



# 2021 ANNUAL REPORT



ENTRELAZADOS POR EL ESPÍRITU, ENVIADOS A LA MISIÓN

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## Words from the National Director

*"So the word of God spread. The number of disciples in Jerusalem increased rapidly, and a large number of priests became obedient to the faith". Acts 6:7*

This text is found in a context where the community of believers is experiencing difficult times due to persecution by the Jewish authorities. At the same time, they are propelled by the Holy Spirit to cross ethnic and geographical barriers to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ. 2021 has been a challenging year due to the continuing impact of COVID-19, the loss of loved ones, uncertainty, screen fatigue, financial constraints, and the negative impact of mental health on many. In the midst of these challenges, with joy, we have seen that, "The word of God spread and the number of disciples increased..." We have seen how the Spirit continues to intertwine us as a community and send us on mission in the university and work contexts. We thank God for celebrating 30 years as a registered organization this year, during 2021, in which we continue living in God's faithfulness and we look with hope towards 30 years more!

Currently, we have 45 student coordinators, who serve and proclaim Jesus to their classmates every week in their University Group Bible Studies (GU). On average we had 26 GUs proclaiming the Gospel and exploring the Scriptures, with 152 students participating on a weekly basis, in 25 universities in 11 cities across the country. Social networks reached new participants from the University of Bolívar in Guaranda and the Technical University of Babahoyo. Despite the constant challenge of virtuality, Pioneer Groups (BNG) have been consolidated in Tena, Latacunga, and Milagro.

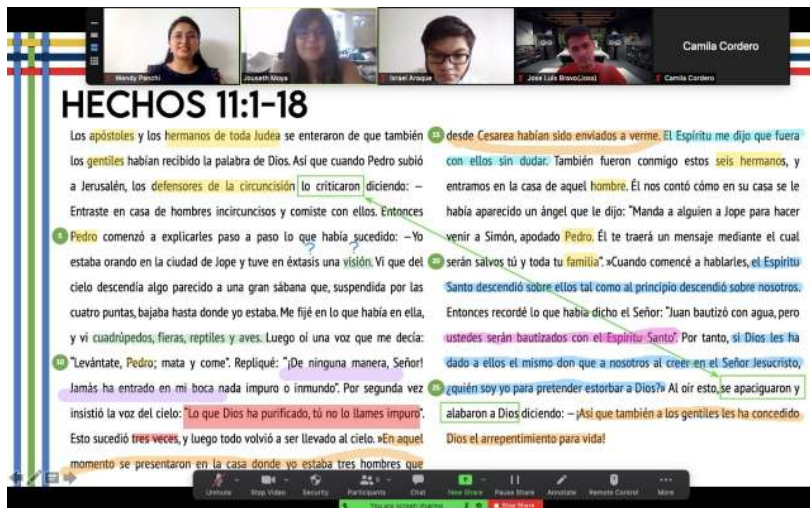
Three groups of professionals/alumni continue to meet regularly, and we had participation of 40 professionals in a national workshop via zoom. We thank God for the Graduate Volunteers who, with their time and gifts, have joined the Local Groups to support ministry. With creativity and perseverance, we have proclaimed and served with workshops, integration spaces, and events. This fruitful work does not happen in a vacuum. It is true that university students are the protagonists of the mission, but there are other parts of the CECE team that dedicate themselves and with sacrifice contribute to make this testimony possible. I mean: the members of the National Board, the Staff Team, the administrative assistant, the members of the National Student Committee (CNE), the Communication Team (EqCom), our Mission Partners, partner organizations, and supporting churches. Thank you for being a part of reaching the University with the Gospel! Thank you for being CECE de Corazón!

Ruth Hicks  
CECE National Director

# Ministry to University Students

The heart of CECE's mission is to proclaim, disciple and send out in service. In the following section, we will share the different spaces and ways we do this as a community.

## University Group Bible Studies (GU)

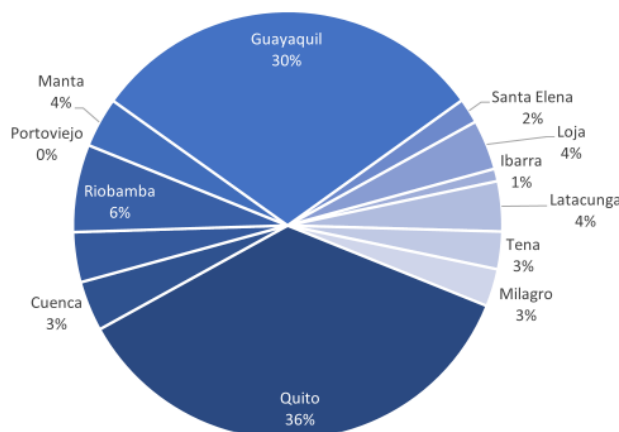


Currently, we have an average of 26 University Group Bible Studies, meeting in 25 universities throughout 11 cities across the country, with an average of 152 students participating each week. This year we explored the books of Acts and the Gospel of Matthew. Due to the situation of the pandemic, all the meetings have remained in virtual mode. We have seen a transformative impact in the lives of believers and non-believers who attend regularly.

GU are a central part and core of the mission in universities. They are small groups of students that share Jesus through community life, acts of service, and investigative Bible studies each week.

Average student GU attendance nationally	
Quarter	Total
October-December 2020	168
January-March 2021	158
April-June 2021	154
July-September 2021	128
<b>Annual Average</b>	<b>152</b>

Average University Group participants by city



### Average Number of University Groups per Quarter

Quarter	Total
October-December 2020	28
January-March 2021	29
April-June 2021	25
July-September 2021	24
<b>Average Total of GU</b>	<b>26</b>

Andy Orozco Chiliquinga, a Mechatronics Engineering student, participant of ESPE GU in Latacunga shares: .

"Being part of a group that aims to foster faith in students is a challenge, because you must have a commitment to learn in every meeting. Religion has not been the subject of my total interest, the commitment with myself to change is what motivates me to attend the meetings

because I feel that I can understand the Bible, the life of Jesus and his teachings. In this way I have a reference to the person I want to become".

Students continue to use Instaproxi and Uncover to share the Gospel and discuss issues of faith with their classmates through social networks. We strengthened a culture of invitation in the GUs and taught to student coordinators how to prepare small evangelistic talks based on Paul's testimony in Acts. Another space organized by the CNE was to invite classmates to an online games' night in May.

Other ways of proclaiming the Gospel were the workshops organized by each University Group, to respond to the specific needs of their classmates. For example, some topics were, Study Tips for University Life and Student Nutrition. These allow students to share God's love in practical ways and consolidate friendship in the groups. Other topics were Beyond Resignation, The power of thoughts, etc.



After being in virtual mode since March 2020, Ruth Hicks was able to visit different cities during recent weeks. It was a great joy to reconnect in person with students, coordinators, and Staff in the cities of Guayaquil, Quito, Milagro, Cuenca, Loja, Ambato, Tena, Riobamba, Portoviejo, Manta, and Latacunga. We thank God for the privilege of meeting in person, taking all precautions.

## Breaking New Ground (Pioneer Groups)

A very important part of the proclamation, training, and service occurs within our Pioneer Groups which are University Group Bible Studies on new campuses or universities. Although working with Pioneer Groups has always been part of CECE's DNA, we are very grateful for the constant work of Guadalupe Muñoz, who has served with a national role focused on NG since 2020.

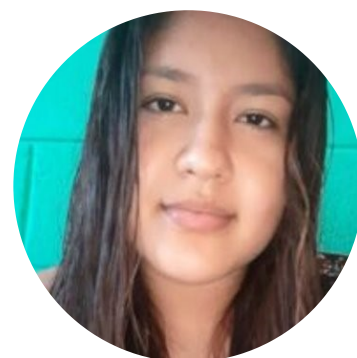
Social media continues to be important for nurturing and connecting with new students, for example, in the universities of UTB (Babahoyo) and UEB (Guaranda). Two cycles of workshops were held during the year focused on training new contacts. In addition, new groups were consolidated in the cities of Ambato, Latacunga, Tena, and Milagro, where student coordinators have showed their commitment facilitating the GUs. We thank God for the integration of Staff and Graduate Volunteers to accompany these new groups.

City	Pioneer Groups	Consolidated	On the way to consolidation
Guayaquil	UG Philosophy UG Gastronomy ESPOL	Yes Yes Yes	
Quito	UTE UPS* UCE Dorado*		Yes
Ambato	UTA	Yes	
Ibarra	National		
Cuenca	U. de Cuenca / U Católica	Yes	
Santa Elena	UPSE*		
Tena	IKIAM / UNAE	Yes	
Milagro (Naranjito)	UNEMI	Yes	
Manta Portoviejo	ULEAM U Technical		Yes Yes
Latacunga	ESPE	Yes	

*\*The groups UCE Dorado, Ibarra and Santa Elena are currently inactive for which we invite you to pray with us specially for these groups. May God permit the way to reopen the way forward with groups in these universities.*

"I have been part of IKIAM GU for two semesters and it has been a great blessing for my life. Sharing with classmates from my university the same feeling of wanting to learn from the Word of God and see how we have grown as a group in numbers and communion with each other has been a source of great joy in my life. We started during the pandemic, so our meetings have been virtual, and, despite this, God has shown us that when it comes to sharing his Word there are no barriers that stand in the way".

- Daniela Chávez, student from IKIAM Tena



## National Student Committee (CNE)

The ministerial philosophy of CECE and IFES is Students reaching Students, and we believe strongly in the formation of student leaders. The CNE is the body for student representation and participation at the national level. A space of leadership and service, where students facilitate and guide the content for the National Camp (CN), national events, and other training spaces. The CNE met every fifteen days via zoom and had two virtual work retreats during the year. Despite the challenge of virtuality, it has been encouraging to see significant growth in several members of the CNE during 2021.

We want to thank and acknowledge the members of the 2021 CNE: David Vera, Valeria Sánchez, Nicolle Herrera, Debbie Pesántez, Melanie Bello, Michael Ojedis, Joel Sarabia, Dalila Pazmiño, and Myrian Daquilema.



Michael Ojedis, member of the CNE shares: "I was formed as a leader, but much more as a disciple who is always willing to serve in each event, to plan, and do every designated task with responsibility. At the same time, sharing each word learned in training, teaching with wisdom each person with whom I have shared in conversation".



## National Camp (CN)

What a joy it was to have the National Camp online with about 100 university students and professionals participating! From March 3-6 we shared this time as a community. The objective of this event is to strengthen the missional abilities of university students to live, share, and dialogue the Gospel of Jesus Christ on their campuses. This year we explored the book of Acts with the theme: Interwoven by the Spirit, Sent into Mission.



Students from 11 cities in Ecuador participated, from the Pioneer Groups, as well as several people from other countries such as England, the United States, and Bolivia. Being a virtual event gave us the gift to have the participation of international panelists giving workshops, and the opportunity for a greater number of students to participate. These days were filled with workshops, small group, liturgy, art, games, and much more to discover from Acts.

We appreciate the excellent work of the CNE, the Staff team, and the speakers: Sven Soderlund (Canadá) and Josué Olmedo.

Want to listen to the talks from National Camp? You can find them on our YouTube channel!

"The CECE virtual Camp allowed me to share the Word of God with many people and above all I understood that the Gospel overcomes all barriers. Just as Peter, in the book of Acts, preached the Good News trusting God, I want to follow Jesus starting at my university. For me the motto, "Interwoven by the Spirit, sent into mission", means learning to be part of a whole, connecting with people. Learning where we came from to remember where we are going. By being intertwined by the Spirit, we build a community full of faith and learn to share the great work that God has entrusted to us".



- Jaime Quizhpi, student from Quito



## Faith and Art Dialogue

The Faith and Art Dialogue space began four years ago, with the "Responding to the Word" segment and several forums during the National Camp. The objective is to continue integrating the use of art in the spaces of formation and evangelism. During 2021, several students prepared works of art based on a dialogue with a text from Acts at the National Camp. In addition, a first trial was made using art as an integral part of the Bible study at the University of Arts in Guayaquil. During the ECUA subregional event, it was a pleasure to offer an Art and Word workshop facilitated by Ruth Tobar and Isabela Pineda based on their experience with CECE.



*Art by Kerly Cando in dialogue with Acts 10.*

<https://www.somoslacece.com/cn21-arte-y-palabra/>

## Science and Faith Panel Discussion



In June, with the initiative of the CNE, an online panel discussion about Science and Faith was organized with the aim of modeling an intelligent and respectful dialogue. We had 3 panelists from different disciplines: microbiology, physics, and social sciences. Ms. Gustavo Sobarzo (Chile), Ms. Sarah Nigri (Brazil), and Ms. Verónica Grefa (Ecuador). We had the participation of 95 people, of which 40% were new to CECE. Several students left their contacts and have joined a University Group since this event. Additionally, each student was encouraged to do more research in the integration of their area of science with their faith.

## Liturgy Workshop

In the month of July 30 people participated in the Liturgy Workshop with the theme: "Community, Identity and Mission". Together we learned songs from CECE / IFES with their theological-biblical content to strengthen our mission DNA.

## CECE de Corazón

In 2021, CECE celebrates 30 years of ministry since its formal constitution as an organization. The lives of hundreds of students have been invested in, and in building bridges in the university environment. We are thankful for the prayers, offerings, and sacrifice of Mission Partners, student leaders, and Staff dedicated to sharing, training, and serving in Ecuador.

CECE de Corazón (Wholeheartedly CECE) is our anniversary celebration during the month of April to affirm our roots and identity. This year we thank God for generations of faithful witnesses to Jesus on campuses and in workplaces. We also celebrate growth, new mission opportunities, and look toward the future with hope.

Throughout this month, we published a series of blogs and posts on social networks, giving an overview of these 30 years. We heard testimonies from students and graduates, telling us what CECE was like in their time and the mark it has left in their lives. If you would like to check it out, here it is (Spanish Version CECE 30 Años: Etapa de Crecimiento y Visión - CECE (somoslacece.com)) We had a virtual celebration on April 9, with the participation of 120 people, representing the different generations of CECE. We also 12 workshops on different topics facilitated by students and professionals to invite new people to participate and to raise funds.



Throughout the year we have promoted the 30x30 Campaign, in which we invite the wide CECE community to invest \$1 for each year of CECE's service, which will help us to continue serving for the next 30 years! You are still welcome to join this initiative, here are more details to give. Join this initiative, here are more details to give: [www.somoslacece.com/dona/](http://www.somoslacece.com/dona/)

We invite you to get to know the faces, voices, and stories of university mission! We invite you to be part of CECE de Corazón!

## Andean Subregional Training Event (ECUA)



Every two to three years CECE participates in the Andean subregional Training Event (ECUA) which is a training event organized by the student movements of the Andean subregion. "A practical faith: be community, have compassion, seek justice", was the theme for 2021. The event took place from 28-31 July, with the participation of 140 delegates. We had the privilege of having Alejandra Ortiz and

Abdiel Espinosa from COMPA México, as the main speakers. It was a great joy to join with delegates from Colombia, Bolivia, Peru, and Ecuador.

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During the meeting, students, professionals, and Staff enjoyed the community, with its multiple cultural expressions and shared in small groups. We worshipped God through prayer and Latin American music; and they were trained with tools for mission through workshops and biblical exhibitions, exploring the Epistle of Santiago, which challenges us to live a practical faith.

"ECUA made a very positive impact on my life, not only because it was the first time I participated, but also because I met people from different countries with whom we exchanged different knowledge of our cultures. It filled me with joy to share with people who have my same aim of pleasing and serving the Lord in community. One of the most important things I learned was to begin by reconciling with ourselves in order to establish good interpersonal relationships, without forgetting who we are and what we are here for"



- Briana Micolta, ESPE student in Quito.

## National Student Leader Formation Event (EFE)

During 10-11 September we had our EFE Express 2021, in which 60 current and potential Student Coordinators participated, together with some Graduate Volunteers, and Staff. The events theme was: "Forming Disciples for Mission in the University".



It was a time of learning through workshops, plenaries with characters from the book of Acts. We also reviewed resources for the new semester, liturgy, response to the Word with art, and time to share in small groups. We were visited, virtually from IFES, by Nigel Pollock (InterVarsity Canada) and Joel Sierra (Mexico), who shared, through testimonies and music, the importance of walking with a community of disciples. The topics of workshops were: What is my mission in the University? And, A survival guide for student coordinators.

"Hello, my name is David Bermeo, I am a student coordinator from the UTPL in Loja. This is the second time that I have participated in an EFE. From the first time I attended, I was left with very high expectations and things learnt that I apply in my daily life to this day. Even though this EFE was express, it was much better than I had in mind. One of the things that I love about EFE are the workshops, where I was able to remember important points about being a coordinator that I had forgotten. Remembering them and putting them back into practice helps me keep growing. In addition, it reminded me and strengthened my mission as a coordinator at the university, which I hope to fulfill in order to praise the name of our Lord Jesus Christ".



## World Student Day



In October, we celebrate World Student Day, a special day that brings together our global movement to celebrate what God is doing in universities through IFES, to pray for each other, for the needs, challenges, and opportunities for the coming year.

The theme for 2021 was "A moment like this." Esther 4:14 says, "Who knows if you haven't come to the throne for precisely such a time as this!" Esther was given a place of influence at a crucial moment in history. God was with her, and also with the disciples of Acts, and each one of us are placed in our universities or workplaces, at this precise

moment, a moment like this, to be a community in mission. These are changing times and God asks us: What are you going to do with this moment?

We had several spaces to celebrate WSD. University groups joined together to pray and learn more about other IFES movements. We also organized an Instagram Live and TikTok Live to reach more students, and we participated in a time of prayer with other movements from the Latin American region.

## Fondotón 2022: Fondotón Hybrid Challenge

This year we had the Fondotón Hybrid Challenge! Every year, since 2015, we organize this event to raise funds so that more students may participate in the National Camp in 2022. Through the year many students have benefited from this initiative and have been trained with practical tools to carry out the mission at university, and they continue to do so with enthusiasm and diligence.

This year we were in Hybrid mode: with an option to connect from home or participate in person in some cities, with all biosecurity measures. Each participant was part of a team to complete a series of challenges. About 100 students, Staff members, professionals, mission partners, and CECE kids participated in this event.

You are still welcome to give to the Fondotón initiative here: <https://www.somoslacece.com/dona/>, You can find more details on the Partner with us section of this report.



## COFA scholarships

From 2016 to the present, CECE has been an operating entity for the COFA Scholarship programme partnering with Corporación Fondo Ágil, who in turn receive funding from a German organization called Pan para el Mundo. We thank God for the opportunity to contribute to the studies of 10 university students in a new cycle of scholarships for the period 2021-2024. Each student receives support in their development as a leader and each serve as coordinators with CECE.

## Ministry to Professionals/Alumni

In order to explore the relationship between God and work, from the Scriptures, we have continued to work with professionals. Groups have continued to meet online in the cities of Quito, Riobamba, and Guayaquil. Materials such as: On the Rock, A Long Obedience in the same direction, and Limits have been studied together. In addition, in order to keep connected with Local Groups through concrete support, we appreciate the constant support of professionals in local and national activities such as CECE de Corazón, and Fondotón. We thank God for a good transition for the national coordination of professionals between Jouseth Moya and Angie Défaz, and for their good work.

Average Professional/Alumni Participants by City					
Quarter	Year	Quito	Guayaquil	Riobamba	Total
October-December 2020	2020	10	7	6	23
January-March 2021	2021	6	0	4	10
April-June 2021	2021	7	11	6	24
July-September 2021	2021	8	10	3	21

Aracely Cepeda from Quito shares her testimony:

"One day listening to HCJB (Christian radio) they mentioned the CECE and after searching to learn more about Christ I found a CECE contact. I texted them and a few days later, someone contacted me inviting me to a group. Since November 2020 I am part of CECE professionals' group who have been a great blessing to learn about Christ, new bible study methods, and study material. In addition, I have met new brothers and sisters in faith who have become friends. I thank the Lord for this opportunity and time to share, it has been, is, and I hope it continues to be an enriching experience".

## Surviving the Transition

This is a space designed to support students who are transitioning from university to begin their professional life. It is a series of studies over 10 weeks that includes topics such as: vocation, calling, Christian work ethic, interpersonal relationships, family, finances, church, discipleship, and spiritual growth.



This year, two cycles of 10 studies each were offered for university students in their last semester of studies. The studies have the purpose of forming their vocation, service, and mission with a theological-biblical perspective, inviting them to continue participating and serving in various spaces with CECE. 30 people participated and it was facilitated by a team of CECE Staff and Graduate Volunteers.

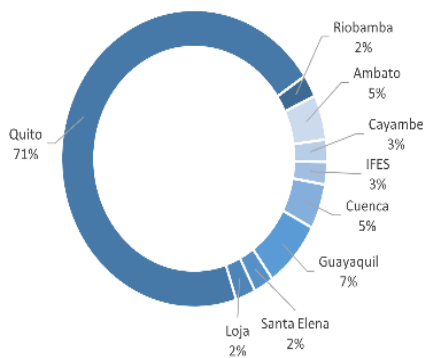


## National Workshop for Professionals/Alumni

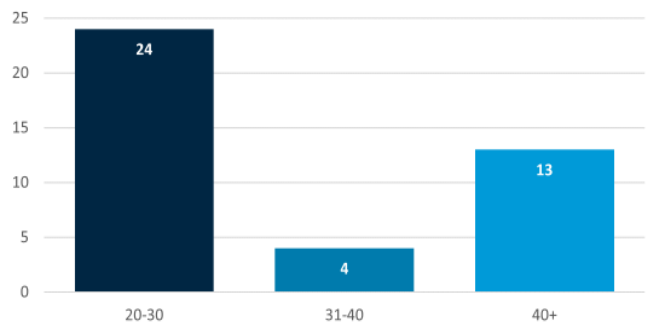
It was positive to have the participation of 40 professionals in the workshop Nurturing the Professional's Spirituality in October facilitated by Ms. Ediana Marín. The workshop objectives were: integrating several generations of CECE professionals and offering tools to nurture their faith in the context of life as a professional. The following are two summary tables of the event.



Professionals' Workshop 2021 Participant Percentages by city



Professionals' Workshop 2021 Participants by generation



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## Graduate Volunteers

We want to give thanks for the service of the Graduate Volunteers, who voluntarily give part of their time and gifts for the benefit of Local student Groups. The objective of having the support of these professionals has been to strengthen the Staff team, and to accompany and sustain the growth of new University Groups. This group received 8 hours of training and undertake specific tasks such as working with University Groups and coordinating the professionals group.

Those who have recently finished their time in this role are: Leidy Marín, Jemima Vallejo, Nathaly Chamba, Diego España, Miguel Peñafiel, Mariuxi Baque, María José Cedeño, Ginger Salazar, Félix Pozo, and Jeremy Guaña.

Those who continue to serve in this role are: Karolyne Saltos, Diana Cortés, Edison Vásquez, Sara Terán, Angie Défaz, Carolina Cevallos, Martin Utreras, Michael Ojedis, Daniela Merchán, Álvaro Pérez, and Raquel Chinchin.

## Staff Team

We want to acknowledge the sustained and effective pastoral work of the CECE Staff team: Julia Henrich (Riobamba), Cristina Chiliza (Ambato), William Murillo, Guadalupe Muñoz, Lizandro Bravo, Glenda Medina (Guayaquil), Jouseth Moya, Brett Schaffner, Ruth Tobar, Andrea Utreras, Adrián Coral, Daniel Castillo, Wendy Panchi, Jeremy Guaña, Tatiana Vera, Paulette García (Quito), Carlos Ruiz, and Nathaly Chamba (Loja).



Biweekly meetings and two annual virtual retreats were important spaces to nurture the team. During the year, Jeremy Guaña, Tatiana Vera, Paulette García, and Nathaly Chamba joined as Intern Staff. We experienced several transitions with the departure of Julia Henrich, Brett Schaffner, and Adrián Coral. We greatly appreciate the life and service of each of them.

## Communications Team

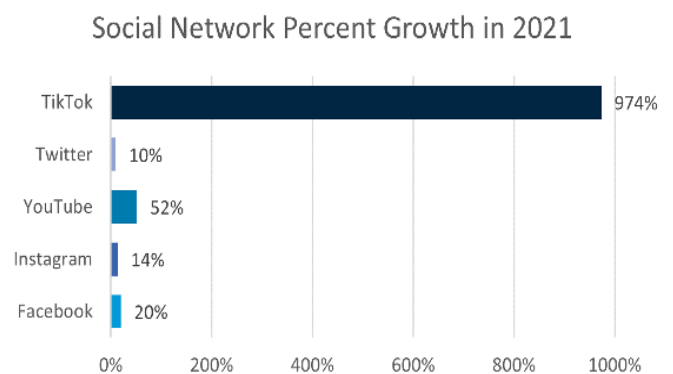
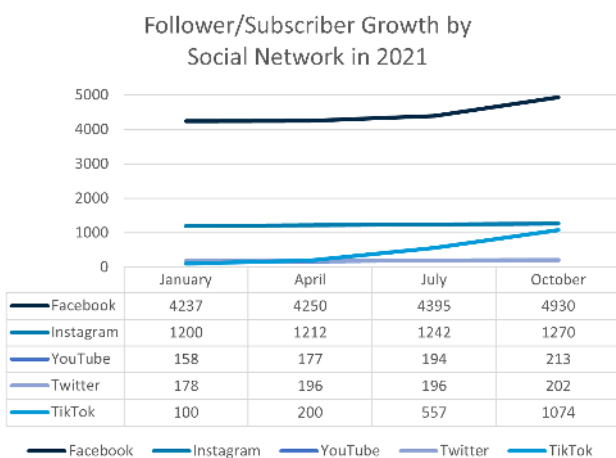
A huge thank you to the constant and creative work of the National Communications Team. From January to July the core team was: Brett Schaffner, Ruth Tobar, Daniel Macías, and Martín Utreras. We thank God for a positive transition from the core team since August: Ruth Tobar, Martín Utreras, Paulette García, and Jefferson Cuasque. A special thank you to Brett Schaffner for all the time and gifts he has invested in this team over the last 4 years.

This core team met weekly, in addition to monthly Support Team meetings, and 2 annual virtual retreats. Some of the important internal and external communication tasks are: updating the website, management of social networks, and the implementation of TEAMS to optimize the internal communication of CECE. Jouseth Moya has joined to support internal communication, and Andrea Utreras coordinating the content of weekly blogs.

Since July we have experimented use of Tik Tok to communicate with the most recent generation joining university. We appreciate the work of Ruth Tobar, Lisseth Muñoz, and Jessica Angos, who have produced Tik Tok content. Our presence in social networks has been stable and it is undoubtedly one of the factors that has helped us to reach our students during virtuality. Next, we share a table that summarizes the valuable projects worked during the year:

Communications Projects	
Book of the Year design	Professionals/Alumni Workshop
Weekly blogs	World Student Day
Weekly Video Devotionals	Fondotón Hybrid Challenge
National Camp	Acts & Matthew Studies
National Student Leader Formation Event (EFE)	Cience & Faith Forum
Liturgy Workshop	CECE de Corazón
Annual Report & Year-End Video	TikTok

Next, we share the summary table of our presence in social networks during the year:



## Blogs and Podcasts

A weekly blog was published throughout the year with the aim of training and deepening the conversation around both current topics of interest and themes from the book of Acts. The blogs remain available on the website: <https://www.somoslacece.com/blog/>

In addition, it has been a privilege to share stories of mission in the University from the middle of the world through the IFES global podcast and with IFES in Latin America. You can hear these podcasts on the following links:

- [Retiros Espirituales y Conectamos con CECE Ecuador](#) - Conexión IFES Latina | Podcast en Spotify
- [Tu grupo estudiantil no apareció sin más](#) - Voices of IFES | Podcast en Spotify

## National Board

The National Board is the entity within CECE that guides and ensures institutional governance. It is currently made up of 10 members elected by the General Assembly, the National Director (DN), and two members of the National Student Committee (CNE). The main function of the national board is to ensure ministerial, administrative, and organizational health. The board meets quarterly with all its members in which the National Director is supervised, accompanied, and supported in its task of ministerial leadership to students and professionals.

The impact of COVID-19 has still been felt this year, which represented a great challenge for our organization, and for the Board in terms of communication, coordination, and administrative care of our organization. CECE has continued with the challenge of innovating in University Groups with the commitment of each student. Social media has provided new opportunities for student leaders, Staff, National Director and board to respond to the challenges, in the midst of the pandemic and the economic crisis. In this context, the care of each person of our community is a priority, and we as the board have made efforts to care for people and continue with the mission entrusted by Jesus Christ.



## Administrative Assistant

We thank God for the work of Tatiana Paredes who serves as a part-time Administrative Assistant at the national office. In addition, we are grateful for the work of Argentina Flores who served as an administrative assistant during Tatiana's maternity time. This work is crucial for the fulfillment of the ministry to university students and professionals.

## Global Partners and Interinstitutional Relations

We are grateful for the opportunity to serve with strategic partners to carry out this mission. We share the following table of our inter-institutional relations.

<i>Interinstitutional Relations</i>	
<i>Vínculos para el Cambio - with training and counseling</i>	<i>Misión Alianza - with workshops for young people from marginal areas in Guayaquil</i>
<i>InterVarsity Link - InterVarsity USA with the presence of Brett Schaffner, and Staff to Staff funds</i>	<i>SIM in Loja - with support for pioneer groups</i>
<i>TSCF - IFES movement in New Zealand</i>	<i>Ecuadorian Evangelical Alliance</i>
<i>Ecumenical Projects Committee - with COFA scholarships</i>	<i>Evangelical Church of Iñaquito - with the ministry of young adults</i>
<i>English Fellowship Church - Offerings</i>	<i>IFES - through the solidarity fund</i>

CECE is part of the IFES international family which serves university students in more than 160 countries. We are very grateful for the participation with IFES during 2021. We have received direct support from the solidarity fund for Staff members. Also, several students and Staff members have benefited from virtual training spaces in events, for example: Connect with the University, Logos and Cosmos Initiative, among others.

## Finances

We praise the Lord for his provision, through Ministry Partners who give and pray to sustain our missional work to reach university students.

*\* Donors 2019 includes Fondotón*

<b>Number of Donors per Year</b>					
2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
15	33	40	98*	85	100

God has been faithful in providing for the mission during 2021. For your generosity: Thank you!



*Note: Income and expenses reflect the amounts from January to October 2021*

## Partner with Us

We are so very grateful for your support and interest in the mission of sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ to every university in Ecuador. A Mission Partner is someone who agrees to pray and/or give to CECE. There are several ways to do this: the first is to pray and receive monthly letters with updates and prayer requests from Staff; the second way to join the mission is through financial support; and the third is to communicate, tell, and invite others to be part of the mission at university. If you are interested in giving to CECE, you can make your donation through a transfer or direct deposit with the following information:

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 Banco del Pacífico  
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## Prayer requests

We invite you to join us in prayer:

- For flexibility and commitment to navigate the challenge of mission in hybrid mode.
- For consolidation at an organizational level to develop mission initiatives.
- For the financial support to grow and continue with the mission.
- For the initiative of each student and professional to share the Gospel with others.
- For Ecuador living with the challenges of the continued impact of COVID-19.

## Vision for the future

2021 has been a year marked by virtuality, fatigue, and uncertainty. We have walked with the book of Acts and perceived the presence and empowerment of the same Holy Spirit who moved the first community of believers, present at this moment in our history joining us together and sending us to share the message of Jesus. Community life centered on the Word and responding to needs have been a bridge to reach university students in new cities. We are grateful for the faithfulness of God that has allowed us to serve with creativity and perseverance, sharing Christ in the universities and workplaces of Ecuador.

We look with hope to the year ahead and embark on a new adventure and exploration with the book of the year 2022: Job, with the motto: "Honest Questions to God". We are going to meet and learn together with this character from his deep experience of suffering. From the experience of the crisis caused by the pandemic, we join the honest questions of Job and his friends to explore the themes of wisdom, suffering, and integrity found in the narrative. We invite you to join this community, and its mission story in 2022.





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