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Recently I have heard a lot of people reflecting on the past year, and not all those reflections are positive - but there is so much to be thankful for! I am thankful for the connections we, at YFC Regina, have been able to maintain with the youth in our programs. Even when we meet over zoom, I am so thankful for the laughter we can share. I am even thankful when they are cozy at home during youth and end up snoring!

I am thankful that I am now meeting regularly, outside of programs, with all the female youth in our programs. I will be thankful when those times can be spent outdoors, going on walks, or sitting in the grass talking. The more time I spend with these youth the deeper our conversations run, and I am thankful for the opportunity to speak into the lives of these young ladies. You can pray for my times meeting with the younger girls as I often find it more difficult to connect with them.

I am thankful that I have spent the last year living with my family. I have not spent a moment over this past year feeling lonely or without, because I have been surrounded by those that I love.

I am thankful that God has provided financially for YFC Regina. This year all the missionary staff met and exceeded our financial goals. This means we can provide for the needs of the youth we work with without hesitation or worry about how we will cover the cost.

One thing I have really enjoyed over the past year has been playing giant board games with the Rooted youth group. So far, we have played Clue, Battleship, and Monopoly. This has revealed the competitive spirit in many of our youth but has also revealed their kindness.

When we played monopoly the team who ended up winning caused the game to drag out because when another team could not afford payment instead of bankrupting them, they would give them an amazing deal so they could stay in the game. I just love having fun with these young people!

