What do you want to see in your ministry?

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 understand that as Freezer leaders, we are in a position where God placed us to support others through their faith journey. That being said, we hope to be good leaders and role models; someone they can trust with their hardships and concerns, and someone they can look up to. We believe through creating a comfortable environment where they can consult us as friends in a safe place, they can grow together in faith and as people.

We also want to make the new people feel included even if they may not be familiar with anyone yet. Making new connections can feel especially intimidating when the current members already have friend groups, but it might be easier to participate in CCF if they get to know people from Freezer.

As members of a Christian community, fellowship is especially important. Paul says in 1 Corinthians 12:12, "For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ." He is saying that as sinners, it is really hard for us to grow our faith in this world on our own, and we instead need to worship together, as one body of Christ. Therefore, we want to encourage the first years to invest in their relationships within a fellowship that will promote growth and accountability with each other.

Lastly, we are all students and understand how hard it can be to manage school work, faith and social life together. There are multiple times where the first years will have to make the choice between these things. We hope that through Freezer, they will be able to prioritize faith most of the time (if not all the time), and understand that God will meet their needs and worries if they follow Him.

Why do you want to see what you want to see?

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

As fellow students who had to go through first year in the middle of a pandemic, missing the opportunity to connect properly with the CCF community and other first years and feeling left out, lonely, or stressed is all too familiar. As this year's freezer leaders, we want to make sure that this year's first years don't have to go through the same thing. Even in the uncertainty of where the pandemic will go, we want to see the first years have the best possible and fulfilling year.

Transitioning from high school to university can be especially hard as well, even in a non-Covid year, so we want to create an environment where the froshies can support each other during this difficult time.

It can be intimidating not knowing anyone in a big group, and people might be discouraged from attending CCF if they don't feel connected with the fellowship, so we want to make sure the first

years can have meaningful relationships between themselves, if not also with other people in CCF.

How? (Practical ways to implement the vision)

We are responsible for reaching out to newcomers and first-years especially in the time of the pandemic. As freezer leaders, they should be our first priority.

We also want to integrate the first-years (especially those that are not from Toronto) into a local church community in order to further root their faith (through events like church hopping and others).

Connecting froshies with upper-years (through collab with other years/ministries) will also be one of our priorities, especially those in the same programs as them, since mixing years allow for first-years to be exposed to new people who could be their older siblings in Christ, but also could be their mentors and role models.

In order to make the first-years comfortable between themselves and strengthen the bond between them, we will also have many fun activities and socials occasionally, so that they can keep encouraging each other in their faith even beyond Freezer.

Lastly, we will have activities to help them transition to university life (like info/Q&A sessions, study sessions, more upper-years collab, etc.)