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Dear Co-Laborers in Christ,

"And that, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed." Romans 13:11

In these difficult days, and trying times, we need to pray and trust the Lord for all we see, and for that we cannot see! He knows the end before the beginning! His Word tells us that "the horse is prepared in the day of battle, but safety is of the Lord". So, let's just keep on keeping on, trusting Him, and looking up!

We had a great 2008 "Meeting in the Air" Missions Aviation Conference at Wyldewood Baptist Church in Oshkosh, Wisconsin. The 2008 Flight Camp followed that, and it was a fruitful one with 16 young men in attendance. They received two hours of flight training, and two hours in the back observing the training up front. It was a spiritual week with the emphasis being "our relationship with the Lord, and his will for our lives to be sought and followed..." Three students surrendered for full-time service as missionary pilots. What a blessing! We shall look forward to seeing some of them again next year.

I flew up to Oshkosh with Bro Dave Spangler, missionary to the Bahamas, and he and I were the two flight instructors during Flight Camp, for the fifth consecutive year. On the return flight, on the second and final leg we had a hydraulic leak that was undetectable, but that had depleted much of the fluid. As I landed here at Canaan Airbase we had a weak right brake and by the Lord's grace were able to stop on the overrun with no damage. We found the source of the leak... a failed seal on the flap-actuating cylinder that had filled the belly around it with hydraulic fluid. This necessitated working into the night to complete the repairs and have the airplane ready to leave the next morning for Florida to pick up a medical team going to Honduras. Thank you Lord!

While on the subject of hydraulic problems, our tractor blew one of the two steering hoses, and it was quite a chore to repair. What a sorry hose... it had only lasted 34 years. Ha Ha. The hoses were mounted through heavy steel structure on bulkhead fittings requiring the disassembly of the forward part of the tractor to be able to access the fittings to remove the bad hose. Yes, I replaced them both.

Due to on-going security problems here at Canaan Airbase... a friend's four wheeler was stolen, as well as approximately 70 to 80 gallons of diesel fuel from

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the tank behind the hangar. I believe that it happened on two separate occasions by different parties. The ATV (four-wheeler) was soon recovered, but the fuel theft is still a mystery. I have since concreted in 6x6 treated posts, and put in three gates to replace two wire-rope cables. The third one is on our main entrance and is closed at night. This addresses all three access points, and is proving to be a successful solution to a troublesome problem. It has greatly cut down on "curious" traffic, as well as possible threats.

> Bro Tyler Nikkel was here for six weeks in Instrument training, graduating in September. It was a blessing to work with him, and he is back in the Oklahoma City area where he will be staying with his parents while attending A&P mechanics school. Pray for the Nikkels as they continue to prepare for missions.

> Bro Bob Vallier is here to do his usual auditing of the books for Calvary Baptist Church and Mission Aero. I just completed his Flight Review, required every two years of all pilots. With our diverse ministries we are a help to each other!

> The Jim Parvis family is now living in New Bern... well, close by in Pollocksville down Hwy 17S. They have purchased an older two-story home for a great price. They will still be on deputation, and will travel only as they can secure meetings. He is presently working here, and part time at Tradewind Aviation in New Bern to concentrate on his FAA IA. The Inspection Authorization allows him to do the final sign-offs on Annual Inspections, and on major modifications. It is a great blessing to have them here at Mission Aero. Please pray for meetings for them.

> Bro Sam Sanderlin will be coming next month to receive flight training for two additional flight endorsements... Complex Airplane, and High Performance Airplane. It will be great to work and fellowship with him! There are now two airplanes in ministry in the Cameroon. Bro Tom Needham's newest one was just flown all the way from Oshkosh, WI to the Cameroon by Bro John Douglas of Wings as Eagles. Bro Sam is raising funds to purchase the other airplane.

> Pray for Bro. Seth Canady, now in A&P mechanics school in Havelock, and here for flight training toward the goal of obtaining his Instrument Rating. The biggest hurdle now is funds for the flight portion. We have completed the major portion of the simulator training, and the flight portion will cost approximately \$3100, but without the help of Mission Aero it would be an additional \$1600.

> We so thank our Lord for His provision, His protection, and His promises! Ask the Lord to empower us to win precious souls to Him, and to remain faithful. Thank you for partnering with us in this wonderful ministry He has given us!

Under HIS' Wings,

Jack + Donnie