

Hurricanes

As soon as hurricane Irma cleared, MAF had planes aloft surveying damage. The MAF program located in Haiti reported limited damage there, but help was obviously needed across the Caribbean. Even the airports (top photo) were hard hit and struggling to return to function.



Within a few hours, MAF's disaster response team arrived in St. Maarten with the GATR ball (2nd photo) which provides satellite-based broadband internet service to MAF and other emergency responders. An early task was to help the local commercial radio station get back on the air so that the government had a means to communicate with the people of the island.



Members of MAF-US worked with MAF-Suriname (3rd photo) to assess damage in Dominica, while Samaritan's Purse also flew in to help deliver supplies (bottom photo). The team took shelter in Grenada as hurricane Maria rolled through and then went back to work.



Such work is exhausting and dangerous. Several nights team members slept on the ground in a blown-out shell of a hotel. But what a difference it makes for desperate people who receive the benefit of communications, food and shelter!

Thanks for your partnership with us in the ministry of MAF, which helps train young people for service, and stands ready to be the hands and feet of Christ when disaster strikes.

Leadership

Here at Moody, Ian Kerrigan has been named Director of Flight Operations. I've worked with Ian these 11 years, and am thrilled to have him as my new boss. Meanwhile, MAF has named one of its own pilots, David Holsten, who's been serving in Indonesia, as the Incoming President and CEO of MAF. Over the next months David will be mentored by current president, John Boyd, while he accepts increasing responsibility. John plans to retire next fall.



Family

We appreciate your ongoing prayers for our family. Jen and the boys continue to wrestle with health, which can make handling daily routines difficult.

Thanks again. Rejoicing in Christ,

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