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FROM THE ASSISTANT CHAPLAIN

Last year was my first year here at college and I have very fond memories of Unite week, seeing students in bursts of colour in their cultural dress celebrating our diverse backgrounds. It was fantastic!

In my family, the Beikoff name doesn't really hold much cultural history. All we know is that it is Prussian, and my great-great grandparents came over on a boat right before the turn of 19th century. But sadly, that is as much as I know. Our family history was lost due to the nation ceasing to exist and overthrown by the German Empire. Even the region where the Beikoff's originated, (now Poland) is now completely desolate.

I wonder if you've ever felt how my family has felt, a bit lost because you have no connection with your ancestral roots?

Whether you have or not, there is something that has given me great comfort and assurance when questioning my cultural history and identity and that is knowing full well what God says about who I am, I belong to Him.

See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God 1 John 3:1 ESV

By God's grace and through Jesus' death and resurrection, we can have full hope, assurance, and identity as being a child of the one and true God that yearns for us to know Him as our Father.

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