

Colombia



A week ago I messaged Mayra in Colombia just to check in to see how she was doing. Mayra (pictured below) serves on the World Leadership team for YFC. Since April 28, hundreds of thousands of people have vented their frustrations against the government after poverty and violence soared during the pandemic, and the government introduced tax reforms. Nearly 50 people have died, and hundreds have been injured. Mayra messaged to say that she was living with a friend because she lost power in her home because of the riots, and that she'd get back to me once things settled down. Please pray for this nation as they grapple with tensions between the government and its people, and for the YFC staff and families who are caught in the middle of this tragic event. We are also working on a container for Colombia for another organization, and the government changed things and said this organization needs a new permit. We have everything ready on our end, but they are struggling to get the signed permit in place, so we wait. We would appreciate your

prayers for this as well, that the Lord would bring about what seems impossible right now.



Mayra Cano - YFC America's Director

Belarus



Also last week, I checked in with the guys in Belarus to see if they had heard anything about their container arriving. Belarus has had protests for months regarding human rights issues and an election they feel was rigged, and the opposition is calling for renewed mass protests and tougher sanctions. Mikhail got back to me to say that Dmitry, the leader of the organization that brings the container through customs for YFC, was in the hospital with Covid. It seems like it is one challenge after another in this country steeped in poverty, and lacking hope. We are thankful for the team in Belarus who are reaching out to young people and their families to support their physical needs, and to share the gospel of Jesus, who is true hope. Would you pray for this country, and for the YFC team? As well, for Dmitry for full recovery from Covid?



Sergei, Me, Dmitry and Mikhail in 2018

Thank you so much for your prayers for these nations. As I have talked with other leaders, there has been many, many more stories of hardship, corruption, challenges, and sometimes persecution, that the YFC staff and families face every day and are hard for us to fully understand. I appreciate you taking these things to heart, and for your support as I do all I can to assist in any way I can. Many blessings to you for your kindness and your prayers.

Dave

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