

HOLISTIC HOPE IN THE JUNGLE



Happenings:

Since my last newsletter in June, a lot has changed! We finished one school year and started another- this time with (partially) in person classes! When the girls came back in August, all classes were virtual still, but little by little, all the girls (6th grade through senior year) have returned to class! While their schedule continues to change almost weekly, we thank the Lord for this development.

The Psychologist on our team and I continue to form our program for mental, emotional, and social/relational health in the Hope House as well. I just completed our first psycho-social unit of the school year with September/ October being dedicated to activities and discussions about Self-Esteem and Value. During November/ December we will begin to talk about Worry, Stress, and Negative Thinking. In addition to weekly group sessions, each girl is also given at least one individual session with the psychologist each month.

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After a long, hard year and a half, in October, the Tías (the ladies who work full time at the Hope House) took a well deserved team retreat to Cuenca. After a weekend of fun, our last morning we were able to sit together and just express our gratefulness for the provision the Lord gave during 2020 and 2021. While the journey has been nothing short of rough at times, the Hope House has never been without. He truly is our Jehovah Jireh- Our Provider.

The Last weekend in October we were also privileged to host our first parents and family day at the Hope House (second photo on left) since the pandemic closed everything in March 2020! These days give the girls a chance to see their families and take paseos- or small day outings, as well as give parents the opportunity to hear/see where each girl lives and what is happening in their school work and personal lives.



PRAAYER REQUESTS

- All girls will finish the semester with high grades.
- Safety for the girls when they leave and go to their communities for Christmas Break in December
- Smooth Transitions and plans of growth as the Hope House is constantly shifting to try and be better providers for the girls.
- Health and Healing over several tías of who have had serious medical issues arise in the last months.

