



Kevin & Pam Dunn

Summer, 2020

Missionary Aviation Trainees

During so much chaos and uncertainty, it is good to know that there is ONE in Whom we can be certain! God knew what 2020 would be like and it was no surprise to Him. It has made us all at SOAR exercise our trust in Him as routines were interrupted and plans changed almost daily.



This spring during the stay-at-home order, we were required to keep our doors open at SOAR as we were deemed essential workers due to the upkeep of the fuel system and transportation (our local hospital's helicopter purchases their fuel from SOAR). Working in the shop did not slow down, as many airplanes still needed annual inspections and regular maintenance.

Before the pandemic took place, Kevin and Phillip were able to go on a unique trip to Texas to pick up a flap that was needed for a SOAR airplane. Because the flap was so long, they needed to fly the Helio Courier. Helios have been used in missionary work for many years.



Kevin has been able to be more involved with flight instruction as he is flying with the mission candidates to get their tail wheel endorsements, high-performance endorsements, and some cross-country flights. He was also able to give flight instruction to a new Helio Courier owner in Michigan last month.

Send offs

It is SO exciting when we see God clearly lead and direct those who have been trained as missionary pilots and mechanics through SOAR. We have had three send-off parties this summer! It is hard to say goodbye, but we are excited to see them take the next step in serving the Lord.

Fred and Lydia Holcomb and their five boys moved to Alaska the end of May to serve an internship in Soldatna, Alaska with MARC. The end of July found Nathan and Kayla White with their two children moving to Tucson, Arizona to work with UIM Aviation. At the end of August, Lance and Caitlin Rensberger moved from Missouri to McNeal, Arizona to finish their specialized aviation training at Ethnos 360 Aviation.



Praise & Prayer:

- We are thankful to be involved in training the next generation of missionary pilots and mechanics. Continue to pray for the four apprentices training at SOAR. They all continue their flight training and continue working in the maintenance shop 40 hours a week. All are looking at mission organizations to see which would be the best fit for them. These are huge decisions. Pray for them as they train, test, study, fly, and plan for their future.
- Jeremy and Blinda have plans to leave for Papua New Guinea in the coming year. Pray for them as they work on partnership development.
- Pray for us as we say “goodbye” to our son, daughter-in-law, and granddaughter as they move overseas. It is quite different to be on the “staying side” of an overseas move.
- Pam is a group leader in a Ladies Bible study this year. Pray for her as she leads and builds relationships with the ladies.
- Pray that we constantly follow God’s leading in the day-to-day responsibilities and the long-range planning. We have such a desire to train the next generation of missionary pilots and mechanics, but we need to wait for God’s leading and direction.

We would love the opportunity to share about the ministry the Lord has given us at SOAR with your church, small group, etc. Please contact us if that is a possibility.

Family Update

Our family is doing well for which we are thankful. We were able to make some fun memories with four of our grandchildren while their parents (**Allison and Nate**) directed their church youth camp this summer. We had a blast! **Jeremy and Blinda** have finished their aviation training with Ethnos 360 and plan to move to Papua New Guinea in 2021. They are living here in Bolivar for the summer, so we get to keep our granddaughter overnight at times. **Megan** continues working in the ICU as a nurse here in Bolivar. It has been a rough couple months for her! She begins studies on her master’s degree this fall. **Lauren and David** sold the house they remodeled this summer before it even went on the market! They are now remodeling a farmhouse on their land in the Flint Hills of Kansas.

We never get tired of thanking so many of you for your generous part you play in our lives. Thank you for your prayers and for partnering with us in training the future generation to serve the Lord as missionary mechanics and pilots. We appreciate you!

In Christ,

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