

DALTON'S DIGEST



MY BEAUTIFUL CO-PILOT (LEFT)
CHRISTMAS IN THE TROPICS
(ABOVE)

The Job We Always Dreamed Of

In addition to flying 200+ hours in the last year, performing several major inspections on the airplane, buying and hauling over 2000 gallons of aviation fuel, loading and unloading over 35,000 lbs of cargo and carrying over 300 passengers, we have taken on the roles

of parts manager for the field, and radio tech/radio coordinator for the field. While we sometimes feel like we are "stretched thin, like butter over too much toast", we are so thrilled and blessed with the ministry and the co-workers God has blessed us with.

There aren't words to describe the feeling of knowing we are exactly where God wants us to be, and to look back and see how every event and experience we have been through has prepared us, even when we didn't realize it, for where we are today. -Josh



FUELING FOR AN EARLY FLIGHT



HARVESTING RICE IN A TRIBE



PUSHING THE PLANE OUT

The Importance of Being Honest

I don't like to appear weak. I like having it all together. When people ask how I am doing, my answer is always, "Fine." I like having my home in order, my ministry flourishing, my children obedient, and my husband happy. I have always been this way. But secretly, down inside, I resent the fact that people assume I'm fine. Why shouldn't they when that is all I ever tell them?

"EVEN IN LAUGHTER, THE HEART MAY ACHE..."

-PROV. 14:13

Lately, the Lord has been speaking to my heart about the importance of being honest. Maintaining the image I described is impossible as well as down-right prideful. I do love living here, functioning in our ministry as a family, but sometimes it is just plain hard. I struggle. I cry. I miss my family. I miss Texas BBQ & cold weather. I have bad attitudes, throw grown-up size fits, and get frustrated with my kids. And, you know what? It is okay if people know! Even the Apostle Paul was open and honest about his struggles. How else will people know how to pray for me? I have even found myself presenting a fake impression to the Lord (as if He doesn't already know how I feel). I am a sinner and I still struggle.

"For when I am weak, then I am strong." -2 Cor. 12:10

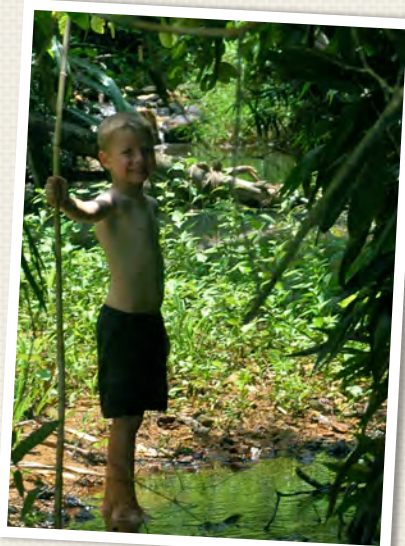
I am so thankful for a God who knows. Who cares. Who loves. I am thankful for my family and friends who listen and encourage. So I encourage you to take off your mask, give your expectations to the Lord and be honest about where you are and what you are struggling with. He gives more and more grace!!! May you all have a wonderful Christmas!!! -Candy

"God hath given you one face, and you make yourselves another." -Shakespeare



ANNA

I AM 5 YEARS OLD. I AM IN KINDERGARDEN. SOCIAL STUDIES IS MY FAVORITE THING. I LIKE TO PLAY LITTLEST PET SHOP. I LIKE TO GO TO THE BEACH AND SWIM. I HAVE A SHELL COLLECTION. I LIKE TO MAKE NECKLACES OUT OF SHELLS. I LIKE TO DO CRAFTS. I LIKE TO HELP MOMMY AND ATE' COOK.



JOSHUA

I WILL BE 7 ON DEC. 23RD. I HAVE LOST TWO TEETH ALREADY. I LIKE TO PLAY LEGOS. I HAVE A DOG NAMED SHADOW. HE IS A BLACK LAB. I LIKE TO PLAY WITH HIM OUTSIDE. I AM ALMOST DONE WITH FIRST GRADE. SPELLING IS MY FAVORITE THING IN SCHOOL. I LIKE TO GO SWIMMING & FLY WITH DADDY.



PALAWANO UPDATE!

AFTER LONG YEARS OF WAITING, SOUTHWEST PALAWANOS ARE FINALLY ABOUT TO HEAR THE GOSPEL! LAST MONTH MISSIONARIES BEGAN LAYING A FOUNDATION OF A RIGHT UNDERSTANDING OF GOD, AND SOON THEY WILL HEAR THE STORY OF CHRIST FOR THE FIRST TIME!

2011 MINISTRY REPORT

“So then neither is he that planteth any thing, neither he that watereth; but God that giveth the increase.” - 1 Corinthians 3:7

This year has been filled with challenges, changes, and a job description far bigger than what we can handle, but God has proven his strength in our weakness time after time.

It is exciting to see the Holy Spirit at work in the hearts of tribal people here on Palawan. After a wait of almost 15 years, a group of Palawanos are finally about to hear the story of Christ for the first time! Another group of Palawanos who are already believers are beginning to reach reach out to neighboring villages as the missionaries there continue to disciple and train them. A group of Cuyonon and Tagbanwa believers were baptized earlier this year, and next year a missionary team will be moving to an island off of Palawan to reach the Agutaynen, a tribe of over 11,000 who have never heard the gospel. The Palawano New Testament translation should also be completed and published in 2012. We are humbled and thrilled to be a part of all of this, and so

thankful for the part each of you play as well.

The Lord has proven his faithfulness in so many ways over the past year, not the least of which is in financial provision. The Lord blessed us with a couple of large gifts this year that have enabled us to continue our ministry, but our regular monthly support has fallen 25% while the exchange rate from the U.S. Dollar to Philippine Peso has fallen an additional 15%. We are still able to function in our ministry at this level, but our ability to assist our church planters as we would like has been limited. Please pray with us that the Lord will continue to raise up monthly financial supporters, and enable us to be more involved in the lives of our church planters. We are so thankful that the Lord has brought each of you into our lives, and for the part you play in seeing tribal people won to Christ. We would not be here without your prayers, encouragement and support.

THE MISSIONARIES AND TRIBES WE SERVE



AGUTAYNEN



CUYONON/TAGBANWA



CALAMIAN TAGBANWA



SOUTHWEST PALAWANO

Financial report 2011

