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Dear Praying Friends,

The days are lengthening! The winter has been cold, icy, and full of sunshine glittering on diamonds flung across the snow and hanging on the trees. It is so very lovely.



Life at MARC has been amazingly varied for Brian. This winter, MARC found a Cessna 210. This is a small single-engine, 6-seat aircraft that will fill in a big vacuum in our ministry flight department. For the last few years, our only ministry aircraft have been our 9-passenger turboprop King Airs. These are great airplanes to move a larger group of people, but not a small group of 3-4 due to the cost of operating them. We hope this aircraft will make a difference for many who have smaller groups, or even individuals, to move. Brian went to Columbus, OH, and met our director there to look at the aircraft. It was as good as advertised. MARC purchased it and Peter and Brian brought the airplane back home. This all happened in January. The maintenance crew is now going through the aircraft, examining it in minute detail, to prepare it for what we hope will be years of ministry. The thing that sold Brian on it was that this model is fully equipped to fly into icing conditions, something which is essential to have in our environment. Our ministry flight schedule has again been stretching the limits of our aircraft and pilots, and this is a very good thing. MARC has been promised the use of a Cessna Caravan this year. Unfortunately, we do not expect it to be available until after the summer is over. This airplane is in addition to the Caravan we hope to purchase. We have had to turn down flights because we currently only have the King Airs for ministry flights, so we are rejoicing in the provision of both of these aircraft and are very excited to see what God is going to do with these additional resources. Brian just heard from a friend and former flight instructor who was helping with a safety audit in Micronesia. Dan met a couple from Alaska down there. When Dan told them he



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had been here at MARC and taught and flew with us, the lady said that she loved MARC, because she accepted Christ when MARC flew a group to her village who presented the gospel. We were amazed that the Lord would encourage us all the way from Micronesia!



The family is doing well; we are grateful that Brianna and her family spent two days with us at Christmas. What a blessing and joy that was! Michael and family continue to flourish in North Carolina. They are joyfully serving in the church and at work, in small group, and living in community with fellow believers. God added little Malcom Timothy to Lucas and Victoria's family just after Christmas. He is a little chunky, cuddly treasure. We thank God for a healthy delivery and a healthy baby. Lucas continues plumbing and loves his new job and coworkers. Jonathan is in southern Mexico for five months working with missionary friends there. His prayer is that he will be a great blessing there and be used to bring glory to God. Jonathan is in the 90s for temps while we are still in the "teens."

We thank you from our hearts for your ongoing ministry with us here all of these years. You are a great blessing. You encourage us with your prayers, letters, gifts, and support. THANK YOU.

We pray, as our country experiences a drastic divide, that we will all pray, work, and love untiringly for unity while faithfully speaking God's truth. These are truly perilous times. May the Light and Love of Christ richly dwell in our hearts and spill freely onto our neighbors and into our communities. May we become people who are marked by fervency in prayer and love.

Because of His Grace,
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PRAISES:

- Malcom's safe and healthy delivery and Victoria's good recovery.
- Safety in flight and maintenance all through the winter.
- For reports of growth in believers in the bush.
- The gift of a beautiful winter of snow and sunshine.
- For strength and health to work in His ministry day after day.
- That Brian's eyes are presently stable.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

- For wisdom and guidance as we gear up to get the planes and scheduling ready for the summer flying; for wisdom and guidance.
- Preparation for counselors' and children's hearts for the work of the Spirit through camps this summer. That God will work mightily to save many.
- That we and our children will increasingly love the Lord more fervently, faithfully, and devotedly.
- For revival in our churches and nation.
- For safety in flight and maintenance through a busy summer.
- Brian will be gone flying as copilot for much of the next three weeks.



Installation of a pastor in a bush Church