Freezer 2024-2025 Vision

What?

What role do you want the ministry to play in the members' lives and what do you want the ministry to become as a whole?

We envision Freezer to be a welcoming, encouraging and safe community to build meaningful and lasting friendships within CCF for first years and newcomers. We recognize Friday nights and frosh year can be intimidating and hard to break into pre-existing friendships. As 1 Thessalonians 5:11 says: "Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing" through Freezer, a community of people going through the same struggles can come together and lean on each other while slowly integrating into the larger group. We want to create a lighthearted and friendly community where people can have fun yet also be vulnerable and have open conversations. We also aim to reflect the love of God through hospitality and intentionality and in doing so encourage their own faith journeys (1 Peter 4:8-9)(Colossians 3:23)

Why?

What direction is God calling you as leaders and why are you motivated to want to see this?

During our first year Freezer was a place where we really found community at CCF. We were able to connect with our fellow first years through open conversation, games and shared experiences. Though we found the transition to University and into the large group initially difficult we were able to form real connections. As Galations 6:2 says: "Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ." As leaders we are committed to bearing one another's burdens, cover each other's blindspots and foster mutual spiritual growth. As Proverbs 27:17 states, "As iron sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another." We will lead with humility and always turn a listening ear to the needs and struggles of the frosh and newcomers. We will be firm in our faith and CCF values while demonstrating love and grace, to work as God's hands and feet and have him use us for his will.

How?

Practical ways to implement the vision

To create a welcoming atmosphere we will spend time on icebreakers and introductions so newcomers can get to know each other in a loving environment. We will spend more time in fun and light activities to encourage an enjoyable and memorable time. This will create a less intimidating place and encourage openness and vulnerability. We will transition to times of group prayer and testimonies to encourage each other in our faith journeys. This will foster a norm in which people can lean on each other for their

emotional and spiritual needs without room for judgment. We will emphasize a time of weekly worship and scripture sharing while staying mindful of the varying backgrounds of faith. As leaders we will take the initiative to regularly check in with the frosh and invest time outside of freezer into meaningful and deeper relationships.