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Dear Ministry Partners,

This season of our lives and ministry has brought both incredible opportunities and significant changes.

Recently, Tannia had a powerful opportunity to minister at a women's conference in Dallas, Texas, themed **"Made for More."** The event was hosted by a large and vibrant church where her sister, Gabriela, serves in the Spanish ministry division. Tannia was invited to lead a breakout session for Spanish-speaking women, and she titled her session **"Beauty in Your Scars."**

In this deeply personal session, Tannia invited women to see how God redeems even the most painful parts of our stories—how He brings healing and purpose from our scars. One attendee, Alex G., shared this moving reflection in a text message following the event:

"Tannia 🥰 God's time 🙌 is perfect 🙌 I don't want to end the day without thanking you for the time you dedicated to share. I'm so grateful to Gabriela for inviting me. What you said touched me personally and intimately, so I send you and your daughter a big hug from a distance. Blessings ✨ for you 🙌 and your family."

Another woman, Sandra, added:

"Thank you so much for this beautiful afternoon. Thank you for helping me beautify my scars. It's not easy. This is a process, but with God's help, the path will be easier."

This is just one glimpse of how God continues to use Tannia's voice and heart to bring hope and healing to others—both near and far.

At the same time, Tannia continues her ministry work at Houghton Academy, where she teaches Spanish and builds meaningful relationships with our international students. Her care for students extends far beyond the classroom. Recently, during our annual **"Ignite Week"**—a time for students to engage in hands-on learning—Tannia led a baking class from our own home. She taught students how to prepare traditional Ecuadorian pastries, but more than that, she welcomed them into our lives.



That kitchen and dining room became a sacred space—filled with warmth, laughter, flour-dusted counters, and conversations that planted seeds of God’s love.

While these ministry doors continue to open, our personal life has shifted dramatically.

Just a few weeks ago, our daughter **Emma** was diagnosed with **Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)**. After much prayer, we made the difficult but necessary decision for Emma to live in Quito, Ecuador, with Tannia’s mother, Sarah, and sister, Paulina, (pictured below) who is a psychologist specializing in supporting children on the autism spectrum. Emma is now receiving therapy three or more times per week and is responding very well. We are hopeful and encouraged by the growth we’re already seeing.

Emma will remain in Quito for at least the next 12 months to continue her therapy. This means a significant transition for our family. Tannia and I will alternate traveling **to Ecuador every few weeks** so that Emma can feel loved and supported. At the same time, we also remain present in our ministry at Houghton Academy. I have one more year (2025–2026) remaining on my contract as Head of School, and we are committed to finishing this season well, both in our calling and in caring for our daughter.

As you can imagine, the added travel is costly. We estimate our travel-related expenses over the coming months will total approximately **\$12,000**. If God places it on your heart to partner with us financially in this specific need, we would be so grateful. Every contribution directly supports our ability to be both

faithful parents and faithful ministers.



Most of all, we ask for your continued prayers for Emma’s development, for strength and grace as we travel back and forth, and for God’s provision in every detail.

Thank you for standing with us—in the beautiful and the broken, in the expected and the unexpected. We truly could not do this without you and your support.

With heartfelt gratitude,

Toby A. Travis
(for Tannia and Emma too)



Enclosed is my gift of \$ _____ designated for the ministry of *Toby & Tannia Travis #20245*.

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