



Missionary Air Group

Help and Hope by Air



Help and Hope **DELIVERED!**

An Update from Missionary Air Group

In some of the most remote regions of the world, cut off from modern civilization... where there are no roads —no navigable rivers— and the only access is by air, you're bringing life-saving medical care and the gospel of Jesus Christ to the poor and needy.

*Through your support of Missionary Air Group,
we're reaching a multitude of people no one else can reach.*

Claudia

Her six-month old twins were deathly ill. But in Claudia's remote village in eastern Honduras, there were no doctors. Her only hope to save the babies' lives was to make the 12 hour trek by foot to Rus Rus Hospital, a medical clinic operated by Missionary Air Group. Once at the clinic, it was clear the situation was dire. The first twin responded immediately to treatment, but the second twin was fading fast. The child needed a bigger hospital with more equipment. But that journey would take four days on foot—two days by boat—one day by truck—**but only 30 minutes by air!**

Thankfully, Missionary Air Group had a missionary pilot and fully equipped aircraft ready to respond. The Rus Rus staff prayed for Claudia, helped her little family onto the plane, then sent them to the larger hospital. The twins lives were saved, and Claudia received the gospel message. And





When these twins arrived at Rus Rus Hospital, they were deathly ill. But their lives were saved thanks to the compassion of friends like you!

thanks to the love and compassion of the MAG team at Rus Rus, the gospel had credibility—Claudia received Christ as her Savior!

Eduardo

People were arriving daily at the little jungle hospital in Rus Rus, having walked and camped for days to see a doctor. Rev. Carlos Paz, MAG Director of Pastoral Ministry, was holding services, even preaching by flashlight. As physical lives were being restored by day, spiritual lives were being renewed during the evening services. As one man eagerly came forward, Carlos recognized his face. His name: Eduardo.



Exactly one year earlier, Eduardo arrived at the clinic with a near fatal gunshot wound. The medical team worked through the night to stabilize him, but he needed a surgeon—requiring an air evacuation that could not happen until daylight. Carlos stayed by Eduardo’s side, praying with him throughout the night, until MAG pilot Westley Wiles could safely launch the aircraft. They made it to a surgeon, and Eduardo’s life was saved.

A year before, Eduardo was given back his (physical) life through the compassionate love and medical care of the staff at Rus Rus on behalf of Christ. But now, Eduardo returned to Rus Rus to give that life back to Jesus—in exchange for an eternal one, with Christ, in heaven!

In Africa: Spreading the Gospel by Air

Though the JESUS Film has been translated into Nzebi, a local language, it was not available due to a compatibility issue. Through our partnerships, our chief pilot was able to secure the production of micro-SD cards that could play the film and the New Testament on local hardware. Since then, local pastor Jean-Marc has distributed more than 1,100 copies. And the response has been amazing! Other language groups began to approach Jean-Marc to receive the JESUS Film in their own language.

As we prayed about the possibilities, God provided a translation partner in the Cameroon Association for Bible Translation & Literacy (CABTAL). Through our aircraft based at the Bongolo Hospital, Missionary Air Group is providing CABTAL leaders with transportation across Gabon to determine needs of local churches, and how the audio New Testament can be used to evangelize and disciple in some of the least reached areas of that country.

A young boy disappeared from his house one day, alarming his family and village. But hours later, he returned carrying the family’s radio. He had just received a New Testament in his language on micro-SD card, and wanted to listen to the Word of God without being disturbed. So he took the radio and hid on the family farm!



URGENT NEEDS

Missionary Air Group is able to continue delivering help and hope by air because of the faithful prayer and financial support of friends like you. Please pray about how you can be personally involved in meeting these critical needs:



- **Airplane Engine, El Petén region, Guatemala: \$75,000**

Located deep in the Guatemalan jungle, the El Petén region is home to some of the poorest and neediest families in the world. Here, even minor illnesses and injuries can quickly become life-threatening because there is no easy access to medical care. But through Missionary Air Group's air ambulance program, life-saving care is just a flight away. Since the aircraft is being leased from another group, it is crucial that we deploy our own dedicated air ambulance to ensure the future of this critical service. We have the plane; it's in the final stages of a multi-year refurbishment and modification. We just need a new engine to quite literally get it off the ground. Please pray about how you can help today.

- **Renovate and expand the new U.S. base and training facility: \$100,000**

In a casual conversation, the airport manager asked MAG President Sean Donnelly if there was anything else he could do. Jokingly, Sean replied, "Yes—convince someone to give me a hangar!" The supervisor thought for a minute, picked up the phone, and a miracle

happened. Through God's divine provision, not only was MAG able to purchase a hangar from a generous local businessman at a fraction of its market value, *but all of the funds needed for the purchase were provided by another generous donor!* Now, all that remains is the construction of additional office space and a few upgrades to prepare it for use. This facility will serve as MAG's U.S. ministry headquarters, housing its administrative, aircraft maintenance, and flight training operations. From here, MAG will prepare both missionary planes and pilots to bring hope and compassion to a world in need. Your generous support today will help expand our operations and prepare missionary pilots to fulfil their calling.

- **Pilot Training Aircraft: \$190,000**

Through our unique missionary pilot-mechanic apprenticeship program (in partnership with MMS Aviation in Coshocton, OH), we're training pilots for operations in the rough and remote environments

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In the most remote part of the Honduran jungle, Missionary Air Group's Rus Rus Hospital provides the only medical services available to more than 25,000 people.



encountered in most relief missions. Taking off fully-loaded from a short jungle airstrip, navigating through mountainous terrain, all with a patient's life in the balance, requires specific training not available at traditional flight schools. The cost of that training is another major barrier to those pilots ever making it to the field. However, MAG provides this instruction at no cost in order to see professional missionary aviators equipped to deliver "help and hope" in the name of Christ. We have an immediate need for an additional training aircraft, a properly equipped Cessna 182RG, which is required for the Commercial Pilot element of the curriculum.

Your generosity today will bring hope, healing, and the name of Jesus to some of the most remote and unreached people of the world—people who can only be reached through the miracle of aviation. Please consider a special gift of compassion today to continue delivering help, and hope, by air! Thank you!



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