

Autumn 2014

Oostdyk Odyssey

SERVING THE LORD THROUGH
MISSION AVIATION IN THE WEST INDIES



Missionary Flights International
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Wheelchairs for Special Kids

Mission Emanuel is an affiliated ministry located in the Dominican Republic near Santo Domingo. They have two campuses which include two schools, a dental office, a medical center with a physical therapy center, and much more.



In a partnership with the Association for Dominican Rehabilitation (ADR), Mission Emanuel's pediatric physical therapy clinic has hosted an annual trip each of the past seven years. The purpose of this trip is to deliver custom wheelchairs and other rehabilitation equipment to the ADR and Mission Emanuel. This has always been difficult with respect to the space and financial limitations placed on getting the equipment from the United States to the DR. However, thanks to MFI, Mission Emanuel was able to provide custom wheelchairs to 70 children and \$250,000 worth of equipment. ***Praise the Lord for his provisions!***



What a blessing it is to know that needy children will get equipment to help them with their physical lives, administered by caregivers who are equipped and dedicated to instruct them spiritually as well.

Matthew 9:38 "Pray, ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest,"

Airshows & Evangelism

What is better than attending an airshow? How about being in one? We don't mean doing aerobatics and aircraft performance demos, but MFI is asked to show the DC3 as a static display for several airshows in the area. We use this opportunity to give out buttons and balloons to the children, answer questions about the aircraft and how it serves the Lord, and hand out literature with a Gospel tract. ***Pray as we share the love of Christ that the seeds planted would have an impact on people's lives.*** The next couple of airshows are coming up in April '15 and May '15. Thank you for your prayers!

Visitors from the North

We recently had a special visit from one of the pastors of our sending church, Colonial Baptist Church, in Blue Ridge, Virginia. Pastor Marvin and his wife, Barb, were a huge blessing to our family!



Pastor Marvin had the opportunity to go on a flight to Haiti with Ray, while Barb stayed with Tammy and helped homeschool our children. They were also able to be here for MFI's 50-year

anniversary banquet! If YOU would like to plan a trip to Florida this winter, let us know. We would be glad to host you...and maybe even put you to work!

Quotes From the Quiver

Recently, Josiah and Julia were having a squabble and we overheard Josiah say, "Julia, don't be a tattletale." Julia quickly replied, "Josiah, I do NOT have a tail!"

As the youngest child AND the only girl, Julia has gotten quite accustomed to being the princess of the house. We realized this even more evidently during a trip to the library. Julia went up to a lady, a complete stranger, and sweetly announced, "You're very beautiful." Surprised, the lady responded, "Why, thank you!" Julia stood there for a few seconds, obviously waiting for something in return. Finally, Julia spoke up, "Now you tell me that I'M beautiful and I'LL say 'thank you!'"



Prayer

- Pray for this year's www.Christmas1914.com outreach ministry at our church
- Pray for two families raising support to start with MFI in 2015
- Pray for continued funds for a DC3 turbine purchase

Praise

- Praise for all our prayer and financial supporters
- Praise for 2014 Stuart Air show - we passed out over 1700 tracts and ministered to many people
- Praise for a deposit for the sale of our last piston DC3, N400MF

Happy Thanksgiving,

**Ray & Tammy Oostdyk
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