

FIELD EDUCATION
The Log
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Week # 11

Hours This Week: 8 Total Hours: 88/ 120

HOURS SPENT / TASKS & ACTIVITIES	REFLECTIONS JOURNALING THOUGHTS PROCESSING
<p>4 hours visiting patient and praying for them 1 hour in the chapel for reflection and service 2 hours in family meeting 1 hour charting notes from visit of patients</p>	<p>Today started out with me going to the patients' rooms and being supervised by one of the chaplains. What strike me right away is that my perception was off today. I went to a patient expecting to continue the conversation I had with him last week, but it was the total opposite. He seems to be so withdrawn and lost. I was shock, but from this experience, I learnt that everyday is a new day and I should not be expecting the same thing. This taught me not to get too comfortable with the patients. Every day for me is a new learning experience. Each patient has different needs. Some patients I spend more time with because they need someone to talk to. Reflecting on my visits, I realize that there are many people who do not have a relationship with God. When I look at the patient list they state a religion, but in talking to them they do not acknowledge that they pray. This confuses me and I wondered in what way I can help them. I am still wrestling with how to minister to people of all faith. I find it hard to talk to people without mentioning Jesus. How can I talk about healing without saying who is the healer. I am gradually learning to include stories in the bible about healing while ministering to the patient without calling names. I am trying to only mentioned God who is the common factor in most religions. The time in the chapel was very helpful for me. I was able to process all that was going through my mind. The family meeting was a little challenging for me. I am still very emotional in these meetings. Looking at the family faces as the doctors speak to them makes me feel sad. I am getting better but I am hoping not to be so emotional. The time that I spend ministering to the patients is building me up spiritually and I feel like God is really working in and through me.</p>

MEETING(S) WITH MENTOR(S) TOPICS OF DISCUSSION REFLECTIONS

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