

UPDATES



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Dear Supporter,

First, thank you so much for supporting us financially or volunteering this year. With this letter, I'd like to recap you on another successful year.

We mentioned the Paraguay flight in a prior newsletter, but I also want to tell you about a flight involving a two year-old boy with medulla blastoma, a type of brain cancer. A local MRI had showed a possible new tumor and the boy's family wanted a second opinion from the Children's Medical Center in the Metroplex. The night before the appointment, I flew him to Dallas in a modern Cirrus aircraft, then the three of us—the mother, her son, and myself—stayed at a Widows & Orphans Network home hosted by MWA Board Member Lyndy Phillips.

After praying with the family the next morning, I left them at CMC, where the clearer imaging technology at CMC showed that a new tumor had not formed. You wouldn't believe the change in that mother's face before and after the appointment! What a miracle! This flight cost around \$1,300 from our budget, but that's a small price to pay. Not only did it bring peace to the family, but it kept the little boy from unnecessary and potentially dangerous medical treatment. [Pictures Next Page]

Our 2nd annual airshow went much more smoothly than the first event! (Isn't that always the case?) This year, we hosted a volunteer dinner and breakfast. The airshow itself featured booths and food vendors to support more than 2,500 people who enjoyed a concert, live auction, and car show. We added a large, comfortable sponsor tent this year, equipped with air conditioning, bottled drinks, and Abuelo's Mexican Food! Our largest sponsors included English Field Aviation, The River Falls Airport and Bed & Breakfast, Zion Oil and Gas, Supermarine Spitfire, Golden Spread Redi-Mix and more than 41 others. If you have never attended one of our airshows, don't miss our next one in 2014 or 2015.

Also this year, we attended the National Business Aircraft Association conference in Las Vegas and met again with a company with whom we are having a continuous conversation about flight access. This company is a world leader in sourcing international corporate flights and has thousands of empty flights searchable on any given day—and we are currently the **ONLY** non-profit to have this dialogue with them. Pray that God continues to open doors, and we receive access to these flights in 2014. Being able to connect these into our Empty Flight Plan (emptyflightplan.org) system would be a huge blessing.

Finally, a personal update: I am still self-employed. I fly regularly on a contract basis, train aircraft owners, and have continued producing and providing insurance in all aviation levels. Right before the school year began, Carla was offered her dream job. She now teaches first grade at Vista Academy—where our children attend—in a brand-new school building near our home. Our oldest, Andrew, dreams of becoming a heart doctor AND pilot (or maybe a Biblical archaeologist) and is currently more than half way toward a black belt in Tae Kwon Do. Savannah, my oldest daughter, is enjoying intermediate ballet, jazz, and lyrical dance classes. My youngest daughter, Lexi, remains as strong-willed as ever and seems to have inherited my tenacious spirit. She has loved her first year in gymnastics.

Again, thank you so much for your support. If you have not yet given this year, would you consider a year-end gift? Operating airplanes and computer programming are both very costly for us. We are thankful to those companies who

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help reduce those costs—but your generosity still has a huge impact on this little nonprofit with big dreams in Amarillo, Texas.

I leave you with a verse the Lord has used to speak to me recently: “For the eyes of the Lord move to and fro throughout the earth that he may strongly support those whose heart is completely His” (2 Chronicles 16:9). It’s comforting to know that God **STRONGLY** supports us, even though people sometimes do not. Man will often let us down, but God loves us...even when we don’t deserve it. Does your heart belong completely to Jesus Christ?

Keep Looking UP,

Justin Miller
Executive Director and Founder



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