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FALL NEWSLETTER



HOLISTIC HOPE

IN THE JUNGLES
OF ECUADOR



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GETTING BUSY!

WOW- It's been three months since I transitioned to Ecuador full time. Since arriving, Sucúa has loosed COVID restrictions and our team at Centro Cristiano de Sucúa reopened our doors in September. Six months without stepping into a church is heavy on the soul- so we are excited to once again be able to offer our weekly services, prayer/discipleship nights, and beginning this week, youth services! (All done with mandatory temperature checks, face masks, socially distanced seating, and lots of hand washing of course.) The opportunity to meet people and lead a couple of the devotions has been both a blessing and challenge.

Another exciting piece of news is that we recently received approval from the local government and the lawyer to do a provisional re-opening of La Casa Esperanza. We open next week with 30 girls (half of our normal size!). In preparation we have spent this last couple weeks praying over each girl, cleaning and fumigating La Casa Esperanza, and creating welcome packs of necessities. After nearly 8 months being closed, both our team and the girls are excitied for this reunion.



Over the last month and a half, I have had the opportunity to spend time each week calling the girls individually. This has proved a challenge (especially for my growing Spanish vocabulary), but little by little I've been able to connect with several of them and do short questionnaires about how they/ their families have been doing since La Casa Esperanza was forced to close in March.

I also recently traveled to Guayaquil with some of my teammates to complete the final documents for our Residency VISA process. While the trip had a couple twists and turns (as is expected when working with any government system, especially during a pandemic), we were able to obtain these documents and have now be granted an interview date in early December. This is a huge weight lifted off our shoulders.

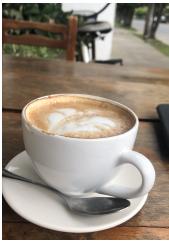
PRAYERS & PRAISE

HERE ARE SOME WAYS YOU CAN PRAY WITH ME AND THE JUNGLE MISSIONARY TEAM:

- Safe re-opening of La Casa Esperanza on November 2nd.
- Health and Safety (not only physically, but mentally/emotionally/spiritually as well) of each of girl who moves in and each woman who will be coming back to work.
- Continued prayers for favor through the Residency VISA process and during my upcoming VISA Interviews.

Finally, a huge thank you to many of you who have reached out over the past couple months. I wouldn't be able to continue on this journey without each of your support.





"En su angustia clamaron al Señor, y Él los sacó de su aflicción. Cambió la tempestad en suave brisa: se sosegaron las olas del mar. Ante esa calma se alegraron, y Dios los llevó al puerto anhelado."

Salmos 107:28-30

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