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Hello, Friends and Family!

The past few months have been intense, challenging, and fruitful, yet through flight training, wildfire disruptions, new opportunities, and family joining me in Spokane, God has continually reminded me of His faithfulness and sovereignty, giving us even more reasons to rejoice.

GROWING AS AN INSTRUCTOR.

Flight training has kept me especially busy these past few months, with many hours in the air and preparing students for their Private Pilot checkrides, and it has been a joy to watch them grow in confidence and skill. I'm especially excited that two of my students have passed their checkrides and are now officially private pilots! Along the way, God has been teaching me that flight instruction is about far more than teaching someone to fly; each student's personality, learning style, culture, and life experience shapes how they learn, continually challenging me to grow as an instructor, communicator, and mentor. More than anything, I'm learning that my role is to invest in the lives God has entrusted to me—building relationships, encouraging them, and pointing them to His Word, often through simple moments outside the cockpit like sports, board games, and shared meals.



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Trusting God through Unexpected Challenges.

Many of you have heard about the wildfire that hit Spokane, burning nearly 700 homes and forcing many, including some of our students, to evacuate. Friends from church stayed with me after evacuating, and I know many others in our community opened their homes to those affected. In the midst of the heartbreak, we saw God's protection and the community come together as people opened their homes and cared for those affected. The severe smoke kept us from flying for about two weeks, putting our students behind and adding significant stress, but it was another reminder to trust God's sovereignty when our plans don't go as expected. Now that the skies have cleared, we're working hard to catch up, and our students have done remarkably well. At the same time, the experience has reminded me of the importance of rest and of caring for my students not just as pilots, but as people. I'm learning more and more that ministry and flight instruction can't be separated—sometimes the most important thing I can do is listen, encourage, pray, and point a student back to the truth of God's Word.



Special Family Update.

Another exciting blessing is that my brother Joseph has joined us here in Spokane! After finishing his sophomore year, he was accepted into an accelerated program at Spokane Community College and will begin aviation maintenance training in mid-September. I'm thankful to have two of my siblings here with me now. With our nine-year age gap, we didn't have much time together growing up, so I'm especially grateful for this opportunity to deepen our relationship, encourage and mentor him, and share this new season of life together. I'm praying he adjusts well and that God guides him every step of the way.



LOOKING AHEAD.

Looking back over these past few months, I'm struck by how many different ways God has been at work—celebrating with students, walking alongside people through hard circumstances, learning to serve more faithfully, and now welcoming family into this chapter of life. God's plans rarely unfold the way we expect, but they're always worth trusting.

It's a privilege to teach here at Moody and be part of this ministry. And I couldn't do this without your partnership. I'm not just training pilots—I get to invest in people during a formative season of their lives and, Lord willing, help them grow not only as aviators but in their walk with Christ.



Thank you for faithfully partnering with me through your prayers, encouragement, and financial support. I'm grateful to know I'm not doing this alone and blessed that we get to be part of what God is doing here in Spokane.

With a grateful heart in Christ, *Yeong Il Yu*

CONTINUED PRAYER.

My students — that they'd grow in skill, confidence, and knowledge, and in their relationship with Christ.

Wisdom in instruction — that God would help me understand each student's unique needs and teach, encourage, and mentor them well & that this time together would deepen our relationships and give us many chances to encourage one another in Christ.

Balance and rest — that I'd recognize my limits and steward my time, energy, and health faithfully.

Joseph — that he'd adjust well to Spokane, thrive in his aviation maintenance program, and grow spiritually and personally.