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October

- **1** "Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God" (Philippians 4:6).
- **2** Praise God! We're grateful for our partners in the mountains who provided use of their hangars and supplied meals to our Pre-Field Orientation pilots during Mountain Week.
- **3** Pray for mission personnel seeking to return to overseas assignments. Many have experienced canceled flights and altered plans.
- **4** The renovated, upgraded *Kwadima II* vessel, now owned by JAARS, is being operated by another ministry in Papua New Guinea's Milne Bay area. Pray for their launch of maritime service to multiple ministry groups, including Bible translation work.
- **5** Our <u>Aviation Training</u> staff will conduct a Supervisor Pilot Course October 5–16 for up to eight participants from JAARS field partners. Pray participants will learn the skills needed to operate more effectively in their fields of service.
- **6** Pray for IT staff from JAARS and SIL International staff as they transition support of our campus technology infrastructure to the JAARS Technology and Business Solutions team.
- **7** Pray for our recently graduated <u>Aviation Pre-Field Orientation</u> participants as they wait for COVID-19 restrictions to ease so they can travel to their host countries.
- **8** Praise the Lord for wisdom in reopening the JAARS Clinic with the ability to follow the CDC's COVID-19 protocols. Pray for protection for our medical staff, as well as all of JAARS personnel.
- **9** Pray that COVID-19 restrictions will ease so that scheduled <u>Missions at the Airport</u> events in Texas and Virginia can proceed later this month.
- 10 Recently JAARS hosted its yearly Scripture Celebration event. We praise God for translations completed in 2019. Pray he will continue to draw more people groups to himself through his Word.
- 11 Thank God, our loving Father, for guiding the JAARS staff as they seek to serve him during continued challenging circumstances.
- **12** Pray for the JAARS Communications team as they organize their photo archives for storage on a new platform and create a dynamic photo library.
- 13 Pray for Brazilian aviation staff here at JAARS in partnership with Asas de Socorro. They are serving in several volunteer aviation positions as well as receiving advanced training.
- **14** Pray for stamina for the JAARS Technology and Business Solutions team as they pursue excellence and continued technological improvement.
- **15** Thank God for the recent successful pilot event of CrossVenture Coastal, a program that enables youth participants to explore the field of maritime missions.

- 16 Pray for the team preparing the Passport to Christmas program scheduled for December 11–12 amid the uncertainty of COVID-19. May the Lord lead us according to his will and faithful provision.
- **17** As the JAARS Outreach coordinator prepares and schedules future events and church speaking opportunities, ask God to provide effective ways to share the JAARS ministry.
- **18** The Scripture website team, a JAARS partner, will soon begin testing their updated website software. Pray they find any major bugs quickly and receive helpful feedback for improvement.
- **19** Pray for wise decisions regarding the critical need to repair the runway at JAARS: the best process, the right contractors, and God's provision for the funds needed to complete the repairs.
- **20** Pray for essential workers worldwide who continue working diligently during COVID-19: for rest when needed and protection as they serve.
- **21** Pray for the JAARS museum staff as they work to finish updating the <u>Museum of the Alphabet</u>, hoping to reopen the museum in October or November.
- **22** Pray for the JAARS <u>CrossVenture Explore</u> weekend planned October 23–25 with a group from the Church at Sandhurst, Florence, South Carolina.
- **23** Pray for all staff at JAARS as they learn and configure NetSuite and other cloud-based software.
- **24** The JAARS Aviation maintenance team is making good progress installing upgrades and refurbishing the <u>Cessna 206</u> replacement for Cameroon. Pray they can continue without hindrance from COVID-19.
- **25** Praise God! A new <u>virtual tour</u> of the Museum of the Alphabet is now available on the JAARS website. Pray that many will take the tour and learn about the languages and cultures of the world.
- **26** Ask God to grant the Communications team's photo librarian a good grasp of how to organize and manage photos in their new photo library.
- **27** Pray for the JAARS senior leadership team as they guide our organization during the worldwide challenges presented by the coronavirus pandemic.
- **28** Pray for the five <u>Fellows</u> currently in residence at JAARS. May God draw them into a deeper understanding of his purpose for their lives.
- **29** The first New Testament recording completed in the new South Asian recording studio funded by JAARS was in the Merobi* language. Praise God that now the Merobi people have God's Word in *both* written and audio form.
- **30** Pray that God will provide additional technology coaches to assist with help desk services and training on our many new systems.
- **31** Pray that JAARS staff will be faithful in prayer.

November

- 1 Our media partner in Papua New Guinea needs to conduct advanced recording training. Pray COVID-19 restrictions will soon be lifted there.
- 2 Asas de Socorro, our partner in Brazil, has invited JAARS to assist in further development of their aviation training program, to prepare Latin American pilots and mechanics for world service. Pray for the planning committee and for discussion with other North American mission aviation agencies about participation in this new initiative.
- **3** Pray for creativity and good follow-up for leaders of our <u>CrossVenture</u> programs as they make plans for fine-tuning and expanding these programs next year.
- **4** Pray for JAARS directors and managers: for guidance in discerning the spiritual gifts within their teams as they assign God's kingdom work.
- **5** With JAARS support, a technology partner in South Asia provided IT support for a virtual workshop to train local translators in the use of the *Taste&See* app. Pray for participants as they use their new skills to encourage Scripture use in their communities.
- **6** Ask God to provide guidance and discernment as the Communications team prepares for their Journalism Fellow coming in January.
- **7** Pray our <u>advocates</u> will have creative opportunities to share about the JAARS vision and mission with churches, neighbors, friends, and families.
- **8** Pray that all personnel at JAARS will continue to put others first by following COVID-19 protocols.
- **9** Praise God for technology advances that enable team members to collaborate when they are physically apart. Pray they will use these tools wisely under God's steadfast guidance.
- **10** Pray for the CrossVenture|Coastal team as they launch this program next year to draw youth with boating skills and a calling for missions.
- 11 Praise! The pandemic has dramatically increased worldwide use of Scripture websites and apps, creating new opportunities to encourage and bless minority communities with the living Word of God.
- **12** JAARS, now officially registered in Papua New Guinea, can engage with national ministries there. Pray for guidance in discussions with these groups and for opportunities to build their technical and logistical capacity.
- **13** Pray that videos recently completed by International Media Services, based at JAARS—the Mandara Gospel of John (Papua New Guinea) and Guinaang Kalinga *JESUS* film (Philippines)—will help change lives for God's glory.
- **14** Several 2020 recording projects planned by our South Asian Bible translation partner were suspended due to COVID-19 restrictions. Pray they can soon resume these projects.

- **15** Praise God! JAARS is partnering with Faith Comes By Hearing in their <u>Oral Bible Translation</u> project in Uganda. A recent workshop provided a good start for work with the Ludadiri dialect.
- **16** Pray for families on the JAARS recruitment list who are moving forward in their desire to work with JAARS during hard economic and social times.
- **17** Ask God for help in identifying and bringing new recruiters on board for JAARS Aviation.
- **18** Pray that the staff who prepare daily <u>Speeding the Word</u> podcasts will have creative, engaging ways to tell how JAARS and its partners are making Bible translation possible worldwide.
- **19** Praise God that several JAARS-trained pilots who serve with YAJASI, our mission aviation partner in Indonesia, flew mercy flights to deliver medical supplies to clinics in remote villages which had received no supplies for several months.
- **20** The <u>Kiyaka</u> translation team at our Bible translation partner in the Democratic Republic of the Congo needs sturdy vehicles to reach villages up to 621 miles from their home base. Ask God to help JAARS supply this need.
- **21** Several staff members in the Aviation department are nearing retirement. Pray for recruitment efforts to bring new well-qualified personnel on board.
- **22** Our media partner in Papua New Guinea postponed several projects because of pandemic restrictions. Pray they can soon resume the sessions.
- **23** Pray for wisdom and discernment for those researching and developing <u>transportation</u> solutions for our Bible translation partners overseas.
- **24** <u>Mission aviation service</u> in Papua New Guinea is vital for translation families traveling to remote locations. Thank the Lord for the pilots—trained by JAARS Aviation—who fly those families to their destination safely and efficiently.
- **25** The CrossVenture|Coastal team hopes to find an alternative boat for their maritime events next year. Ask for God's help in their search.
- **26** On this day of thanksgiving, let's count our many blessings and say to our merciful God: "Now,our God, we give you thanks, and praise your glorious name" (I Chronicles 29:13).
- **27** Pray for wisdom for our Health Services staff as they follow up with COVID-19 patients.
- **28** JAARS hosted a virtual <u>International Association of Missionary Aviation</u> conference for 220 attendees from 8 countries! The collaboration among many mission aviation groups benefits all.
- **29** Today we look forward with hope to the blessings of Christmas when Jesus, our loving Savior, first came to earth to bring us his Good News.
- **30** In <u>Tanzania</u>, JAARS partnered with IT staff at the SIL Mbeya translation office, two Czech technicians, and their church in the Czech Republic to rewire the translation office. Thank the Lord that now Mbeya language translators can work without hindrance.
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