



Philippines-Palawan Mission Project Update



MIRACLES IN THE SKY • Salamat Po, from the Filipino Team / written by Julie Young

**In the same way, let your light shine before others,
that they may see your good deeds and glorify
your Father in heaven.
—Mathew 5:16, NIV**

The momentum of the medical flights has been running smoothly over the last few months, but one can never know when an issue could ground the plane.

One day, the plane would not start; after troubleshooting, it appeared perhaps it was an electrical issue.

Pilot Jed asked around for local help and found someone he could trust. The technician came out to the plane and fixed the problem.

Being grounded when critical medical calls come in is heartbreaking, and declining any flight could delay time-sensitive hospital care or lead to death.

Thankfully, the plane was ready when a call came from the clinic in Culion Island.

This critical patient had a hernia and bowel obstruction for three days with vomiting and no fluid intake.

Jed has flown over 100 patients in his career, patients in misery and suffering from burns, critical shock, dengue fever, critical maternity cases, and pediatric pneumonia. Each miracle flight is heart-wrenching, and the pilot holds himself together with humility and strength that not many could. It is exhausting, selfless work. He leaves the medical care up to the gentle hands of the nurses onboard, from writing up a report to settling the patient in for the flight as he whisks the patients over open oceans. Thankfully, each flight was flown safely, with the invisible hands of God guiding the plane and passengers back to land and a successful patient recovery at a local hospital in Puerto Princesa.

These flights take their toll, so sometimes even Jed has had to take time to recover in between flights, getting a much-needed rest inside the plane.

In between flights, the team is equally busy doing ground maintenance at the base.

Currently, the plane is stored outside and exposed to all types of weather. It is fenced in for security, but it is not enough. There is a container that holds all the necessary equipment to do maintenance on the plane, but work is done outside, rain or shine. We are actively searching for an engineer to draw up hangar plans and then proceed to build.

What a benefit it will be to have a secure shaded hangar with everything inside.

Because of your donations, a plane cover was purchased to protect the windshield from the weather and help keep the rain out. A new wind sock was also purchased and installed after Ray and I took down the torn one that had bats inside.

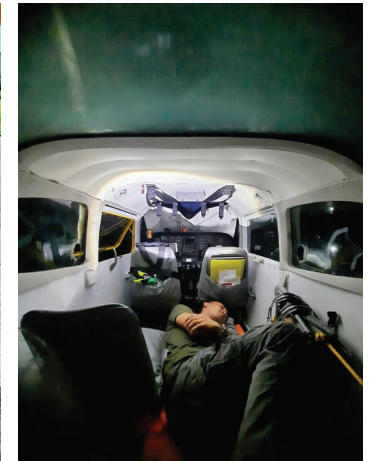
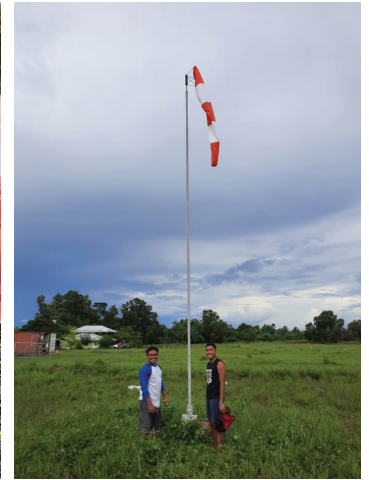
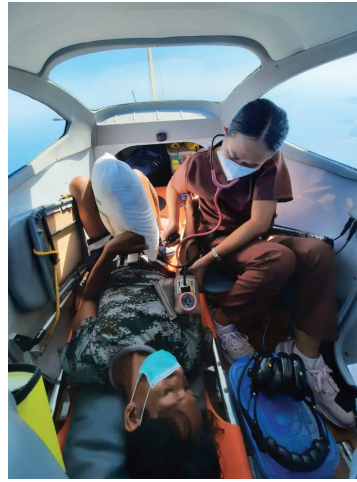
Having a windsock is a vital part of aviation. It is used as a basic indicator of wind speed and direction for the pilot during takeoff and landings.

We thank you for your devotion to the Philippines Project. Your generosity keeps this vital project flying into the future.

Please continue praying and supporting the endeavors of this project on this side of the world.

God bless you!

The Philippines-Palawan Mission Team



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