I really need His help.

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

Short-term: spend time with my family, soak up the sun, find some new hobbies and rediscover old hobbies
Long-term: use my job as an excuse to live in other cool parts of the country/world

Going into this interview, I didn't really know Ailin. I'm really glad for the opportunity to do this interview where I got to know her better, and I'm looking forward to rafting with her during Senior Days!

Angeline “Fabulous” Madjukie

2048 rebel at heart
(doesn't play)

Animal Science and Natural
Resources

Jakarta, Indonesia

interviewer: Ellen Chuang



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It had been a long day in Phillips 318, and I was ready for a break. Luckily I had planned to meet up with Angeline and get cookies (a wonderful combination), and we got to catch up with each other as we walked to my apartment. I frantically tossed some clothes into the closet before Angeline saw how messy my room was. I don't think she noticed as she didn't say anything and we started our interview.

1. CBS is...

family. I didn't want to go with something cliché like that, but it's true.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

He has taught me that we are nothing without God, and with Him everything is possible! I used to be very insecure, but God has made me more secure in my womanhood. Like, the world tells us that as women we have to exercise more, eat less meat, eat more veggies, care about fashion, et cetera, and I followed that kind of thinking for a bit. But God doesn't care about that. God sees perfection and beauty in how He created you. If I care less about fashion than you, it doesn't make me any less of a woman in God's eyes, because we are both beloved by Him. I think one of my biggest changes since freshman year has been in accepting this, being secure in my weakness, and being able to embrace who I really am.

I think God has changed my heart towards evangelism (EV) too! Before this year, I didn't think I could do EV I'm totally serious, if you had asked me last year if I would do EV it would have been a joke to me. I didn't see myself as a person who was qualified to do EV. I thought I could do Inreach, if it were an option to me, but not EV ministry. But you know, you don't need a recipe to evangelize. You don't need to have tons of experience or a calling, and I think God really placed EV on my heart even more as I was leading the ministry. It's a mission for me now.

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

a. freshmen -- Don't study too much
b. sophomores -- Study a bit more
c. juniors -- It's too late, just have fun
But in all seriousness, be sure to stay close to God.

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

I can touch my nose with my tongue.
[Interviewer: Can you demonstrate this?]
Angeline sticks out her tongue and manages to reach the tip of her nose.
[Interviewer: That's impressive.]

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

Hmm, I would say living up to people's expectations, and not being occupied.

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

Libe Slope! It's so green.

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

That God looks at your heart first and foremost and definitely before any capability or qualification you may or may not have. This is completely related to what I said earlier about EV ministry.

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

Short-term: Heading back to Singapore to be with family.
Long-term: Save all the animals and trees in the world!

As the interview devolved into drawing time, I had time to reflect on my relationship with Angeline. She was the first non-senior in CBS to be my friend (courtesy of not being able to make any other bible study time because of intramural soccer) and she has grown a lot since then. She has been a welcome presence and advisor in my spiritual life and a big aficionado of the word 'precisely'. She has been a blessing, and I am excited to see where God will lead her in the future.

Grace Leu

Original 2048 -er

Human Biology, Health, and
Society

San Ramon, California

interviewer: Stephanie Chan



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hot dog—hamburger
books—movies

My favorite recent memory is
of sailing on Cayuga Lake.

The weather was finally starting to get warmer when I met up with Grace for the interview. Sitting in the beautiful Commons in MVR, I took out my laptop and got ready to ask some questions to get to know this sister a little better.

1. CBS is... family.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

God has made me a more confident person in who I am and who He's made me to be. In everything I do, He's showed me that He loves me and that I don't have to prove myself to him.

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

a. everyone
Form a personal relationship with God. I think I had a hard time as an underclassman because I relied on encouragement from people in CBS. My semester abroad in Denmark forced me to have the initiative to go to church and work on my personal relationship with Him. After you leave Cornell, you won't have the environment that "forces" you to be Christian, so you will need to have that personal relationship with Him.

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

I can't whistle. <laughs> I'm not sure...

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

It's still in process of being relieved, but during my time here, God has shown me that He has a path for me and that He's always there for me. Many times, I wasn't sure if He would be there to catch me, but He's always shown that He will get me there eventually. I came into college having a certain plan in mind, but even though He's humbled me and changed my direction, He's gotten me through and given me something I enjoy.

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

My favorite spot is probably my previous research lab. It

had a comfy chair, white walls, and wooden floor and my research professor would bring in snacks. Besides that, the Commons in MVR. I would come early in the morning and do devos in the red chair by the window before anyone else arrived.

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

He has taught me that He is always there for me. Even when I don't know where I'm going, He has a plan for me.

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

Short-term: doing research in CA
Long-term: applying to medical school and becoming a primary care doctor

I'm so thankful for this opportunity to talk with Grace. She is a joyful, enthusiastic sister with so much insight from the past four years. Thank you for sharing your Cornell experiences with me and I wish you the best!

Harry He

Another 2048 rebel
(doesn't play)

Marine Biology
Jericho, New York

interviewer: Jerry Xu



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Waiting for the bus for FICCC
the first weekend of fresh-
man year.

He is a man of flawlessness and the epitome of perfect facial symmetry. We sit down in Eddygate, where the air is sweltering. But that doesn't matter. For a moment I become lost in his eyes and only regain my focus when he blinks. So begins my interview with Harry He, the man behind the dimples.

1. CBS is...

A family brought together by our common belief in God with Jesus Christ being the son of god, and through that foundation we're able to love each other and support one another and just go through life together.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

I think it has given me a lot more boldness. Freshman year I was pretty unwilling to talk to people I don't know very well. But after CBS and through exploring Christianity, more and more I do have a certain kind of courage now to not be so introverted.

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

a. freshmen

Hopefully you've enjoyed your freshman year; sophomore year will be harder because it is a bit of a jump. Reach out to new freshmen because you'll know what they're going through the best since it's still fresh. [I realize now that he punned me]

b. sophomores

They will be prayer partners so do keep in mind that they will be responsible to someone else so they should be extra careful with their conduct and how they present themselves. Just take extra care in loving the fellowship. Meet up with people, make sure you get to know the fellowship.

c. juniors

They will be old people, senior citizens. Truly, they are the leaders of the fellowship. They are thinking about job prospects and they need to trust God with their future and their career. Make sure to be invested in the fellowship even if they're about to leave; pay attention to the present.

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

I like to talk to myself. When I am alone. I can do voices or accents. I can pun well.

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

When I evaluated myself there was a good chance I wouldn't get into med school, especially in the spring of my junior year when I had to do 17 credits and study for the MCAT... and just that semester, I did well in both. God really just showed me his grace and that I just can have peace in the application process, which I did.

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

I don't hang out on campus... but where would I go if I had an afternoon and I wasn't going to go home? I would probably go PSB, in the leather couches area and just chill.

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

What it means to be a Christian. It has only been from this past year, looking at where I put my worth, where I put my meaning, where I put my identity. Because that provides a good concrete way of seeing whether or not you're a Christian.

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

Short term plan, go to med school and hopefully get a residency. Long term, be a physician in New York City.

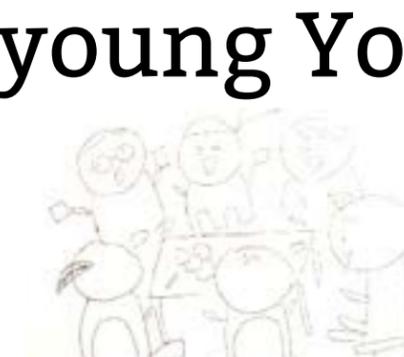
Harry He is not just a man of beauty; he is also an intellectual, a man of deep thought. I would write a more comprehensive conclusion, but there is simply no need because Harry He has provided all that needs to be known.

Heeyoung Yoo

Original 2048-er

Developmental Sociology
Jericho, New York

interviewer: Wendy Wei



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Camping Trip 2012 (after my
sophomore year)- Playing
telephone pictorial with my
class

I had the chance to talk with Heeyoung on Easter day after a beautiful Easter on the Quad service and an Easter dinner in which I had partaken. My stomach had been filled with ham and deviled eggs and homemade applesauce when we were meeting up. My heart was filled with joy as we dwelled on the hope and love that Christ had shown on Resurrection Sunday. And my mind was eager to learn more about Heeyoung's reflections of her time at Cornell.

1. CBS is...

kinda awkward, but fun.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

I came into freshmen year reading the bible ritualistically, and I didn't experience too much growth freshman year while I was at Intervarsity at Stony Brook. I experienced a lot of growth, when I transferred to Cornell in my sophomore year. It was a struggle, but I didn't really feel like I fit in. The culture was very different from what I was used to, and it made me rely on God more and not let my disappointment in people discourage me from loving others. Rather, I chose to serve them through God and became more involved in the ministry at CBS and Emmaus Road.

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

a. freshmen

Enjoy your time at Cornell because in the real world, it's hard to find a support system wherever you end up — so spend time with brothers and sisters while at Cornell.

b. sophomores

Don't stress too much about fitting the trend because there's no set mold. God has a special plan for each of you.

c. juniors

Even though things might be busy for you and this is an important time to set up your career path, don't put God on the backburner. Serve either in the fellowship and/or church.

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

I remember names and faces pretty well even when the other person doesn't remember mine.

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

I'm still in the process, but God is helping me relieve the fear of the future. Currently, I don't have a set plan for after graduation, which has led me to be sad at times, but I also have faith that God has what is best for me. I know that everyone is special, and no one here is the same.

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

Olin Library – Media Center.

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

Samuel 12:20 – Even though we sin and we fall so short of his glory, we shouldn't turn away from Him. Even though we feel really dirty and we feel that God won't forgive us, when we do confess, he forgives us. Knowing this should help us continue pursuing a deeper relationship with Him.

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

Short term: Go to the Grand Canyon this summer with my family (hopefully...)

Long term: I hope to get into a marketing PhD program and eventually become a marketing professor.

I was so glad to have this opportunity with Heeyoung and to learn more about her thoughts and reflections in her walk with Christ while at Cornell. As I finish writing this, I remember the times we shared in our small group, enjoyed her baked goods and amazing cooking abilities, and achieved some mischief (shoutout to our homegirl E-Monayy!). I hope and pray that God will continue to be her solid Rock as she ventures out into the real world. We will miss our beloved sister in Christ so much, but we are also so excited to see where God will lead her in the future!

Jeff Huang

No favorite 2048 version
(likely plays all versions)

Materials Science
Sugarland, Texas

interviewer: Charles Qian



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“NOOOOOOOO”
“Yesssssss,” I whisper. “Yesss.”

1. CBS is...

A broadcasting corporation. <fifteen minutes later> CBS is one large family, which is an answer a lot of people will give. I feel like I've grown closer to the people here than back at my home church. It's a glimpse of what heaven is like.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

I was kind of like you, saying a lot of words without thinking. [Since then] I've learned some restraints (among a lot of other things he said. Sorry, his words were so beautiful I lost myself.)

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

a. freshmen

Tell the freshmen that they won't stay young for long. In no time, you'll be like us. Use your time carefully. It's shorter than you think it is. Don't take relativity lightly. Your experience of time is not constant.

b. sophomores

Enjoy the golden age of your youth. Don't be afraid to step up. Don't tell anyone you're ticklish.

c. juniors

Learn to take care of the younglings. Persevere. You guys have a heavy load to bear.

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

Hidden quirks...? Uhh...I have a birth mark where no one should see? Does getting allergies count as a hidden talent. During spring, my nose becomes a mucus factory. It's so gross.

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

That I'll never find a girlfriend. And that people wouldn't accept me. The first one is a subset of the second one.

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

Uh...I wanna say my bed or 2E. Oh wait those aren't on campus... huh... let's see... oh Phillips 101? Or Milstein Men's Bathroom. Just kidding. Noooooo!

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

How much we need him. We can't fight sin on our own.

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

Short term: Get a decent job, get good at guitar, and write an awesome song -- it has to be awesome.

Long term: Figure out what I'm doing with my life. Get married... to a certain someone. Get a pet llama (it's not illegal!). Uhh make more awesome music...?

I love Jeff. Just wanted to get that out of the way. I remember sitting down with him at the beginning of the year and being interviewed by his emphatic butt. The fears he had coming in to college were very much like my own fears, but, seeing the resplendent, dazzling man of God that God has made Jeff into means that there is hope for people like me. This man, the Prince of Puns, the Galactus of Guitars, the Master of Matsci (?) sits on the Throne of Tickles, and his Legacy of Lulz will reign on forever until he graduates. And when he visits now and then. You better visit often, Jeff, I'll miss you even if my abs won't.

John Fu

ECE professors 2048-er

Electrical and Computer
Engineering

Stamford, Connecticut

interviewer: KK Yu



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John and Bethany took a horse riding trip at a nearby farm to celebrate their one-year anniversary.

John Fu describes himself as a student and a nerd. He notes the many places where has been when little, as he has moved around quite a lot. However, in 2000, he has consistently made his residence in Stamford. In his free time he likes to play tennis, play piano, pet his cat, and learn new card games. I would like to see him do all 4 at once; that would be pretty cool! A self-described pretty curious person, he identifies that way because of his love of exploring and learning just for the sake of learning new things.

1. CBS is...

A place to talk openly... a place to seek fellowship and relate to other people with a common culture.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

God changed John is by making him value relationships in college more. He was pretty isolated his first year but now he is not afraid to seek out friends and other people instead of shy away from them. He feels more caring too.

God acted on John's thoughts and character through his time spent with the Word, and through his girlfriend Bethany, who is Christian. Seeing how she treats people and talks about the people in her life was really encouraging. In the Bible, John quoted Jesus's time at the Garden of Gethsemane and about to be arrested. He was struck by the way Jesus still treated his disciples with patience and love even though this situation was incredibly stressful.

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

a. freshmen

Explore the campus while you have time to. Go to west, collettown, plantations, etc. Comes in handy in the future.

b. sophomores

Start playing attention to your future career. Look for internships and jobs. Make some friends in your major. Try to find relationships in your major, with friends, with professors. Be outgoing!

c. juniors

Don't procrastinate, you are almost there! If you don't have a meal plan attend the computer science info sessions. Called the ACSU meal plan.

d. everyone

Don't play too many video games! And don't get a noise violation for that. Take classes you don't normally take.

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

John gets OCD if he only cracks one side of his back or some of his fingers. He needs symmetry! When bored in the car, John likes to imagine a line from the car that extends to the outside. He clicks his fingers when something in the real world breaks the line!

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

John had a fear of having no close friendships. He was isolated in freshman year, but God has relieved this fear for sure!

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

1. The slope in good weather.
2. Mann library; it's spacious and sunny. He doesn't go often, so he's not bored of it.
3. Plantations

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

Connections and relationships are what lasts once you leave. What you'll take away are the people you meet and how you influence each other.

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

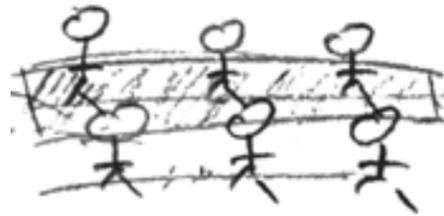
Short term: John will be working at Lockheed Martin in Syracuse.
Long term: John and his girlfriend Bethany are planning to aim for Colorado. They hear good things about the state, and like being outdoors. Careerwise, John doesn't know if he wants to be an engineer his whole life. Maybe a teacher later? He and Bethany plan to marry in maybe 3-6 years!

I had a wonderful time at CBS. It was great going to winter retreat, doing service at the rescue mission, and hearing and sharing about the ways God has affected our lives. Will probably come back to visit because I'll be in Syracuse!

John Widjaja

2048 doge-er
Biological Engineering
Cupertino, California

interviewer: Nicholas Kung



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When I was a freshmen, we were praying around a table right before praise for felly dinner.

Sitting and eating with THE John Widjaja at Mac's. We have a nice conversation about our lives and on to the interview we go.

1. CBS is...

I don't like these kinds of questions. CBS is a fellowship. I can't think of anything funny or interesting. CBS is a family of believers. I guess its a bible study and fellowship.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

One is definitely what does it mean that God loves me. Understanding the Gospel. Theres no greater love than this and Jesus laid down his life for us. Jesus doesn't just love the world but specifically me. Another thing I guess is trusting God. Really understanding that god listens to our prayers and answers our prayers. Last, I think is How to serve out of because you love other not out of obligation. There is a lot of joy out of serving others.

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

a. freshmen

To be intentional with your relationships. Use the four years well and grow together as a class. Spur each other on and to really spend your time trying to foster those deeper relationships with each other.

b. sophomores

Sophomores? <laughs> UH HMM. I'll quote 1 Timothy 2:2. This idea of since you guys are rising to juniors. Disciples make disciples, its time to step up. You are the new generation. Don't be content on just milk. Move on to solid food so you can feed others.

c. juniors

You guys are all right. You'll be fine. When I did interview for my senior he advised to spend each day dwelling in God's word. Don't take that time for granted really pursue that time. Really carve out some time to immerse yourself.

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

None.

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

I don't think its totally relieved. The fear of rejection - people not liking me. But through finding my identity with Christ it doesn't bother me if people hate me as much. Also what does it mean to be loved by God and being completely satisfied with that.

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

Sage Hall has a secret room in the tower that's overlooks the atrium. It has nice leather chairs so you feel very regal.

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

I would say "Anyone who does hate, their father, mother, brother, sister, is not worthy is not worthy to be my disciple" This idea that Christianity you can't follow Jesus without being all in .He should not be at the top of your list. He should be the whole list.

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

Short-term plan is MEng and long-term plan is to find a job hopefully in NorCal.

So that's the interview! John interviewed me when I was a freshman so it was nice for the process to make it full circle. He'll be around next year because of MEng so we still have a lot to see from him! He won't be coordinator though :(

MichaelCao

2048 is a stupid game

AEP

Westwindser, New Jersey

interviewer: Myung Kim

Michael Cao, one of the two legendary coordinators, has the attributes of a hero both in physique and in character. He is most definitely jacked! He is so jacked that he is unable to place his arms side by side over his chest. Don't let this physical build fool you for he did not just pour all his points into strength but also into intelligence. He is one of the elite few in the AEP majors, and he can easily strike up a conversation in almost any subject, of this I can personally attest to. Finally, he exhibits the characteristics of a leader, able to take responsibility and lead CBS to victory.

1. CBS is...

CBS is a nice organization where Christians come together to mature and develop. CBS is a place where we can experience family and closeness. CBS aims to develop its members for post graduation so that they can be strong Christians without a strong Christian environment, so that they become disciplers rather than disciples.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

God has changed me to be less of a prideful and controlling person. God taught me to let go of things I cannot control and allow others to have their way rather than it always being my way. This change primarily occurred during my freshmen year.

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

a. freshmen

They must realize that they are pretty far away from adulthood in terms of mental maturity. Therefore, as freshmen, they should listen to older people more closely, especially our parents, to gain wisdom.

b. sophomores

As a class about to become juniors (one of the two leading classes), sophomores need to think more seriously about how their actions influence the younger classes. Therefore, they must prepare themselves for leadership positions.

c. juniors

Don't worry about succeeding the current senior class, because you know we're so cool. Also, as a class that is heavily observed/visible, they must become better leaders or be more conscious of the actions they commit as they will be heavily observed by the younger classes.

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Be more approachable to the incoming freshmen who do not have an accurate conception of the college life.

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

Really good at making unintentional puns. (please visit twitter.com/mikecaosays) HAS A STRONG ANIME BACKGROUND!!! KYAAAAAAA!

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

One huge fear God has relieved me of during my time at Cornell is the fear of rejection or the fear that I am not valuable. Nothing matters as God has accepted me. The Christian community and CBS helped me to overcome this as I am accepted by this community.

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

AEP Undergraduate lounge: couches, card only accesses, quiet, close to my classes, AEP majors to talk AEP stuff with.

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

His ways are not my ways. He taught me this lesson through issues that were resolved in ways I did not expect, strengthening my faith in him and his way.

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

Short-term: get settled for graduate school (ex: find a place to live, lab to work for)
Long-term: get a PhD and possibly become a professor. Get married.

Michael is a talented, intelligent, highly sought-after, late-game carry, who scales extremely well and so is a commonly banned hero. In all seriousness, his leadership skills are his best attributes that have truly helped CBS. I believe that he has contributed greatly in helping our, the CBSers', spiritualities develop or recover. He was able to maintain and make decisions for CBS with always a God-centered motive. I truly believe that he has served God's plan for him in the past year as coordinator, and I hope that he will continue to act as a leading Christian figure.

Michael Feng

2048 rebel number 3
(doesn't play it)

Economics
Houston, Texas

interviewer: Jevon Yu



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The flowers blooming after coming back from Spring Break. It was an impressive reminder of the beautiful world God created.

*'Twas a warm Wednesday afternoon,
the chilly weather no longer in season
I venture out of Rhodes Hall,
leaving Opt II recitation with a reason
I find myself at the place known as Mac's,
the land of glorious pasta
M. Feng sits at a distance
and I inquire the wise masta*

1. CBS is...

family away from home. Also, more realistically, people who live in Eddygate with me and underclassmen I don't know.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

First, observing and seeing others taking God more seriously. This has led me to do so as well. I am more brave as a result about admitting and talking about my faith (the Gospel) with others.

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

a. freshmen

Be realistic with yourself and what you can do, especially when it comes to balancing your devos and everything else (schoolwork, hanging out with people, going to CBS/church). Getting burned out is a real thing and don't be surprised when it happens.

b. sophomores

See above.

c. juniors

See two above.

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

I don't know, haha. There are times when I can just be really silly.

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

I was afraid that I would be pathless and have nothing to do post-graduation. God has addressed this through having a job offer now, but it has been more so the whole process of learning how to trust/need God over time.

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

Mac's Cafe in Statler. I love the tortellini and the Hawaiian pizza on Thursday.

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

I'm a human being and I can't do everything that I want to do. And that's okay.

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

Short term: I am going to New York City to work for a financial services company (Indus Valley Partners). I wish to be financially independent from my parents, to understand what it means to sacrifice in light of financial responsibility.
Long term: I do not want to be in New York City and work for a financial services company. I want to find what I want to actually do, to discover what God wants me to do.

*'Tis sad to see this brother depart
May God strengthen and guide your heart
There always seems to be so much to do
But find rest in Him who created you*

Paul Lang

Refuses to play games like
2048 or flappy bird

Biology
Irvine, California

interviewer: Wesley Chow



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CBS first win!

I met my graduating CBS basketball teammate Paul Lang at Mac's Café for lunch. Even though we've played basketball together (and won—yay CBS!), this was the first time I had a chance to converse with Paul. Despite the fact that he spends a lot of time with the fellowship group, Paul is actually not a Christian. And so, much of our conversation wrapped around what Paul has learned about being a Christian...

1. CBS is...

a good group that I have gotten to know.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

"God has showed me what Christianity really is." Paul got plugged into CBS in his sophomore year. Since then, he has realized the merits that come with Christianity. He has seen how CBS has grown and how many have become "better people" during their time at Cornell.

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

a. freshmen

Try new things, but realize you have to be responsible for your actions.

b. sophomores

The "novelty" days may seem to be over. You'll get tired and too used to it, and things will seem stagnant, but stay positive!

c. juniors

You're an upperclassman now! It seems like you're already about to leave, but the beginning of junior year is the real halfway point. You begin to worry about what comes after graduation.

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

When asked this, Paul said, "I can't think of any quirks right now, but I'm sure I have many." Yet, what many people at Cornell may not know is that he has much musical talent. Paul, whose mother is a piano teacher, played violin and erhu. Paul also has a black belt in taekwondo.

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

Paul thinks that God has shown him what it means to be the person he is. Paul says he went from being "out-of-control" to someone who is "happy and proud" of who he has become.

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

"That's hard..." Paul gave a nice list of four places and ended up putting two places in a tie for first. Eddygate will always have fond memories of CBS. But that's not actually "on campus", strictly speaking. As a student advisor, Paul's favorite place is the Office of Undergraduate Biology at Stimson. He enjoyed getting to know the advisors there and is very appreciative for how they have helped him during his time at Cornell. (The other two places were Libe Slope and the Phillips computer lab.)

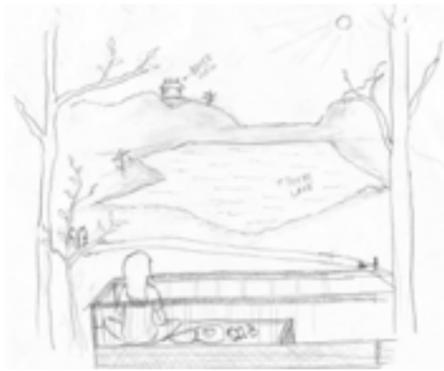
7. What is the most important thing that God has taught you in the past four years?

"God has showed me that being Christian does not mean you are perfect." Paul's previous notions of Christians were that they had to be perfect. Of course, this is not the case; no man will ever be perfect. This has made Paul more appreciative of others.

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

Paul will be enrolling in medical school at the University of Southern California. His long-term plans are to continue doing things that he enjoys doing, specifically things that are challenging but not stressful. Paul also hopes that he won't stay on the fence in his decision to profess his faith.

I enjoyed this opportunity to interview Paul, and it was encouraging to hear how much he has grown. I wish I could've gotten to know him better in these past two years. Praying for you and your decision. Wish you all the best, Paul!



Rachel Villamayor

I like sitting by Beebe lake. It's so peaceful and beautiful and it reminds me what a wonderful world it is that we live in.

2048 doge/Hayden-er

Chemical Engineering

Leyte, Philippines

THIS or THAT

Uris—Olin

pics of food—selfies

hot dog—**hamburger**

books—movies

interviewer: Felicia Setiono

Rachel was very excited about not having to be interviewed and was actually kind of dissapointed when I asked her for her availability for the interview. "I don't like questions," Rachel said. But despite the hectic week and busy-ness with work, and especially almost losing her emotions after staring at the computer screen too long, she was still a joy to interview and to talk to hehe. Rachel is also a banana. A banana that likes meat. That is all.

1. CBS is...
family.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

I think God has really taught me how to open up, to be vulnerable. In CBS, I feel there are people who are really close to me that really encourage me when I open up. I also think that CBS as a fellowship is different than from what I had before. People are definitely closer and they really aim to focus on God

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

a. freshmen

Enjoy being in cornell, cherish all the things that make you happy. Don't stay sad for too long.

b. sophomores

Keep up your love for God and for each other. I feel that the sophomore class is close to each other, so keep it up.

c. juniors

Try to set good examples for the fellowship and underclassman. You guys are doing a really good job on reaching out to underclassmen and really setting an example by loving other people in the fellowship - keep up the good work.

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

I can touch my thumb to my forearm. (legitly very impressive)

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

JThere's a lot, but one is fear of people not being helpful. I always try to do everything by myself, thinking that people can't and won't help. But as I was leading Inreach, I realized

that people are willing to help. I don't have to think that I need to do everything because it's my responsibility. People are willing to help out. So don't be afraid to ask for help.

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

- Wooden stairs with benches by beebe lake.
- Japanese garden by the museum
- The hill filled with plants in the back of Mann library.
- Garden by Williard Straight, with the small waterfall.
- The seniors' picnic place in the plantations

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

He's in control of everything. There are several instances when I think "this is the worst, and I can't recover from this." But God still works and took care of everything, even in times I didn't feel like He would (for example, prep with felly dinner). So overall, try not to worry too much about things.

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

Short-term: Find a job and stay in the States.

Long -term: live comfortably and have a family, and have a vacation house by the lake.

When I asked Rachel if she had anything else to add, here's what she said (kind of paraphrased though): "I'm really thankful for cbs, for being my family away from home and for showing me how love is supposed to look like between brothers and sisters. 'I cant wait to be done with chemE, though.'" Even though Rachel is so young, she's really mature and never fails to amaze me (and I'm sure other people as well). Her caring heart and her desire to love and serve others will always be an encouragement to the fellowship. She's a good listener and I can't wait to see how God will use her in the future. Keep being a salt and light in this world, Rachel! I hope that you will visit us often since you want to stay in the U.S. before I graduate please. Also, even though I like your enthusiasm for meat, eat some veggies too. It can be good. Haha. Oh and your drawing is intense. Just look here guys. Look at her drawing. Intense.

Wendy Gu

Doesn't play 2048

Chemical Engineering

Plainsboro, New Jersey

interviewer: Lauren Tang

After re-scheduling a few times, Wendy and I found a time to meet up in Sage amidst the craziness of final project deadlines during the last few weeks of school. Wendy came with a bunch of snacks that a friend had bought for her using leftover BRBs. After showing me the collection of snacks she had, we decided to open up a bag of chocolate covered pomegranates and begin the interview.

1. CBS is...

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

I became more aware of my idols in college. I've been surrounded by a lot of different types of people. I think I have also become less likely to judge others as I realized how much God loves everyone so I've been trying to do that more in my life. I am also less stressed out because I've learned to trust God more.

God acted on John's thoughts and character through his time spent with the Word, and through his girlfriend Bethany, who is Christian. Seeing how she treats people and talks about the people in her life was really encouraging. In the Bible, John quoted Jesus's time at the Garden of Gethsemane and about to be arrested. He was struck by the way Jesus still treated his disciples with patience and love even though this situation was incredibly stressful.

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

a. freshmen

Take the time to get to know people throughout your college career because you won't be ever be around so many people your own age again.

b. sophomores

It's not too late to change your major. Even though you feel like you may know a lot, there is still so much to learn. Just trust God and everything will be ok!

c. juniors

Cherish your last year at Cornell because it goes by super fast! Reach out to the freshmen!



THIS or THAT

Uris—Olin

pics of food—selfies

hot dog—**hamburger**

books—movies

Chilifest – going with friends every year; Slope Day; Felly Dinners; Wines class; Senior Design is over! – hasn't happened yet but it will be my favorite memory

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

I like to make puns and I am really good at parodying songs (which isn't really the most useful skill in the real world...)

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

A lot of people think you are only worth something if you are successful in a worldly way. During my time at Cornell, God has shown me that I am worth something just because he loves me.

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

Not Olin... I would say the Ag Quad because it's pretty.

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

I learned that community is really important; when I was away for my summer internships it was a lot harder to keep myself accountable.

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

Short term: I will be working for a bank in New York City.
Long term: To be happy!

We concluded the interview after Wendy finished drawing a few of her many memorable experiences at Cornell. What started off as one picture turned into a collection of pictures. I am thankful that I had the chance to sit down with this wonderful sister and hear more about her experiences at Cornell. Thank you for being a great sister and we will miss you!



Wendy Zhang

Easter on the Quad '11, when hundreds of people showed up with umbrellas in downpour. Freshman-me was blown away.

Original 2048-er

Industrial and Labor Relations

Setauket, New York

interviewer: Jessica Wong

THIS or THAT

Uris—Olin

pics of food—selfies

hot dog—**hamburger**

books—**movies**

Wendy and I met on a rainy Wednesday afternoon. We both managed to find tables, despite the usual busyness and bustle of Cafe Jennie's. I don't know much about Wendy aside from our shared major, her extraordinary running skills, and her love of God, but I looked forward to this interview.

1. CBS is... changing (a good change).

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

God has really expanded my heart for community and sisterhood. During my time at Cornell, my whole relationship with God has changed. God blew my mind with how relational He is and how much He loves. He has helped me grow and has taught me how to be more personal, relational, and authentic.

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

a. freshmen

God is so present on this campus and He has been so faithful to the CBS family. Seasons change; there will be dry and hard times, but they will pass. God is consistently doing things and present in our lives. Always see CBS as you hope it will be instead of seeing it for its flaws. This mentality will help you when you serve CBS. Finally, time goes so fast, so if you are between the choices of going out with friend and watching Netflix by yourself, go out and create new relationships.

b. sophomores

I think you are all really ready to be upperclassmen. I have seen God be so faithful to many of you. You may feel overwhelmed at first with all the opportunities to service and shepherd, but God gives you these opportunities because He will help guide you through the process. Additionally, CBS relationships will not always go the way you want them to, so be creative and finds ways to maintain happy and healthy relationships or resolve any issues. Finally, next year, things will get scattered and you may feel disconnected, but CBS is a place where you can come back and feel safe. However, when you come back, you don't need to be in the know about everything or understand every inside joke to be part of the community.

c. juniors

Don't check out next year. It can be tempting, especially towards the end of the year, to pass on the torch. Your

creativity, time, and initiatives still matter, even when you are preparing to pass on the reins to the younger class. Be humble because you still have a lot to learn from people younger than you. Look retrospectively and appreciate how God and CBS have worked in your lives.

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

Sometimes I listen to really old blues and R&B singers (ex: Steve Wonder and Ella Fitzgerald) when I am walking around campus and I pretend/imagine I am in a movie. Also, I can read things super fast (ILR super powers).

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

I use to be really afraid of taking my masks off. I used to be afraid that I wouldn't be received by the Christian community, academic community, or athletic community if I didn't wear different masks or portray "different versions of myself". Now I know that the people who truly love me and will be with me for a long time will love me for who I am and not for which masks I wear.

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

Top of the slope, but on the specific stone bench; Uris's Sumner Kirby Reading Room; Barton Hall; Cafe Jennie

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

That He loves me.

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

Short term: This summer, I am going on a missions trip to build houses in the Appalachian, and then I am going camping with my dad in Yosemite.

Long-term (next two years): I will be working in management consulting for Deloitte and "living" in Philly.

I am grateful for the opportunity to interview Wendy. She is enthusiastic, humble, and wise as well as a loving and faithful daughter in Christ. She has been a wonderful sister and servant of Christ. We wish her all the best on her future endeavors and on her continuing walk with God.

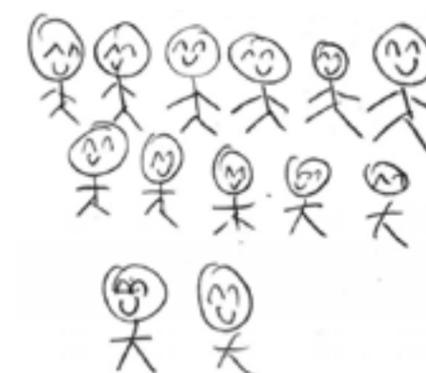
Yuna Gu

2048 rebel
(discourages playing)

Hotel Administration

Westchester, New York

interviewer: Christine Loui



THIS or THAT
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pics of food—selfies
hot dog—**hamburger**
books—**movies**

The friends I've made
(SORRY I CAN'T DRAW)

On a Monday very windy warm afternoon which was the first time we've had warm weather in Ithaca in a long time I sat down with Yuna in Synapsis cafe for lunch. She had a little trouble finding Weill Hall, but she did make it there. We got our yummy flatbread pizzas and waited for Yuna's smoothie that seemed to have gotten lost in the order. Once she secured her smoothie we sat down and went straight to the interview.

1. CBS is... family.

2. How has God changed you since freshman year?

He has taught me and shown me a lot of grace and to realize that nothing is really important in this world.

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

a. freshmen

Treasure the time you have.

b. sophomores

Umm...treasure the time you have?..... Don't feel pressured about becoming an upperclassman, but at the same time start looking out for the younger people.

c. juniors

Spend as much time with the people you love.

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

Yuna: I'm not sure I have any hidden quirks or talents. Then I proceeded to tell her what I think is a hidden talent or quirk like slipping song lyrics into conversation

Yuna: It's very easy for songs to be stuck in my head, but I can't sing. I would be repeating song lyrics but people can't understand what I am saying.

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

He helped me see more that failure is ok and is much needed. More importantly He has helped me get through the uncertainty about the future.

6. What is your favorite spot on campus?

Arts Quad.

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

ummm <thinking>.. umm ummm.... I have learn to put other people before me, which I'm still bad at. But He has taught me that it is something that I should do and I would want to do.

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

Short-term plans: I'm going to Hong Kong to work in real estate/ financial services industry.

Long- term plans: I want to start my own business. I haven't decided what kind of business yet.

When asked to draw something, Yuna said she can't draw but proceeded to anyways with a funny caption. It was great to talk to her, even though I had to quickly get to class afterwards. With only a few weeks left until graduation, it seems too soon for her to leave. She said that she will come back to visit once she gets her vacation days. I can't wait for the day she does. Hopefully I will still be here.

Bible Studies

Dorothy Zhang & Yuna Gu Mon Night Girls

Throughout this semester, we have been studying a few chapters in the book of Romans. On the first day, I was surprised by how comprehensively our group studied the scriptures. Since then, we have looked at what Paul has to say regarding God's people, as well as how this applies to our lives. We discussed God's love and mercy for his people – Jew and Gentile. As a bible study group, we also spent time sharing and encouraging one another. Each week, we had one-on-one meetings with another member of the group. During these times, we are able to discuss life problems and practical solutions. I have been blessed to be part of a group where I could ask my questions regarding the bible and share about the struggles of life.

Phoebe '17

James Zou & Zhijiang Li Mon Night Guys

Paul's letter to the Romans was Gospel heavy and full of substance for our Bible study. We often opened many cans of worms, about topics such as the p-word (predestination), the difference between physical and spiritual Israel, the full extent of God's will etc. By spending time listening to the discussions, and reading carefully through each passage, I definitely learned a lot. I'm glad that as a group we were able to come together, dive into the Bible, and share and pray for each other.

So, thanks to everyone for coming out and fruitfully discussing and sitting through those moments of awkward silence. Although we didn't really get the chance to have that manly outing as we initially planned, thanks to everyone for the fellowship during the semester, and perhaps we'll have some manly outings in the future.

Zhijiang '16

Bo Long & Jevon Yu Wed Night Guys

Hey everybody, this is the Wednesday night men's group. We met on North at Appel after North Dinner. Jevon Yu, lead singer of the hit single Jesus and Yu, paired with the Bo Long of Bo burger fame, led our group in the study of the second half of Romans. We were so excited for Romans, that we read Romans 12 before Romans 11 by

accident. Particularly in our group, we probed deep into the text, being particular with our hermeneutic and careful with our interpretation as we tried to attack such things as predestination and free will and civil disobedience among other things. We didn't always arrive at a concrete answer, but the discussion was quite fruitful as we really wrestled with the text to attempt to grasp the mystery that is the Gospel and how our God works fully. We were able to build community through our jokes as well as through our sharing and prayer for one another. All in all, we were able to get to know one another better through digging deep into the Word as we learned more about our gracious and loving Father.

Aaron Hui '15

Agatha Siu & Esther Jiang Thurs Night Girls

We embarked on a delightful journey this semester as a small group and were blessed by the wisdom and encouragement of our sisters and prayer partners. As the weeks passed, we were able to open up to one another, sharing our joys and burdens, successes and struggles. We also discussed various topics proposed by each person, ranging from idols, to the church, to relationships.

As we explored the second half of Romans, we looked carefully into Paul's words and reflected on how we could apply his teachings to our own lives. He says in Romans 12:4-8 that as members of the body of Christ, we each have different functions that make up one unified body. Just as no two members of the body are exactly the same, no two of God's gifts are either and we should use whatever he has given us to best serve the Church. Going through Romans also helped us understand how God shows his love and wants us to build a personal relationship with him. In Romans 11, Paul describes us as wild olive shoots grafted into the branches of an olive tree, showing both God's love for us, the Gentiles, and authority over his chosen people, Israel. "For if you were cut from what is by nature a wild olive tree, and grafted, contrary to nature, into a cultivated olive tree, how much more will these, the natural branches, be grafted back into their own olive tree." (Romans 11:24) Paul says God's love for his children is so great he is still waiting for Israel to return back to him so he can graft these natural branches back into their own tree.

We ended each week by lifting one another up in prayer and were greatly comforted and strengthened by the time spent in fellowship with our Father and sisters.

Xinran Pan '17 and Christine Loui '16

David Cui, John Widjaja, & Matthew Yang Thurs Night Guys

This semester, our Thursday night nomadic Bible study picked up from where groups left off last semester in the second half of Romans. Having meetings on Thursdays was sort of difficult since there were conflicts with night prelims and problem sets due on Friday. However, despite sometimes low attendance, we had good discussions on juicy topics such as "free will and predestination" and "can we lose our salvation". Thinking about these questions pushed us to think and dig deeper into the Word to back up our answers.

In order to gain a deeper understanding of what Paul was writing to the Romans, we looked at each verse very carefully and very slowly. Of course, this meant that we wouldn't get through as much content each week and that we would fall behind the other groups. But hey, it's not a race. Although we will likely not get through the entire book (unless we blast through three chapters next week), I think this method of Bible study was fruitful and

interesting. We were able to learn things we may not have been able to learn if we had just read Romans on our own.

One of the goals we had for Bible study was to build stronger connections to more people. At the end of each meeting, we had a time of sharing. It was encouraging to have a time to share what has been on my heart and to have people to pray for me.

It has been a pleasure to be part of this Bible study. I hope people enjoyed it as much as I have and learned as much as I have.

Matt

Boyi Li, Katherine Jaw, & Wendy Zhang Wed Night Girls

Wendy Zhang – *New Formats and Prompts*

This semester, our group started out all of our meetings by going through the small group discussion prompts that discipleship ministry sent out. Through these questions, we learned about each other, shared about some of our struggles, drew life maps, and discussed topics relevant to our female community. We had a great time talking about all of these things, and it drew us closer together as sisters and friends before we dove into God's Word. We found that by learning more about each other, it helped encourage conversation and opened a space for tough questions to be asked and answered during the Bible study itself.

Katherine Jaw – *The Book of Romans*

Going through Romans as a group this semester definitely brought interesting topics that I myself would not like to bother with including death, predestination, and hardening of hearts. But in light of all the "heavy" topics we went through, at the end of it there was always hope and comfort of God's perfect plan. For a couple weeks in the

middle of the semester, we wrestled through tough topics together and God blessed us with new understanding and awe in His perfect plan!

Boyi Li – *Takeaways*

This bible study has been such a blessing! The group has been able to really be open with each other and encourage each other in all circumstances. Whether we were sharing about personal issues or wrestling with the passage, there was a sense of unity and cooperation in our group. Because many of the passages in Romans we studied this semester were challenging, we were forced to move outside our comfort zone and think more deeply about what it means to know God and to trust in His will, even if we can't understand it immediately.

Senior Wills

Grace Leu & Paul Lang

I will happiness to CBS!

Michael Cao

To whoever is inheriting my room in eddy gate: you can keep all the random exercising equipment/objects there

Harry He

I will my accents to Stephen.

I will my skit writing to felly dinner entertainment leaders.

I will my batteries, umbrella, flip flops, and, temporarily, my calculator to Jeff Huang (he borrowed those things).

I will my punning skills to Michael Cao, may he do it unintentionally all the time. I guess I have to will something to John...

I will my favorite meeting place to John Widjaja, meeting place as in place of pooping.

What am I willing to Z... I will to Z curiosity to learn more about God.

I will to Hayden my love for marine biology.

I will to Wesley love for FICCC.

I will to the future residents of 3d the abyss.

Jeff Huang

I will my habit of saying random things to Charlie Qian.

I will my habit of saying emphatic No's to Charles Zhang. And possibly Haun.

I will off the role of the family patriarch to Nick Biebel.

I will my habit of calling people by familial names such as _____ to Mercy and Xinran. And maybe, maybe Charles Zhang.

I will my habit of tickling people to Bo. And James. And by tickling other people, I mean especially Charles [Zhang]

I will my title of ex-roommates to Haun and Christine.

I will the mantle of electric guitarist to whomever is worthy.

I will smelly feet to Jevon.

I will being the only Mat-Sci to Katherine Jaw and Arlena Wu.

I will listening to jazz music to Myung.

And to everyone else I will the anticipation of being tickled.

John Fu

I leave Mike Cao my piano students.

I leave Harry He my stuffed dolphin

I leave Jeff Huang my hands so he can play more piano.

I leave John Kim my wraps for Thai boxing.

I leave Lydia: memories of going to South Borough church.

I leave Stephen Wang all the card games I'll come up with in the future.

I leave Jevon Yu all the guitars that I don't have.

For everyone else I leave prayers.

Agatha Siu

I will to Tabitha and Christine faithfulness to God and a heart to serve the fellowship.

I will ORIE swag to Jevon, David, Wes, Will, (maybe myself) and any future OR major.

I will my second home aka Upson lab to Charles and Max.

I will my disciplinary methods to Dorothy.

I will my love of playing of Nertz to Beefy and PeppermintMatty

I will my meows to Ray, Jon Kim and Matty.

I will my will to Will.

Ailin Lu

I will my memory foam mattress to Boyi so that she will sleep more.

I will all of my bubz tea to Jess Chu.

Angeline Madjukie

Esther - A heart for younger sisters and teaching

Felicia - An empathetic heart and never-ending hunger for God

CBS - A heart passionate for God

Michael Feng

I will pass on the role of photographer/keeping service marketplace photography alive to Jessminder Chu

Rachel Villamayor

I will ChemE library to Dorothy

I will ability to tickle Xinran to Steph

I will my love for meat to anyone who likes meat

Yuna Gu

I will my hotelie power to Christina Ho

So Kim willed her weirdness to me last year and I should probably will that to someone else. I will my weirdness to my prayer partners.

Wendy Gu

I give my wishes for a stress-free junior and senior year to Dorothy.

I give my interest in rap/punning to Ellen.

I give my passion for SWE to Xinran and Stephanie

Wendy Zhang

I will to Christina Ho to continue the lineage (eating with sisterly love).

I will to Wendy Wei all the privileges of Wendiness and the love for sisters (originally from Sandra Quah '12).

I will to Jess Wong and Esther Jiang over 9,000 reading abilities and general awesomeness (originally from Pat Liu '12).

I will to Boyi Li relational ministry.

I will to sisters for their freedom and joy.

Shoutouts!

To the seniors,

Don't leave us :(

Bethe peoples - Thanks for letting me practically live in your dorm the entire year. It is my wish that our class continues to love and to spend time with each other in fellowship.

2E - Thank you for letting me live in your apartment. It's nice and cozy, and the couches are incredibly comfortable. Continue to show this warm hospitality next year and to those who are in need.

- Cui Cui

To my suite (sweet) girls of Becker 236,

Thank you for a year of laughter, love, and life together. I am so blessed to have a home to return to after a long day of school, and I can't imagine sophomore year without our suite. Whether it was conversations in the corridor, baking before breaks, or planning parties for our PP's, I am so thankful for the time we spent together. Thank you for making home a place of support, encouragement, and rest. So much love for each one of you!

p.s. Please put up with my frequent visits next year.

p.p.s. Thanks for tolerating my love for tricolons, alliteration, and (bad) puns.

Hi Harry,

I'm obsessed with your craters. Just thought you'd like to know I find your muscle deformity fascinating. That is all.

Anonymous Dimple Admirer <3

To Myung Kim,

"I feel like my bones have pizza in them. Don't you ever feel that?" You make good art, even if you have all that pizza in your bones.

- Xinran Pan

To the Girls of Becker 236,

It was such a pleasure and BLAST living with you girls this year!!! We had so many amazing and fun times this year watching weird Youtube vids, baking incredibly unhealthy yet yummy snacks, procrastinating, and sooooo much more!! Thank you guys for all the amazing memories! I'm so blessed to have lived with you guys this year. You guys are such encouraging and loving sisters in Christ and I will really miss not living with you guys next year. Hopefully we will still have opportunities to hang out!

To the freshman class,

How such a weird and eclectic group of oddballs came together to form CBS's freshmen is beyond me but I give God so much praise for bringing all of us together this year. You guys fill my heart with so much joy and constantly lift up my spirit. I love having pre-large group dinners together, weekly prayer meetings, habitually staying up past 3 or 4 (sometimes even 5 am) in Eddygate, planning felly dinner and just spending time together. You guys have greatly encouraged me and strengthened my faith and I pray we continue to build each other up, seek unity in Christ, and deepen our relationship with Him. He's already been changing our hearts and I can't wait to see how He'll continue to use us to build up His kingdom. Looking forward to three more crazy years together!

Dearest Mommy,

You're like the older sister I've never had but God has truly blessed me by putting you into my life! I still remember last semester when I was just a wee freshmen and didn't know many of the upperclassmen but you reached out to me and made me feel loved and welcomed. Thank you for being my friend and sister, for your words of wisdom and encouragement, for comforting me when I needed it most, for the short but precious time we've spent together. I wish I were rich and could pay your tuition so you could stay here and be with me forever but I'm only a poor college student and you probably don't want to take classes for another three years. I wish you all the best as you leave gorges Ithaca for the real world. Keep putting your trust in God. He already has a perfect plan in store for you!

All My Love,

Little Darling

Dear Katherine,

You are such a loving and faithful sister and daughter of God, and I feel so incredibly blessed to have you as my older PP!!! We have shared many laughs and struggles this year and I look forward to see how God will guide our relationship next year.

Esther,

I'm so thankful God has put you into my life! You always have so much wisdom to share and even your quiet presence encourages me. Thank you for asking all the right and hard questions, for helping me understand myself a little better and come to terms with my fears and struggles. Although I sometimes don't know how to phrase the jumble of thoughts swirling about in my head, you know just how to comfort and pray for me. I'm such a lucky ducky to have you as my prayer partner for another two years.

To Rachel,

So blessed to have had you as my pp this year! Thank you for meeting with me when you could've been sleeping. You are a wonderful listener and I've always been glad for your wise advice. May you continue to share your love with others wherever He leads you!

Freshmen Guys,

Just wanted to say that I'm thankful for all the ways I've gotten to know you all better this semester: weekly prayer meetings, playing Catan well after midnight, eating in front of Nasties until closing time. It's always encouraging to see your dedication to and love for CBS. Excited to see how God will grow you in the next three years!

Freshmen Girls,

I'm so thankful that God has blessed me with such wonderful sisters. I look forward to getting to know each of you better and serving with you all in the coming years :)

The freshies,

It's been such a joy to get to know you guys, even for one short year! I'm incredibly sad to be leaving all of you, but I know you're in good hands with the upperclassmen. I love you all, and keep pursuing the Lord with your heart, mind, and soul!

Sophomores,

It's been a blessing knowing your class and seeing the passion you all have for the Lord. Never stop seeking and keep striving to be like Christ. I'm excited for how God will continue using you guys in your remaining years!

To Juniors,

You've been a fun class to be around for the past 3 years and I'm even more encouraged by the way God has grown you in this time. The underclassmen are your hands now- take care of them well (I know you will)!

Seniors,

Thank you seniors so much for what you have done for the fellowship and for being such great brothers and sisters we can go to for advice or to play games with or just to eat lunch with. We will miss you so much! We pray that God will bless this new chapter of your lives and you will continue to grow in your walk with Him.