

The Youngs: Serving Christ through missionary aviation.



The end of July always brings one of my favorite events of the year; EAA Airventure at Oshkosh. This year, I was asked to work the SMAT table at Oshkosh for a couple days but that didn't mean I couldn't have fun too. So the Webers (Shane and Shawn) met me there and we enjoyed fellowship and airplanes together. :-)

The end of summer here in Michigan brought the end of my maintenance training at SMAT. Our graduation day was on August 27th which is bitter sweet. I will miss those people and look forward to doing ministry with several of them in the future.



Tija and I have been praying about where He would have us serve and with what organization. When I was at Oshkosh I was able to meet several pilots from different or-

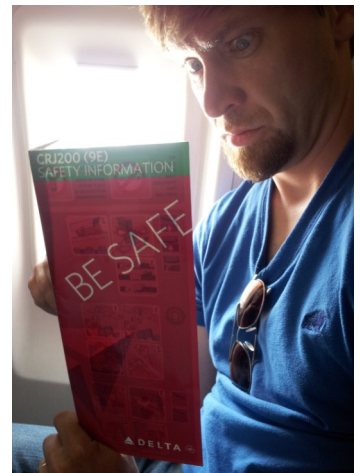
ganizations which helped to tip the scales. When I came back to Michigan, Tija and I decided to apply to fly with AIMAIR. One of the pilots was coming through the area so Tija and I met them and spent some time with them in northern Indiana. It is encouraging and exciting to talk to people with such passion for God's work and seeing His Kingdom spread throughout the world! The process is a long one; we are trying to take it one step at a time and not look too far ahead.





Tija and I were able to travel to Minnesota in August and give a one-year update at Freshwater. It was a great time of fellowship and seeing friends.

The end of summer brought lots and lots of fruit harvest here in Michigan. We've picked blueberries, peaches, plums and apples to name a few.



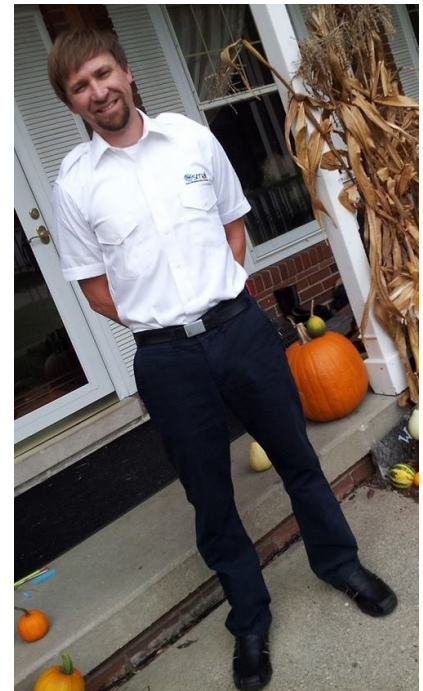
The kids started school in September; Joel—7th grade, Seth—5th grade, Leah—3rd grade and Sela—1st grade. They all have excellent teachers again and we are so thankful for God's provision again!

My flying at SMAT started in October and as of today, I have 3 flights under my belt. Lots of new procedures to learn but they are all very good. My instructors are both helpful but kind in their corrections. :-)



Seth signed up to play tackle football for the first time. He is definitely in love with the game. We could see marked improvement each week. He is already trying to figure out how to play next year if we are moving or staying.

We thank you for your continued support; this journey is long and at times hard on us emotionally. Your prayers are coveted and felt by us!



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