



April 2018

The Kooistra Keepsake

HCJB Ecuador; Casilla 17-17-691; Quito, Ecuador

Youth Event with 1200 People

On Saturday, April 7, HCJB hosted a youth event about sexual purity. We rented the Alliance Academy gym, which is the school our kids go to, and is just across the street from HCJB. It was completely packed to hear three speakers and listen to two bands play. At the beginning, the speaker asked how many people were there because their parents had made them come, and about half raised their hands. By the time the four-hour event was ending though, everyone was paying attention and seemed to be enjoying themselves.



Geoff and Tammy at the Event

We helped taking tickets at the door of the event and helped with crowd control. At the end, we also helped with teardown and clean up.

The turnout was great and HCJB is planning to do two other events this year, with big audiences, like this one. Before our events had been limited to a maximum of 450 people, which is the size of the conference center HCJB has, but by renting other places we can serve more people.



Geoff Moving Chairs after the Event

New automation system for the studios

We wrote about work on a new automation system before, but several set-backs mean that it still has not been implemented. Because this process has taken so long to implement, we are now working with someone to help us out. José Luis is researching new options, testing, and will help us install the system we decide on.



Geoff and José Luis in the Studio

Emma's Graduation

Emma will be graduating from High School on June 30. She plans on going to Michigan Technological University in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan to study engineering.



Emma with Michigan Tech Acceptance

You are invited to a graduation open house for Emma Kooistra on Saturday, July 7 from 2pm-5:30pm at Jack and Peggy Vredevoogd's house (6523 Bent Tree Dr, Allendale MI 49401).

Emma's surgery follow-up

In March, Tammy and Emma headed to Michigan for Emma to have a six-month check-up following her spinal fusion surgery in August. Emma is fully healed and can now return to all activities! The surgery straightened her spine and she grew about one inch.

Home Ministry

This summer we will be in Michigan for most of July and August for a Home Ministry Assignment. We will concentrate on meeting with individual supporters this summer. If you want to see us this

summer, or talk to us on the phone, let us know at tkooistra@hcjb.org.

Emma will attend a reentry seminar for missionary kids this summer. We will take Emma up to Michigan Tech and get Jacob moved in at Calvin College for his sophomore year before returning to Ecuador.

Car Fund

Thank you to those who donated to our car fund. We hope to buy a car in September after we return to Quito.



Sara Kooistra
Crew

Sara Helping with the Play



Geoff & Tammy



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