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Greetings from the Dominican Republic!

Another year has begun and things are once again moving at a rapid pace. I cannot believe it is already March! I had the opportunity to return to the States for Christmas in December, and I thoroughly enjoyed the cooler weather. This year, my Christmas break was spent in Ohio and Iowa with my roommate and, let me tell you, these Texas bones were a little unprepared at first for just how cold it was going to be! But we had a great time. It was very restful which meant we were able to hit the ground running with renewed energy when we got back.

The beginning of a new year always causes me to pause and reflect on the previous year. It is safe to say that 2025 was the hardest year I have experienced so far. Yet it was also the year where the Lord felt closer than ever before. In my brokenness I called to Him and He responded by wrapping me in His arms. When I compare where I am now to where I was this time last year, I cannot help but be overcome by God's goodness. He who knows the stars by name chose to bring healing and restoration to my battered soul. Because of this, I am filled with expectant hope of what I will get to see Him do in 2026.

The second semester of the school year is underway at Las Palmas! This has been a great year so far. I have been a teacher at Las Palmas for five years now, but the spirit of camaraderie we have this year is unmatched. This school year has not been without its struggles. The devil truly hates what is happening and is definitely fighting, but we have been able to stand together on the firm foundation we have in Christ. Please be in prayer for us as we are continuing to search for new teachers. As of right now, we will need approximately five English speaking teachers to begin next school year. We are trusting that God will provide exactly who we need at just the right time. Will you join us in prayer for those who are already being prepared to say yes to God's call?

In other exciting news, my roommate and I are moving to a new apartment! We have been living in a partially furnished apartment for the last four years, but it is not in great shape. In addition to broken appliances and a difficult landlord, our current apartment also has a mold problem. Mold is extremely difficult to get rid of in a humid climate and it has started affecting our health. We are looking forward to being in a new and cleaner place!

As you can imagine, moving is very expensive. Especially since we have been living somewhere that is partially furnished. Even though we are downsizing quite a bit, we still have to purchase all new kitchen appliances, bedroom furniture, living room furniture, an air conditioner, as well as pay to have things set up and installed like internet and electricity. We have known this expense was coming, but even still, large expenses can be quite burdensome since the total amount we need is about \$5,000. However, we are trusting God to provide the funds we need to move into a safer home. Due to some generous donors, we have already raised \$2,000! God is so good! If you feel led to contribute to this expense as well it would be a huge blessing! Just click this link (<https://wbfma.net/sandlin-lamour>) and click the "Donate" button. Also be sure to write "Moving Expenses" in the description.

Once again, I am incredibly thankful for the opportunity to serve in the Dominican Republic for another year. This is not an opportunity I deserve, certainly not one I always feel qualified for, but it is one that keeps me consistently relying on my heavenly father. Thank you so much for your prayers and support over the years. These ministries would not be possible without believers back home lifting us up. As the Easter season approaches, I pray our hearts are positioned to celebrate our Savior for all He has done for us. Thank you for being part of this journey!

Yours in Christ,
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