

Today's Piece of the Puzzle



"He changes times and seasons; he deposes kings and raises up others.
He gives wisdom to the wise and knowledge to the discerning." Daniel 2:21

As Seasons Change

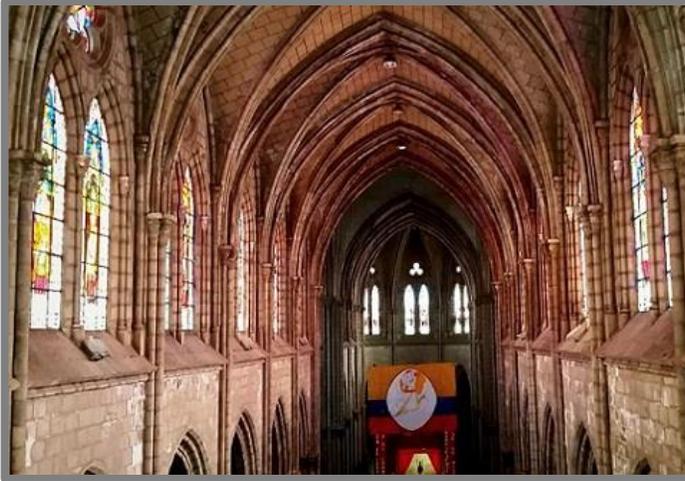
Dear Friends,

Thank you so much, for being interested in my journey and the ministry being done in Ecuador!! Currently, I am transitioning back into fundraising after taking some time off to help take care of my ill grandfather.

A Call for Prayer:

Unfortunately, life can bring snow flurries even when it's not winter outside. November brought the storm of a lifetime into my household. Just before leaving on my trip to Ecuador, in October, my grandfather took a fall and began what we didn't know at the time was going to be a quick decline to the end of his life. I have spent the last month helping my grandmother take care of her husband and make sure that he was comfortable in his last months. Today we were told that he has no more than 72 hours left in his life.

As you think of me this month please pray for my family as we deal with the pain of losing a loved one. Specifically, keep my grandmother Joan in your prayers as she is dealing with the loss of her husband, partner and best friend. My grandfather is an amazing man and it has been an honor to walk with him through the last days of his life.



Catedral Metropolitana de Quito:

As we approach the holiday season I think this photo of the cathedral, in central Quito, serves as a reminder of the many ways people around the world serve and worship God.

More historically, it is also a glimpse into Ecuador's Spanish Catholic roots and the ornate traditions that have become ingrained into their culture.

God Always Provides:

Though I took some time away,

**I have currently raised 33% of my monthly support goal
and 42% of my one-time costs goal!!**

**If you are interested in becoming a monthly donor, please consider
committing sooner than later. The earlier monthly commitments are received,
the better we can plan for the future!**

I want to thank those of you who have decided to become financial supporters of the ministry in Ecuador!! I can't express how excited and grateful I am to have you on the team!!

I also want to ask others to consider joining the team. I am asking you to consider what you can and are willing to spend on the work of Jesus in Ecuador. Whether becoming either a one-time or monthly donor, remember that the sooner you are willing to take the step, the better! You can do so, at give.iteams.us/30US3019, either by automatic monthly EFTs and credit card transactions or one-time special gifts as God blesses you financially.

If you have any questions or would like to chat about the ministry I am joining PLEASE feel free to email me at chelsea.diefenbach@iteams.org.

What Else Can You Do?

- Please remember my family and our loss in your prayers this month.
- Please pray for progress with my fundraising goal; that my excitement for Jesus and Ecuador will shine and that others will want to be a part of the ITeams family!
- Spread the word! Please share my newsletter and blog posts with friends, family and on social media!

Again, thank you for your love, support and prayers!! I am so full of joy and excitement as my team and ministry continue to grow! I truly appreciate all of you so much!!

So much love,
Chelsea Diefenbach

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NO TURNING BACK

I taught high school for 7 years before entering into ministry with International Teams. This blog documents the ups and downs of my decision to follow Jesus.



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