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Faith, Trust, and FPN Presentations?

Weekly report 4/16/18 to 4/23/18

This week went by in a blur! As the Disney trip begins on Thursday the 19th and continues until Monday the 23rd, this weekly report was completed a bit earlier due to the trip. This week, I focused on my final presentation night speech and on writing my data analysis paper.

On Tuesday, April 17, I traveled to Collin College to meet with Professor Meyer for our 11th mentor visit. At this visit, we discussed the final results of the study. Professor Meyer recommended that I go through my results and try to find articles detailing studies with similar results to mine. These articles will help to support my conclusions and reasoning in the discussion portion of my paper. Over the course of the next week, I will also go back through my results and pick out findings that were interesting, but not statistically significant. For example, there was virtually no difference between the academic and personality traits of only children versus children with siblings. Because there was no difference, these results are not statistically significant ($p < 0.1$), but they are still interesting enough to report in my results.

This week, I also began working on my speech for final presentation night. Due to the fact that I will be out of town this weekend, things have been stressful in terms of trying to make up work and prepare for the trip. As a result, it has been hard to set aside time specifically for

creating this presentation. Overall, I do not feel very worried about this presentation because I have grown accustomed to public speaking through the ISM program. I really appreciate that we have just been adding to the same speech since August. If anything, I am excited to give my presentation and share my study results with my peers. This excitement about the prospect of public speaking would not have been possible at the beginning of the year.

Over the course of the next week, my goal is to pull my life together because I feel like I have been very disorganized and stressed lately. I also hope to practice and tweak my final presentation night speech in order to give the best presentation possible. I also hope to keep working on my final product research paper. Things are busy right now, but I trust in myself and I have faith that I will be able to complete all assignments to the very best of my ability.

Accomplished this week:

- 11th mentor visit with Professor Meyer
- Began working on FPN speech and presentation
- Continued writing paper

Goals for next week:

- Practice FPN speech
- Continue writing paper
- Complete additional research needed for discussion
- Finish passing out invitations
- Finish updating portfolio and website