

# Federwitz Flyer

Serving Bible Translation through Aviation



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Jonathan and Carrie Federwitz

## Training New Recruits

As you know, the main reason we are here at Jaars in Waxhaw, NC is so that Jonathan can train pilots for service on the mission field. Our next big training event kicked off at the beginning of this month and will run through the end of June. We have 10 new recruits – 6 pilots and 4 mechanics. Jonathan will primarily be working with 3 of the pilots who are preparing for service in Kenya and Brazil.

Over the last few months Jonathan has done some training with some experienced field pilots who came for refresher training before returning to their fields of service. He's also flown with pilots preparing for field service (including our son, Nathan) and some pilots considering becoming a missionary pilot.

## Carrie's Role with Jaars

As part of our ministry here with Jaars, Carrie now has a new assignment! She is now serving as the administrative assistant for the aviation training manager, BJ Diggins. (That means that we both have the same boss.) As you would probably guess, that means she's basically doing clerical and logistical tasks to assist BJ and to keep our training program running smoothly.

## Our First Grandchild!



In case you missed the news, we are excited to announce the birth of our first grandchild. Enoch Jesse Federwitz was born on October 21, 2023. We are very much enjoying our new role as grandparents! Enoch's parents are Nathan and Sarah Federwitz.



Carrie's cubicle at Jaars

## Julia is Getting Married!

We're also excited to announce the engagement of our daughter Julia to Kyle Graham. They got engaged in October and are planning a July wedding. Kyle is from Florence, SC, which is where Julia has been living for the last year and a half while teaching at a Christian school there. We're happy for them and look forward to welcoming Kyle into the family.



## Financial Partnership

We've had a number of people ask us if we still need financial support now that we are based in the US. The answer is YES. The work that we are doing with Jaars is still mission work

because it supports the mission work that we are doing around the world. It is not a paid position. Therefore, we still depend upon your financial partnership to serve in this way.

We've also had people ask us about our children who are also raising support for their mission work. This includes Nathan and Sarah who have joined Lutheran Bible Translators to serve in mission aviation and Leah who is joining Teach Beyond to serve as a missionary teacher in Papua New Guinea. We know that some of you

are wondering about shifting your financial support from us to our children. While we highly recommend our children to you for your consideration, the truth is that we also continue to need your financial partnership.

For those of you that have been partnering with us financially, we thank you. Your gifts mean a lot to us. For all of you that have been praying for us, we thank you. Your prayers sustain us. Thank you for your partnership that makes it possible for us to train and prepare the next generation of missionary pilots.

### **The Next Federwitz Generation**

**Nathan and Sarah** are currently traveling in the Midwest as they build a prayer & financial team for their ministry with Lutheran Bible Translators. Nathan will have more flight training to do before they head overseas. Let them (or us) know if you'd like to receive their newsletters.

**Julia's** big news is what we shared on the previous page about her engagement to Kyle Graham. She is continuing to enjoy teaching 1<sup>st</sup> grade at The King's Academy in Florence, SC.

**Leah** finished 2 years of teaching at the mission school at Ukarumpa in Papua New Guinea (PNG) in December. She is currently with us and in the process of joining Teach Beyond to return to PNG as soon as she can raise the needed financial support. She'll be sending out a newsletter soon. Let her (or us) know if you'd like to receive it.

**Rachel** is continuing her studies in her sophomore year at Concordia University Wisconsin. She is continuing in the education program to be a high school math teacher.

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### **Prayer and Praise**

- ➔ *Praise the Lord for the 10 new recruits in mission aviation training here at Jaars. Pray for us as we train and mentor them.*
- ➔ *Praise the Lord for the safe arrival of our grandson, Enoch.*
- ➔ *Pray for Nathan & Sarah and for Leah as they seek prayer and financial partners and prepare for service as overseas missionaries.*
- ➔ *Pray for Julia and Kyle as they prepare for and enter into marriage.*

Your Partners in Christ,



*Jonathan and Carrie  
Nathan and Sarah,  
Julia, Leah and Rachel*

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