



FLYING FOR LIFE

in South Sudan

Newsletter Hobo Family

"The Gospel is only good news if it gets there in time!" — Carl F.H. Henry



Dear friends and family,

First of all we would like to wish everyone a blessed 2018!
This time some impressions about activities outside of work.
Warm Regards, Wim & Marlies and Yenthe

Beans with Christmas

"Praise God !!" does it sound loud next to me. An old woman receives a food parcel, with tears of gratitude in her eyes. Because of the huge poverty increase in Juba over the past period, many people have insufficient money to meet their basic needs. Many families are even living at the cemetery! In the week before Christmas, we (together with some colleagues) were able to distribute food parcels among 250 families. We had pre-filled the parcels with very basic food items, like flour, sugar, beans, charcoal.



Training

Studying, training, exams, flight tests....

Wim has been very busy with training in the past months and is now certified to fly the larger 13-person aircraft in addition to the smaller four-seater. He has been in Uganda and Kenya for several weeks. Wim is now more employable and can support more different partner organizations.





Birthday party for 70 kids

"When is your birthday?" That's quite a common question for us. However, this question is not easy to answer for most children in the orphanage nearby. Most of them don't know when they were born. Therefore, every year on the 1st of January a birthday party is organized for them! They enjoy being off their compound for a couple of hours and getting some extra attention. This year we were able to help organizing the event. A party for 70 children requires quite some planning. We enjoyed, together with the children, a beautiful day with lots of games, presents and a real birthday cake!



Thank for:

- A calm christmas season in Juba
- Successful training and completion of all exams (Wim)
- Solution for the fuel problems

Pray voor:

- Peace and stability in South Sudan
- Housing during home assignment
- Safe flights for the pilots
- New teachers for Yenthe's school

Home Assignment 2018

A little time and then it will be time for... Our first Home Assignment! We have been in South Sudan for almost two years already. It feels shorter, but on the other hand also much longer. We're looking forward to seeing our families and friends after two years. We also like to meet all our supporters during this period. The plan is to arrive on Tuesday the 24th of April and to leave again for South Sudan on Friday the 15th of June.



Housing

We're still looking for appropriate housing for Wim, Marlies and Yenthe during their time in The Netherlands. Any ideas? Please let us know!

Presentations

Would you like to invite Wim and Marlies for a presentation in your church or school: please contact us as soon as possible.

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Hello everyone!

I would like to thank everyone very much for all the birthday presents! I received many packages. I'm looking forward going to The Netherlands in April!

See you soon!

Meeting Day:
Saturday 2nd of June 2018.
Do you come?
(details later)



Recently the 'Aan Boord' school in Dronten has done a nice project about the work in South Sudan.

They organized a Christmas market where students were allowed to sell their own goods. It was a big success and the project has raised the nice amount of more than 600 euros. Many thanks for your efforts!