

# PARTNER EXPRESS

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TOGETHER WITH YOUR GIFTS, WE ARE **COVERING THE LAST MILE**



One of the PFO orientees prepares to solo on a grass airstrip during Mountain Week.

## TAKING TRAINING TO THE NEXT LEVEL

Months of training at JAARS in Pre-Field Orientation (PFO) recently culminated in a week of flying in the North Carolina mountains for six men who will serve as mission pilots overseas.

Mountainous terrain has unique challenges of wind and weather, and if these aviators are going to serve in the green band of rainforest regions, they need to be prepared to fly as safely as possible.

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During Mountain Week, the helicopter pilots made reconnaissance flights, landed on ridges, and descended straight

down into "holes" cut out among the trees.

Meanwhile, the fixed-wing aircraft pilots soloed on grass airstrips, including the formidable Strawberry Ridge, which is only 1,000' long with a 10% slope—very steep compared to the standard 3% slope in the United States!

This training prepares the pilots to land on difficult runways overseas, such as the Nankina runway in Papua New Guinea; Nankina is 1,772' long with about a 10% slope. People like **you** make it happen!



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## GOD IS WORKING!

God's heart is for *all* nations to know him (Psalm 22:27), but there are still many in difficult-to-reach places who have not heard the gospel.

The Lord is providing so that together, we can open new fields overseas to reach them!

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Recently, Samaritan's Purse, a longtime friend of JAARS, contacted our president, Steve Russell, with their desire to gift us with a Bell 206 LongRanger helicopter.

This aircraft arrived at JAARS Base earlier this summer and will be put to use somewhere in the green band rainforest region that stretches across the globe—to relay the gospel to unreached people.

### What a great gift!

Last month, a Cessna 208 Caravan, also gifted to JAARS by Samaritan's Purse, landed at JAARS. This aircraft, which we have been praying for, will be ferried overseas. There, it will be used by JAARS-trained aviators at YAJASI, our aviation partner in Papua, Indonesia.

Our mechanics are currently refurbishing both aircraft, preparing them for their service overseas. The Caravan, after receiving engine diagnostics by our mechanics, was flown to



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Ohio where modifications will be made to the aircraft, such as adding a cargo pod so it will more effectively serve people in its new location.

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reach those who live within the green band rainforest regions. And we know that this is just the beginning.

You, too, are a **vital partner** in opening previously unreached places with the gospel!



## FROM THE PRESIDENT

As an organization, our posture is to pray and ask God where our skill sets and assets are needed so that we can participate in His kingdom work. We have committed to boldly walk through the doors He opens. The extent to which He has done so—providing strategic resources and opportunities—has consistently been beyond “all we can ask or think” (Eph. 3:20).

We are deeply grateful to our partners at Samaritan’s Purse for their generous donation of not one, but two aircraft and, unknown to them, it coincided with specific prayer requests for assets to meet needs abroad. These invaluable assets perfectly align with the open doors we are seeing in new fields.

We believe this is just the beginning. Our 76-year passion remains steadfast: to cover the last mile in reaching the unreached peoples of the Amazon, Congo, and Melanesian Rainforests with the gospel.

Please consider becoming a strategic financial partner and join us in advancing this important kingdom work.

—Steve Russell

# YOU ENCOURAGE CHRISTIANS TO KEEP GOING

For six years, Bible translators, literacy workers, and Scripture workers have persevered through challenges to reach the people in Mbouda, Cameroon, with the gospel.

God recently provided an opportunity, through gifts from people like you, for JAARS-trained staff to provide motorcycle training to ten of these missionaries and encourage them to continue their work.

*“I wished I had a training program like this ten years ago!”*

Emmanuel Tambakui, a literacy supervisor and pastor, said, “I wished I had a training program like this ten years ago! Then, the lifespan of my motorcycle would have been increased by at least five years.”

The week after the motorcycle training, several pastors, including Emmanuel, were making their way to a lake. On the way, a pastor’s bike broke down, and there was nowhere nearby to get it fixed.

Fortunately, Emmanuel had brought along his tool bag from the training. Soon he figured out the

cause of the trouble, bought a new part in town, and put the bike back together. Then they continued on their trip. The pastors were thankful for Emmanuel’s skills and requested that he teach them all he had learned.

**Thank you** for partnering with us in covering the last mile to the unreached!



In an area dominated by long distances and rough roads, motorcycles can get these missionaries to people they wouldn’t normally be able to reach.

## MAKE A DIFFERENCE FOR ETERNITY

Join us in covering the last mile of missions so unreached people can experience God’s Word and his love.



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## PRAYER REQUESTS

**FlightSpan™:** The JAARS FlightSpan staff is in Indonesia helping MAF install this aviation software. Pray for safety and good integration.

**Apprentice Program:** The mechanic and pilot apprentices arrive this month to begin their two-year-long training at JAARS. Pray for attentive minds, safety, and protection from the enemy.

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