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Dear Friends and Family,

Much has happened since our last letter, and if you have been receiving our email updates, you have hopefully been praying us through the Ebola crisis. We are happy to report that the crisis seems to be at an end, and the demand for flights in that regard has slowed down. However, there is still a great deal of work going on within our program in West DRC.

The past two months we have done quite a bit of flying in response to medical needs. Recently, besides the freight and passengers that were carried for the Ebola crisis, our pilots also carried medicines for a typhoid epidemic, and passengers and equipment in support of monkey pox research.

We have also flown groups to N'kara, a rather remote village which has a Christian radio station. Another church group has checked on their hospitals and churches in the north and one group traveled into CAR, evaluating possible well digging programs.



Greg – sheltering from the rain under CMY. Photo by Dr. Peter Kilmarx, CDC

In October a visiting church team from Texas, came and put in a very hard week of work replacing the roof on the hangar at N'dolo Airport here in Kinshasa. They started tearing the old roof off in the middle of a very hard rain storm their first day on the job, and then continued to work in the hot sun the rest of the week. Their time ran out before the work was finished, but another volunteer is overseeing a work crew to finish the new roof. We are so thankful for the extra help that God has been sending our way.

An upcoming project involves ferrying one of our Cessna 206 aircraft to Germany, for the installation of a diesel engine. Due to the shortage of avgas (aviation gasoline), MAF

is looking for other options for keeping our fleet going. We want to use that airplane to test the practicality of using diesel engines for our fleet. This could potentially make a huge difference for us, as obtaining avgas is a growing challenge, and a growing cost.

Today, as I was writing this, I received an email about an article in the Idaho Statesman about MAF. Greg was interviewed for this article, and is quoted. If you are interested, you can see it here <http://www.idahostatesman.com/localnews/story/194834.html> .

As you can see on the enclosed letter, our support requirements have increased. If you know of any individuals or churches who may be interested in partnering with us, please feel free to share our letters. As always, your prayers and gifts are a vital part of the work that goes on in West Congo.

Serving in the Congo,

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Lynda has a new puppy, Happy, who really thinks the Gray Parrot should come out and play ball.