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*Declare His glory among the nations, His marvelous works among all the peoples! (Psalm 96:3)*



## Forwarding To You: "Their Deepest Pleadings"

Mission conferences allow us opportunities to explore what God is doing with missionaries and ministries. We also have opportunities to network with other agencies to learn and grow on how best to serve our Lord. During a multi-day conference in the middle of February we had the privilege of hearing from a mobilizer with Ethnos 360. He reminded us again that there are unreached people groups who are **available for immediate reception**. The time is urgent. In fact, people are begging mission agencies for missionaries to come to their villages so that they can learn about God and what happens to them after they are dead. It broke both of our hearts to hear of the unfulfilled need for laborers. I have enclosed a copy of tribal pleadings. **Directed to:** All of us who call ourselves believers. **From:** These unreached peoples. Let's do whatever we can to increase efforts in the training and sending of missionaries with God's love.

## Please Pray For Our Beginner Students!

Now that the harsh winter weather is receding we are praying and hopeful for an increase in the number of days with flyable conditions for our students. Starting soon with the progression of the spring season, MATA is expecting **five new students** to begin working on their private pilot certifications. We invite you to please beseech our Lord for these new students to enjoy circumstances that will enable them to progress quickly with their first steps toward a career in mission aviation. Please pray for our staff and instructors to remain healthy and available to train, mentor, encourage, and disciple these new missionaries in training.



## MATA Winter Ministry Trip Completed.

What better time than the Alaskan cold and dark winter to send a team of laborers to encourage Christian leaders and ministries? I photographed these amazing four men who made up our Alaska Team of laborers from MATA the night prior to their departure early February. Our facility in Washington State is the most closely positioned Christian Aviation Ministry in the "lower 48 states" available to assist ministries located in Alaska. This team traveled by airline to Naknek, which is located near the north eastern tip of Bristol Bay, just prior to the beginning of the Aleutian chain of islands. (The 2020 census population is 470.) This team was able to complete a multitude of repairs on ministry aircraft to enable and prepare them for serving the peoples of Alaska for spring and summer ministries. This also provides great field experience for missionaries in training.



Photo names (left to right); Ben Jones, Vitaliy Nikishin, Jonathan Robbins, and Dary Finck (our MATA Executive Director).

## Praise:

- For the safety and productivity of our Alaska Winter Ministry Team and the thousands of dollars in labor savings provided for Alaska aviation ministries!
- For Vitaliy Nikishin, who is our newest staff member who will be assisting us at MATA until He begins work with Ethnos 360 (formerly New Tribes Missions).
- For the subsiding of the pandemic and the ability to increase effectiveness in ministering to others.
- We especially praise God for those who partner with us in prayer. God's answers amaze us regularly!

## Please Pray For:

- Becky and I will be speaking at a conference about our ministry at a missions event in Astoria, Oregon, in the middle of March. Pray for traveling mercies and that those we interact with will be inspired and blessed.
- MATA is sending representatives to Spokane this month to speak at the International Association of Missionary Aviation (IAMA). Pray that we as a community of mission agencies will network in such a way to more effectively advance the Kingdom of God together.

*Thank You!*



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