

# ALOHA KE AKUA

"God is Love" - Change in the Midst of COVID-19  
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BUILDING SPIRITUAL MOVEMENTS EVERYWHERE SO THAT EVERYONE KNOWS SOMEONE WHO TRULY FOLLOWS JESUS

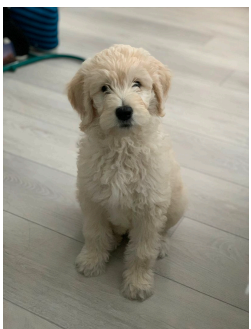


Dearest Family,

My thoughts and prayers are with each one of you during these times of change and uncertainty. I hope that each of you are staying healthy and keeping safe. The Lord has brought each of you to mind often over these last few weeks as I know a lot is happening. Whether you are doing well and soaking in this time of slowing down and finding time to do things you haven't been able to do or wrestling with anxiety over the unknowns and changes in jobs, circumstances, and anything else, my prayer is that you would feel the presence of the Lord over you. I've been reminded especially in these times of feeling limited in being able to help that the best thing I can be doing is continuing to pray. **If you need ANYTHING, please don't hesitate to reach out.** I'd love to know how to pray for you, send a meal over, help with the virtual meeting world, write your kids letters, send some toys/crafts, or even help financially in whatever ways I am able. Please know that I want to give back and do what I can do especially in these times.

As far as ministry goes, Cru at large has made some major adjustments in response to COVID-19 and at the same time, the day to day hasn't felt too drastic either having already been working from home and virtually. Organizationally,

we have cancelled all ministry travels through summer which includes all summer missions. I've had to cancel a few trips and had to grieve missing in person times with people especially now being on lock down. Everything happened so fast and with a lot of campuses closing, we had to make adjustments pretty quickly. My heart goes out to all our seniors who aren't getting to finish their last year and having to wait on graduations. I am grateful for the leadership of Cru as they are seeking the Lord for wisdom to keep everyone safe and healthy. In Epic, we as a National Team and as a Missions Director have been leaning into leading our staff not just continuing in ministry through new platforms, but shepherding our hearts as well. The hit on this individually also impacts us corporately as we are one body and I am so proud of our teams as they have taken space to process, lead and care for their students and families, and found different ways to still be a part of bringing the Gospel of grace and hope. Above is our town hall meeting with our staff and it was a sweet time to be able to be together from all across the country to share and pray together. **I am praying with and for you. Especially thankful for you in these times and knowing that we will get through this because He is greater.**



Meet Remy Rose. I brought this sweet puppy home March 3rd and she has been such a gift especially in these times. She is almost three months and has been a joy to have. Don't let her cute face fool you because she definitely has her moments but I'm loving being a dog mom again! The best part about having her is seeing the joy she brings to people and seeing puppy therapy is a real thing! I am looking into getting her registered as a therapy dog once she finishes all her shots and maybe seeing if we can visit hospitals, retirements centers, etc. Excited to have you join on this new adventure! :D You can follow her Remyrose\_theupup on IG.

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