

Howie Highlights

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MISSION AVIATION TRAINING ACADEMY

Training and equipping evangelical Christian pilots for missionary service.

Thank YOU for Saving Precious Lives!

MATA alum, Brock Welge, reports that during just one week this July, Pacific Mission Aviation (PMA) was needed on three occasions to medevac patients from the Pacific Island nation of Palau to the Philippines for emergency situations. This included a nine-year-old girl with abdominal problems. The PMA team prays with the patients and families before they depart on their four-hour flights. On one of the flights, a family member expressed their appreciation by saying, "We have so much peace about the situation now because you took time to pray!"

YOUR partnership in prayer for our ministry at MATA has been critical to help meet the desperate worldwide need for missionary pilots and mechanics. Because YOU took the time to care, more laborers for God's spiritual harvest have been and are being trained to be the hands & feet of Jesus in loving and providing for the needs of people who are hurting. Even more importantly, the Gospel is being proclaimed and saving spiritual lives, freeing them from eternal darkness and torment forever. Praise God and to Him be all the Honor and Glory!



PMA Medevac to Manila in July



PMA Celebrates 50 Years of Service

MATA Campers Inspired Toward Missions



Campers of 2025

Eighteen teenagers representing nine different U.S. states attended MATA's Mission Aviation Summer Camp during the last full week in July.

For six straight days, most of which are from early morning to late at night, teens ages 14—18 were introduced to some career opportunities and challenges involving missionary aviation. MATA is one of the very few aviation camps where teens are able to pilot airplanes (with an instructor) logging official flight hours to begin a program for private pilot training.

While the days can be very long and intense for us as staff, the effort is well worth it as God has used this annual event to draw teens into serving Him through mission aviation. Two this year expressed desires to become missionary pilots! It has been a joy to see young lives transformed in such a short period of time to become lifelong laborers for the cause of Christ!

Please Pray for Two Upcoming Outreaches

Sunday, August 17: Clayton continues to coordinate MATA's presentation to our local public community at the **Community Airport Day**. Each year since Covid, we have been blessed to see at least one and sometimes many children pray to receive Jesus for salvation. We partner with Child Evangelism Fellowship who provides face painting, giving children and often their unchurched parents the option to hear a Gospel message. Pray that God will protect this event from disruptive people.



The MATA Booth for Spiritual Births

Sunday, Sept. 14: MATA staff and students will be flying to a church that borders the local runway in **Darrington**. This event is intended to be an outreach to the local community, including those who don't normally attend church. MATA will provide short scenic flights to people at no charge following Sunday services (which will feature a MATA speaker) and a potluck. Please pray for good weather and opportunities to encourage people with the Gospel and involvement with missions.

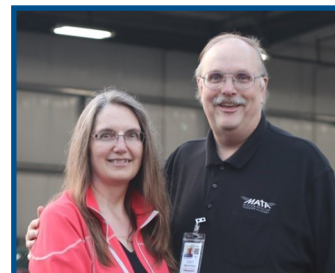


Darrington Church Outreach

Praises & Prayer Requests:

- Praise:** God blessed operations at MATA's annual Mission Aviation Summer Camp for teens!
- Praise:** Clayton passed the regular lawfully required medical evaluations to ensure fitness for pilots.
- Praise:** Work on the MATA Annex to expand MATA operations, classrooms, and office space is progressing.
- Praise:** We especially praise God for YOU, our partners who provide the prayer support needed to operate!
- Prayer:** Please pray that God will work through the operational details and prepare hearts to hear about the Gospel and missions at the outreaches listed above and that MATA will see fruit as a result.
- Prayer:** Please pray for our grandchildren to grow spiritually strong as they learn more about God and enroll in another year of AWANA as "Sparks for Jesus" on September 11th.
- Prayer:** Please pray for good weather for MATA operations and good health for all of us as staff.

We thank you immensely for all your help. Your needs are important to us. Please let us know how we can pray for you.



Clayton + Becky