

# Chinese Christian Fellowship



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CCF Retreat: Oreo Faces

## CCF UPDATE

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*Spring Quarter not only means allergy season and beautiful weather, but also a schedule jam-packed with CCF activities! Here are some of the things CCF has been up to this Spring Quarter.*

### Retreat

As always, CCFers gathered at Lake Lopez for a few days for camping, learning, fellowship, and fun. This year saw a record 70+ participants come! Our guest speaker was the collegiate SLO Navigator staff, Mark Case, speaking on our theme of loving God **99% IS NOT 100%**. Our theme verse came from Deuteronomy 6:5, the greatest commandment:

*“Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength.”*

We learned that the kind of love comes from a relational obsession with God and that we don't have this because we trust in our own broken, leaky “cisterns” instead of the living spring (Jeremiah 2:13). These cisterns could be anything from drugs to success in school to religious activities. One of the exciting things that happened was 2 brothers got baptized!

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## PRAYER REQUEST

### Missions

Continue to pray for seeds to be in good soil as the 13 summer missionaries in all parts of Asia complete their calling.

### Leadership Retreat

All advisers are busy preparing for the pre-year leadership training. Pray for diligence and a passion for everyone to grow in Godly influence!

### STP

Pray for the students to develop an intimacy with our Creator through our summer training program.

### Ministry

Pray for the leadership's sensitivity to the Spirit's leading of a Third ministry plant.

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## PRAISE REPORT

### B.A.N.

- The Sisters really showed their love for the brothers by putting up a *Brothers Appreciation Night* with a 007 theme.

### Open-House:

- Through the selling of potstickers during Open-house and an auction dinner, CCF'ers raised over **\$2,500 for the summer missionaries!**

### Baptized!

- Two brothers were baptized unto Jesus at the retreat; praise the Lord!

## CCF Update

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### Open House

Last year for Open House, we noticed that we had a lot of materials for potstickers, but not enough space and stoves to put out the number of potstickers we wanted to make. So this year we had a few “upgrades” to our open house event booth. We purchased two canopies, registered for two booth spaces next to each other, and decided to sell milk tea with tapioca pearls. As usual we spent the night (or early early morning) before the event to make the filling and skins as well as fold some potstickers. Alumnus **Noah Kao** even came out to help with the potstickers— even sharing his secret recipe! By the end of the day we still had a line of people AND we received the award for Best Ethnic Food! From this event we made \$1,166.36 for our summer missionaries! Praise God!!



Open House: still making “Potstickers!” This year we received the award for “Best Ethnic Food! “

### Missions Auction Dinner

One of the new fundraising events for our summer missionaries, organized by student, **Anna Huynh**, was a Auction Dinner. This event featured an all-you-can eat buffet with dishes from some of the countries our missionaries are going to, silent and loud auctions, and games. We had a lot of fun auctioning off both items and services, such as an acoustic guitar, car washes and oil changes, and a hair cut with a good conversation. In the midst of sharing laughter, the Lord provided almost \$1,400 for the summer missionaries.

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### Candlelight Vigil:

In May we all saw through the news how the cyclone devastated Myanmar and how the earthquake shook Sichuan, China. With these tragic events that occurred, we felt God prompting us to do something to somehow make a difference both in our community and in these nations. We decided to do a candlelight vigil for the victims, during which we informed the community, prayed for the victims and the situations in each of the countries, and fundraised. In the Cal Poly UU plaza, we had displays and a video with facts about each of the events, stations for written and financial response, and a prayer tent. **God provided \$1,430 to send to Myanmar and China through World Vision!!!**



## Brothers' Appreciation Night

This year it was the CCF sisters' turn to put on a special formal event to appreciate our brothers. The sisters put on a night of food, corporate worship, and activities. We had a secret agent or 007 theme, "The World is Not Enough," alluding to our call to dwell on things above and the purpose God has given us in this life. The sisters had fun preparing food and putting together slideshows, activities and even a maze in the SLO Nazarene church gym.



CCF Family Portrait @ Brothers Appreciation Night!

## Chinese Ministry

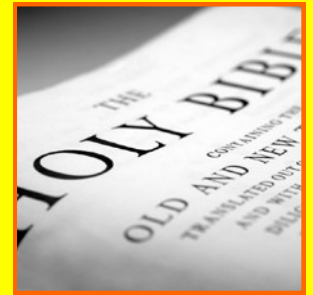
This year we have seen God do some amazing things in our lives through this group we call "Chinese Ministry." Since the beginning of this prayer letter we have been asking for your prayers and not only has this year been incredible, but in Spring quarter we continue to see the blessings of God through your prayers. We have seen many first's this quarter: from the Chinese ministry leading CCF in selling Boba during Open House to a Singspiration night where we gave the group a chance to dedicate their lives to Jesus Christ.

What is most amazing is the growth that we see in the Christians in the group that would have never served before, and because of needs in a smaller group, they eagerly stepped up to the plate. Please continue to pray for the seeds that were planted as we seek the joy of the Lord in our hearts for the next school year.

## Possible Third Ministry...?

Throughout this past school year we have been thinking and praying about starting a third ministry after seeing the start of the Chinese ministry and its growth as well as the English ministry growth in numbers. We want to be able to maintain the intimacy of a family-like atmosphere while allowing for more to be reached with Christ's love. We are praying for God's guidance in possibly starting this new ministry and looking for a possible third ministry house in SLO.

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## Summer Training Program

Something we're really looking forward to is our first Summer Training Program (STP). We've had a desire to start a program to allow CCFers to live out Acts 2:42-47 during the summer time. Tentatively, this week-long program will feature bible studies on basic discipleship topics, speakers, working for the Christian conference center, and activities. We are currently still in the process of preparing this program; please pray for us as well as those CCFers who will be attending!

Please see our promo video on our CCF website: <http://ccf.calpoly.edu>



During spring quarter the ministry team went through the process of nominating new leadership for the coming year. This time around we really wanted to make use of the leaders God is raising for us to bring greater depth into the fellowship. So we decided to nominate CCFers to be bible study leaders, whose primary focus would be to lead bible study and care for their bible study groups. This would allow for the Ministry Team to focus on logistics, partnering with and investing in the bible study leaders, and the overall spiritual health of the fellowship. This coming September, before WOW starts, the ministry team and bible study leaders will be fellowshiping, planning, and receiving training during our MinT Retreat and Summer Training Program. Praise God for His provision of more laborers and students passionate in serving HIM!

**Think you know San Luis Obispo? Here's a trivia question we bet you don't know:  
What is the latest Asian franchise in SLO??**



*The winner of a drawing with the correct answer, full name, and year they graduated will win a Tri-Tip Sandwich from Firestone's on his/her next visit! Just email [ccf-mat@googlegroups.com](mailto:ccf-mat@googlegroups.com) your answer by October 1st, 2008!*



**"Suggestion"**

Is there something you'd like everyone to see on the next prayer letter? If you have any suggestions for improvement or other great ideas, please let us know!

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