

NOVEMBER, 2024

# NEWSLETTER



## Operations Update

November was a push for flights, maintenance, and fall courses to conclude within their allotted time. Important scheduling decisions hinged on icy weather conditions opening up for just enough hours to finish the 4th-year students' high-powered aircraft training. A series of winter maintenance projects rested on the shipment of one aircraft part to avoid having our only two Cessna 182s simultaneously down for maintenance. The winter and spring training availability of our second Cessna 185 tailwheel plane depended on our staff's ability to use limited resources in the conversion from its amphibious (water landing capable) state. The 5th-year students are concurrently finishing qualifications for night flying before the 13th of December while preparing for the mission field with essential survival training. All class years are studying and persevering through final exams until the conclusion of the fall term – now just three weeks away! All the while, we have seen God's faithfulness to provide at every step. In not one of these cases has the Lord withheld the wisdom, resources, time, and sufficient weather just when needed to overcome challenges in the mission of preparing His workers for the harvest.

## The Task Underway

In October's newsletter, I briefly mentioned that I would be responsible for proposing a winter maintenance schedule for the time our planes will be grounded due to weather conditions. This was a large task considering it is in itself the extent of our maintenance team's duty for the next four months. Early this month, I completed the proposal, presented it to our director of flight operations, and was given permission to begin implementation. Since the proposal's acceptance, several discussions have developed around the timing of three key maintenance events to ensure we have our high-powered aircraft available in time for the Fall term. I've been further entrusted to facilitate priority discussions between leadership concerning these events, to consider the availability and capability of personnel through the next months of their duration, and to develop accurate time estimations for their individual parts...

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# The Task Underway Cont.

The large amount of trust being placed in my ability to attain such information and make important decisions for the health of our campus's fleet speaks highly to the humility of leaders in this organization. Giving me access and the empowerment to administrate the real-time schedule marks an essential first step in relieving staff, creating unanimity across our communications, and delivering efficiency to an operational environment where time is our greatest asset and limitation. As we continue to progress in our foresight and communication, I am reminded that only God's wisdom provides lasting solutions to both spiritual challenges and the technical aviation-related concerns we daily face. Please keep praying for our team to have this wisdom.



## A Caring God (Daniel's Testimony)

In our break room one day, an international second-year student named Daniel shared with me an encouraging story of God's provision in the last years. We began relating over our times in military service. He explained that in Tanzania, enlistment is intentionally competitive to encourage only those with the will and motivation to serve. Continued training and expert tracks are then granted with respect to those who perform well in the initial stages of training. Daniel excelled and was given a slot that would provide entirely for his education and a promising career. However, having a background where his father was tightly connected to AIM International, a mission organization operating near his home in Tanzania, he felt compelled to reach the lost with the gospel instead of embracing the successful future offered to him. Those closest to him were shocked at this new direction, yet, through complete trust in the Lord's leaning, he contacted Moody Aviation, made flight arrangements, and began his studies without any indication of how he would afford even the first term.

When he arrived for the first month of schooling, the Lord immediately provided a living situation through faithful Moody affiliates and free food through donations to our campus. Still wondering how he would pay the monthly tuition, he came to find envelopes in his student mailbox from anonymous senders. The total amounts arriving in his mailbox not only covered the first month's tuition, but over the next

several months, he would continue to find envelopes in his mailbox until it became the expected routine of the Lord's provision. Today, over a year later, Daniel remains a student at Moody with no expectation to leave, and he is an encouragement to other students and staff that the Lord will surely provide for His own. He asks only that our hearts be set first on His kingdom purposes (Matt 6:33).



**Major Maintenance:  
Floats to Tailwheel  
Conversion**

Water-Capable



During Maintenance



Spring Courses-Ready



**Bottom Left & Top Right:**  
Faith's and my visit to  
Coeur d' Alene for her  
birthday weekend

# pray.

Together In Christ,



Students would finish the semester with perseverance and thankfulness for God's provision through the fall term • Faith and I would continue to grow through mentorship and time spent intentionally focused on building a strong marriage • Praise: we received approval to hire another mechanic; Prayer: for God to send a qualified candidate and for wisdom in our selection