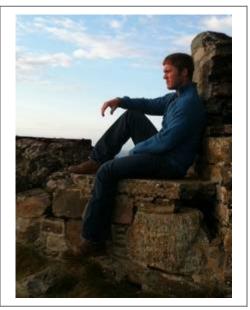
## Out of the comfort zone

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"Servants don't have rights." Those were my dad's parting words to me before I

stepped on the plane that brought me to Wales.



After receiving my assignment, my supervisor informed me that working in the media promotional department consisted of long hours indoors, working behind the scenes. All of my life, interactive ministry has been my passion. Sitting down for long periods of time has never been a strong suit of mine. I questioned if this is where God really wanted me.

This experience has been an extraordinary blessing. But it's also one of the most difficult in my life. Every day is a struggle. The desire to "go out" is overwhelming, and I am constantly on my face in desperate prayer. In one of my recent quiet times, 2 Corinthians 1:5 stuck out to me. "For the more we suffer for Christ, the more God will shower us with his comfort through Christ."

The Bible doesn't say following Jesus is going to be painless. In fact, it

plainly tells us that we are going to struggle. Yet, through my suffering, comfort has been found. God called me to do his work. Whether I think I can do it, or not, Christ is using me to further his kingdom, and in this, I find peace. As a follower of Christ, I am suppose to leave my comfort zone, so that I can experience the comfort that comes from the Most High.

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