



Lutheran Bible Translators

A Little Federwitz Family

Life at JAARS and Big Changes at Home!

Nathan and Sarah Federwitz

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ANNOUNCEMENTS!

During October we have had some big life changes. In this letter we want to tell you about how Nathan's training at JAARS is progressing. Before we get to that, we have a special introduction to make. Meet the newest member of our little family, Enoch Jesse Federwitz! He was born on October 21st, weighing 6 lbs. 11 oz.



Enoch Jesse Federwitz!

GETTING BACK IN THE AIR

Training for Nathan started slowly. He had not flown in a while and the folks at JAARS wanted him to review some of the basics. Much of his first few weeks were spent studying the standard operating procedures for JAARS and reading manuals for the planes he will be flying. Early on he was able to get some experience flying in the JAARS flight simulator.

Being at JAARS gives Nathan the special opportunity of working with his father, Jonathan, who spent 23 years as a missionary pilot in Papua New Guinea. Nathan's father was able to supervise his simulator flying. He also worked with Nathan to refamiliarize himself with the cockpit and procedures of flying. These were

helpful for Nathan to regain comfort with flying, but he was itching to get back into the air.



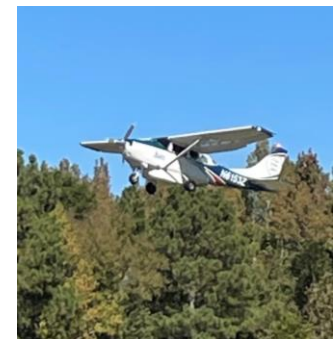
Nathan "sim flying."

Lastly, before flying again, Nathan had to complete "ground school." This involved having "class" with the JAARS training coordinator to learn the procedures that JAARS has for operation of their airplanes.

Thankfully, soon enough Nathan was able to fly again! On October 5th, Nathan had the opportunity to fly a JAARS Cessna 206 up to Raleigh and back. He was mentored by one of the JAARS aviation staff who has several years of experience flying in Brazil. Nathan was eager to get back behind the controls and this flight was a great encouragement to him! What a blessing it was to see him back in the air! His next flight was even more exciting! Nathan was able to fly with his dad for the first time since Nathan started his flight training! This was a flight for him to get used to how the Cessna 206 handles.



Nathan and his dad in front of the JAARS Cessna 206 they had just flown.



A beautiful October takeoff!

WHAT ELSE ARE WE UP TO?

Aside from all of this training, Nathan also spends a portion of his time working on Lutheran Bible Translators responsibilities. He and Sarah both work on these prayer letters and other materials to keep in touch with the people who pray for us and support us with financial gifts. Connecting with each of our partners in ministry is one of our most important roles. Our involvement in this mission would not continue without your support. You are a great encouragement to us, and we hope to be the same for you.

When Sarah returns to work after maternity leave, she will prepare to begin online classes for linguistics training in January. Before Enoch was born, she also started to connect with congregations and small groups to schedule speaking opportunities.

We will be spending a large amount of time in the upcoming months traveling for speaking engagements. If you or a group at your congregation are interested in inviting us to come speak, please let us know. We are planning to speak to many congregations from late January through the end of April. We would love the opportunity to speak at your congregation during our upcoming trip! **Please contact us if you are interested in scheduling a speaking opportunity with us!**

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Join us in praising God for the birth of our son!
- Pray for Sarah during her maternity leave as she heals and for her eventual return to work—all while adjusting to caring for a newborn.
- Pray that Nathan would continue to have opportunities to fly and that his training continues to progress smoothly.
- Pray for us as we work to schedule speaking engagements this upcoming spring.

We are truly thankful for you, your prayers, and your support! We pray that you and your families have a blessed Thanksgiving and a joyful Christmas! May the light of Christ's nativity guide and encourage you.

"THE LIGHT SHINES IN THE DARKNESS, AND THE DARKNESS HAS NOT OVERCOME IT" John 1:5



**HAPPY HOLIDAYS and
MERRY CHRISTMAS!**

With our love,

A Little Federwitz Family

Nathan, Sarah, and Enoch

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