

In His Hands

(Isaiah 49:16)



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Robert Peterson

Greetings from JAARS in Waxhaw, NC! Thank you so much for your prayers the last several months as I have participated in several missions conferences! Preparing to share 10 times in 10 days was quite a stretch for me and I praise the Lord for several specific encouragements during this busy time. The audio/visual equipment worked flawlessly as well. My busiest day was one Sunday where I spoke twice at West Hills Presbyterian Church in Knoxville, Tennessee, and then drove to Charlotte in the afternoon and shared a testimony in the evening service at Calvary. I was particularly inspired by several new families preparing for service in closed countries.

One of the events during the Calvary mission conference was an all-day prison ministry in Kershaw, South Carolina. We were able to speak with a number of prisoners throughout the day as well as participate in an evening service. One particular conversation in the SMU (special management unit) really reminded me of God's first love for us in Christ. Many of these men have only known conditional love and acceptance.



Kershaw Prison. Sorry, no cameras inside.

Since the conclusion of the mission conferences, I have enjoyed being a regular member of a church and not a "visiting missionary." I have continued to be a part of Calvary's prison ministry at Kershaw through the PTS (Prison to Society) program on Monday and Thursday nights. Last night we concluded a series by Dr. David Jeremiah on Proverbs which has been excellent. Each evening, after watching the sermon, we spend about an hour in groups of 20 processing the lesson and related passages. Not only have I been personally blessed and challenged by the teaching but also by the honest and humble testimonies of the guys. The level of knowledge and interest among the men does vary widely and it can be a challenge to draw spectators into the conversation. **Please pray for the both the prisoners and group leaders working with PTS.**

Mom, Dad, Todd, Damaris and kids left Alaska on Tuesday to drive to the continental US. My brother and family will be starting a new assignment in St. Louis and my parents are returning to JAARS after 1 ½ years in Alaska.

I am staying busy these days working remotely for JAARS' aviation department in Cameroon on a variety of projects including a major revision to our aviation operations manual. Additionally, I continue to prepare for return to Cameroon in late June. In March, I renewed my FAA Mechanic Inspection Authorization and my FAA Certified Flight Instructor licenses. I begin "standardization" or recurrency flying in a simulator next week with airplane work to follow later in May.

INACTIVE	A/C Qual.	IA	2nd Class Medical	FAR 61.56 Flight Rev	6-month Chk Heli only	12-month Prof check	Inst Prof check	CFII/III	TSA Review	JAARS Chk Pit	Chk Pit Qual.	Restricted Radiotele	English proficient
C	Specialist	?	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
F	C206	30-Mar-11	9-Dec-11	11-Dec-11	N/A	6-Dec-11	28-Mar-11	15-Dec-12	15-Dec-11	4-Jul-05	C206	Yes	Yes
K	C206	N/A	10-Oct-11	6/31/12	N/A	30-Jun-11		9/31/13	?	5-Jul-05	C206	Yes	Yes
Peterson, Rob	C206/H395	31-Mar-12	31-Jan-11	21-Jun-12	N/A	10-Jun-11	31-Jul-10	31-Jul-11	31-Mar-12	N/A	N/A	Yes	Yes
Sp	R44	N/A	?	?	?	N/A	N/A	?	?	N/A	N/A		
Vv	Helio	N/A	?	?	N/A	?	?	?	?	?	Helio	?	?
Wj	C206	N/A	?	?	N/A	?	?	?	?	N/A	N/A	?	?
Wj	R44	N/A	10-Nov-10	30-Nov-12	11/31/10	N/A	N/A	?	?	N/A	N/A	Yes	Yes
									Due within 90 days	Due within 30 days		Past Due	

One Excel file I am revising to track pilot licenses and authorizations

Thank you for your prayers! Here are a few other praises and prayer requests.

Praise:

1. Health, strength and good connections during 2 missions conferences.
2. Safety during 10,000+ miles of driving while on home assignment.
3. Opportunity to be settled for the next several months and to be involved locally in community and ministry.
4. \$100 Snap-on gift certificate I won at a maintenance seminar to replace some worn-out tools.

Prayer:

1. Wisdom and clarity as I work on projects for Cameroon (especially the aviation operations manual).
2. Continued spiritual renewal and rest in preparation for return to Cameroon in June.
3. Mon & Thurs night ministry at Kershaw prison with Calvary Church.
4. Safety for my parents, brother and family as they drive from Alaska to St. Louis.
5. Obtaining airline tickets and working out other logistics for my return to Cameroon.

In Him,
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