Women's Ministry Vision 2022 - 2023

Chinese Christian Fellowship (CCF) at the University of Toronto has always done a great job of fostering a community of believers as well as being a welcoming space for newcomers and long standing members alike. However, many of the events at CCF rarely address or emphasize the importance of prayer, and through discussion with members of CCF, is an area where people are interested in growing in. We hope through our leadership in Women's Ministry this year, we will be able to highlight the importance of a prayerful Christian life, especially as students with turbulent schedules and obstacles that may challenge our faith. Our decision to push prayer to the forefront of this ministry is with the hope that we can help individuals grow in their personal relationship with God and to rejoice and come to Him in all seasons of life.

As it is written:

"Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you." - 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

"Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing praise." - James 5:13

Of course, we will still be a place where lifelong Christ-centered relationships can be formed, refreshed, and strengthened, and now with the added emphasis to help these interpersonal relationships grow through prayer. Our desire is to share genuine sisterhood through the renewal of our hearts that is centered on Christ.

"And this is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ—to the glory and praise of God." - Philippians 1:9-11

Practical Actions to Enact this Vision

To begin, we want to provide a loving and safe environment for all women who come to this ministry, whether believer or non-believer. We aim to hold in-person meetings, which we think will help achieve deeper and more meaningful relationships.

We will host regular Bible study sessions through "mini-series", which are different topics of discussion viewed through a Christian lense. These mini-series will range in topics of school, mental health, and women in the Bible, and how Christian should approach these challenges in a Biblical fashion. We hope these topics will provide

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practical knowledge as well as an open space for deeper questions and discussion with each other and ourselves.