



SAMARITAN AVIATION

APRIL 2016 UPDATE



(Carrie Smith with Mac after his recovery)

Every day “people like you” give donations to fill our floatplane with the fuel needed to make flights like this possible. Thanks to your generous support, we were able to reach Korogo, provide a life flight for young Mac, and continue to spread the gospel of Christ through Papua New Guinea while serving as His hands and feet.

For more information on how to donate to our **FUEL FOR LIFE** campaign, visit our website at samaviation.com

NINE-YEAR OLD LIFE IS SAVED!

After several days of high fever and seizures, 9-year-old Macmillian (Mac) from the Sepik village of Korogo collapsed unconscious. Unable to rouse him and praying that it wasn't too late, his parents and the village health worker contacted Samaritan Aviation to help. Samaritan Aviation Pilot, John Smith, along with short-term volunteer and EMT Isaac Aughenbaugh, took off directly to pick up the child in the Saman Balus (floatplane). When they arrived, John and Isaac found the young boy lying in a dugout canoe by the river bank, still unconscious and cradled in his mother's arms. After loading the boy and his parents onto the float plane, we transported them to the Boram Hospital in Wewak.

Mac was diagnosed with cerebral malaria by the physicians at Boram, and remained unconscious throughout the first few days of treatment. Praying for God's healing at each visit, we watched and waited alongside his anxious mother and father. Slowly his condition improved and to all of our relief, he finally awakened. As we monitored Mac's progress and checked on family's needs, opportunities frequently arose to share Samaritan Aviation's heart and purpose in serving the people of PNG: *that they might know God's incredible love for them.* A month after his life flight, Mac left the hospital an energetic, healthy little boy with a new life in Christ. We are thankful for the prayers and financial support of those desiring to join us in being the hands and feet of Jesus to a helpless child in a remote village in Papua New Guinea.



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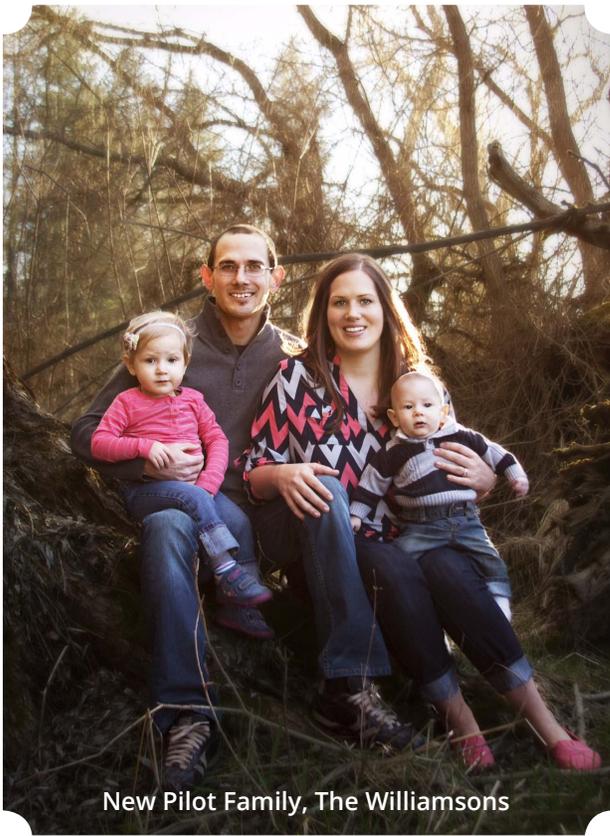
SAMARITAN AVIATION WELCOMES A NEW FAMILY TO THE TEAM!

Samaritan Aviation is pleased to announce that we will be adding another family to assist with our aviation services in the East Sepik Province. We would like to introduce to you, Forrest and Marlene Williamson and their two children Sophia and George.

Forrest grew up in a Christian home in northern Texas and he's always loved aviation. At age 6, he built his first set of wings and jumped off the family barn! Since then he's been interested in everything that involves aviation. In 2007 he attended Capernwray Bible School in New Zealand. It was at that time that God confirmed in his heart and mind that he would be involved with overseas missions.

It was also during this time that he met his wife Marlene. They married in 2010 and moved to Spokane, Washington where Forrest attended Moody Aviation. He graduated in May 2015 with a Bachelor of Science in Mission Aviation Technology.

Marlene grew up in a small town in southern Germany. She finished nursing school in 2006 and has been working as a nurse since that time.



New Pilot Family, The Williamsons

The Williamson's recently wrote the following. "After almost a year of looking into different mission organizations, we stumbled across Samaritan Aviation's website. While watching the videos and reading more about what Samaritan Aviation does, we felt an overwhelming desire to be involved in that kind of ministry. We never seemed to find the right fit when researching other organizations, but Samaritan Aviation always felt like 'this is it'. We finally got to visit the Base in Wewak in February 2016 and God once again confirmed in our hearts that this is where He wants us to serve. We are both excited about being able to serve the people of Papua New Guinea in such a practical and much needed way. The way Samaritan Aviation is able to connect the physical and spiritual part of their ministry is very unique. It was fun watching each team member in Wewak have multiple different roles and responsibilities. Everyone is able to use their gifts and talents and there is no thinking 'in a box'."

The Williamson's are targeting next September to depart for Papua New Guinea. If you would like to support this family, please go to: <https://pngsa.webconnex.com/Missionaries>

