Dear Sweet Supporters,

A year ago I would have never thought this would be the letter I am writing to all of you. On May 10th my first term of 3 years with TEARS Ministries ended. I have made the decision to not renew for another term with TEARS.

This decision wasn't easy. In fact, it probably is one of the hardest things I have decided to do. The past 10 months have been filled with confusion, listening, and discerning what the Lord has for me. I began to get clarity a couple months ago that God was shutting the door for me to continue to work with TEARS. He was showing me that I was no longer in an environment where ministry could move forward for various reasons. I felt stuck in a lot of ways and the Lord wasn't changing the environment. As I spent time praying and seeking God's will, it was becoming more obvious that He was ready to move me to something else. My vision for ministry has been greatly refined over the past 3 years. I feel more specific in my calling of what kind of ministry would be a good fit for me in the future.

The most beautiful parts of the past three years are the same things that break my heart when preparing to say goodbye. The People. The Church. The Barrio. These 3 are my heart. I have made such sweet relationships with people that I will always consider family. I have gotten to see and be a part of a growing yet struggling church, a body of believers that want to reach their community with the Gospel. A community that would lift up my soul and remind me why I was there every time I got to be in the barrio. I am fully confident of my decision. I am fully confident that this is obedience for me. I have no doubt that I am doing what God wants me to do. But this confidence does not take away the fact that I am really sad.

So what's next? Great question. In July my plan is to head down to DR with my ministry partner Jessica (Lord willing the borders will be open) give away our stuff, spend some time with my people, say goodbye, get the dogs, and come home. After coming home, my main focus will be to discern what the Lord has next. If He has another full-time ministry opportunity right now or if that is being put on pause.

What am I asking of you? Would you consider sticking with me both in prayer and financially as I figure out what the Lord has next for me? My sending church, Fellowship Greenville, has decided to filter my support through the end of the year which I believe is a realistic timeline for discerning what is next. I have attached instructions on how to cancel your support through TEARS and set it up with Fellowship Greenville. My goal is to have all my supporters switched over by the end of June so please take time to do this in the next few weeks. If you designate it to the "Missions Fund" the Outreach Team will make sure I get your financial support. I realize you may not be in the place to continue supporting me and I

completely understand. God has been faithful in providing these past 3 years, He will continue to be faithful.

I am beyond thankful to all of you and your support over the years. I am thankful for those of you that have come down and visited me. I am thankful for those of you that have faithfully financially supported me and prayed for me. I wouldn't have been able to stay as long as I had without the support around me. I am confident in God's plan for my life, even when I can't see past the next two months.

Thank you for being in this journey with me,

Christina Wells

How to Cancel Automatic Payments

1.Log in to your PayPal Account

- 2. Under "recent activity" click your automatic payment to T.E.A.R.S.
- 3. Click "Manage T.E.A.R.S. Payments"
 - 4. Click "Cancel"
- 5. Click "Cancel Automatic Payments" to confirm



How to Set-Up Automatic Payments

1.Go to fellowshipgreenville.org/givenow

- 2. Enter the amount you want to give under "Missions Fund"
- 3. Continue filling out the form with your personal info, frequency of giving, etc.
 - 4. Click "Next"
- 5. Fill out your payment information and click "Next"

