



To the Faithful in Christ Jesus,

This update is a little delayed due to Dale's trip to Paraguay in April. The trip itself was delayed off and on by unavoidable circumstances and schedule conflicts. But on April 12 Aviation Director Herman Teachout and Dale arrived in Asuncion in the wee hours of a rainy morning. It was an anxious time: 8 years since we left, immersed again in Spanish with the responsibility for all communication, and the purpose of the trip brought no emotional pleasure. Dale was excited to see colleagues and old friends, but unhappy that our ministry of over 30 years was being terminated. God's grace was and is sufficient.

While Herman, at his laptop, worked on an inventory of the hangar contents (parts, tools, supplies, furnishings), Dale concentrated on getting the airplane back into an airworthy state. Both of them with the help of Dale's former hangar helper, Chivelo, and occasionally missionary Jon Griffin, accomplished the task in the 3 weeks they had allotted, but it was feverish at times. The airplane did not sell while they were there in spite of the manifold number of interested contacts. It is now on the international market for several months.

They had not been in the country a week yet when "radio so'o" (literally "meat radio" or English equivalent "word of mouth") had reached the interior with news of their presence. Dale got a phone call seeking pastoral counsel from a man he led to the Lord years ago. Following that call, Dale was smitten to tears with the revived realization of the continued need to the people of the interior....sheep with no shepherd.

On the bright side, several things stand out. God's opportunity given of leading Chivelo's eight year old daughter, Maribel, to Jesus a few days before they left the country was joy unspeakable and full of glory! Honestly, Dale admits the feeling of inadequacy to lead someone to the Lord in Spanish initially, but as time went on, the Spanish came racing back and he was even able to preach an Easter message with minimum difficulty....God is good! It was also a highlight of the trip when a family visited Dale at the hangar. The dad is a young man he led to the Lord years ago, who now with his wife and three sons, is a missionary to his own people.

Paraguay is a small place in a large world and populated by souls just as lost as those in China. Changes are inevitable but people are ever the same. God help us to not be deafened by our culture. The cry of the lost and the command of Christ are still very loud to the ears of the compassionate heart. We continue as your missionaries "...striving together for the faith of the gospel..." Phil. 1:27, to reach the lost.

Beneath His Wings,
Dale and Beverly Fogg
Psa. 63:7

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Before



After



Isidro Cuellar and family



Chivelo, Lidia, and Maribel