



Missions Bound

Ministry Update

We are excited to let you all know that we have recently joined Proclaim Aviation, a mission organization focused on bridging the gap between completing aviation training and beginning mission work overseas. This is accomplished by partnering with Mission Aviation Schools, such as Moody Aviation (Collin's alma mater), to supply staff who hope to grow in technical experience before going into international mission work.

Following initial training and support raising, Collin will be placed on loan to Moody Aviation in Spokane as an Airframe and Powerplant Mechanic, where he will be working in their production shop. This is a great opportunity for him to give back to the school that shaped his training in Biblical studies and aviation technical skills, and to hone his maintenance skills.

In the long-term, we still plan to join an organization to serve overseas as a missionary pilot mechanic family. But after much prayer, we decided to move forward with Proclaim as the next door that God has opened for us. Through the beginning of May we will be raising support through Proclaim, after which we will join Moody's team for the next two years.

Family Update

Since we last updated you all, our family has grown! Elijah Samuel Brown was born on July 29th 2023, 2 days before our first wedding anniversary. He is a very active and adorable little guy, and it's hard to imagine what our life would be like without him. We are blessed that Elena was able to take leave from work from July through the beginning of January to focus on nurturing our son in those early months.



Prayer Requests

- We will find people to join our team with Proclaim Aviation
- Patience with our new work schedules
- Wisdom and patience as we learn to care and teach Elijah

Praises

- Opportunity to serve at Moody as an aircraft Mechanic
- Encouraging and wonderful friends
- Finding an apartment in Spokane at a decent price



Our verse for this season

Trust in the Lord
with all your heart, and
lean not on your own un-
derstanding. In all your
ways acknowledge Him,
and He will make your path
straight

Proverbs 3:5-6

What's Next

As Collin begins spearheading our ministry partnership, Elena is heading back to work! She is returning to her position as a NICU nurse at Sacred Heart Hospital. It has been a wonderful season of being at home, but she is excited to continue her work caring for premature infants and their families.

Please pray for us as we learn how to balance two full time jobs and a child, making time for the work God has for us as well as for each other. Since we anticipate settling in Spokane for at least two more years, we are hoping to buy a home in the first half of this year. We covet your prayers as we begin this process that God would open doors and bring opportunities beyond our wildest hopes.

We are in the process of trying to raise \$5,000 a month in support. If you are interested in hearing more about our ministry with Proclaim Aviation please feel free to reach out. We would love to share more about this new journey. You can also visit ProclaimAviation.org and find us there.

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