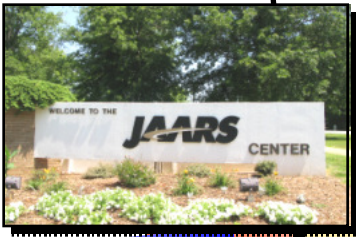


But thanks be to God, who always leads us in triumphal procession in Christ and through us spreads everywhere the fragrance of the knowledge of him.

2nd Corinthians 2:14 (NIV)

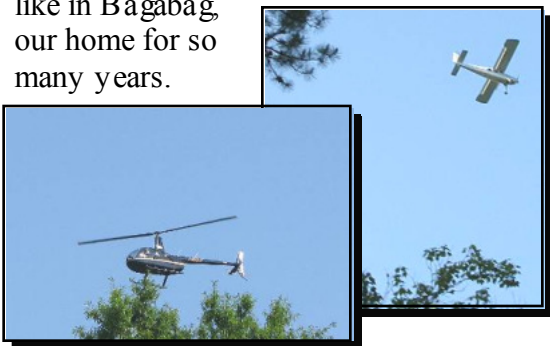


Winter JAARS Report

June — July, 2008

Living & Working at Wycliffe's JAARS Center

"What's that noise I hear?" It's just like one of the common, every day sounds we often heard while living at Bagabag in the Philippines. As it turns out, it is exactly the same sound. You see, our house is less than one mile from the training airstrip on the JAARS Center. Many pilots are being trained here for the special kind of flying encountered at SIL linguistic centers overseas—just like in Bagabag, our home for so many years.



What a joy to look up above our house and see the same sights we remember from the Philippines. It really makes us feel like we're home again.

As God has led us to this new assignment, Sally and I are reminded of the verse in 2nd Corinthians seen above. As our lives unfold in this new place of service we have a strong sense of His plan for us at this time. We're encouraged and joyful in this knowledge.

What does JAARS stand for? That's a long story. We will share more of that with you in a future letter. The acronym is from the early days of Wycliffe, as Cameron Townsend, our founder, was forming the organization by God's guidance and the seat of his pants. The letters mean: **J**ungle **A**viation **A**nd **R**adio **S**ervice. There's much more to the story, but for now it's summed up by saying JAARS is Wycliffe's technical training and logistics center undergirding Bible translation work around the globe.

About Sally

Since before Sally was 10 years old, she's known the Lord called her to be in missions. Her life has been focused in

this direction ever since. God has blessed her resolve to follow Him. She was part of the Koronadal Blaan New Testament translation team. Today, there is an ongoing indigenous-run literacy program to her credit. She has influenced many young lives as a teacher and guided a mission school for several years as its principal. Now God is extending her role in education with an opportunity to teach fifth grade at a local Christian school. This school provides a good education for many children whose parents serve at JAARS. Sally is excited that she will continue to be an influence for Christ and missions on these young lives. Pray for her as she prepares to meet her new students in August

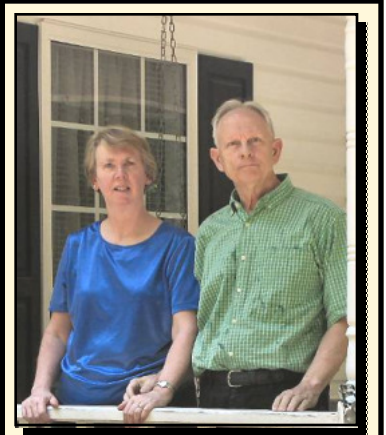
About Leon

Leon's role at JAARS is much like what he was doing in the early years in the Philippines. The big change, of course, is in the technology that has moved on. The official job title is "IT Wireless Consultant/Engineer".



Language and IT Services Center

The responsibilities are loosely defined as follows: Advises field entities and individuals on solutions for communications challenges. Applies knowledge of radio and satellite communications technologies to find appropriate cost-effective solutions. Investigates new technologies to evaluate usefulness. Performs live evaluation of various technologies, and assists in developing training materials. May travel internationally to assist in communications projects.



PRAISE 'N PRAYER

- **Urgent Prayer Request**
Pastor Cuma Saya, the Blaan pastor who is in charge of distribution for the Koronadal Blaan New Testament and other books, was in a motorcycle accident a short time ago. As we put this letter into the mail he is in the hospital recovering from surgery on his hand. Two fingers were badly broken. Thankfully that is the extent of his injuries and the motorcycle was not damaged. Please pray for a complete and speedy recovery. We are grateful for those who send gifts to the K. Blaan account and are thereby helping with expenses related to this accident. *If you'd like a quicker update, send us an e-mail and we'll reply.*
- Praise God for the church we found to attend worship. We are a fit and felt welcome from the start.
- Praise that the house has come together well and feels like a place we'll want to welcome friends and family. We've already had two groups of young people interested in missions in for supper. We were blessed and trust we were a blessing in return.



Here's a view of one of Leon's work areas. Looks like he needs to begin with a cleanup!



We're establishing residency here and making North Carolina our home. So our California plates had to go. We easily passed the driving tests and now carry NC drivers' licenses. Now we are Tar Heels, as North Carolinians are called!



A short list of things he'll be doing includes:

- HF/VHF/UHF Voice, Email, and Data Transfers
- Long Distance 802.11 x Networks
- VSAT Internet Service (Satellite links)
- Solar Power Systems
- Troubleshooting Communications Systems

To Leon this sounds like pretty interesting stuff. He looks forward to seeing how God will use him to aid worldwide Bible Translation by service in these areas. Pray with him to that end.

Odds 'n ends since our last letter



Our friendly greeting as we crossed into North Carolina on April 4th



We opened our very empty house and decided to brighten the place up with Old Glory.

After several months of trouble, Sally had hand surgery on May 8th. It went very well and released the tendon that was locking her ring finger. The hardest part of the ordeal was living for two weeks with a bulky bandage on her right hand. The same problem is showing itself in early stages in her left hand. Please pray that this does not become serious.



This summer Sally is serving in the child-care program for elementary-aged children whose parents work at the JAARS Center. With devotions, games, crafts, and swimming, it's more fun than school. And MKs (Missionary Kids) are great kids, so this is a dream job for Sally

Dear family and friends,

We are always thankful for you, our faithful team. Our move to the JAARS Center caused us to miss sending out one of our regular letters. But you continue to stand with us in prayer and financial support. How we praise God for each of you.

With joy in the Lord,

Leon Sally

See the color version of our letter by going to:
www.trinitynh.org/mis-winter.htm



A few days later our shipments arrived, from the Philippines and also Connecticut. With joy, Sally began to put things in their place.

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