Grace on Campus 2020-2021 Small Group Leader Blurbs: Men



Aaron Philip (4) aaronpphilip@gmail.com

Sup guys! I'm Aaron, a 4th-year computer science major who enjoys basketball, coffee, and (recently) baking sourdough. But more than that, I love maturing alongside other guys who want to grow in their knowledge of Christ and love for Him!

With how separated we've all been during quarantine, I thought it'd be helpful to take a deeper look at the church. I'd like to trace the various names for the church, explore its role in God's redemptive plan, and build convictions on what it means to be a part of the church. We'll also seek ways to practically serve the church together.

Feel free to shoot me a message if you want to learn more or just say hi!



Andrew Yong (4) yong.andrew11@gmail.com

Hi! I came into UCLA unsure of my faith, but God has used His people and His church to bring me to Him. I desire to grow in Christlikeness, and would love to get to know you. I'll be at school maybe in November? So small group can be in person if it works out. I'm not too sure what we will go over, but I want to discuss through a book. I believe that small group is a time where we can learn from each other and practice the "one anothers," so that we all push each other towards Christlikeness.

Some more about Andrew:

I started off as a Chemistry major but now I'm studying Mathematics of Computation aiming to do Computer Science stuff. Not a big fan of sports or video games, but I like to draw.



Bobby Hekel (4) bobbyhekel96@gmail.com

Hi guys! my name is Bobby Hekel. I am a 4th year history major. I enjoy spending time with my friends and family, listening to music, going to beach, hiking, drinking coffee, and watching Dodger games! My goals for this years small group is to grow together in our understanding of the gospel. I am tentatively planning to go through the book of Romans as the entire book is a long, clear, and detailed presentation of the gospel and how it applies to our lives. I'd love to meet with you! hit me up if you are interested in meeting up or having a zoom call!



Hello there, ahh General Kenobi. I am Chris and I am a 3rd year Econ major. It's pretty cool to have a group of guys to live the Christian life with, and small groups are definitely a pretty cool way to do that. Reach out if you are interested or if you just wanna talk. That'd be pretty cool.

Christopher Ting (3) ctingschool@gmail.com



Danie Hou (4) danie3092@gmail.com

Hey guys! My name's Danie and I'm a fourth year applied math major. Some of my interests include sports, cooking, cod (iykyk), watching movies, or just hanging out with friends. I'm super excited for the opportunity to lead a small group this year, and really just to share life with a group of guys. I am still unsure of the specificities of what we would go over (maybe 1 & 2 Corinthians, maybe past fire sermon series, maybe some book) but whatever it is, I hope to point each other to Christ and his Word as we seek to love Him and one another more and more each week. Please feel free to hit me up by email or facebook, or come talk to me in person if you're interesting in joining my small group or anyone else's! I'm always down to talk and explore some of the amazing food in LA while we're at it;) Look forward to meeting you!



Daniel Lai (3) nailideal@gmail.com

HEY! I'm Daniel and I'm excited to lead a small group this year. Just a few things about me - I'm a third year pre-physical therapy EEB major and I love watching basketball, playing smash, music stuff, LOTR, or just doing stupid things with friends. For small group, I'm just planning to do something based on what the guys in my small group want to go over. But, if there are no preferences, I'll probably go over Enjoying God by Tim Chester. Overall, I just wanna have a group of guys that I can care for and who can care for each other while pointing one another to Christ. Hit me up! nyes



Ethan Cai (4) cai.ethan.sun@gmail.com

Hello there! My name is Ethan, I'm a senior Mechanical Engineering major. I love riding bikes, watching anime, marching band, making omelets, and hanging with friends. Small group is a great place for intensely personalized discipleship, so please do make sure you consider all the wonderful men on this list to learn from!

I hope to take us through the book of Ecclesiastes and hear from the Solomon regarding life, death, time, wisdom, and joy. College is a time of endless possibility, but it can be especially difficult for us to think about eternal significance in the thick of everything we get busy with. Let's learn to fear God and enjoy life, wisely considering how we can maximally spend every non-refundable second of our time to the praise of His glory. And rest assured, many of those seconds will be spent eating great food and having lots of fun!



Ethan Peng (3) ethan.peng@hotmail.com

Hey, I'm Ethan! I love the beach, playing soccer, running, swimming, boating, pretty much anything outdoors, petting dogs, playing games, and watching movies. Small group was a highlight of my first two years here and I'm glad you're looking for one! My hope is to examine and behold Jesus in order to better love and treasure Him as Lord, Savior, and friend. Please feel free to reach out, I'm excited to get to know you!



Jeremy Wong (4) tjeremywong16@gmail.com

Hi guys, my name is Jeremy and I'm a fourth year mechanical engineering major! I love playing soccer, watching the 49ers, playing video games, and trying to identify airplanes passing overhead. I'm really excited to meet you and grow together with you in the Lord this year in small group! This year we will be tentatively going through a book study in addition to living life together and encouraging each other towards Christlikeness. Feel free to reach out if you would like to join my small group or just to chat sometime!



Joseph Yim (3) josephyim0820@gmail.com

Hi my name is Joseph Yim and I'm a 3rd year majoring in Biology. I enjoy playing sports and hanging out with friends. My hope for small group is to have a group that prays for and encourages each other in our pursuit of Christ. We will most likely be going through a Christian book together. Feel free to message me, I'd love to get to know you!



Joshua Xian (4) joshua.xian310@gmail.com

Hello! My name is Joshua, and I'm a 4th year Physiological Science major hoping to pursue medicine. I love cooking, boba, marine biology, singing, card games, and K-dramas. I'm super excited that you're interested in joining a small group! My hope this year is that the Lord would grow our love for Him and our love for others as we study His Word and run the race together. Whether or not you plan to join, please don't hesitate to come talk with me—I'd love to get to know you (or feed you if you're ever hungry haha)!



Justin Lau (4) justinlau528@gmail.com

Hi! I'm Justin, and I'm a 4th year MIMG major planning on medical school. Some of my interests include music, tractors, monkeys, and games. I'm so glad you're interested in checking out small groups! Small groups have been such a blessing to me, and I know they will be for you too! Small groups are a place for learning the Word, accountability, and encouragement, which will be carried out by lessons, prayer, and sharing. This year, I'm planning on going over either a solid Christian book or a book from scripture. Feel free to reach out via zoom/messenger if you're interested in joining or for anything else (or Enfield @Michael)! I'd love to get to know you regardless!



Justin Yu (4) yu_justin@sbcglobal.net

Hello! I'm Justin, a 4th year physiological sciences major. It's a privilege to be a small group leader this year, and I hope we may mutually sharpen each other into more mature men, behold the glory of Christ more clearly, and love God more as we delve into His word.

I'm thinking about going through Mark, 1 John, Romans, or maybe a major prophet? Honestly, it depends on whoever joins. Regardless, I would love to get to know you, so feel free to hit me up anytime to talk!

More about the author of this blurb – he has a diverse range of things he enjoys, like taking sunset pictures, trolling, reading webtoons, and basketball.



Kyle Deguzman (Staff) kyledeguzman@ucla.edu

Hey! I'm so thankful that you are considering joining small groups this year! Joining one is one of the best ways to have fellowship with other people and study the Bible and discuss it together. For my small group, I'm planning on going through a theology of worship seen throughout the Bible and its implications for today. If you want to get to know me more or have any questions regarding small groups, GOC, UCLA, or whatever, feel free to hit me up either by email or on Facebook! I'd love to get to know you more and hang. I'm looking forward to meeting you!



Kyle Ogata (4) ogata.kyle@gmail.com

What's up guys! I'm Kyle, a fourth-year student studying math of computation. I enjoy sports (especially basketball), eating, board games, working out, and just chilling with friends! I transferred to UCLA last year and have been super blessed to find a community here at GOC, especially within my small group! Fellowship could not be more important in a time like this, and I hope that you would find it in a small group. In my small group, I hope that we pursue the Lord together in prayer, praise, His Word, and most importantly in love. I tentatively plan on breaking down the Christian identity according to Scripture to discover who we are and how our identity shapes our way of life and purpose in life. I'd love to get to know you, so feel free to hit me up about anything small group related or not!



Mark Kaneshiro (4) mkaneshirogc@gmail.com

Whats up. My name is Mark Kaneshiro. I'm a 4th year mechanical engineering major. I enjoy fishing, sneakers, finding new music on spotify, and playing Counter Strike.

Small group has had a tremendous impact over my life throughout my college career, and I am super excited to see what God has in store as we live life alongside each other. I have no idea what I'm planning on going over this year, but I can promise it's somewhere in the Bible, and it might start with a "Phil".

Please feel free to hit me up or send me your song recs, I would love to get to know you!



Matthew Lin (4) mjlin1999@gmail.com

Hey! My name is Matthew, and I would love to get to know you! I'm a 4th year Psychobiology major who likes to watch and play sports, as well as eat (but not cook) food! In small group this year, I hope to love, encourage, and challenge each other in our pursuit of Christlikeness. This will include studying the Word, praying for and with one another, and just living life together. If any of this sounds interesting, or you just want to meet, please contact me!



Michael Bao (3) michaelbao00@gmail.com

Hey! I'm Michael and I'm a 3rd-year studying computer science. I'm from the Bay and in my spare time, I enjoy relaxing and hanging out with friends.

Being in a small group has been such an encouragement for me these past two years. For my small group this year, I'm thinking of going through The Whole Christ by Sinclair B. Ferguson or a book from the New Testament. I'm also open to suggestions on what to go over in small group!

If you'd like to know more about what my small group will look like, I'd love to chat with you and get to know you better!



Michael Cheng (4) mcheng7777@gmail.com

Hi, my name is Michael, and I'm a fourth year MCDB major. I enjoy playing music, watching movies, and eating delicious food with people because the gift of fellowship is such a blessing. In particular, the discipleship and fellowship in small groups have been one of the best ways for me to experience what it means to live out the gospel and have Christ-centered relationships.

This year in small group, I would like for us to study the lives of the apostles in an effort to better appreciate the grace of God in the saving gospel of Jesus Christ. My hope is that we can grow together and apply what we learn to increase our love for the Lord and each other. So, if you're interested in joining, or just looking for someone to hang with, hit me up. I'd love to get to know you!



Nathan Kim (3) nathankim115@gmail.com

Hello there! [if you answer this correctly major props] My name is Nathan and I'm currently a third year mechanical engineering student. I love basketball, volleyball, and food but I'm also down to try and do almost anything.

My plan for small group will probably be more specific to the people who join. In any sense, my ultimate goal is to live life along with you guys and help you become Godly men who seek to adhere and obey and fear His word before anything else. Please feel free to reach out to me even if you aren't interested in joining!



Ricky Guo (3) rickyrguo@g.ucla.edu

Hi, my name is Ricky and I'm a third-year computer science major. For my small group, I plan on going over Hebrews, and also potentially some other godly books on the side depending on interest. As an underclassman, small groups helped me grow significantly as a believer, in developing a Biblical worldview, close Christian friendships, and above all, greater love for Christ. These are some of the things I hope to facilitate in my own small group as well, whether it be through examining God's Word, encouraging one another, or even just living life together! Some of my hobbies include weightlifting, playing with my birbs (parakeets), and very occasionally, gaming. Feel free to reach out if you're interested in joining my small group, or if you just want to hang out and chat! I look forward to meeting with you!



Ryan Tong (4) ryanwrtong@gmail.com

Hey, I'm Ryan, a 4th year. I'm a CS major and I'd love to hang out sometime. I'm planning on going through the book of Philippians for small group in the coming year. Reach out to me if you want to talk!



Steven Huang (4) stevenfhuang@ucla.edu

Howdy! My name is Steven, and I am a 4th year mechanical engineering major. I love playing volleyball, cooking (got the eating part down), and hiking. I also love that you're interested in joining a small group! I hope that we can grow together in loving God and loving others by studying His Word, praying for each other, and pointing each other back to the gospel. Let me know if you wanna chat!



Thomas Kaneshige (3) tykaneshige@gmail.com

Hey! My name is Thomas Kaneshige, and I am a 3rd-year CS major. If I were to describe my personality in three words, I would go with logical, practical, and driven (just so you have an idea of who I am). For small group this year, I am planning to go through 2 Timothy, but I'm always open to any suggestions you may have. Regardless of what we do, my hope for all of you is that you would grow in your love for the LORD as well as be encouraged to fight the good fight of the faith everyday. Feel free to contact me through email or Facebook; it would be my pleasure to get to know you and answer any questions you might have!



Timothy Ho (3) timothyho00@gmail.com

Hey! My name's Tim Ho and I'm a third year physiology major planning to go into medicine. Some of my hobbies include hanging out with friends, watching anime and movies, and playing video games.

For small group, I would want to focus on sermon application and review of Grace Church/Grace on Campus sermons that we would listen to weekly. If time allows it, I'd also like to go over how to read the Word properly and why we read it to begin with. Personally, I've grown so much in small group and I've learned to treasure the time of fellowship with other brothers and how to be transparent and confess sins to one another.

I'm extremely glad that you're checking out small groups, and whether or not you would want to join mine, I'd still love to meet up with you and chat :)