



FLYING FOR LIFE

in South Sudan

Newsletter Hobo family

"Let my heart be broken by the things that break the heart of God." — Bob Pierce



Dear friends and family,

From a dry and hot Juba, hereby our first newsletter of 2019. This time we would like to tell you a bit more about our daily work. Warm regards, Wim & Marlies and Yenthe

It feels like Christmas!
A pile of cardboard boxes are ready to get on the aircraft. It was quite a job to have everything nicely packed per village, but it all worked out! Every month Marlies helps about ten missionary families that are living in remote villages. Most of the time, those people can't buy much more than some onions and tomatoes. That's why Marlies buys their food supplies, varying from beans to milk powder and from matches to chicken filets. Thereafter, Wim and his colleagues transport the food to the villages. Recently we got the following comment: "What a great blessing! We are so thrilled and thankful! It feels like Christmas to us when the food arrives."



South Sudan

UN vehicles are part of the streetscape in Juba. Although, a peace deal has been signed, there has been some recent fighting again across the country.

However, some aid organisations are concerned a further spread of the Ebola virus into South Sudan is currently a bigger threat to the country, than the security situation.





Flights

Wim has been quite busy with flying in the last weeks.

Just a selection of the different flights:

Last week he brought a medical team to the northern part of the country. The team had to assess malnutrition among kids, to be able to decide if an aid project should be started.

On the way back to Juba, he was asked to divert to another village to evacuate a few employees of the same organisation, due to fighting in the area.

In the past months MAF has, after years, re-opened several airstrips. It's great that we can serve and support people in several areas again. A thorough inspection of the airstrip is usually required before we are allowed to fly with passengers to those airstrips. In one of the villages there hadn't been an aircraft for the last 5 years. The whole village came out when Wim landed and inspected the airstrip.

On another flight, Wim first brought a few hundred kilo's of Bibles to a village at the border of Ethiopia. After that, he flew Bible translators to another village so that they could start working on a new Bible translation.



An aircraft full of anti-malaria medication made sure that tens of clinics in the southern part of South Sudan were stocked and thousands of people could receive treatment.

Also a few motorbikes were transported: An effective tool for missionaries and aid workers!



Thank for:

- Reduced fighting in the country
- One new teacher for Yenthe's school in the new school year
- Protection during the flights

Pray for:

- Energy during the hot and dry season
- Real and lasting peace in South Sudan
- Sufficient teachers for Yenthe's school



Hi everyone!

A while ago we had an outdoor lesson at school:

We went to a river where we had to do all kinds of assignments about the animals around us, such as: snakes, scorpions, lizards and birds. We even have found a dead rat! I really enjoyed that afternoon!

Greetings, Yenthe

Indoor Soccer 2019

Our annual indoor Soccer Competition will be held on the 28th of June 2019. We want to welcome you in stadium "De Galgenwaard" in Utrecht. For more info, please check www.voetballenvoorleven.nl Like to have a fun evening, an exciting competition and support the work of Wim & Marlies? Please sign up with your team! We're looking forward to seeing U