## **Hospitality Ministry Vision 2019 - 2020**

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We want a CCF that encourages intentional relationships through thoughtful prayer, pursuit of Jesus, and contributing according to our strengths, where people build new relationships with both old and new friends. We want to see members of the fellowship taking up the responsibility to welcome newcomers, help those in need, and care for one another. Most importantly, we hope to foster a culture of hospitality in CCF where connecting with and caring for others in Christ will continue in their own lives and into the future.

For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophesying, then prophesy in accordance with your faith; if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach; if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully.

- Romans 12:4-8

For many of us in the fellowship, including ourselves, it can be tempting to become comfortable with where we are in both our physical and spiritual lives. We take our Friday nights for granted and it is all too easy to forget the reason we gather together weekly and attend ministries in between is to praise our amazing God! Not only that, we also often forget to invest in people outside of our friend groups. That is why we hope to build an environment that feels welcoming to newcomers and will encourage regular CCF attendees to engage with others in the fellowship more broadly. In addition, everyone within our community matters and we all have responsibilities for one another. It is important to be reminded that we not only are receivers of God's grace and love but are also called to be givers. One way that we can respond to God's love is having a heart of hospitality. This will be achieved by a three-pronged approach of prayer, pursuit, and contribution.

Prayer through which we can support each other and push each other to grow in faith regardless of our spiritual maturity, pursuit where we strive to be more like Jesus through mutual accountability and support, and contribution to the fellowship as members of one body in Christ according to our own abilities.

We hope to bring a new approach to hospitality that will strengthen our fellowship and glorify God, and we can't wait to see all of you this year!