



10 Years!

This spring marks ten years of service with MAF on loan to Moody Aviation in Spokane, Washington. What an unexpected, grace-filled, blessed time of ministry it has been! You may recall that in 2005 we were in Spanish language school preparing for overseas service in Venezuela when two great changes caught us by surprise. In May of that year, Jen suddenly fell ill with chronic fatigue and fibromyalgia. Then at the end of the year, MAF and other missions serving in the Amazon region of Venezuela suspended operations because of rule changes governing access to this indigenous region. So we rejoiced when we were invited to serve on loan to Moody Aviation, but our hearts were still with Venezuela and we expected to make our way there after a couple of years.

Well, two years have multiplied five times, Jen still struggles with her health, and the Amazon of Venezuela is still not open to most mission work. However, our years at Moody have been rich! I (Gene) have discovered a passion for teaching. I enjoy thinking of better ways to explain a concept to the students than I've used before, and I love to see their eyes light up when they "get it." It's a constant joy to see technical skills develop, but I'm so much more grateful for the moments when conversations move to the deeper stuff of life and faith and I can walk with our students as they learn to know God more fully, love him more deeply and serve him more passionately.

Through these ten years we've rejoiced to see **112 graduates** of our mission training program move on in life and ministry. These are the "firstfruits" of your generous partnership in this work of the gospel. As these young people find the places of service God has prepared for them they will continue to produce fruit for the kingdom. As Paul wrote to the church of Philippi: "*Not that I seek the gift, but I seek the fruit that increases to your credit,*" (4:19 ESV). Thank you for your prayers and for your financial partnership which have resulted in this abounding fruit!

*"The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot.
The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance."*

Psalm 16:5-6 ESV

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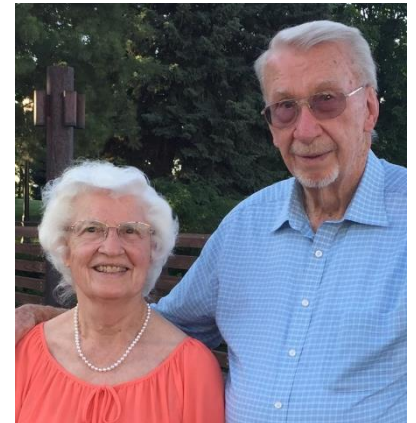
Times of Change

After thirty eight years of service, **Cecil Bedford** is retiring from Moody Aviation. These past twelve years he's been the program manager, during which he oversaw the transition to Spokane and the development of the program here. As a man of both faith and action, he has set a strong example for all of us. We'd be tempted to miss him greatly, but not being one to fade away quietly, he intends to continue serving the ministries of Moody Aviation as a fundraiser. We look forward to seeing you around for a long time, Cec!



A big man leaves big shoes to fill, and after an extensive search for Cecil's replacement Moody has selected **Jim Conrad** to be the new program manager. Jim has already served with Moody for seventeen years, for the last twelve as Director of Flight Operations (DOFO). However, his reach has been much bigger than his role, and he has already had a strong formative influence on Moody Aviation. He looks forward to even greater opportunity to bring refinement to the training of missionaries and aviators. Jim has been a close friend since 1999, and I'm thrilled to see him move to this new position. His promotion leaves us in search of a new DOFO and we request your prayers for that.

Big changes at home too! The first week of June was joyful as we celebrated my **parents'** 65th wedding anniversary (yes, Mom did get married as a teenager), Andrew's 14th birthday, as well as Rachelle and Nate's high school graduation. Rachelle is looking forward to living on the campus of Eastern Washington University and studying psychology, while Nate plans to attend Spokane Falls Community College to get a start on engineering. Rose completed her first year at Whitworth University and is spending the summer in Pasco with a friend. Andrew finished at middle school with straight A's, was recognized as "Best Percussionist" and is looking forward to moving on to high school.



Thanks

So, thanks again for being part of our lives and ministry. We couldn't do this without you. God chooses to use your gifts to supply our needs and credits them to your account! If you'd like to know more about supporting this ministry drop us a line at any of the addresses on the front of this letter or donate online at www.maf.org/arnold. Thanks!

Rejoicing in Christ,

Gene Jen

