



Jour de Grace

Having just celebrated Thanksgiving, we are reveling in awareness of God's rich blessings in our lives, particularly reflecting over this past year. If I may, let me begin to count them (praising God for every one).

- 1) God's love, mercy and grace extended lavishly to us, through, and because of the amazing life, death and resurrection of His son Jesus. (Eph 1 & 2)
 - 2) The Joy that is ours in serving God here in Cameroon, where He has led us. We know that He does not "need" us for the fulfillment of His plans for Africa. Rather, He has "called" or "invited" us to take part in what He is doing here. What a privilege!
 - 3) The safety and good physical health that our family has experienced.
 - 4) In an unforgiving environment, the safety that our Aviation Department has known, in spite of periods of staff shortages, political unrest, extreme weather flying and a myriad of other challenges that must be overcome to operate safely.
 - 5) To be part of a mission in which we believe in the crucial work it is undertaking - translating God's word into mother-tongue languages. Also, and more immediate, to be part of a cohesive team (our Aviation Dept) where each is constantly looking out for the well-being of the others.
 - 6) The first-hand witness that the work we are doing is having an impact for eternity. The love of Christ is being shown and the truth of His word proclaimed in regions inaccessible or otherwise requiring aviation support for these ministries/outreaches to function.
 - 7) In contrast to nearly all of her neighboring countries, Cameroon knows relative stability both politically and socially. This is crucial for our ministry, but not guaranteed.
 - 8) Achieving our furlough goals (see Furlough Report below).
 - 9) The many logistical details that needed to come together for our smooth departure from and re-entry into life, work and ministry here in Cameroon. For example, in California, we enjoyed wonderful educational experiences for both Abby and Caleb last school year. And this year, both were readmitted into the French school, something important to us, but uncertain upon our return.
 - 10) Trouble-free travel from USA to Cameroon, even with a puppy.
 - 11) Our amazing team of ministry partners. See details on page 4.
- and too many more to count.....

Next Issue

- Helicopter joins our fleet.
- New pilots arriving...Yeah!
- Soon, the dedication of the New Testament, translated into the Kwanja language.

Furlough Report June 2005-July 2006

Before returning to the states in June of 2005, we had established a number of goals that we were committed to pursuing during our furlough.

- 1) Reconnect with family, friends, ministry partners and supporting churches. Unfortunately, we did not get to see all of our extended family members, friends and partners, nor did we get to spend as much time as we'd have liked with those with whom we did have time. But we are very grateful for the times we shared.

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Dear Abby

My mom and dad are from U.S. but we live in China because of their work. So does that mean am I Chinese? What am I?

Dear What am I?

Now just because you live there doesn't mean you are Chinese. I used to think that no matter if you are black or white if you live in Africa then you are an African. I thought I was an African until my mom set me straight that I am 1/2 Chinese. Next question I had for my mom was "Then is Daddy

Chinese too?

Dear Abby: We just moved to a 3rd world country. It's so different than what I am used to. Can you please help me with some do's and don'ts. Cautious.

Dear Cautious:

Living in a 3rd world country is not easy. Don't drink the sink water especially when brushing your teeth. Don't go outside at night without bug sprays. Don't eat any vegetable or fruit without cleaning them in bleach water. Do encourage your friends at home to write. Tell your friends at home to write. Have your friends at home write.

Dear Abby: Why is it whenever me and my siblings can't finish our food the leftover is always given to our dad. Confused.

Dear Confused

I don't know. It's the same with my family. Not only do us kids pawn off our leftovers to my dad, my mom does too. All I know is if we are not careful, dad will get plump.



CALEB'S COLUMN: I SPY



Returning to Cameroon was weird. It was really fun to see things and places that I knew from before. And it was great to have some of my old friends in my class again this year at the French school. School is kinda hard....mostly 'cause the French I knew, I forgot. But, a little bit at a time I am remembering and learning some new words. I have begun to like my class more, thanks to God. At first it was too hard. I heard that some of you back home were praying for me about my school. Thank you so much. That is really cool. Knowing you prayed helps me feel like we are still close, even though I don't see you now. I think my mom told you about it through something called email. That's when you write a note in the computer. Anyway, if you didn't get those notes from my mom, that means that my mom and dad don't have your email address. If you send me an email, (at daryl_young@sil.org with FOR MY BUDDY CALEB on the subject line), then I will give your address to my parents so they can tell you the latest news. I really miss everyone back home a lot. Until next time.....C.J. Young



TO:

My Buddy Caleb.
(Snail mail is fun too)

Sun's Perspective: Power of Prayer

During our furlough time, I learned a lot about the power of prayer. It's always been my desire to learn more about prayer and to have a stronger prayer life. A friend of mine gave me a copy of Bill Hybels's Too Busy Not to Pray. It was a book I've always wanted to read. I read that book at least 4 times. I think I learned a lot about God's power and His ability and willingness to answer our prayers. One thing that Hybels said that really opened my eyes was that many times we do not recognize His power and we don't have faith that God can help us in our times of personal needs. Often we come to God with half doubts in what He can do in our circumstances. I remember whenever I read Matthew 17:20, where Jesus says if we have faith as of a mustard seed we can move mountains, and not quite understanding what He meant. But now I've come to realize that many times I do go the Lord with little faith and doubt. How many times do I go before the Lord with a full faith of a mustard seed? After reading that book it really changed my whole attitude about prayer. I've come to learn to focus on God's power and ability when I come to Him in prayer and to step forward toward Him in faith and obedience. I've come to experience a closer intimacy with the Lord through prayer. It is so exciting and encouraging for me to see how God answers my requests, whether with a yes, no or wait. Of course, there may be times where I may not like His answer; but WOW, to see God's hand in the circumstances that I bring to Him - now that's pretty exciting to see. The life changing factor for me was recognizing God's power and abilities. Nothing is too big for Him. The question is do we believe He is big enough?

Hannah Speaks Out... on ome opics



Hi, me Hannah. Me 2 and half. I like play ballet with Abby and cookin' foo with Caleb. When we fight I tell mommy they started first. Mommy read books to me when Abby and Caleb in kool. I like Madeline and Chicka Chicka Boom Boom. I like sing "Jesus loves me" and "ABC" I

make mommy tell me 3 lil' pigs and story everyday. I love nack time. I love candy more. Mommy no let me ave lots. If I smile and say one more mommy gives me. I want gum but mommy said when I'm 5. I like go swimmin. I jump into swimmin pool. Dere new dition in our amily. Its boy dog. Him Jedi. First I was bigger than Jedi. Now Jedi bigger. I teach him sit, come

and peak. I give Jedi treat. He likes to lick me. When he walks by me some-times he knocks me down or hit me with his tail. No like that. Jedi takes my baby and chews my flip flop. When Jedi bad doggie I spank him and say No Jedi.



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Prayer Requests

Kid's schooling

Patience

Safety and Health

Deepening love, one for another

Effective ministry that honors Christ

personal spiritual growth

Renewed strength each day

Wisdom in parenting

Thank you MINISTRY PARTNERS for blessing us in so many ways over the course of our furlough year.

Thank you for..... loving our kids in ways they will never forget.

...Your prayer support that keeps our family and ministry before the throne of God.

...Your encouraging deeds and words that strengthen us in times of need.

...The gift of a van through Wycliffe's Car Donation Program and the loan of a second vehicle for 6 months, much needed.

...Fully funded furlough-special-projects: Laptop Replacement, Travel Expenses and Aviation Training Expenses.

...Faithfully continuing to financially support us, your missionaries, while in the USA.

...The special "love offerings" given by individual family members and friends, churches and Sunday School classes.

...A reduction in training expenses with Daryl's former employer - AFI, Fullerton CA.

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- 2) Report on our mission work. This we did in a variety of settings: in homes, in churches and schools.
- 3) Professional Development. Daryl completed the training and passed his FAA exams to advance the privileges of his Flight Instructor License. Also, he was able to gain some valuable experience flying turboprop airplanes.
- 4) Raise needed funding for special projects: computer replacement, training expenses and travel expense (entirely funded) and in general for our regular support needs. (Now fully pledged).
- 5) Encourage prayer support for our family and ministry in Cameroon.



(Left) Daryl and Flight Instructor Mike D, celebrating new certification at AFI Flight Training in Fullerton, California, Daryl's former employer.

Releasing Sterilized Mediterranean Fruit Flies in the skies over SoCal, Apr-June 06

