



November 2018

# The Kooistra Keepsake

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

## Merry Christmas

It is the time of year again to celebrate the birth of our Savior. We hope you have a great holiday season, celebrating with those you love. We are excited that Jacob and Emma will be traveling to Ecuador to be with us.

### October Conferences

In mid-October, HCJB hosted two conferences for women; one in Quito, Ecuador, and one in Ambato, Ecuador. A total of 1600 people came, and it was a sell out crowd in both places. The conference speakers shared from their own experiences about sexuality, living with a positive outlook, and how to overcome and forgive abuse from the past.



**1000 people at the Quito Conference**

A gospel message was presented and over 100 people received Christ or rededicated their lives to him at the two conferences. We helped with logistics at the conferences and hosting the three international speakers.

### HCJB

We continue to broadcast daily to around 100,000 people in four different Ecuadorian cities, and we reach nearly as many, around

the world, on our website and Facebook pages. Many women from our listening audience came to the conferences. We also hear from people every day on Whatsapp and e-mail.



**Greeting Committee in Ambato**

In mid-December we have our annual share-a-thon to raise money locally for the ministry. Besides the four missionaries (who raise our support in our home countries) there are 19 local employees. Last year HCJB raised over \$500,000 in local donations, toward its annual operating budget. This year we hope to raise as much or more. Please pray for this event December 13-16.

As we plan for the future, HCJB is facing a move of our offices and studios to a property very close by. It is very difficult to move studios though and is taking a lot time to plan out carefully. We hope to be completely

moved in by the end of 2020. Please pray for this process.

Thank you for being taking part in the radio ministry in Ecuador through your prayers and financial support. As missionaries we are an important part of this Ecuadorian ministry of evangelism and discipleship through radio and other media and we could not be here without your partnership.

### New Car



On October 11 we purchased a car. Thank you to everyone who donated to our ministry to make this possible. After over a year without having a car, it is nice to have one again. We used it to drive some of the speakers to the two conferences. It is a Chevrolet Sail, which is a small 4-door car, but for our family of three, it is a nice size. It is also big enough for Geoff to fit in, and still

see while he is driving, which was an important factor too.

### New apartment



*Open House at Our New Apartment*

On September 30 we moved into a new two-bedroom apartment that is just across the street from HCJB and two blocks from school for Sara. The best part of the apartment is that it is newly remodeled, and we now have white toilets and sinks (harvest gold and avocado are nice options as well, but we were ready for something more updated.)

We are adjusting to having our family scattered around too. Sara, in 8<sup>th</sup> grade, says that being the only kid left at home is boring. Emma is enjoying the snow in the upper peninsula as Michigan Tech has received 24 inches already! And Jacob is having lots of fun this semester learning a new language – Mandarin Chinese.



*Geoff & Tammy*



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