

David & Hastings

November 2025



Instrument Training



Class Breakfast



Pacific Coast

Ministry Update

It's been a full and fast-paced season since our last update! David wrapped up the simulator portion of instrument flight training with his students, and shortly after, they transitioned to flying in the real airplane. It's been a joy to watch the students take the skills they learned in the sim and apply them in real-world flying. A highlight of the semester was a three-day cross-country trip to the Portland and Seattle area, where they flew along the coast, navigated complex airspace, and soaked in the beauty of God's creation.

Now, almost all of the students have completed their instrument training and successfully passed their checkrides—an incredible achievement. With that phase behind them, they are

transitioning into night flight. This is especially challenging in late fall, as the weather tends to deteriorate, and flying safely at night requires good conditions and increased margin. It's a reminder of how dependent we are on wisdom and flexibility as the seasons shift.

Late summer also brought several wildfires to the region, which filled the skies with smoke and reduced visibility. Thankfully, most of our flying was under instrument conditions anyway, but it gave students a great example of the benefits of being able to fly under instrument rules.

Outside of work, we cherished the moments when Hastings felt well enough to spend time with others. We enjoyed a few movie nights with friends and fellow instructors, often accompanied by a spread of



ABOUT US:

We live in Spokane, WA, where David is serving as a flight instructor at Moody Aviation and Hastings is working towards her bachelor's degree and maintenance certification.

Our desire is to share the love of Christ by bringing help, hope, and healing to those in need through aviation.

Our trajectory will lead us overseas with Mission Aviation Fellowship (MAF) in 2027. David working as a pilot, and Hastings as an aviation mechanic.

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Flying in Smoke





Kitty Comfort



Silly Dog

What you can pray for

- Strength and renewed energy for Hastings during our time in Switzerland.
- Safety, wisdom, and clear weather windows for night flying this winter.
- Guidance and clarity as we prepare for the next semester and new students.
- Rest, joy, and connection during our home assignment.

Thank you to everyone who supports us — we are so grateful!

charcuterie and warm conversation. We also had a small early Christmas celebration before leaving for Switzerland on December 3rd.

We're deeply looking forward to our time in Switzerland—reconnecting with family, visiting friends and supporters, and sharing more personally what God has been doing in our lives. We're also excited to hear what He's been doing in yours! One of our biggest hopes is that Hastings will feel well during our visit, so she can be fully present and make the most of this special time.

Health-wise, Hastings continues to battle deep fatigue and other ongoing symptoms. While we're pursuing treatment, her energy remains extremely limited, and most days are spent resting. This continues to be a significant concern and an ongoing prayer request as we

seek the right balance between rest, connection, and care.

Also, in planning for the next semester, as we are facing the challenge of starting with the biggest class in flight training yet. We're looking at approximately 22ish students starting this spring. As we're allocating resources and planning schedules around simulators and instructors, it becomes evident that next semester is going to look a little different than before. We will most likely have to adapt shift schedules starting as early as 0430 in the simulators and ending around 1930 in the evening. You can pray for wisdom and endurance as this will surely challenge and stretch us in new ways. The most exciting thing about this is that we have an absolutely amazing team of flight instructors, with whom it is a pure joy to work side by side, helping each other to grow more and more into the person of Christ.

Although life can be challenging with health, energy, and uncertainties, we are infinitely grateful for a savior who cares even for the sparrow, who is gentle and lowly of heart, and who has given us His own spirit to strengthen and guide us. We pray that His peace may fill our hearts and give assurance and hope to the weary.



More Stage-Checks



Early Christmas



Creation's Beauty