



# Rocsana's Hope

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## From Stan



We have now completed the first half year of operating the ministry of Rocsana's Hope here in Guatemala. It has been an exciting 6 months and what's more it is only the beginning of a ministry that we truly believe is going to make a difference in the lives of dozens, if not hundreds, of young ladies.

The ministry now has three young ladies who are living here and preparing for their futures. Diana was the first to come to us in April and she has adjusted really well to being here. She is currently enrolled in classes for English as well as a free class on how to do nails. She loves that kind of thing and is excelling. Next came Fabiana in May. Fabiana was trying to make it on the street with her brother and was not doing well. She was accepted into our program. She is a go-getter and is doing really well. Besides working a job up the street, she is enrolling for classes next year and is working towards becoming a teach of history and art. Finally Darling was accepted into our program the first week of June. She cried a lot her first day but since has adjusted wonderfully. She is still enrolled in and attending school at the high school level and will be done with this year in October, after which she might need another year before she can graduate.

Every girls' situation is different but they all have a similar heart. They are grateful to be here and thankful that they get to be a part of a program that is going to impact the rest of their lives. What a joy this has been. God is so good.

## A Personal Message From Fabiana

My name is Fabiana Quiñones. I'm 20 years old. My birthday is on Sept 28. My mom died when I was 4. My dad is absent in my life. I've never met him until last year and I don't have any communication with him after that.

My grandpa took care of me for 15 years after my mom died but I couldn't continue to live with him because his wife has never accepted my brothers and me because we are not her grandchildren. I swear she was trying hard to make my life impossible. I was miserable and I couldn't stand it anymore. So one day I left their house and tried to be on my own. But I didn't have other home to go to, it was very difficult for me to survive. It's very hard to get a job and good salary in Guatemala, especially when you do not have the support of anyone.

I finally found a job at a fast food restaurant early this year that was up the street from Rocsana's Hope. I saw Esther one day when she was buying Chinese food next door to my work. I wanted to talk with her, but I was afraid she wouldn't understand my English. I finally decided to talk to her. I was a little shy, but she understood almost everything I was trying to tell her. I told her I was taking free painting and English classes at the local Community Center. She said she would like to be my friend, so I can practice my English with her. We exchanged WhatsApp and Facebook info and we started talking to each other almost everyday after that.



One day Esther told me something about a place where they will help girls like me. But I wasn't interested at first because I thought it was like a boarding school. I was in boarding schools my whole life and I didn't want to be in boarding school again, so I told her I appreciate her trying to help me but no thanks...

Two weeks after that I lost my job because my boss was threatened by the gang people who demanded a large sum of money. They said if we do not give them the money, they will kill everyone that works there. My boss got scared because she has a son, so she closed the restaurant immediately. I started looking for other job, but I couldn't find anyone who would hire me, and life had become very difficult for me. I was about to be homeless because the place I was staying at the time will soon not be available for me anymore and for weeks, I don't have any water in the house because I don't have money to pay for water.

Esther took a lot of interest in me and she asked me about my life often, so I told her and my situation. She told me there is a reason why we met. She asked me to come hang out at RH so I can learn more English and it would help me to find work. On May 17, Esther invited me to RH's Open House. She explained to me again what RH was about. I met Jeff and Papa Stan, Mama Denise and Denise's parents, Allen and Janice Seimears, and Cristina Gulotta (Mama Denise's parents and Cristina were here to visit.) Everyone was very nice to me. They gave me food and I made cakes and pies with Mama Denise's Dad. It was very fun! That day, I shared with Papa Stan about my situation and he told me he would be very happy to help me. And so..4 days later. I am here at Rocana's Hope.

I'm very grateful for God because He puts Esther in my life. I am grateful for everyone at Rocana's Hope for giving me a loving family, happiness, love, the opportunity to continue to study and especially they help me to know and follow God.



## Back in the U.S. For a Week

Denise and I will be back in the United States September 23rd-30th. If you would like to visit with us or hear about how things are going, please feel free to reach out to us and we will do everything we can to see you. We are excited about the chance to be home for a short time and want to be as productive as possible during that time. So much has been happening and we are excited about it, but also just the chance to catch up with family and friends would be awesome. So let us know if you would like to meet by sending an email or a private message. We will look forward to seeing you during that time.

## Now Accepting Mission Teams for 2020 and Beyond

One of the most exciting ways to be a part of what God is doing here at Rocsana's Hope is to come down and experience it for yourself. We are now accepting groups for next year and beyond. If you would like to find out more about bringing a team from your church or organization to Guatemala, please feel free to ask and we will be happy to send you an informational pack that will answer many of your questions. Simply email us at [info@rocsanashope.org](mailto:info@rocsanashope.org) and request more information on bringing a team to visit.



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Diana



Fabiana



Darling

## Make a difference through Sponsorship Opportunities with Rocsana's Hope

God has blessed the ministry of Rocsana's Hope with some amazing young ladies, all of whom have a different story but all of whom desperately need and are grateful for the help that we are able to provide them through this ministry. For each young lady that we add, our monthly cost to house, feed, take care of medically, and especially educate each of the girls goes up. Depending on their chosen career path, the cost varies from girl to girl. You now have a golden opportunity to become a sponsor of a specific girl that you would like to help in achieving her dreams and aspirations. If you would like more information on how to sponsor one of our girls simply take the following steps.

1. Go to [www.rocsanashope.org/sponsor-a-girl](http://www.rocsanashope.org/sponsor-a-girl), scroll down to the pictures of the girls, and click on the one you wish to sponsor
2. Click the "go to link" button and you will be directed to that specific girl's sponsorship page
3. You will see the girls picture, some basic biographical information, and a box where you can begin the sponsorship process
4. Complete the sponsorship box by selecting the amount, frequency, and payment method you wish to us.

## The Greatest Challenge We Are Facing

One of the decisions that we had to make during our time in the United States was whether to come down and get started before we had our full monthly provision or not. Our choice was simple, at least on paper, but difficult to arrive at. Do we go now BEFORE we have the monthly support in place to run the home to its fullest, OR, do we wait until such a time that we have our full level of needed monthly income coming in before we move to Guatemala and get started. Jeff, Esther, Denise, and I mulled this over and prayed for a long while. In our hearts, we were willing to do whatever God said. Ultimately we decided to step out in faith and come to Guatemala before our full support was raised. We have made it this far on faith and God has been good. **But as of right now, we are at a stopping point.** We have three girls in the program right now and we are taking care of their needs. **At this time we are unable to accept any new girls into our program until such a time as the Lord blesses us with more support, either in the area of monthly donors or girl sponsors.** We ask that you pray with us as well, and that if you are not a member of our monthly team, you would prayerfully consider becoming a part as a supporter, or as a sponsor. Together we can continue to help the girls here in Guatemala, but we need the help of God's people to do so. Thank you for your consideration.

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