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Try To Imagine ...

Think of the most exotic Asian city you have seen on TV or in a magazine. Now try to imagine what it would be like to live there.

Pretend your name is *Boon.* You are married and have a ten-year-old son and two elderly parents to support. You do this by owning a restaurant in your town.

Five years ago a customer began talking to you about life. During your discussions, he told you about Jesus. After several encounters with him and observing his life, you accept Jesus Christ as your Savior. This has given you so much joy, meaning, and purpose in life that you have told others about Jesus. Many have come to know Jesus as their Savior because of your testimony.

There were no churches in your town so you started one in your restaurant and have become the church's pastor. You enjoy this ministry but since you only have a high school education, you feel inadequate.

This lack of education has

been an obstacle to you. There are many things in the Bible you do not understand. You have no education to help you understand the historical significance of events you read in the Bible. Many times this prevents you from providing in-depth teaching because you do not know the context of what you read.

Another difficulty is when church members ask you for advice regarding problems in their lives. You do not have training to counsel them using Biblical principles.

You desire to attend Bible School but there are too many barriers in the way.

The closest Bible School is 500 miles away. Since you support your family, you know it is not possible to attend. Even if you had money to go, there would be no one to pastor the church while you were gone.

Two stores down from the restaurant is an Internet Café. Occasionally you use the computers at the Internet Café to help prepare your Sunday messages. There is a limited amount of Biblical information online in your language but it is difficult to know if the information you read is trustworthy.

You wonder if there is a way you could get Bible School training over the Internet?

The purpose of MAF's Learning Technologies is to overcome the barriers *Boon* is experiencing. So he and thousands of Christian leaders like him can attend Bible School using computer technology in their own towns and in their own language.

There is an urgent need to train Christian leaders in the developing world. In China alone, there is only **one Bible School trained pastor for every 10,000 believers.**

Will you consider helping Boon and other Asian believers like him receive Bible School training by joining our ministry team?



The **vision** of Mission Aviation Fellowship is for all people to have access to both the Gospel and the resources that advance God's Kingdom.

The **purpose** is to multiply the effectiveness of the Church using aviation and other strategic technologies that overcome barriers in reaching the world for Christ.



Computers in Asia Pontip Plaza in Bangkok Every store in this four-story shopping mall is a computer store!

Praise

- 1/3 of our monthly ministry support has been raised
- Crystal graduated from high school as class Valedictorian
- Tim received an internship related to his degree

Prayer

- Wisdom to know when to sell our house
- Members to join our financial and prayer team
- Housing plans for our children

What our plans are :

Goal

Currently we plan to leave for Thailand in **May 2006**.

MAF Plans

Training

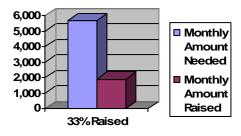
Attend six weeks of training during the next year. This includes two weeks of language acquisition, two weeks of non-technical training, and two weeks of technical training for Dwight.

Raise support

Need to raise two-thirds of our monthly ministry support commitments. This is equal to \$3,815 a month. These can be monthly, bi-monthly, quarterly, or annual commitments from churches, individuals, or businesses. Many individuals commit to \$50 to \$100 a month.

We are grateful to those who have already joined our team. Others have indicated their desire to join. You too can join by filling out the envelope that came with this letter





or by sending checks payable to:

Mission Aviation Fellowship P.O. Box 3203 Redlands, CA 92373-0998

Please include a note that says it is for our ministry support and that you are praying for us.

Until we leave, all money received by MAF, whether it is a one-time gift or a monthly commitment, goes directly to our out-going expenses. We still need to raise \$20,320 to reach our outgoing goal.

85% of the monthly support goal must be reached before we can attend training.

Family Plans

Crystal plans to work this summer before leaving for



Asbury College in August. She intends to major in music and international business.

Tim is attending Samford University. He recently accepted a job as an intern with the Regional Planning Commission of Greater Birmingham. He has two more years before he receives a Bachelors degree in Environmental Science and Geographic Information Systems.

Before leaving, we need to sell our house and determine where our kids will live during summer vacations and holidays.

Mary Kay plans to spend time in Minnesota this summer to care for her parents. She will also spend much of her time

> determining what items to pack for the field, what to store, what to sell, and what to give away.

> Besides deputation with MAF, Dwight has to complete his employment agreement with his company. So, for a while he has two jobs: MAF deputation and job transition.

Outgoing Goal \$27.900

