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Dear New Life Family...

Things have been going good here, I am learning that it's kind of hard to live in a community, but I have really been growing in the Lord learning to trust in him through it all. I have made some amazing relationships with the students and I think I am really growing through them and they are growing through me. I really feel like the lord is giving me wisdom to say to the students and a lot of them really relate to my story and it's really amazing to use my past to glorify God!



I am currently in the kitchen cooking for 75 people; it's a lot, and we are short staff so sometimes it's overwhelming. :0 We also had an inspector come in and tell us we needed to change many things about the base and through it all we switched the kitchen and had to get rid of two huge rooms and lost like 16 beds! So we have a huge school very tightly living together! I think it's very good for me though, and I am learning a lot!



### ***Visiting with Sara Olthius***

The people are so amazingly kind and just really support ywamers, they have blessed us so much! It's good to have relationships with people outside of the YWAM base! So the lord is really encouraging me to sign up for a lot and stretch myself, learning how to become a leader! :) It's really awesome, and it's really exciting watching the students change as they learn more and more about Gods glory!

I am currently leading intercession for the whole base once a week, praying about what the base should pray for (mostly countries) and then sharing with them my passion for what we are praying for and giving them background information on that prayer request. I am trying to do it in a creative way it's very challenging but super good! I am also helping with the teams going to Bangladesh doing outreach prep with one of the leaders, and I am currently a church leader helping the students volunteer in our church outside of YWAM. My outside church is actually amazing and the lord has really blessed me through that!

- ✓ **I would love you to pray for my health, I have been sick a lot here and I think Satan is really trying to bring things at me so I can't do this ministry to the fullest, so please pray for that!**
- ✓ **I am also a little bit homesick – living in this community, there are 28 female students living in a regular size house plus staff members and its crazy! ahha**
- ✓ **Pray that the lord would give me strength and words to say to the students!**



***Staff members up on the volcanic mountain for the sunrise called haliakala***

Love, Shayna Bruinsma