



Mission Aviation Fellowship

Ministry News & Update from Mike & Joan Ross serving in Mexico

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"I thank my God...because of your partnership in the gospel..." Philippians 1:3-5 (ESV)

Dear Friends,

Greetings from Oaxaca. Thank you for partnering with us through your faithful prayers on our behalf. We are regularly faced with challenges that pop up unexpectedly. We can't communicate with you about all of these in a timely manner, but we are grateful that you are praying for us.

We recently went for almost 5 weeks without aviation gasoline for our airplanes. We had enough gasoline on hand to cover a few critical medical emergencies. A new shipment of aviation gasoline has arrived and we should be back in the air flying soon. Thanks for your prayers.

Allow us to introduce you to Amos Grijalva, pictured below. Amos grew up in the nearby town of Milta and dreamed of becoming an MAF pilot. He spent a number of years volunteering in our hangar helping out with aircraft maintenance. He learned a lot and was able to get his Mexican Aircraft Mechanic's license with a little additional training. Over a number of years he persisted in following his dream and eventually earned his FAA Commercial pilot license and received the special training that MAF gives all new pilots. Today Amos works beside us on a daily basis, flying into our mountain airstrips and supervising the maintenance on our airplanes. God has given him a heart for serving his own people. During the last year while there have only been two pilots here, Amos has really stepped up making it possible to keep serving the people of Oaxaca.

We believe that God will answer our prayers in His time. Please continue to pray for these long standing requests:

- Airstrip permits
- Access to a hangar for aircraft maintenance
- Paperwork to fly our Cessna 182
- Wisdom for our Mexican Director, Edgar Rivera
- Open doors to share the gospel in the indigenous communities we serve

Love in Him,

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