

HOLISTIC HOPE

In the Jungles of Ecuador



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Rachel's Top 5 Worship Songs During Quarantine:

- 1) When Heaven Breaks Through:
Community Music
- 2) Jesús En El Centro:
Israel & New Breed
- 3) Good to Me: Audrey Assad
- 4) De lo Más Profundo: Fuego
- 5) No One Ever Cared for Me Like Jesus: Steffany Gretzinger

2020 CHANGES

As most of you know, I was suppose to have finished my language studies and have been on my way to Ecuador next week... but like each of you reading this, I'm now writing from the quiet of my home and quarantine in Costa Rica.

COVID-19 has changed the notion of "normality" for all of us. The devastation being faced by the country of Ecuador is overwhelming. While my heart wishes to be landing in the country I've worked so long and hard to reach, the realities of a pandemic, closed borders, and a taxed infrastructure have lead to some changes.

For the time being, until it is safe to enter Ecuador and the situation changes, I will remain in Costa Rica. (I'm looking at an additional three months for now, until July 2020, with the understanding that this could change at any time if leadership feels it is safe.) During these months, I will continue in my language and cultural studies while I prepare for the day I land in Ecuador. While there is no doubt that this change has shifted MY plans, I know it was made by our AGWM leadership with much prayer and discernment. I fully trust that God is in control and has a purpose for this season.



*Alégrese siempre en el Señor. Repito: ¡Alégrese!
Que todos los conozcan a ustedes como personas
bondadosas. El Señor está cerca.
No se aflijan por nada,
sino preséntenselo todo a Dios en oración;
pídanle, y denle gracias también.
Así Dios les dará su paz, que es más grande de lo
que el hombre puede entender;
y esta paz cuidará sus corazones y sus
pensamientos por medio de Cristo Jesús.*

FILIPENSES 4:4-7 (DHH)



Pictures L to R: Kids Ministry in a Ngobi Reserve; Leading Worship for CINCEL Chapel; Picnic (pre-quarantine) with some Tico friends.

PRAYERS & PRAISE **HERE IS HOW YOU CAN BOTH REJOICE WITH ME & PRAY FOR ME DURING THE NEXT SEASON:**

First and foremost, thank you for your continued support for your global workers during this unprecedented time. Everyone one who has reached out, sent words of encouragement, helped me practice my spanish, or prayed for me is truly valued more than I can express.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

- The Amazon River Basin and Shuar Villages who are isolated without medical care and suffering potentially devastating affects from COVID-19.
- For renewal and revival in churches both home and abroad in the aftermath of this season.



(Pre- Quarantine) Pictures L to R: Fútbol game in the Ngobi Reserve; Preparing for worship at Costa Rica's Women's Teen Challenge (Drug Rehabilitation Program); Quarantine Cuts; Hiking to a Ngobi Home.