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While attending elementary school in Bendersville, PA there was a piece of “socially interactive” playground equipment that was consistently used during recess. It was located in the middle of the playground area and very simple in design. But, this piece of equipment required at least two people who were in agreement concerning how the equipment was to be used. Consistent change or constant balance are the two items that drew attention to the seesaw/teeter totter.

Balance, change, and time are three items that seem to have a large affect on our day-to-day lives. Both the anticipated changes that are part of our daily routine, and the occasional times of true relaxation seem to mimic the rhythm of change and the constant balance of the seesaw. Unfortunately, today our lives seem to filled with unexpected items that bring physical problems, stress, anxiety and depression. Often it seems like someone has jumped off of the seesaw, causing the other side to come crashing against the ground. Thankfully our Lord is here to help us get back up again.

Since moving to Spokane we have been reminded several times that Christ is our strength and therefore our balance. He has strongly reminded me of this fact during times of anxiety and depression while serving here at Moody Aviation. Covid-19 has been one of these times. Due to the drastic changes brought by the shut down and changes that are being made in other areas, additional items have been placed on my schedule. A few of these changes include modifying maintenance coursework for the students. During the fall term I co-teach the *Shop Procedures* class, which includes instruction on using the metal lathe, milling machine, and other equipment. You may recall seeing pictures of tools that students have fabricated in our previous newsletters. The Fourth Year students were given a general introduction to these pieces of equipment during their second year of instruction, but now have the opportunity to learn additional skills. Normally I spend three weeks teaching this course, but this year the students will be making the tools outside of their normal class time. Currently, I am writing instructions and recording videos that the students will view concerning using the equipment and making the tools. Similar changes are being made in other classes.

these days.

Moody operations were obviously halted during the *Stay At Home Order*. Only necessary staff were present at the school and classes were held on-line. Fortunately some of the maintenance labs for the Fourth Year students were modified and completed at home. Limited operation resumed the second week of May, with the Fourth Year students finishing their maintenance requirements before the end of the month, and the Fifth Year students helping perform aircraft inspections. Permission was granted for flight training to resume the first week of June, with the requirement that aircraft be sanitized after each flight. Obviously there was not enough time to complete the flight training before the term ended, and the balance of the missed flight training will hopefully be finished by mid August. Moody is currently allowing only students and staff to be at the facilities, while requiring everyone to wear a mask and record their temperature when entering the building. Social distancing is being observed by placing students into appropriately sized groups. The groups are then placed on a schedule that will keep the number of people in the building within the state mandate. The campus has adopted a sanitizing procedure that is being performed twice daily by the Moody Aviation Staff.

The new school year began on July 6. The new Fifth Year students began with a two-week Engine Seminar that focused on fuel systems, turbo charging, lubrication, and ignition systems. I taught the ignition system section.

Current facility items on my agenda include rebuilding the spindles and other areas of three aging metal lathes, installing two additional light fixtures in the main lobby, installing two 96" ceiling fans in the one hangar, installing electrical cord and air hose storage reels in the aircraft storage hangar, replacing a section of the lawn irrigation system, repairing or outsourcing the fork truck hydraulic leak, and other items which include facility general maintenance items.

Tool calibration revision. While there are no outstanding tools to be calibrated at Moody. One item that I will be working on with supervising staff over the next several months includes revisions to our Calibration Operation Manual.

family.

Thank you for continuing to pray for Denise's shoulder. Her surgery recovery has been going well. However, last Wednesday evening, she moved her arm and her shoulder popped producing a large amount of pain and mobility issues. She will be seeing the doctor this coming week.

Due to the new Washington State regulations aimed at teaching very liberal lifestyle, gender and other topics to elementary age children, along with the Covid regulations being considered, we are strongly considering enrolling Mercedez at an online school. The school that we are considering is conservative, has a full-time teacher for each class, and a set number of students enrolled in each class. Mercedez has several good friends in our neighborhood that she sees regularly to provide the social component in her days. As we consider this decision and its additional cost to our household, Denise has been looking at a part time job to make this possible.

Thank you for partnering with us as we train the next generation of missionary aviators!

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PRAISING

OUR FAMILY DID NOT CONTRACT COVID.

THE FALL TERM AT MOODY HAS BEGUN.

PRAYING

DENISE'S SHOULDER ISSUES.

MERCEDEZ'S POSSIBLE ENROLLMENT IN AN ONLINE SCHOOL.

WAYNE'S EFFECTIVE USE OF TIME AT MOODY.

STUDENTS AND STAFF AS WE COMBINE LAST TERM AND THE CURRENT TERM CURRICULUM.



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