

see you soon.

This spring I am excited to reconnect with many of you. As I travel to visit family and friends, I hope you will reach out if I will be in your area.

Let me know if your church or small group would like to hear about missionary aviation and the ministry at Moody Aviation. I would be happy to share all that God is doing.

did you know?

Moody Aviation has been the missionary aviation training program of Moody Bible Institute for over 75, and produces more than half the world's missionary pilots.

Graduates of Moody Aviation receive a Bachelor of Science in Missionary Aviation Technology with pilot and mechanic certificates from the FAA. In the process, students experience comprehensive technical training to prepare them for the rigor of missions flying and maintenance in diverse environments.

Throughout the program, Moody Aviation instructors minister to the students so that they can then minister to the world. I am privileged to be a part of this ministry at Moody Aviation by being on loan from Proclaim Aviation Ministries.

Though my role is teaching technical skills in aircraft maintenance, I hope the students I interact with experience the love, mercy, and humility that comes from Jesus Christ.



TRAVEL SCHEDULE:

Basin, WY • Apr 25 - May 5

Buffalo, NY • May 21 - May 24

Houghton, NY & Fillmore, Rushford,
Belfast, NY • May 24 - Jun 3

New Danville, PA • Jun 3 - Jun 9

Buffalo, NY • Jun 9 - Jun 11

Depart to Spokane • Jun 11

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Training the Next Generation of Aviation Missionaries



growing.

In my position at Moody Aviation, I see growth happen in various ways. Specifically, in my students, I clearly witness development from term to term in both technical ability and maturity.

Last term I worked with a student who struggled to explain how an aircraft alternator worked. I knew how much he cared about learning and doing well, and I watched him continue to work hard and strive to master unfamiliar knowledge. Just a few weeks ago, as part of a project, I was quizzing him on how a certain fire detection system works. This same student was now confidently and accurately answering my questions.

At our recent safety seminar, I sat by a former student of mine who has since progressed to the flight training program. I still remember some of the relationship struggles he shared with me. It is wonderful to see how much he has grown spiritually and relationally since then. He is now married and possesses a humble, teachable attitude.

In my own life, I have also been challenged to trust and be transformed. As most parents know, raising a child can leave you feeling out of your depth. I am learning that just as God has promised to teach and guide me, I can trust that He will do the same for my daughter.

As part of that, God has reminded me that change happens from a transformation of my mind and through His Spirit working in me. He beckons me to grow. Through His still quiet voice, He has revealed many of the lies I have believed and reminded me of truths in His Word to counter those lies. And so, I have chosen to proactively rehearse those truths to change my thinking. To renew my mind. To be transformed.



Gwyn.

Gwyn, now seven and in the 1st grade, is growing in her ability to read and write. She has several notebooks she loves to write in and uses them frequently to express herself. She is known by her teacher and classmates as being empathic, sensitive, and kind. I continue to be amazed by her and enjoy watching her grow.

Knowing you are praying for us is very encouraging.
Thank you for your partnership in this ministry.

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