

Pete and Tija Young; serving with AIMAir in Kenya

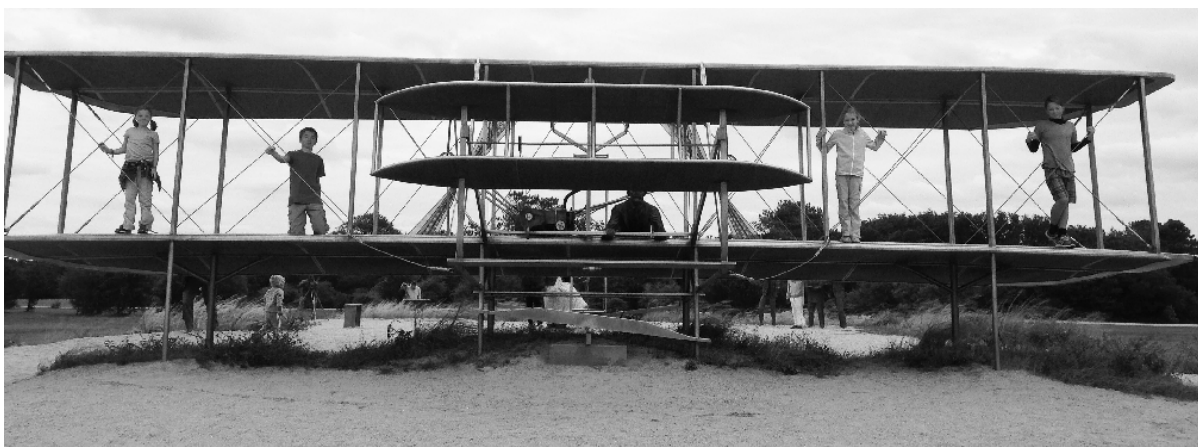
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## Serving Christ through Mission Aviation



One of the highlights of Technical Orientation at JAARS is called mountain week. The instructors and orientees fly up to the mountains of North Carolina and spend time flying in and out of airstrips that we might see in service. The flight projects were challenging and it was a great experience to be flying in places similar to the mission field. The above photo is from an airstrip named Strawberry Ridge. Landing and taking off from this strip was the highlight of my time at TO.

While I was flying in the mountains, Leah spent her free time babysitting our neighbor's daughter.





When I returned from the mountains, we were able to drive out to the coast of NC and visit some members of #TeamYoung. Being close to Kitty Hawk, we had to go visit the birthplace of powered flight!



Another highlight of TO was the week-long course on turbine engines.



We were blessed to be able to spend Thanksgiving with our Georgia church family.



A month later, we were saying goodbye to the friends we had made at JAARS. We are very thankful for how God provided such great friends in a short amount of time!



It was time to travel north for the holidays. We stopped in Michigan



for several drive-by-huggings and then on to see our family in Minnesota. We were able to take in all the winter events we could, including a family skating trip, snowmobiling and just general fun in the cold & snow.

It was an emotional 3 weeks in Minnesota. We said goodbye so many times. We ended our time up north with a send-off at Freshwater, our home church. They recorded a video with us and another missionary family that you can see by clicking [HERE](#).

Then it was down to AIM headquarters in Peachtree City, Georgia for 2 days of checkout. Our Georgia church family came to our farewell luncheon; we loaded all 27 checked bags into a Uhaul and off to the airport we went.





And after 20 hours of travel, we arrived safely at the Mayfield Guest House in Nairobi, Kenya. God has been so faithful through this transitional period as we have good health and all our luggage! God has used many of you to encourage and strengthen us in The LORD. He has built our faith through this time in many ways. Tomorrow, we travel 3 hours north to Africa Based Orientation where we spend 3 weeks learning to embrace life in Africa.



Thank you for praying, encouraging, giving and supporting us as God continues to do a work in and through us. We praise God for you many times a day! For more information on how to join TeamYoung, go to

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