IG 5 Vision

1. Growing in faith together

"And let us consider how we may spur one another toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near" Hebrews 10:24-25

Simply being a community is meaningless if we don't have Christ at the center of it. As Christians in fellowship, we should encourage one another to become more Christ-like and support one another as we are called to "bear one another's burdens" (Galatians 6:2), and build strong relationships within our community through that. We want our fellowship to truly gain an everlasting desire for Christ and develop a personal relationship with Him.

We will help facilitate this through:

- Allowing for open discussion so that others can feel safe and encouraged to share their opinions
- Reading the Bible together throughout the week and discussing our thoughts in a group chat.

2. Discipline

"But in your hearts rever Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect,"

1 Peter 3:15

We hope to build up a community that is firm in their foundation in Christ and is able to apply Christ in their day to day lives. A community that is diligent and consistent is one that is grounded in Christ. Thus, we hope to foster a fellowship that is disciplined through accountability, allowing us to grow closer to Christ and one another. We will help facilitate this through:

- Being active in the IG group chat to encourage interaction outside of CCF time (Memes/Reels, Updates, Prayer Requests)
- Planning outings together outside of CCF time
- Leading through example by staying consistent in our attendance and bible readings

3. Building a caring and safe community

"And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'"

Matthew 22: 39

When people read Matthew 22:39, many forget that the verse first tells us to understand what it means to love yourself. Through being welcoming, understanding, and supportive, we hope to build a space where one can feel safe. A Christ-like community should allow one to comfortably share their struggles, thoughts, and questions on the faith, Christianity, and life, embracing different opinions with love. Through hearing the struggles of those around us, we can also in return learn to become a more loving and caring community to those around us.

We will help facilitate this through:

- Being vulnerable in sharing our own experiences with faith during discussions
- Adopting a servant-like mindset, so that we can make our members feel loved and welcomed
- Being understanding and supportive, even when someone has an opinion that clashes with our own