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



EMERGENCY!

We think of an emergency as a temporary thing. We understand the need to put intense effort into resolving an emergency. Lives are at risk. In the case of all eternity, scripture emphasizes that our lives are only temporary, and but a “breath of vapor”. At this very moment, the **greatest emergency of all time** is occurring. Every single day on average, about 151,000 people transition into eternity, most of whom become permanently lost without Christ. Let us not become complacent. We really don’t want to be like the religious leaders that Jesus harshly condemned in Matthew 23:13. They were doing the exact opposite of what they should have been doing. They were actively closing the door of heaven to unsaved people and not letting them in. Yes, scripture says in Romans that those who have not heard about Him will be “without excuse” because God’s law is written on their hearts. We trust that the Holy Spirit will work in peoples hearts. We do know that God is all powerful and can choose at anytime to do supernatural & amazing things so that people might hear His message. He has already done the supernatural in raising Jesus from the dead! We also know that no matter what God does, many people will rationalize Jesus away and choose their own independent way instead. They exchange the truth for a lie, preferring the darkness instead of light. Jesus is commanding us to **pray for more laborers** to be sent into the spiritual harvest. If the greatest thing that ever happened to us is coming to know Jesus, what then is the greatest thing we can do? Without more laborers to influence people towards the truth about Jesus, some of the harvest will be lost forever.

Missionary Pilot Imprisoned

Please join with us in the mission aviation community in praying for Ryan Koher and two other men who have now spent three months in a prison in Mozambique after delivering a routine supply of necessities to orphans in early November. His wife, Annabel, who is working closely with the U.S. Embassy, continues to call for his release. Koher serves with Mission Aviation Fellowship (MAF), the sending agency that he and his wife have been affiliated with since 2019. Ryan Koher and the other two men are still in prison—reportedly accused of insurgency, but without any formal charges filed. After 83 days, Ryan was finally able to make a phone call to his family. Please pray that Ryan and the others will be released soon.



Missionary Pilot Still Missing

Please join with us in the mission aviation community in praying for US pilot Jerry Krause who was at the controls of a routine flight from South Africa to the West African country of Mali where he was working as a missionary on April 7, 2013, when he simply disappeared. The last message from his Beechcraft 17 1900C 17-seat passenger plane was to a control tower on the tiny island of São Tomé, saying he was nine miles from its shore. Then he vanished. However, there have been multiple sightings of him. His family has received an email from one of his friends with high-level contacts in the government saying that he is definitely still alive. The family fears he is being held hostage by a criminal gang using him to smuggle weapons and drugs around Africa against his will. Please pray that the mystery around Jerry is solved soon.



Praise: * We praise God that MATA, effective 1/10/23, is now certified by the FAA as a Part 141 training school. This gives opportunity to further to pursue the training of foreign nationals, starting prayerfully, in a couple of years!

* Praise God that a good sized group of teens from Arlington High School came to tour the MATA facility on January 24th, and heard a very clear presentation of the Gospel. Their bus driver was also receptive when I (Clayton) shared the gospel with him while waiting for the teens to finish up at MATA.

* Praise God for an excellent missions conference, January 27-29 in Vancouver, British Columbia. We were blessed.

* We especially praise God for YOU our partners in ministry!

Prayer: Please continue to pray that God will call more laborers to be involved in Mission Aviation and to bring all students to MATA that He desires to be trained with us.

Please pray that new missionaries will be recruited & motivated to join in God’s harvest to reach our world for Jesus through Mission Aviation.

Please pray for Don Belfils, who just started serving at MATA on January 30th as our newest Flight Instructor. Pray that God will give him the ability to quickly comprehend all the material he needs during his transition to serving at MATA.

Thank You!



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