

Immel Update

Fall 2008



Dear Friends,

As the days grow shorter and the sun moves well into the southern sky in northern Idaho, it's a reminder of what we experienced a year ago as we approached our first winter season. It's hard to believe we've been here over a year. Overall, things have gone very well, for which we praise the Lord. We've had a good chance to evaluate our ministries and look at things we could be doing differently.

Last month Patsy attended her last JAARS board meeting at Waxhaw. After serving as board secretary for four years she has stepped out of that assignment and will concentrate all her time on her assignment as a Personnel Administrator. She's currently working with over twenty families and singles, assisting them with questions, paperwork and work assignments while they are back home for furloughs. Along with that she encourages and helps them work through any number of challenges they may face while making the adjustment back into our culture. As she has opportunity, she meets with them to debrief face to face.



Patsy with the Director of JAARS, Jim Akovenko and wife, Sue.

We've reached a milestone here at Quest Aircraft. In early January we'll deliver the first "mission field" Kodiak to JAARS. As we see this aircraft being completed, we also see the vision a few men had about eight years ago, turning into reality. The second aircraft heading to missions is on the assembly line, and is heading for service with Mission Aviation Fellowship.



Commissioning prayer at Quest for the first JAARS Kodiak.

Continue to keep Quest Aircraft in your prayers as we phase more and more into the production phase of the company. The board of directors, administrators and plant staff are all committed to making the company a commercial success to enable us to make these aircraft available to missions around the world.

We are so blessed and thankful for the friendships the Lord has blessed us with as we settled in during this past year; they have meant so much to us. We are part of a small group and currently working through a Bible Study called The Truth Project. It's a very stimulating Biblical world view study.

We consider it a privilege to partner with you and be an active part of the on going mission of Bible translation and mission aviation. Thanks so much for your faithful ongoing prayer and financial support. We trust you all have a blessed and meaningful holiday season.

Serving together,

Dave and Patsy



A Mission for the Whole Church

In a recent article, Kirk Franklin, recently appointed CEO of Wycliffe International wrote:

"God, by the Holy Ghost, is saying, 'the paradigm is changing.' Africans must not just stay on the receiving end. They must give and go." Pastor Daniel Mbiwan of Cameroon represents the new face of the missional Church today. It's a global, inclusive, dynamic Church of believers from around the world who are recognizing that God's mission of reaching the whole world is a mission for the whole Church.

A part of that mission is making sure all people have access to scripture in a language that speaks to their hearts. Pastor Mbiwan shared,

"As a pastor, I've gone to different parishes in the country. I think one of the best moments before I preach is to stand up and greet the people in their language. They feel a bonding; they are open to what I have to say.

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