$oldsymbol{T}$ here is as yet no culture, no method of progress known to men, that is so rich and complete as that which is ministered by a truly great friendship.

- Phillips Brooks

We may have been apart but the ties hetween us have gotten closer The memory of the times we have spent together shall last forever

- Louise Bradford Lowell

 $oldsymbol{F}$ rom the standpoint of daily life \dots there is one thing we do know: that man is here for the sake of other men above all, for those upon whose smile and well-being our own happiness depends, and also for the countless unknown souls with whose fate we are connected by a bond of sympathy. Many times a day I realize how much my own outer and inner life is built upon the labors of my fellow men, both living and dead, and how earnestly I must exert myself in order to give in return as much as I have received.

- Albert Einstein

It is a mistake to think that one makes a friend because of his or her qualities; it has nothing to do with qualities at all. It is the person that we want, not what he does or says, or does not do or say, but what he is! that is eternally enough. Who shall explain the extraordinary instinct that tells us, perhaps after a single meeting, that this or that particular person in some mysterious way matters to us? I confess that, for myself, I never enter a new company without the hope that I may discover a friend, perhaps the friend, sitting there with an expectant smile. That hope survives a thousand disappointments. People who deal with life generously and large-heartedly go on multiplying relationships to the end.

— Arthur Christopher Benson