

Siebring Yearly Report

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Serving With

Mission Aviation Fellowship

B About Us...

- Primarily raised: Ontario, Canada (Ray) & Oakland, Maine (Julie).
- Ray graduated from Christ For The Nations with a diploma in practical theology 1998(Major: missions), as well as College of the Ozark 2002 with a B.S. Degree in Aviation Science, A&P license and all flight ratings through CFII.
- Julie attended Christ For The Nations from 96-97.
- Ray worked as a youth and associate pastor of an Assemblies church in Waterville ME from 98-99. Ray also worked as a Flight Instructor for College of the Ozarks then upon graduation Instructed as well a flew commercially for Maine Aviation 02-03
- Begin testing & application process with MAF in Jan. 03. Final acceptance & assignment to Lesotho in August 03. Begin deputation process of raising prayer and financial support. (Present)

B MAF's Strategic Service Areas

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| ♦ Church Support | ♦ Community Service and Development |
| ♦ Evangelism | ♦ Telecommunications and Logistics |
| ♦ Crisis Relief | ♦ National Training |
| ♦ Medical Assistance | |

OUR VISION:

That all people have access to both the Gospel and the resources that advance God's Kingdom.

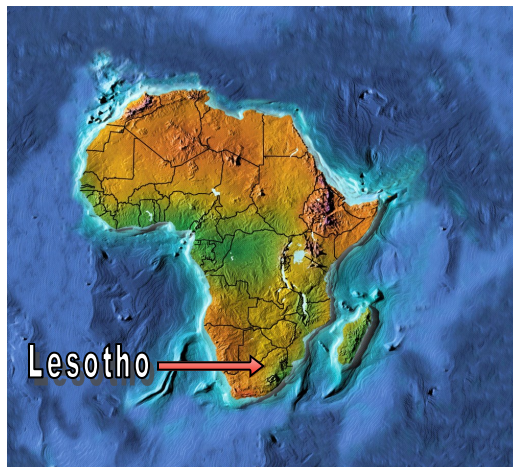
OUR PURPOSE:

To multiply the effectiveness of the Church using Aviation and other strategic technologies that overcome barriers in reaching the world for Christ.

B Our Assignment: Lesotho, Africa

Completely surrounded by the country of South Africa and smaller than the state of Maryland, Lesotho is a mountainous country made up of thousands of tiny, often inaccessible villages.

Nearly half of all Basothos are unemployed and more than one-third of the men have left the country to be employed in South Africa. Roads are of poor quality or entirely lacking, rendering transportation inefficient and unsafe. The communication system within the country is poor at best.



Nearly 40 percent of the population is infected with the HIV/AIDS virus, and as many as 73,000 HIV/AIDS orphans live in this little mountain kingdom. Because of the ruggedness of the terrain, many who live in the mountains have little or no access to medical services. Lesotho now is listed #1 in the world for HIV/AIDS as of February, 2003. (Unicef Report)

Since 1980, MAF has provided transport for the Flying Doctor Service. Currently, Mission Aviation Fellowship serves 12 rural medical clinics from 27 dirt airstrips carved into the rugged mountains of Lesotho. Nearly 200,000 people depend solely on the Flying Doctor Service for medical care. In addition, MAF families have installed and help to maintain a network of HF radios for missionaries serving in remote mountain villages. - Report from MAF Website 10/03

In 2002, MAF clients estimate that MAF...

- ◆ Saved church and mission workers 15,724 days (34 yrs) of travel time!
- ◆ Nearly doubled the number of Scripture translation projects that could be accomplished.
- ◆ Supported a 107% increase in the number of mission workers serving in remote regions.
- ◆ Conducted 3,752 medical emergency flights, none of which would have been possible without MAF.

Our Tentative Timeline...

Deputation

- Building lasting team-mate relationships with our ministry supporters.
- Raising our ministry support
- Ministering in our churches
- Preparing for our departure.
- Attend Orientation & Flight training courses

August 2003

Jan. 19, '03

April 12, '04

June 21, '04

Sept. 13, '04

Sept. 24, '04

Support goal of 85%
(req'd to attend
Apr-Jun training)

• MAF Orientation
• Flight Training
Redlands, CA

Language School
Preparation Class
Colorado Springs, CO

Depart For Lesotho

Sept. 30, '04



Financially Speaking...

Our Needs:

Monthly Support: \$5,400/mo

This amount goes towards:

- Salary and Living Expenses
- Housing Expenses
- Retirement & Medical Insurance
- Travel to & from the field for furlough
- Education for us and our children

Outgoing: \$31,550

This amount goes towards:

- Partial Salary during Deputation
- Language School
- Technical Orientation/Flight Training
- Initial Travel to the Field
- Shipping costs of our goods
- Visa processing, passports, immunizations, etc...

Our Current Progress...



How You Can Help...

#1: Pray!



The Lord is building a team for us. We would appreciate your prayers for safety, endurance, and patience. Specific prayer requests are posted monthly at our website: www.maffamily.org. (The Siebrings are listed in the country index Under Lesotho). If you wish to join our prayer team please email us.

#2: Contribute Financially



We invite you to prayerfully consider becoming a partner in ministry with us through a gift to our one-time outgoing need and/or monthly commitments to our ministry support. An envelope has been enclosed for your convenience. Another time and cost saving method of support is now available on the Siebrings MAF website or through automatic giving on the back of our prayer cards. We look forward to how the Lord puts our team together.

#3: Connect Us With Others



Be a champion and an advocate for us — help us meet other mission minded folks.

- Invite us to speak to your Home groups, Bible Studies or other gatherings.
- Host a “co-pilot coffee” or cookie social. Allow us to share with others how MAF is overcoming barriers to reach the world for Christ.
- Invite us to speak with another church committee.
- Introduce us to pastors or mission board members that you know at other churches.



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