#### IG 3 Vision - 2024-25

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# Building a Christ-Centered Community

For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

### -Ephesians 3:14-19

As a Christian group part of a Christian fellowship, it is important that God is the center of our IG. While the social aspect of IGs is very valuable, it needs to be more than just a group where people hangout with one another, rather the aim should be to strengthen one another's faith. Therefore we will:

- Encourage prayer within the group either in smaller groups or within pairs.
- Encourage scripture reading and conversations about the Word.

# Finding delight in God

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

-Matthew 13:44

It is important that people in our IG experience individual growth and find enjoyment in God. It is important that we encourage finding joy in God through studying His Word, worship and prayer. By doing this and embracing the message of the gospel and focusing more on God instead of the things of this world we can find joy in God and bring glory to Him. We hope to share the Goodness of God with each other and live a life of faith. To achieve this, we will

- Worship with one another (musical worship, exploring how to worship as a group, spending time outdoors in God's creation)
- Pray for each other's Spiritual growth and well-being

## Encouraging one another

Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.

-1 Thessalonians 5:11

University is a stressful time and it is important to be there for our IG and try to support them socially, academically, and spiritually. In order to encourage members within our IG, we must spend time getting to know them and building relationships. This can be through reaching out to people in our IG and initiating activities outside of CCF hours. We hope that members of our IG will feel encouraged and supported by their brothers and sisters in Christ. We will

- Initiate IG activities such as study hours or other activities based on the interests of our members.
- Start each IG Bible Study with a fun icebreaker or game.
- Helping IG members find a church community in Toronto.
- Encouraging the IG to be present in their community.