

MAF NEWS

Christian Radio Missionary Fellowship, CRMF, is part of MAF International and is based in Goroka. They provide HF radio, computer and other technological support to missions, churches and remote communities. Over the last few months they have been subjected to 7 break-ins at either their main building or residential properties. Needless to say the staff, both national and expatriate, are finding this ongoing security threat very difficult.

- Please pray urgently for the safety and security of our CRMF colleagues.
- Pray that whoever is behind the harassment will be identified.
- Pray that the police will act determinedly to capture the criminals.

As an update, Stephen Axon, the young child of one of our pilots who was badly scalded last year, is healing very well.

- Give thanks to the Lord for the healing. Please pray that the final stages of healing will be uncomplicated.

Nicki is continuing to hand over her Safety Administrator duties to Doris Kelwau. Doris prepared the agendas with Nicki for the two Safety Action Group meetings this week, the first meetings she'd been to.

- Please pray for Doris as her learning curve for safety administration is very steep at the moment.

Dave Fyock, the new CEO for MAF International made a quick visit to PNG over the last weekend in January. Although he's been to the Indonesian half of the island many times, this was his first visit to PNG. We all enjoyed his visit and greatly appreciated the opportunity to get to know him a bit.

Michael was caught off-guard when Dave Fyock presented him with an award honouring him for the years he has been involved in leadership as Crew Training Manager and Flight Operations Manager.

- Give thanks for what we have been able to do as we went past 24 years with MAF PNG in January. The Lord has given us the strength and endurance; without each other, neither of us could have stayed the course. You have prayed for us and supported us. God is good and we are grateful.



The weather has been challenging recently with unusually (for PNG) strong winds. Despite this a series of flight tests under the supervision of a Flying Operations Inspector from CASA PNG went ahead and were all successful.



Michael flew a charter flight to Simbai for the Anglican Church, taking materials and supplies to help rural farmers in the area. The cargo included a Lucas mobile sawmill, which has a 6 metre beam that the saw runs on. Even for the Otter this can only just fit in.



A somewhat eclectic mix of wheelbarrows, tarpaulins, containers, chain saws, sawmill and various other bits and pieces!

PERSONAL NEWS

Both of us are keeping very well, for which we are grateful.

Noise is an issue overnight, and the drinking club up the road has been noisy again recently, not every night, but often enough to disrupt our sleep.

- Please pray again that the noise will be kept down. Please also pray for those who drink and revel all night, wasting their lives as well as their money.

Thank you for your prayers.

Michael

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