



Sharing The Gospel With MATA Visitors

"... but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect... (1 Peter 3:15 ESV) In January we were honored to have teenagers representing two different schools come visit us at MATA and tour our facilities. As part of the tours I was privileged to share videos about mission aviation and make brief gospel presentations. (1st photo above). Sometimes I am able to go deeper and more fully explain exactly how to enter into a personal relationship with Christ as I did with some exchange students from China. (2nd photo above). For our more recent tours I have been able to distribute "Gift Cards" for free downloads of the Jesus film in more than 1500 different languages all of which have been well received. Amazingly, the public Arlington High School has sent large groups of their JROTC students each year for three years now. (Last 2 photos above.) This is a great honor given by God to be witnesses for Him!

Now Accepting Applications For Aviation Summer Camp



Effective January 15th we began the process of filling eighteen camper positions for July 21st through 26th. Already we only have twelve positions remaining open. The purpose of camp is to introduce teens (14 – 18) to the exciting world of flying, providing a fun, challenging, and educational summer camp experience in a Christian environment, also to expose campers to the challenges of world evangelism and ministry in remote areas. An investment they won't regret. Campers fly "hands on" in the pilot seat at our facility in Arlington, WA with our own certified FAA ground & flight instructors. Campers log a number of hours in the air and in ground-school towards a Private Pilot License!

Opportunities To Hear MATA Speakers!

Come bring your valentine to the annual missions conference at Arlington First Baptist Church February 14th through 17th and listen to presentations from those involved with MATA. Speakers include: Executive Director Dary Finck (Thur. 7:10 pm), MATA alumni Harlan Lloyd (Thur. 7:30 pm) and Chief Flight Instructor Gary Elliott (Fri. 7:20 pm). The featured speaker for this year's conference is a former missionary to Africa (and the father of our director) Vern Finck (Thur. 7:50 pm, Fri. 8:10 pm, Sat. 7:25 pm and Sun. 10:30 am). Several other missionaries and ministries will also be represented. Come and hear about some of the great things God is doing around the world and be inspired for missions!



Praises: Our new grandson, Peter Hernandez Howie was born at 9:53 pm on January 18th! Six pounds, thirteen ounces and nineteen & one quarter inches long. Both baby and mother are healthy and well! Both Becky and I thank you all so much for your gifts and prayers for this little one!



Prayer: Please continue to pray for more laborers to be sent into His harvest. We are in need of a new "Chief of Maintenance". Pray also for a new staff person at MATA who could coordinate government requirements for FAA Part 141.

Please pray for my travels to local churches who share our concern for reaching lost people to Christ. This is part of my deputation to find more ministry partners to be involved with our ministry here at MATA.

Pray for our family as we will be attempting the installation of a new roof onto our home sometime later this spring or summer. This needed repair is years overdue. A recent leak definitely confirmed the need.

THANK YOU!



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