



FLIGHT PLAN SPRING 2019

GIVING WINGS TO ALASKAN MISSIONS

Dear Friends of MARC, Springtime is associated with words like rebirth, rejuvenation, renewal, resurrection and regrowth. It is a time of hope. To those of us who live and serve in the far northern latitudes, we look forward to the arrival of longer days bringing warmth and sunshine.

Our Christian walk and our ministry often parallel these seasons. There are challenging times that are dark and lonely. But there are

also exciting times of blessing and growth. I look forward to the arrival of springtime at MARC. This is the time when our ministry aircraft fly to isolated communities, when people start visiting our hangar, when new staff joins our team.

“But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.” - Isaiah 40:31



Peter Bastke
Peter and Sara Bastke

FROM THE FLIGHT LINE



MARC partnering with Carry the Cure on a recent trip.

Two ministry events traditionally are the spring kickoff of MARC flight activities. In the first week of March, both KingAir aircraft left on a seven-day journey to five different villages transporting the ministry of Carry the Cure. This Christian music team shared a message of hope to the communities of Russian Mission (pop. 331), Pilot Station (pop. 607), Tuluksak (pop. 373), Akiachak (pop. 627) and Akiak (383). This is the tenth year that MARC and Carry the Cure are serving together.

In the last week of March, both airplanes will again depart to carry high school students from Grace Christian School on a missions trip to the villages of Koyuk (pop. 369) and Nulato (pop. 259). The children share the Gospel of Jesus Christ among the youth in these communities.

Without MARC, it would be difficult for these mission activities to take place. The pilots at MARC enjoy being part of these annual ministry trips.

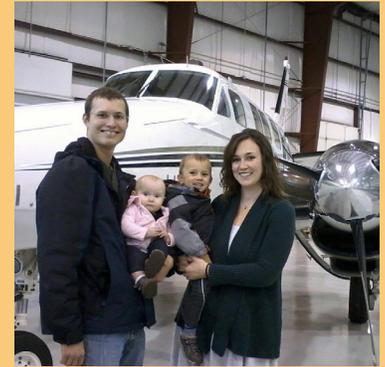


For all Alaskans, MARC is an eligible recipient, via the state of Alaska's Pick. Click. Give. program. When filing for your annual Permanent Fund Dividend (PFD), you can make a meaningful difference in the lives of other Alaskans by designating a portion of your dividend to MARC for continued Gospel efforts. Your gift allows MARC to continue supporting the many organizations, pastors, churches and missionaries serving in Alaska.

WELCOMING NEW STAFF



The Glosser family.



The Steward family.

Jesse and Becky Glosser moved from Anchorage with their three children, Ryker, Carson and Campbell. Jesse is serving as the IT Manager at MARC. Previously, he worked as an engineer for a telecommunications company. Both Jesse and Becky have participated in multiple short-term mission trips and are happy to begin full-time missionary service.

Derek and Hannah Steward, with their two children Isaac and Ada, will be leaving their home in South Dakota to work with MARC. For the past five years, Derek has been working as an aircraft mechanic at a local airport to sharpen his skills in preparation for missionary service. Derek will be serving as a maintenance specialist on our ministry aircraft.

I am grateful for these two dedicated families who are obedient to God's leading to further His Kingdom in Alaska.

AROUND THE HANGAR

At the end of each year, our two KingAir aircraft are removed from the flight line for major inspections. Detailed checks are made of the aircraft structures and systems to insure the airworthiness of our fleet. Expensive landing gear components and engine accessories are often overhauled or replaced. Once satisfied with the condition of these aircraft, they once again become available for ministry use.

We are always grateful for the time and talents of our maintenance staff and the donations from financial supporters that allow these aircraft to be used to further God's Kingdom in Alaska. But like any heavily used tool, they will eventually wear out beyond economical repair. We are in need of an additional aircraft to meet the requests from churches and Bible camps. We have been saving funds for a Cessna Caravan. Any additional funds would

help MARC to get this needed plane sooner. We must upgrade to be ahead as our two KingAirs age. This newer, single engine aircraft will reduce our maintenance costs and help us serve our ministry partners more effectively. We are committed to seeing pastors, missionaries and Bible camp youth have safe, reliable and economical transport in the Last Frontier. Thank you for praying for this need and considering any way you can help.

