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In the evenings, after dinner, I usually curl up in my chair behind my desk, pull out my paints, and let the water, brush, and paints make their way onto the paper. The light brush strokes full of colors begin to follow the water already laid out into a basic form. As the paints start to hit the paper, the image comes to life. These strokes and this time settle and refocus my heart back on the Lord, His truths, and promises.

However, before I ever pull out the paints and put them on the paper, I clean my desk off, make sure I have clean water, the right paper, and some tape. I then spend time reading my Bible or journaling. If an image or idea comes to mind, I move to the paper with a pencil and begin laying out the concept by drawing.

This past year has been a season of preparation when it comes to internships. Like cleaning off my desk as I prepare to paint, I have spent countless hours behind my computer, writing, reading, talking to other mission organizations, and praying as we build Cadence's internship program. It has felt like unseen work, but I know that it will support the final image.

Even in this season, I find small wins. It is in those moments that I am reminded that the Lord has me exactly where He wants me, here doing this preparation work. A few weeks ago, I had one of those moments. We have been working on six internship foundation documents and my team finalized them enough to start making them official within Cadence. When I pushed the send button to that email, I was excited, almost like finally putting a brush full of paint on the paper. All the prep work we have been doing is beginning to take form.

As those documents are in the works to become finalized, I still see the prep work that needs to happen before our first summer of internships in 2023. Those moments of prep, like collecting clean water for painting, can seem minor and not essential, but when it finally comes down to painting, they make all the difference.



Some of my next steps are to start sharing with our whole mission about internships and to start recruiting. This will mean less time behind a desk and more time with people. This wouldn't be able to happen if I hadn't spent time building and preparing these foundation documents.

I can't tell you how excited I have been along this process (most days)! The process has been one of learning, dreaming, and creating, mixed with small moments of fear and the unknown. For me, there is always a moment in painting when the paper is taped to the desk, I have a brush in hand with paint, and I finally must make the first stroke. For a moment, I wonder if it will come to life. I have those same moments as we push forward in building this internship program.

One thing that keeps me going is your prayers and encouragement. I always walk away from our conversations



excited to keep moving, to "put that brush on the paper," and see what the outcome will be. Thank you, friends and family. I am so encouraged by each one of you.

And now back to the prep work and getting that brush on the paper,

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PRAYER REQUESTS

- After some prayer, we did say yes to one young man to do an internship with Cadence this summer. It is a huge learning curve, but I am excited to jump into it. Be praying for him as he finishes his junior year of college, raises support, and heads to the East Coast on May 16 to serve with Cadence. Each call I have with him brings **excitement** to my heart and a desire to see those the Lord will bring to the harvest.
- We are praying for ten interns for the summer of 2023. This seems like a huge goal, but I know that the Lord will provide. Be praying for wisdom as we invite people to participate in internships. I have a few students who have shown interest, which is a great place to start.
- Be praying as our team begins sharing within our mission. Many have no idea I have started working on this project, and I am excited to invite them to this. We are praying for missionaries at ten ministry locations to be fully trained to host and invest in interns by 2023.
- Lastly, be praying for our team as we continue to move internships forward and build training programs for both the hosts and interns. This is a massive project, but thankfully I'm not on my own.



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