



Hello friends, and happy 2026! Speaking of friends... I had a record-breaking FIFTY-SEVEN FRIENDS come to Montana for a visit over the summer and fall! This kept me on my toes for sure. Some of them came for YWAM Montana's 40th celebration, a handful for debriefing, and most of them just for funzies/personal holiday.

In August, YWAM Montana celebrated 40 years of ministry. It felt like a giant family reunion as many former staff joined us to purposefully remember what God has done over the last 40 years, and then look forward with anticipation for what He is continuing to do. During this time we launched our "33for33" Container Project, which I ended up spearheading for the rest of the fall quarter.

► Celebrating that these languages now have Luke!



In September, I traveled out to my niece's wedding in West Virginia.



► It just so happens that you can fit 33 cubic meters of goods inside a 20ft container. And since we are focused on translation for 33 languages, this made for a perfect title for our project!

► The beginning of packing ...



... and the very last box !!!

Sept—Dec: In addition to lots of debriefings going on in the fall, I helped fill a 20ft container loaded with supplies for the ship in PNG. 🚢 It is packed to the gills (floor to ceiling, baby!) with medical equipment, essential tools, and items that will make outreaches more successful and improve ship life. It was quite the undertaking to fundraise, acquire/document/pack everything inside, and get all the necessary paperwork ready to go. But we did it! And we shipped it out on Dec 10th. 🚚



Super cool God-story: After discovering in November that the dental chair aboard the ship was broken, we began diligently trying to obtain one. With only **3 days left** before our container shipped out and a couple of last-minute-hail-Mary emails, we received a donation of a used dental chair and four other pieces of equipment from 2 local clinics in Kalispell. We were able to load the chair and equipment into the container the morning of Dec 10th, literally just hours before shipping it out! 🎉

This year I am heading out to Thailand with our **Debriefing team** on Feb 15, where we will be doing a week of training. After this, I am heading to Papua New Guinea for a 3rd year in a row. I am excited to be the Community Engagement Coordinator again for a few months, and am looking forward to what God will do during our outreaches on the YWAM Liberty ship. **For His Glory, ❤ Lori**

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