

A NICKEL FOR YOUR THOUGHTS

the details



THE DETAILS

Forms, emails, visas, insurance, and other fun stuff

I love details. From observing the tiny intricacies in nature to fixing barely audible imperfections while producing a song, I enjoy studying, arranging, and organizing details. I know some of you have been asking about the details of my plans, so I hope this newsletter answers all of your questions!

As I previously mentioned, I have been accepted as a full-time staff member with YWAMQ and am planning to move to Mexico. I signed a 2-year contract that would have started on August 24, but now will likely begin in early October due to COVID-19 travel restrictions. My preparations are continuing, and this month has been full of researching options for insurance, Mexican visas, banking options, travel details, and other things.

Many of you have asked **"What will you be doing when you're in Mexico?"** At this point, there are a lot of uncertainties in the world, and the way that we do life will almost certainly never be the same, so that does make it more difficult to answer this question. Everything from buying groceries to having friends over has changed, so it's very likely that leading training schools and outreach events will look different in the days to come too. But even if the means of the mission change, the purpose is still the same. On the next page, I will explain some of the primary focuses that I have as I prepare to move to Mexico.

NEW MUSIC

I promise I won't have new music in every newsletter! At the end of June "Thee" was released. It was a huge privilege to be a part of this beautiful project that includes a vocal ensemble, violins, beatboxing, and spoken word.

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THE CIRCLE OF SILENCE

In my last newsletter I mentioned the Circle of Silence, a large part of central Mexico that has a very low Evangelical Christian population. **My main purpose in moving to Mexico is to share the gospel and to train others to do the same.** Rob Harryman recently shared with me that one of the main initiatives of YWAMQ is to empower Mexican missionaries to bring the gospel to other people and other nations! This **REALLY** excites me! We want everyone to hear about and share in the joy, hope, and freedom that God has freely offered to all who believe in Him. Not only do we want to break the Circle of Silence and see our Mexican brothers and sisters come to know Jesus, but we want this very same region that has been known for its silence to be known for its boldness and passion for sharing the gospel!



"Break the silence - YWAMQ"

SCHOOL OF LEADERSHIP & MINISTRY DEVELOPMENT (SLMD)



Bonnie with Kathryn & Rob at her SLMD graduation in 2019

One of the primary ways that YWAMQ raises up leaders is through their training schools. The Discipleship Training School (DTS) lays a foundation of the gospel through biblical teaching and intentional discipleship, and secondary schools build on this foundation in more specific contexts. The SLMD is a secondary school focused on training and equipping leaders. I will participate in the SLMD at YWAMQ when I first arrive (which, as of today, looks like October 5th, 2020) to grow in my leadership abilities and to become better equipped to serve others.

As a final project for the SLMD, students are required to pioneer a new ministry. **My ultimate hope is to be able to serve, teach and equip people to develop a "spirit and truth" lifestyle of worship.** During University, my experiences with Power to Change and the Stepping Stones Discipleship Program at Fair Havens have stirred in me a growing passion to encourage this character in people through some form of a school of worship. This school may be the ministry I will pioneer during the SLMD.



Leading worship on campus at UW for a multi-fellowship event

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WORK, MONEY, AND THE KINGDOM

the bigger picture

For at least the next two years I believe God is calling me to devote the entirety of my time to directly building His church and breaking the "Circle of Silence" through evangelism, discipleship, and training. If this is something you are also passionate about, I will be relying on a team of financial supporters of which you can be a part! All donations will be processed through YWAM Canada and I am currently in the process of setting up my account with them. I will let you know as soon as it is available. For now, if you would like to pledge an amount, that would greatly help in my budgeting!

If you would like to partner financially with what God is doing through me in Mexico, there are 4 different ways you can do that:

1. **Pre-authorized payments (PAP)**
2. **Cheque**
3. **e-Transfer**

Note: some banks charge additional fees for e-transfers, please check with your bank if you plan to use this option

4. **Credit card**

All credit card donations have an additional 2.8-3.75% processing fee.



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All donations will be sent to and processed by YWAM Canada so that you will receive a tax receipt. A 2.5% processing fee applies to all donations, regardless of donation method. I will send out specific information (how to set up a PAP, where to address cheques, how to e-transfer, etc.) when it becomes available to me.

Bonnie and I are both saving money to apply for Mexican Temporary Residency, which will allow us to serve in Mexico for longer than 6 months at a time.

PRAYER POINTS

- Praise God for His consistency and faithfulness in every season of life
- Pray that God would give wisdom to Mexican leaders as they deal with COVID-19
- Pray that God would soften my heart and give me a servant's attitude like Jesus

Thanks for reading!

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