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on-campus housing

A place for you at Baylor



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life on campus

*It will only happen once.
It can only happen here.*

Where you live during your time at Baylor University matters. A lot. Your living environment influences your social relationships, your spiritual growth and your learning. You have the opportunity to join more than 5,000 fellow Baylor Bears by taking advantage of the numerous benefits and conveniences enjoyed by students who live on campus. You'll become a valued member of a supportive, inclusive community with people, services and programs in place to help you achieve success in and out of the classroom.

Choices, choices. Living on the Baylor campus is far from a one-size-fits-all proposition. Whether you're a first-year student, an upper-division student or a graduate student, you'll find a campus home among the rich diversity of living environments Baylor offers, including learning communities that incorporate students' academic interests and pursuits, as well as traditional residence halls and apartments.

Your time at Baylor is short and will lay the foundation for your future, so make the most of it. Live on campus, in the heart of the college experience.

what's in it for me?

Convenience

It's nice to be close to whatever's going on at Baylor, whether that's an 8 a.m. class, a lunch date in a residential restaurant, a study session at the library, a concert, lecture or sporting event. Living on campus means you're either within a short walking distance of where you need to go, or just a short ride away on the Baylor trolley. Plus, on-campus living means not having to worry each month about paying bills for rent, electricity, water service, high-speed Internet and cable TV service. All of these are included in your semester housing fee.

Security

At Baylor, the safety of our students is our first priority. All students are protected 24 hours a day by the Baylor Police Department, and our on-campus residential facilities are designed with safety in mind. For example, exterior doors require a valid Baylor ID card for access. Baylor Safety and Security Education Officers (SSEOs) patrol the

residence halls from 11 p.m. to 7 a.m. each day and are available to walk students or drive them in the golf cart shuttle from Baylor parking garages and libraries back to their halls. Each residential community also enforces sensible visiting hour policies designed to ensure privacy and monitor outside access, while also enhancing a sense of community.

Support and guidance

Students who live on campus don't have to go it alone. Not only do they enjoy the friendship of their roommates and hallmates, but there are people in each residential community to support them. Each residence hall has a professional staff member, with a master's degree, living on-site as well as a trained student Community Leader living in each section of the facility to provide support and assistance. Truett Seminary students also live on-site and serve as Resident Chaplains to provide spiritual and relational support to students.

Long-term benefits

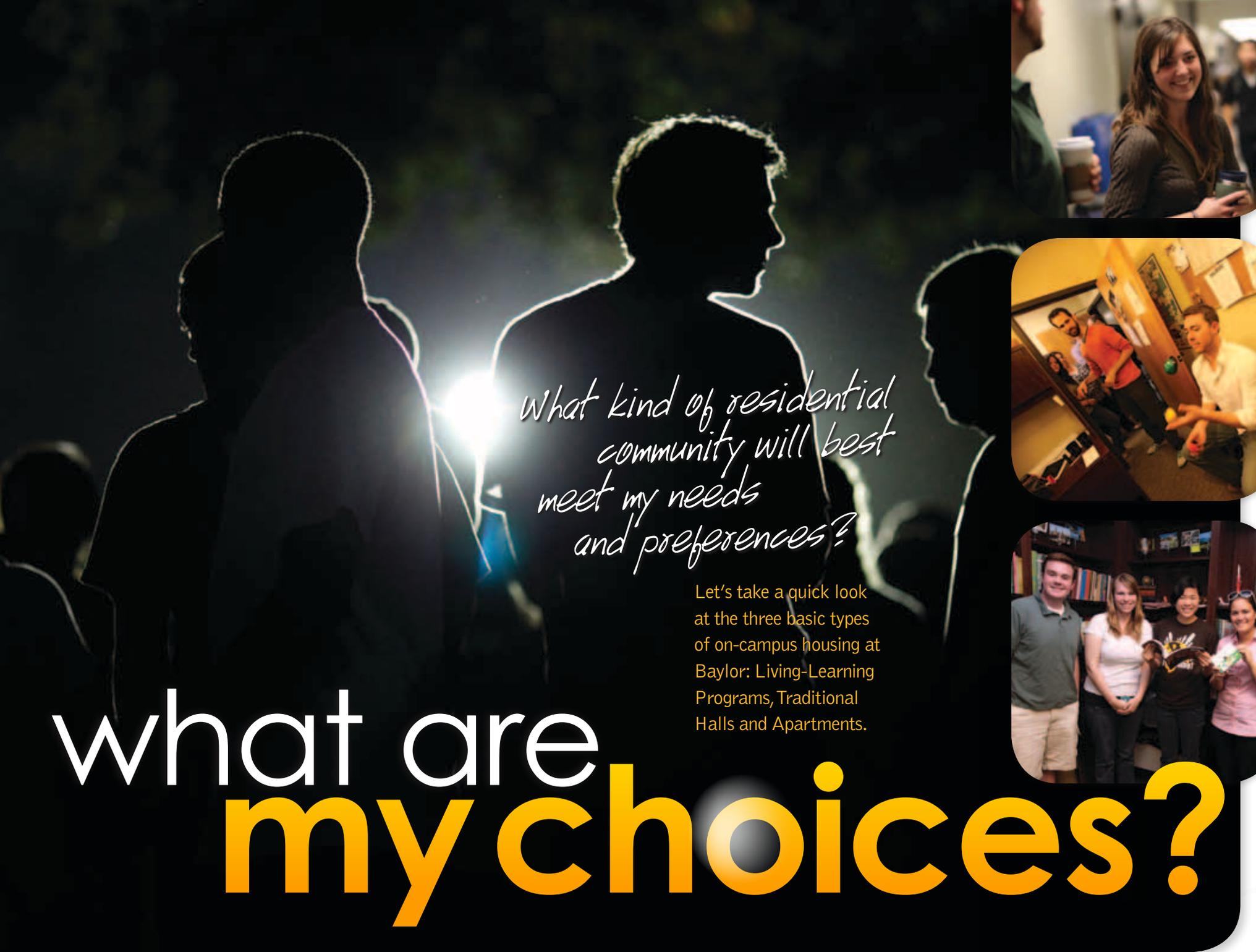
In synthesizing more than 2,600 scientific studies,* researchers have found that students who live on campus have higher GPAs in their coursework, gain more interpersonal contacts with fellow students and faculty, and are more satisfied with their undergraduate experience overall.

On-campus students are 44 percent more likely to finish college than those students who never live on campus. They are also more likely to go on to do graduate work.

At Baylor, we've noticed that students who live on campus tend to become more involved with campus organizations and other activities outside of class. In short, they tend to do better in school and become more well-rounded than students who never live on campus. First-time freshman are required to live on campus for these reasons. For more information on the residency requirement, visit www.baylor.edu/c11.

*Astin (1993), Schroeder et al. (1994), Pascarella and Terenzini (2005).





What kind of residential community will best meet my needs and preferences?

Let's take a quick look at the three basic types of on-campus housing at Baylor: Living-Learning Programs, Traditional Halls and Apartments.

what are my choices?



living-learning programs

Living-Learning Programs (LLPs) are thriving, dynamic communities that foster learning and relationships. Residents share common academic courses or activities and have access to on-site services including faculty offices, classrooms and enhanced programming. Space in these programs is limited, and all programs require their own application process.

Why choose to be part of a Living-Learning Program? First of all, it's fun. It's an easy way for you to get connected quickly to other students who share your interests.

Second, we think you'll be more satisfied with your time at Baylor. Our resident surveys show us that students in LLPs are more satisfied in almost every area of their housing and college experience than other students on campus. At the same time, national research shows that students in programs such as these earn higher grades, have greater interaction with faculty and engage more often in academic-related conversations with their peers.

There are three types of Living-Learning Programs to which you can apply: Living-Learning Centers, Residential Colleges, and Engaged Learning Groups. Within each type are several options.

Living-Learning Centers

Living-Learning Centers (LLCs) are residential communities organized by academic discipline or program. As part of the emphasis on community, residents share common cohort courses specific to their programs. Many other academic services are provided in the residence halls serving as the home for each particular LLC. These services include study groups, special lectures and other academic programs, social events and faculty offices located on site. Students may remain in an LLC throughout their time at Baylor, though each community's eligibility requirements vary.

Baylor's Living-Learning Centers are open to freshmen through seniors and include:



AIR FORCE ROTC LLC

www.baylor.edu/rotc/llc

Located in Allen and Dawson halls, the Air Force ROTC-LLC (AFROTC-LLC) is open to all of Baylor's cadets, regardless of major. In addition to bonding with immediate year-group peers, residing in the AFROTC-LLC enables upper-class cadets to provide mentorship and, likewise, for new cadets to benefit from residing with experienced cadets. Furthermore, the AFROTC-LLC provides additional avenues for leadership development via community, guest speaker dinners, and student-led social and service opportunities.



ENGINEERING & COMPUTER SCIENCE LLC

www.baylor.edu/ecs/llc

The Engineering & Computer Science-LLC (ECS-LLC) is open to students who are serious about their study/major in engineering, computer science and bioinformatics. It's located in the North Village Residential Community, next door to the Rogers Engineering & Computer Science building. In Fall 2013, the ECS-LLC will move to the new East Village Residential Community currently under construction. The ECS-LLC has a faculty-in-residence, faculty offices and a classroom on site.



ENTREPRENEURSHIP LLC

www.baylor.edu/entllc

Located in Texana House and University House in the North Village Residential Community, the Entrepreneurship-LLC provides housing and academic support for entrepreneurially-minded students from all fields of study. It seeks to help students develop their innovative capabilities more fully by offering mentoring, lab and discussion groups, and opportunities to work with practicing entrepreneurs. Students participate in a cohort class and can draw on faculty support for starting their own businesses.



FINE ARTS LLC

www.baylor.edu/fineartsllc

The Fine Arts LLC is specifically for students in Fine Arts majors (art, film and digital media, music and theatre) as well as other students interested in the fine arts. Through special events, field trips and community dinners, the Fine Arts LLC creates a thriving community of artists that encourage and support one another in both their academic and professional endeavors. The Fine Arts LLC is located in the North Village Residential Community.



GLOBAL COMMUNITY LLC

www.baylor.edu/gcillc

Located in Brooks Flats, this LLC serves students who desire a deeper understanding of the cultures and peoples of the world. Members pursue language learning, develop intercultural friendships, take part in mentoring and service learning, reflect on global issues, and participate in an academic cohort class. Students choose from three apartment-style suites: language immersion, global missions and current world affairs.



LEADERSHIP LLC

www.baylor.edu/leadership

Located in Allen and Dawson Halls, the Leadership-LLC is open to first-year students from all fields of study. Its mission is to develop leaders of influence through exploring leadership theory, engaging in civic activities, discovering personal strengths and calling, and gaining leadership experience in the context of a Christian community.

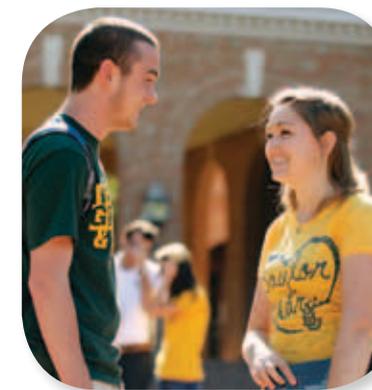


OUTDOOR ADVENTURE LLC

www.baylor.edu/oaillc

The Outdoor Adventure LLC (OA-LLC) aims to develop students personally, socially, physically and spiritually by means of outdoor exploration, challenge, team-building, and skill development. OA-LLC members take

one class together each semester and participate in outdoor related clinics and seminars. Weekend trips include canoeing, rock climbing, backpacking, biking and more. It is located in Texana House and University House in the North Village Residential Community.



THE TRANSFER YEAR EXPERIENCE LLC

www.baylor.edu/cii/transferllc

The Transfer Year Experience LLC provides a unique community designed specifically for students transferring into Baylor University. The program focuses on helping transfer students adjust smoothly

by facilitating social activities, aiding in the development of strong academic and professional habits and addressing issues specific to transfer students. The Transfer Year Experience LLC is located in University Parks, a community featuring multi-person apartments (two-, three-, or four-person) with single bedrooms.

Residential Colleges

Baylor's Residential Colleges are designed to provide a culture that fosters academic excellence, intensive faculty-student interaction and rich culture steeped in Baylor tradition. Led by faculty members, these Living-Learning Programs offer a special sense of community through community dinners, lectures and Master's Teas — informal gatherings where students talk with distinguished guests and faculty members. Students also provide leadership for the program, many leading through participation in governing councils and committees. Students wishing to reside in a Residential College must complete an online application process and are required to make a two-year on-campus housing commitment.

Baylor's Residential Colleges are open to freshmen through seniors and include:



BROOKS RESIDENTIAL COLLEGE
www.baylor.edu/cii/brookscollege

Brooks Residential College, a residential community built on the site of Baylor's historic Brooks Hall, houses 370 students from all fields of study. It features a library, high-tech classroom, faculty offices, Robbins Chapel, community spaces and the Great Hall for dining, including a special Sunday evening dinner for Brooks residents that is served family-style with faculty in attendance.

"I looked at a lot of places, but I found my place on campus."



HONORS RESIDENTIAL COLLEGE
www.baylor.edu/hrc

Located in Alexander and Memorial Halls in the historic heart of campus, the Honors Residential College is open to 325 students. Students from all majors are eligible but must be a member of one of Baylor's four Honors College programs — the Honors Program, University Scholars, the Baylor Interdisciplinary Core or the Great Texts Program. It features a high-tech classroom, the Alexander Reading Room, the renovated Memorial Chapel and easy access to the adjacent Memorial residential restaurant.

Engaged Learning Groups

Engaged Learning Groups (ELGs) are learning communities that consist of freshmen students living together in Kokernot Hall who explore challenging topics from an interdisciplinary perspective. Approximately 25-50 students in each ELG explore important and creative topics for one year through shared classes taught by talented and engaging faculty. All ELGs provide engaging assignments, activities and faculty interaction. Students earn credit for the course(s) taken.

Topics change yearly, but topics for 2012-2013 include:



HISPANIC FAMILIES IN TRANSITION

Students will have the opportunity to explore the fastest growing minority community in the United States, while working with recent Hispanic immigrants who are facing many challenges in the Waco community. This ELG is for students interested in learning about and serving this emerging population.



SCRIPTURES AND HERITAGE

Students in this community will enjoy a robust reinvention of the religion courses required of every Baylor student. Specifically, students will explore issues surrounding the study of Christian Scriptures and heritage. This ELG is meant to serve as a launching pad for freshmen majoring in religion and will serve as a great preparation for upper-level religion classes.



MEDICAL SCIENCES

As a part of this multi-disciplinary learning community, students will deepen their understanding of the medical profession through specialized coursework and engaging extracurricular activities. This ELG has been designed for freshman students who are interested in pursuing a career in medicine. The intent of the Medical Sciences ELG is to foster the development of a supportive and inclusive community of diverse students, faculty and staff.

"There used to be the academic me and the social me; with living on campus, it's just me."





traditional residence halls

If you're looking for a more traditional residential environment, Baylor offers five excellent choices primarily for first-year men and women. All facilities include free high speed Internet and cable TV in all rooms, areas for study, community bathrooms and laundry facilities. Some residence halls also include a residential restaurant.



East Village

Baylor University is pleased to announce the development of its newest residential community – East Village! Opening in Fall 2013, this community will consist of two residence halls, each housing 350 students, and a two-story, 500-seat, fresh-food concept dining hall.

The north residence hall will be the Engineering & Computer Science Residential College for all students in the School of Engineering and Computer Science, and the south residence hall will be the Science & Health Living-Learning Center for all pre-health, medical science majors.

The residence halls were designed to house students throughout their college years. First-year students will primarily live in traditional two-person rooms in cove units, defined as 4-5 bedrooms that share a common bathroom. Sophomores will live in double semi-suites, defined as two rooms sharing an adjoining bathroom. Juniors and seniors will live in 3- and 4-bedroom apartments, which consist of almost all single bedrooms and kitchens.

Additional features include:

- Classrooms and seminar rooms
- Library and group study rooms
- Media/game rooms with large, flat-screen TVs equipped for gaming, pool, and ping-pong
- Mailboxes on site
- Front desk service will be open from 7 a.m. to 1 a.m.
- Faculty-in-Residence have their offices on site in each residence hall
- Professional hall directors and student community leaders
- A Chapel and resident chaplain that lives within each community
- LEED-certified and multiple "green" features



PENLAND HALL

www.baylor.edu/cil/penland

A male residence hall housing 550 students, Penland Hall includes the Penland residential restaurant on the first floor, sinks in each room, and features built-in furniture.

MARTIN HALL

www.baylor.edu/cil/martin

Baylor's second traditional residence hall for men is Martin Hall, housing 325 students. It features sinks and moveable beds in each room as well as the Green & Gold Gym for working out in the basement.

COLLINS HALL

www.baylor.edu/cil/collins

Our largest traditional residence hall for women is Collins Hall, housing 600 students. It includes sinks and moveable furniture in each room as well as the Collins residential restaurant on the first floor.

NORTH RUSSELL HALL

www.baylor.edu/cil/northrussell

North Russell Hall houses 460 women. It features built-in furniture and sinks in each room, a large first-floor lounge and courtyard, and is just a short walk from the Penland residential restaurant.

SOUTH RUSSELL HALL

www.baylor.edu/cil/southrussell

South Russell Hall houses 300 women. It features built-in furniture and sinks in each room, shares a courtyard with North Russell and is close to Penland residential restaurant and several libraries and academic buildings.

get involved

Look for these events in all residential communities!



HALL LEADERSHIP TEAM

The Hall Leadership Team (HLT) is a group of residents who work together to shape the hall culture and environment. Members of the HLT represent their hall community and serve to enhance the residential experience of students. They attend weekly leadership team meetings and help prepare events and experiences in their residence halls and communities.

INTRAMURALS

More than 7,000 students take part each year in Baylor's intramural sports program, recognized as one of the best in the nation. Residence halls have teams and this is a great way to be involved in the campus community and team sports.



FACULTY PARTNERS

Our Faculty Partner program connects each residence hall with faculty volunteers who interact with residents through various activities. Whether sharing a meal in one of the dining halls, going to a Baylor event together or attending a floor movie night, Faculty Partners are engaged in the residential communities to assist students through their college transitions.



HALL TRADITIONS

The week leading up to Homecoming, residents add to the campus spirit as they decorate the outside of their buildings and compete for the honor of the best decorated hall. Also, near Halloween, many students in residence halls decorate and open their rooms for "Treat Night," hosting Baylor faculty and staff children for trick-or-treating.

SMALL GROUPS

Each residence hall hosts weekly small groups that are led by Resident Chaplains and sponsored by Spiritual Life. The purpose of these groups is to challenge students to explore or deepen a relationship with Christ.



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