

Hello, I hope everyone is very well and that this new stage that we have had to face is overfilled. Thank God I am one of the benefit students for your immense solidarity and I am very happy for those expressions of sympathy that all of you have with us.

I study Computer Systems Engineering, when all this started about the pandemic I was starting my last year at the University to be able to graduate, at the beginning and throughout the development of that cycle. I was under a lot of pressure and stress, the fact of not being able to be present at all.

The classes due to the bad reception of the internet where I live was one of the causes, thank God the engineers were always aware of the inconveniences that we had. They always shared the classes but I had to download them to be able to see them. In that case my only option was always to wait for an internet company offering an internet offer with many megabytes to wake me up at 3:00 am in the morning to be able to download the classes and see them the next day. For 4 months that was my routine, added to that the fear of virus. The feeling of helplessness and fear of losing someone from my family is always present in my days, but I can say that thank God all my family is well and I feel very happy about that, trusting in God I hope that he continues that form and that everything goes well.

When the pandemic began, CIS worked and looked for options for us students who had difficulties. It was at that moment that it was considered to install the internet service and thank God it worked and it became a reality a few days after starting my last cycle. At the university, the procedures for the installation of the internet were carried out. Five days later, thank God, the installation was done. I had the opportunity to be present and the installation was ready at 12:30 p.m. I had classes at 1:00pm and that is how I received my first class with the internet service. Thanks to you we now have internet service. The difference was abysmal without interruptions I received my class and it has been the same way during the last weeks.

The idea of living in the rented house came days after receiving the news that the internet service would possibly be installed. My family supported me because they were aware of the problem I had. At first I had the idea of staying only me in the house, but then it occurred to me to mention it to Javier and I accept immediately because he had the same problem. One day after the installation was done we moved into the house with Javier, that same day Alexander and later Sandi.

Personally, it has been quite an experience, it is not easy to be away from the family, but I am more than sure that all of us who are here have the desire to improve ourselves and finish our careers at the university. The first days we spent in the house we did not have a kitchen. For cooking we only had a coffee maker and a microwave to heat our food. Then thanks to Richard and all the members of the Our Lady of Presentation, it was possible to buy a kitchen and a pantry which has helped us a lot, now we can prepare a variety of food and although no one is an expert, we are learning.

To say goodbye, let me say THANK YOU VERY MUCH, I send you a greeting and a big hug, take great care of yourselves and may God bless everything you do for us.

- Elmer