

-HOSKINS FAMILY PARTNERING IN-

ECUADOR



-365 DAYS :: 52 WEEKS :: 12 MONTHS :: 1 YEAR-

Dearest Friends,

Wow! One year in Ecuador! Some days it truly feels like we have lived here forever and others when it still feels like we just arrived. It is with such deep and sincere gratitude that we celebrate this milestone with you all.

This year has been filled with transition and attempts to lay a good foundation for both our family and ministry life here in Ecuador. We navigated finding furniture and buying major appliances for the first time in our life, adjusted to a new school and a different curriculum, purchased a car, dusted off our Spanish and have started to build new community and discovered new activities to be involved in.

Mentors of ours once told us that often life in ministry as a long term missionary means that you are more of a "generalist"; that no two weeks in ministry will ever look the same and that the day to day would cover a wide range of tasks. We have certainly found this to be true! We have spent much time and energy supporting the Ecuadorian Covenant Church (IPEE) pastoral education program and have also recently stepped into a role of supporting Covenant World Relief partnership projects in Ecuador. We are also supporting our ECC colleagues through serving as country coordinator and mission treasurer. All of this, and a myriad of other things that have come up over the year!

We have been involved in conversations with IPEE leadership about developing a plan for pastoral care for pastors and their families and ask for your continued support as discussions continue to define needs and what our role might be in support of this ministry. Similarly we are in conversations about partnering in human trafficking prevention, intervention, and healing. Join us in praying for wisdom and patience. We are learning much about partnership and want to continue to question and challenge default postures long held in the history of mission.

We are daily grateful for your love and encouragement! Thank you for your faithful support of our family and the ministry we have been called to in partnership with IPEE. We look forward with anticipation to the work that God will continue to do in and through us all as we continue to commit to one another.

peace,
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