

Firstly, our thoughts and prayers are with those affected by the devastating wildfires, as well as the responders working tirelessly to combat them. May God's mercy and strength be with all those impacted and involved in this journey.

And speaking of journeys, the other day, I was watching a scene from the classic cowboy movie *The Good, The Bad, and The Ugly*, and it got me thinking about life—you know, one of those "hmmm" moments. There are the high points (the "good"), the difficult moments (the "bad"), and of course, the messy, chaotic moments (the "ugly") I'd rather forget. But in the end, they're all part of the same story. Thankfully, somewhere in between the extraordinary and the painful, there's the routine (my pit stops) — the everyday moments that let me breathe in and out, giving life its rhythm.

To be honest, I'd rather have a thousand routine days than just ten extraordinary ones. Because when you stop to really appreciate it, even the most ordinary day can feel extraordinary in its own way. If you ask me, what makes life meaningful isn't just the highs; it's how all the highs and lows fit together. The good wouldn't feel as sweet without the bad, and those ugly moments, I can tell you, have taught me to appreciate the rest.

Life's a wild ride, my friends, no doubt, and even though it hasn't always been easy, it's those twists and turns that make it all worth the journey. Wouldn't you agree?

Wow, so much from a cowboy movie!

What are you thankful for today?

Until next Thursday's post…si Dios quiere.

"It's your road and yours alone, others may walk it with you, but no one can walk it for you." *-Rumi*

"Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I fear no evil, for You are with me;
Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.
You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
You have anointed my head with oil;
My cup overflows.
Surely goodness and lovingkindness will follow me all the days of my life,
And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever."
-Psalm 23:4-6



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