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M E S S E N G E R

BIG CHANGES

As a mechanic my hands are littered with well over 100 scars, some big and some small. They show up more when I get a tan. Many times over the years the kids have asked about them—what they are from, how did I get them, etc.. I told them it is a part of being a mechanic, and that I would not trade any of them because they remind me of who I am.

We as a family continually see God's blessing in the various ministries we do. He has carried us through many struggles and allowed us to see Him accomplish many victories. Though there are many scars we are grateful for them, knowing that God has helped us through all of them.

We are currently healing through another scar. Due to decisions made at MARC we will no longer be able to serve in Alaska. We believe that God used them to guide us to a new ministry, serving with Proclaim Aviation Ministries. Proclaim works with missionary aviation programs, helping to bring missionaries to the field as quickly and inexpensively as possible. We will be on loan from Proclaim Aviation to Moody Aviation—Moody Bible Institute's missionary aviation training school. Travis will be instructing the Maintenance Specialists with two other instructors.

This is not the way we planned to transition, but it is the way that God has ordained, and we are joyfully looking forward to how He will use us at Moody. We have seen God's blessings shine upon us allowing our scars to be more visible, reminding us of His never-ending love. He always meets us where we are at and guides us *where* He wants us in the *way* He wants to use us. **Our prayer is that we will always be an adequate and accurate reflection of Him wherever he sends us to serve in Alaska or Spokane, Washington.**

We are approaching a time of closure of our service here in Alaska, but it's not the end for us in missionary aviation—just a change of direction. We truly covet your prayers during this time of transition especially for our kids.

Thank you for standing by us and in the gap as we have served in Alaska on your behalf. We couldn't be here without your prayers and finances. **THANK YOU** for entrusting us with this task. We feel honored! Please consider supporting us in this new chapter.

*Serving Together,
Travis and Heather
Bryce, Sydney & Blake*



Bryce's curly locks were donated to a group who makes wigs for kids with childhood illnesses.

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*Exploring our
new home in
Spokane,
Washington*



FAMILY

It's hard to believe that when we moved to Alaska in 2005 we had two children—Bryce was two and Sydney was just two-and-a-half months old. We now have three kids, lots of gray hair, and we have grown in so many ways other than just physically. Thankfully the Lord has used these years, ministry, and so many more ways to continue to mold us to be better servants for Him. We are all very sad about leaving Alaska, but are thankful that the Lord is still allowing us to serve in missionary aviation. We took a trip to Spokane during the kids' spring break to allow them to see where we will be moving and visit the school where Travis will be serving. That was perhaps one of the best gifts we could have given them during this time of transition. They were able to meet kids their age whose parents serve at Moody, as well as become familiar with the area. For our children this move has created much stress and anxiety, as it is the only "home" they have ever known. Please pray with us through this transition.

As we wind down serving in Alaska the next few months, we as a family will be joining Bryce on a village trip with Child Evangelism Fellowship (CEF) at the end of April, along with another MARC family. We are all very excited about the opportunity to do this together. We are going to the village of Quinhagak, on the west coast of Alaska, where Bryce has participated with CEF a few other times. It will be a time of learning Bible verses, telling Bible and missionary stories, singing, playing games and much more.



Travis doing what he LOVES, with two other MARC staff we have had the pleasure of working with.

QUESTIONS?

When are you moving? We plan to leave Alaska after Bryce's Child Evangelism training on June 6th, and after we sign for the sale of our house. It is under contract after being on the market for just over a week, but we get to stay in it until June 5th, ironically our twentieth wedding anniversary.

When do you plan to start working at Moody Aviation? The semester starts in July so we hope to begin as close to that date as possible.

Why continue to raise support? Approximately 70% of Moody's staff is on-loan from other missions to keep tuition low and allow the next generation of missionaries reach the field. It also allows us to return to the field if God calls us.

When and how do we transition support? Any support sent to MARC after May 31 will go into the general fund. Proclaim has a website for online giving, and forms if you want to use a check. There is a fee removed from the donation for credit card donations. Go to proclaimaviation.org for all electronic giving.

Do you have a place to live in Spokane? No, we are looking for the house that God has for us, but are waiting on His timing. In the mean-time we are housesitting for two months.

What if I have more questions? This is a big change, and if you have any questions do not hesitate to reach out to us! Our contact information is enclosed.

Prayer

- Our family as we transition to serve in Spokane, WA—church, school, building friendships, taking on new ministry roles etc.
- Friends for our kids who will be good influences on them and vice versa
- The kids MARC will fly to camp this summer...that gospel seeds will be planted to sprout

- That our Alaska home will sell, and we will find one to meet our needs and beyond for ministry use
- Saying goodbye for now to so many amazing people in Alaska
- Safety and no major problems driving three vehicles and two trailers to Spokane

& Praise

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