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PRESIDENT'S WEATHER REPORT

Looking Through the Windscreen

It began 11 years ago with a call from the CEO of Quiet Hour Ministries with an opportunity to serve as president for AWA. I was in a quandary, for I was on a list of potential candidates for presidency at Quiet Hour Ministries. In addition, the church I was pastoring in Texas firmly committed to an outreach program. All three institutions—Woodlands SDA Church, Quiet Hour Ministries, and Adventist World Aviation held a passion for outreach and saving lives!

My mother was visiting, and when I told her about the phone call, she said, "WOW! We need to commit these next few days in prayer. You have huge choices: 1) Stay with the Texas Conference in their church planting program; 2) remain on the list for the call to Quiet Hour Ministries; 3) Become president for Adventist World Aviation." We prayed!

I had already been a licensed pilot for the last eight years. My mother was very instrumental in my pilot training. As a child, I always wanted to fly, and one of my favorite toys as a boy was my little red pedal airplane. I was always pretending I was an aviator, even using my dad's truck driver hat with "driver's wings" (his uniform looked like the uniforms of the WWII B-17 pilots) to give me that extra aviator edge.

When my father passed away in 2003, I lost my best friend, and profoundly sad. My mother thought to cheer me up. "Didn't you just baptize a CFII (Certified Flight Instructor/Instrument instructor)?" I said, "Yes, Noel Clark." Then, my mother reminded me of the little red airplane and said, "Go learn to fly. Do it in honor of your father. He would be very proud of you." She added, "God has laid something extraordinary at your doorstep, and He has given you choices. Son, remember the other day I said I couldn't be prouder of you? Well, I was wrong. You just made me even prouder." So, I made the decision.

On May 1, 2011, on my mother's birthday, I received the official call from Thomas Chapman, one of the board members for Adventist World Aviation, and in honor of her birthday, I accepted the call. Later that night, we celebrated her birthday. She had most of her charm and wit even at 81 years. She was proud to be the mother of the new president of AWA and she lived with Dawn and me for the last 5 1/2 years of her life. During the first three years of my presidency, my mother was at the office each day, answering telephones, mailing out receipts and thank you letters, and helping in any way she could. She loved AWA, what it stands for, and working in the office.

Then, five years later, I received that dreaded call from the health center caring for my mother. She was very sick and experiencing septic shock. I made the quick trip to the hospital Intensive Care Unit. She was excited to see me and through her labored breathing said, "Ric, I am so happy you are here. I know everything will be okay. You are my sunshine, and I love you so much. I am so thankful for you. I am afraid I can't make it out of this illness. But you are here, and I am so proud of you." With a shaky voice I responded, "I love you, too, Mom. Everything will be alright. I am here." Then we prayed together.

My mother held on for another day ensuring all her family was present as she breathed her last breath and was no longer suffering. As those most precious in our lives come and go, some begin a monumental work, and like a blip, disappear from the radar, and then at the perfect time, show up again.

When I began with AWA, I searched for that ideal property for our headquarters operations to call home. As the years and events moved forward, God worked things out in the most extraordinary way in 2021 and into 2022. Through a series of unique trials and steps of faith, a seemingly ideal property landed at our doorstep with potential to become AWA's permanent headquarters. In the heart of the city of Wilson, NC, at the Wilson Industrial Air Center (W03) lay a beautiful 90x55 hangar with six offices and the ability to expand. After much prayer and God revealing His power, we were allowed to purchase almost one-acre property! On January 2nd, 2022, AWA relocated its headquarters from Johnston Regional Airport (KJNX) at 3457 Swift Creek Rd Corp 3, Smithfield, NC 27577 (**old address--NO longer contains a mail receptacle**) to Wilson Industrial Air Center (W03), our new address at 4421 Airport Dr. NW, Wilson, NC 27896--**mail receivable**.

During that time of preparation and 2021 year-end support raising came an unexpected phone call from Daniel Walter. He was interested in what AWA was doing as he had previous experience as a mission pilot and an A&P. Daniel was looking to serve as a volunteer to help around the hangar for a month. I had seen his name before.

At the beginning of my 11-year tenure, I came across a newsletter from circa 1962 entitled Adventist Aviator, featuring a man named Daniel Walter, founding President of the Adventist Pilots Association. Recently, I looked at this relic's first printing that featured a man in his 20s--Daniel Walter. The print date was 1962, the math was right--the volunteer who was visiting next month WAS him! On February 3, Pastor Daniel Walter arrived at our new office in Wilson. After 11 years, I finally met the man who inspired AWA's initial founding in 1995. We soon learned that Pastor "Dan" taught the late Elder Robert Folkenberg to fly.

There was a bottomless fountain of experiences, testimonies, and stories that Pastor Dan shared with us in the various places he served. He was appointed Mission president in Cambodia during a time when no mission work was being done. By the time he left Cambodia for Singapore as their Union Ministerial Secretary, he baptized over 1,500 people, saw 64 churches planted, and one school opened in this Buddhist country. He recalls that when people asked him how things were in Cambodia, he would reply, "Exciting!"

Exciting for sure! With a move, a reflection of beginnings, and finding Pastor Daniel Walter, our start to 2022 at AWA has been monumental. I can't wait to see how God leads us through the rest of this year and on towards His soon return.

Keep looking up,
Pastor Ric Swaningson
 President / CEO



Pastor Dan and Pastor Ric

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ABOUT THE COVER:

Glenda Escudero Runne, Nicaragua missionary, is currently working on her pilot license. According to Pilotinstitute.com, as of 2021, out of 720,605 FAA certified pilots, only 9.02% are women.



The Flight Log

by Rebecca Stevenson

With a new year comes so much optimism and opportunity. God knows exactly how to make things grow and operate efficiently. So, to ensure His ministry at AWA had all the necessary components for growth, He placed AWA in the heart of Wilson, North Carolina, at the city-owned airport, Wilson Industrial Airpark (W03). Wilson is now AWA's home. But our old Smithfield base isn't entirely forgotten. Out of the Johnston Regional Airport (KJNX), we will still conduct our operations for Angelwing flights and other activities.

*Please note that all donations sent to the old address could get lost or missed, so we urge you: **Throw away***

ALL AWA Smithfield addressed envelopes. *Please send all future correspondence to our new Wilson HQ address: 4421 Airport Dr. NW, Wilson, NC 27896.*

With AWA's move, growth has already transpired as our team is increasing in number. For example, Doug Pagliolo is AWA's new Chief Flight Instructor. Doug served in the Marine Corps at American Embassies worldwide, did contract work for the US Government, became an officer with North Carolina's Wake County Sheriff's department, and graduated to Adventist World Aviation.

When asked about his vision for the future with



AWA, Doug said this: “[...] Over the course of my career; I have always found that no matter where I was or what I did, I always felt that I wanted to make a difference. [...] Helping others continues to be something I feel strongly about. Being in this ministry allows me to refocus and serve others as God’s vessel here on earth. With the means to get there and the passion for making a difference, I am reminded that it takes one step to make a difference.”

Then, after a collection of trying and challenging events while fishing for a receptionist, an unexpected angel stepped forward to take the position. Cathy Creveling, a fellow church member whom Pastor Ric baptized years ago, became part of the AWA family. Cathy worked for a local newspaper here in Wilson before she came to be a part of our office staff. She’s done all the things a receptionist would do in some of the other places she’s worked, including data entry. She’s even done hairstylist work. With her experience and versatility, we are happy to have her. The office is brighter with her on board!

If it’s been a while since you’ve visited our website or has never visited, now is always a great time to check it out. Next to our donate button in the top right corner (also an excellent time to become a monthly supporter of the ministry), a second button next to it will take you to our web store, where you can purchase AWA apparel and accessories. There are additional products there too from a company called Surge Industrial. Last year, we met them at an

annually attended event called EAA (Experimental Aircraft Association), an international airshow. Their products are water-based and wonderful to use. Their wipes are our favorite around the shop.

Come May 1st, that’s **Sunday, May 1st at 10 am**, we will have a **grand opening!** Come see us and be part of the celebration as we revel in the joys of God moving and growing His ministry here in the heart of Wilson, North Carolina.

Thank you to each of you who have contributed to making our work possible both financially and through your prayers. You have been a heavenly blessing to us. You keep us going, hallelujah!

MEET THE AUTHOR...



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Trust More, Doubt Less

by Caleb Runne

Two weeks ago, Glenda woke up with a strong sense that God had given her direction in one of the ways we would be able to reach the Miskito community. She called me at work and laid out the vision. Glenda described what sounded to me at the time like an impossible and fanciful idea: A pavilion/outdoor kitchen that could house 30-50 people, to be used to teach cooking and health classes, double as a worship center on Sabbath, and we could have treatment rooms on one end for ill or injured people. In addition, she also envisioned housing for volunteers or people

needing to stay an extended time for treatment. She also wanted to invite other ministries that would be able to train us, and the Miskito people, in natural remedies and hydrotherapy.

In my head, I thought, “Now don’t rain on her parade; God has spoken things to Glenda in the past that seemed unrealistic but were truly in His will. Just be patient and see how God reveals His plans.” But what came out of my mouth was more like, “That is crazy! We haven’t even been there yet, so how can we know the real needs of the people? We don’t even know the current



conditions of the mission house in terms of repairs needed, size, resources, and more. I don't want to start inviting other ministries when we haven't even started with our own yet!" So much for not raining on her parade.

Just recently, AWA leadership told us that a man named Jason Raney from the Chattanooga area wanted to be involved in some projects for the runway in Nicaragua, and a phone meeting was arranged. During the phone call, Jason described his vision for a project that started with a community center for teaching, medical missionary work, and worship. My ears perked up when he said, "And I was also thinking about some housing for volunteers...."

I could not believe what I was hearing! I told him how Glenda had just described an identical vision to me the week before, but I couldn't imagine it. Next, Jason said that his church would be raising the necessary funds to execute the project and that he was getting ready to go to Nicaragua in the latter half of March, which is the same timeframe we are trying to go! I took this as a second witness from the Holy Spirit and beautiful affirmation.

Can I share with you some of the lessons I learned here?

1. Nothing is impossible for God, and His resources are limitless.
2. God works His will through people and actively shares His plans with those willing to listen.
3. When you ask God to reveal His will, don't be surprised when it comes from the mouth of your spouse!

The Runne family, the Fix family, and Jason Raney met and discussed plans for projects at the runway in La Tronquera. More developments are maturing. I will keep you all informed as we learn more, but God is on the move, and we are excited to be involved and that you, our supporters, are also along for this exciting journey. We have you in our prayers, and we also sense the power of yours. Blessings on us all and to God be the glory!

MEET THE AUTHOR...



Caleb Runne, his wife, Glenda, and their two children, Jordana and Enoch, are Missionaries to Nicaragua.



Abundance Beyond Room

by Julie Young

“Wake up, did you see that?” Ray asked.

It was early morning, and we were sound asleep in the missionary Miskito house. Ray was woken up to a flash of light, illuminating the bedroom.

Both awake now and thinking it was light from the motion detector security lights, we lay quietly in the darkness, trying to listen for different sounds other than the usual frogs and night critters. Then, again, there was a flash in the night, and now we both heard crunching footsteps coming down the driveway.

Quietly we peaked out the window looking down at the hangar and saw two men, on bikes. One quickly turned off his headlamp. They were standing in front of the plane and truck, parked there as we were leaving early for town that morning.

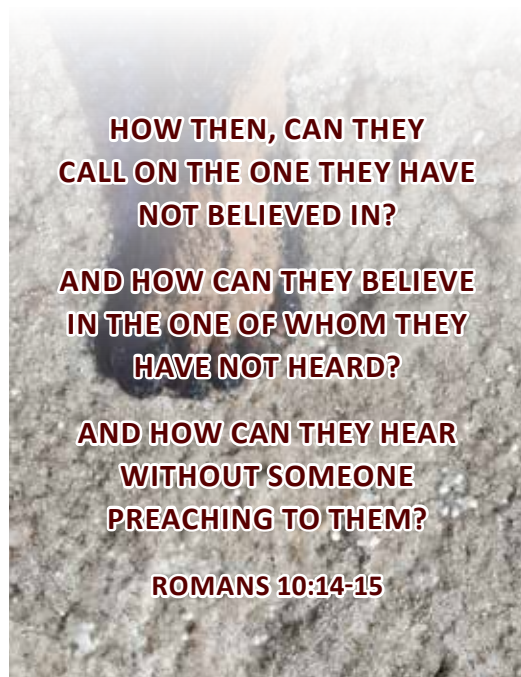
We listened and watched them whisper to each other, and suddenly, they started to walk across the road to our house.

Hearts thumping, we whispered, “What should we do? Why were they here?” Are these good guys or bad? Their quiet sneaky actions were suspicious. Having very limited Spanish and less Miskito, we decided to remain silent. Suddenly one of them started to come up the stairs of our house, and now we realized we would have to say something.

So, in English, Ray asked, “What do you want?” and “No Espanol.” They responded in Miskito, which we did not understand. A standstill of broken conversation and confusion transpired, finely ending with us saying “Vamos,” which means *go* or *let’s leave*. They responded by saying something we understood but couldn’t repeat!

They were very reluctant to leave, and not knowing what they wanted, I called Josh to come and help us out.

Before he arrived on the motorbike, they walked away, and Josh rode up and down the long driveway searching for sight of footprints, a trace of bike tracks, none of which was ever found.



HOW THEN, CAN THEY
CALL ON THE ONE THEY HAVE
NOT BELIEVED IN?

AND HOW CAN THEY BELIEVE
IN THE ONE OF WHOM THEY
HAVE NOT HEARD?

AND HOW CAN THEY HEAR
WITHOUT SOMEONE
PREACHING TO THEM?

ROMANS 10:14-15

We asked around in the community, but we never did find out who they were or what they needed: perhaps a ride to town, maybe something a bit more sleuth-like. Sadly, we let our lack of language override our assistance... **the lesson learned:** *If we can't communicate effectively and understand each other. How we will ever help each other?* This world is full of confusion and misunderstanding. I pray we will get better in the future.

Where we helped: With an appeal for funds and the help of Cezar Levy, his wife Muriel, and a group of Pathfinders in Puerto Cabezas, Christmas hampers were distributed to 48 Miskito families in La Tronquera, Nicaragua. Items such as flour, oil, rice, clothing, personal items, and a great deal more. With an abundance of funding Cezar has also been able to serve well into 2022 to those still struggling to rebuild after two hurricanes swept through Puerto Cabezas in 2020.

With financial aid from several donors, funding came through to support 180 students at the Trinity Adventist School in La Trinidad, Nicaragua.

Pastor Gregorio Flores, a school board member for the school, facilitated making up gift packages with items he was able to buy locally. **Again**, with an abundance of funding, the students were able to go out into the community and serve the needs of

local seniors. Helping those in physical need, who are hurting, hungry, and sick is how we all get to be the hands and feet of Jesus. Very few of us can be everywhere helping everyone in need, but Jesus showed what he could do if only one person showed up with a small lunch.

As we look forward to the end of Covid restrictions, we will be visiting all our bases to do as much good as possible with our small lunch. If you are able, please help us be Jesus' hands and feet by contributing what the Spirit of God inspires you to so you can be His hands and feet also.

May God bless you more abundantly than you have room to receive.

MEET THE AUTHOR...



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Rescue the Perishing

by Bruce Wilkerson

Desmond Doss prayed a simple prayer on Hacksaw Ridge (*"Just one more Lord, help me get one more"*) that was powerful and impacted lives then and now. As followers of Christ, we all have a role to play in being the Hands and Feet of Jesus—bringing just one soul more to Him.

There is a war going on today as surely as there was a war on top of Hacksaw Ridge. It is a real war, and we are in the middle of it. Not the Russian-Ukraine conflict. The moment we chose Christ and were saved, we also enlisted into the army of God. God versus Satan – The Great Controversy. The kingdom of light against the kingdom of darkness. Good versus evil. What are we fighting over? We aren't fighting over money or oil or land. We are fighting over the souls of men. The Good News is that the war has already been won—God is victorious! (Revelation 20 & 21)

Although Satan and his evil forces want mankind to completely reject God and continue in sin, God wants to rescue as many men and women as possible from the clutches of death. God desires that no one perish. In Proverbs 24:11 it says, *"Deliver those who are drawn toward death, and hold back those stumbling to the slaughter"*. As believers in Christ, you and I are in the middle of that struggle. We are commissioned to be His hands and feet wherever we are planted or wherever He leads! We are to rescue the perishing and care for the dying.

Our AWA Midwest project was commissioned in September 2021. Although small, we are strong in faith and have been blessed with opportunities to exercise our faith on many fronts. As we responded to natural disasters, we had the privilege to rescue the perishing and minister to people who had little hope. To God be the glory!



His spirit continues to develop in us His characteristics of patience, faithfulness, and self-control. Our recent annual aircraft inspection revealed low compressions on three engine cylinders, creating delays in flight operations that sadly are longer than we planned. We learned from our years in Guyana however, that sometimes our busy aviation program comes to a screeching halt out of nowhere because of needed repairs or unexpected weather issues. It was discouraging until God revealed His plans and where He wanted us to work at that moment. Even without all the resources such as parts and the right tools for the job, Joe Berti and I worked on the deficiencies from our annual aircraft inspection. This gave us the opportunity to pray for wisdom and discernment as we stepped out in faith to tackle some complex aircraft repairs. We praised God as our faith was strengthened, our prayers answered, and our mechanical challenges resolved. Joe and I are very thankful for Steve Stone's time and dedication to help us with our annual aircraft inspection. We were blessed by his service and there's no doubt that N8764X had a thorough inspection!

God is faithful and continues to grow our team as we step out in faith and obedience to Him. AWA Midwest continues to partner with like-minded organizations as God leads us to new opportunities to impact lives for His glory and honor. One example is our partnership with our local non-profit search and rescue company called SAR K9 CO-OP, Inc. Their primary emphasis is K9 search and rescue, but they also have other units including an Air Unit where Joe Berti serves as their chief pilot and as one of their SAR technicians. They conducted over 40 rescues in the last 8 years. With the escalation of disasters and other crises, we continue to see opportunities for ministry. One of the needs of SAR K9 CO-OP was aircraft and personnel for their Air Unit. AWA

Midwest desires to grow its search and rescue capabilities to positively impact lives both physically and spiritually, hence the opportunity for collaboration between our organizations was born. I continue to work on the SAR Tech II certification process which is the minimum requirement to participate in SAR ground operations. Coincidentally, my mother-in-law, Rose, recently joined our household accompanied by her trusty dog, Budge. Budge is a Husky/White Labrador mix. As we work with Budge to receive his Canine Good Citizen (CGC) certification, members of the SAR K9 unit have suggested that he might make a good SAR K9 too. Join me as we pray for God's leading in the new relationship between SAR K9 CO-OP and AWA Midwest as well as the possibility of Budge becoming a SAR K9 team member.

MEET THE AUTHOR...



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Light of the World

by Edgar Espinosa

Our village has been blessed with the presence of volunteers through Adventist World Aviation over the years. People from various parts of the world have come to participate in the hands-on building of our church. Now, several years later, the church is almost finished. Even though it isn't done yet, we have a comfortable place to worship out of the sun and the rain. We still had a problem though; we could only worship comfortably in the daytime. At night, it gets as black as black can be.

The closest electrical post that we can connect to is 300 meters away. If we had decided to go that route, we would have needed to install a long drop wire from the post to the church, which is expensive to buy and install. Also, a building permit would have needed to be obtained. We would also have needed to hire a civil engineer to make a floor plan of the church and an electrical engineer to make electrical plans. BUT we believed God would provide all that is needed in His time, and He will, but in a way we didn't expect!

The Lord provided two solar streetlights in January. We put them inside the church to lighten the dark corners. We then celebrated the goodness of the Lord through "Ten Days of Prayers". Everyone was invited to join, friends, family, and neighbors of the newly baptized members. Most of those invited were not Adventist Christians. We ended the last service of the

ten days with an evening worship and a Communion supper. It was very special.

The Lord said that we should not neglect gathering, to worship in His name. Being able to gather at night for prayerful, evening worship to allow the Holy Spirit to communicate with us is such a blessing. Prophecy tells us that in the last days we will not be using the church for worship anymore. Until that day, it is my prayer that we can shepherd these young people both day and night.

Eventually we want to get two more solar streetlights to put outside on the dirt road that passes by the church. It is very dark for people to pass by. Hopefully they will feel safer passing the church and it will be a reminder that God is the Light of the world.

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Praying for Ukraine

by Monique Wikerson

Miles apart yet united in prayer. One Sunday evening, via Whatsapp, the Hobo Hill Worship Center members and the Barabina Church members along with us, the Wilkersons, in unity, came together to pray for the situation in Ukraine and the 2-year long coronavirus epidemic.

The question that rang in everyone's mind was what can we do as Christian brothers and sisters who are watching and waiting for the Lord's return regarding what is happening with the Ukrainians and Russians? Everyone is hearing about it in the marketplace, reading about it in the papers and watching it on the television and in various social media applications. "There must be something we can do?" There is and we did – we prayed.

In Luke 21:9-11 it states, "But when ye shall hear of wars and commotions, be not terrified: for these things must first come to pass; but the end is not by and by. Then he said unto them, Nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. And great earthquakes shall be in divers places, and famines, and pestilences; and fearful sights and great signs shall there be from heaven."

We prayed for this earth, this world, which is the battlefield of good and evil, that its inhabitants choose life, eternal life.

We prayed for the people of Ukraine who are suffering atrocities; who fear for their lives and their loved ones; who are losing their homes, neighborhood, and their way of living; and who have uncertain futures. We prayed that they know or can know of eternal life and mansion homes the Lord has in store for those who believe.

We prayed for the people of Russia who are at the crossroads of following their government or their own conscience. We prayed that they know or can know that their choices here on this earth can lead to eternal death or eternal life.

We prayed that the coronavirus epidemic would end in God's time: that the people who died from it knew the Lord; that the family members who lost loved ones from covid know they may see them again in the earth made new; that people suffering from it now maintain their trust and faith that the Lord will never give them more than they can handle.

We all knew this world is not our own and so we parted by singing, "Shall We Gather at the River." We all knew in our hearts that we will be seeing each other again under the Tree of Life, by the River of Life, as we are faithful and true to our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. We have this hope!

MEET THE AUTHOR...



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ADVENTIST AVIATOR

"Who are these that fly as the cloud, and as the doves to their windows?" Isaiah 60:8

WHAT IS APA?
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May-June, 1962

300 PILOTS RESPOND TO AIRMEN NOTICE

Approximately 300 pilots from coast to coast responded to a recent request for information for an Adventist pilots' directory. The notice appeared in eight of the ten union conference papers in North America. Pilots living in the North Pacific and the Pacific Unions have not yet been contacted through their union papers but it is hoped that by the time the first issue of the *Adventist Aviator* is published it will appear in their papers.

This association had its beginnings September 27, 1959, when some 20 pilots met at a fly-in

Meet the APA President



Dan Walter

A young, energetic pilot, Dan Walter, who intersperses his aviation with his undergraduate

1,000 hours in his brief air career to date.

Dan chalked up a number of "firsts" while at Thunderbird. He was first to solo in their flight program, second to earn the private ticket, first to get a commercial license, and first to become a flight instructor. He took every aviation class at the academy and during his senior year assisted as flight instructor.

While at the academy, Dan made several trips to visit his parents at the Monument Valley Mission station on the Arizona- Utah border. His mother and father

Timeless Foundation

by Rebecca Stevenson

It's not every day that you're able to connect with the roots of something monumental. While AWA began in 1995, the idea of mission flying had been around long before. Late November 2021, I took a call from an 83-year-old retired missionary pastor who had spent time in Brazil on the Amazon River and other places. I learned that he was a pilot and an A&P, though he hadn't applied those abilities in a while. His name was Pastor Daniel Walter. He was looking to serve as a volunteer with us, helping around the hangar while his wife visited their grandkids. He loves his grandkids but being an aid in the hangar for AWA sounded much better to him.

On February 3rd Pastor "Dan" arrived at our Wilson office. When Pastor Ric saw Dan, he was

suddenly all aglow. Pastor Dan wasn't just some volunteer to spend the next month with us. An old, printed publication, *Adventist Aviator*, was in Pastor Ric's hand as he approached Pastor Dan -- the first edition, May/June 1962, "Meet the APA President" headlined the center front-page photo, "Dan Walter," captioning the bottom.

Pastor Ric had been looking for Pastor Dan for over eight years, and once he realized who was going to be our guest for the next month, he put the dots together with the old publication, and his prayer had been answered!

Before there was Adventist World Aviation, there was Adventist Pilot's Association. The man who



had come to visit us, Pastor Dan Walter, was the founding president for the APA and the publication, *Adventist Aviator*. In March of 1965, he was taught at Thunderbird Academy by C.B Harris, TBA's flight instructor at the time. The same year, he earned his private pilot's license and then in 1958 earned his commercial license, with the following month attaining his limited flight instructor's rating. By December of 1961, he had received his CFI rating, logging 1,000 hours in the short career.

During his career as an instructor, he would come to train another aviation enthusiast like himself who cut hair to pay for flying lessons at university. It was Robert Folkenberg, not yet an elder of the church at that time, but a young man, who would later fly missions in the bush, become GC President and found what we know today as Adventist World Aviation. What a beginning!

Yet, while Pastor Dan was with us, we would further learn of just how amazing his life had been. It had meaningfully impacted others, and he had firsthand accounts of so many beautiful Jesus experiences he'd witnessed in others' lives because he was there in the bush with either a plane or a Luzerio boat. Story after story he tells of churches being planted through evangelistic meetings and people coming to believe in God. There were individuals standing up for Jesus and risking everything! Bibles endured severe persecution without a single mark on them in the end. And daring flights happened even at night, to escape danger. God was faithful to His people every moment.

He shared stories from his travels serving as a missionary pilot worldwide, including, but not limited to: Indonesia, Laos, Cambodia, India, Singapore, Brazil, and on the Amazon River.

Pastor Dan experienced many things in his lifetime, even so much as gunfire flying overhead while baptizing people in a river in Cambodia.

What a blessing for Pastor Dan to take the time to help around the hangar. He dug into some of the aircraft, helped us move things from the Smithfield hangar to our new Wilson hangar, told incredible stories of his mission experiences both flying and with the Luzerio boats, was interviewed by Steven Leger, and even preached a few times at the Wilson First Church. He was able to fly in several different planes, and shortly after he arrived, he visited the First Flight Wright Brothers Monument, a lifelong dream.

Pastor Dan loved working with Kyle. He said, getting his hands dirty and organizing the parts and tools, "Made me feel like I was really helping you (AWA) get settled in."

From mission pilot in Brazil to Indonesia, to Ministerial Secretary in Malaysia, to Mission President in Cambodia, to Union Ministerial Secretary of Singapore, to Adventist World Aviation volunteer:

Thank you, Pastor Daniel Walter, for your assistance and presence with us at HQ! You made the month of February super special!

Bite-Sized Donations

Bite-sized donations are just that – bite-sized gifts that significantly impact the project's success. Any support towards the total of any following items is much appreciated.



ALASKA

A Garmin G5 is needed for both Alaska aircraft plus installation. HSI costs around **\$3,500** while the ADI is around **\$2,750**.

\$3500 • \$2750

CANADA

Fuel costs traveling back and forth to the AWAC hangar in Oliver, BC, where planes are being restored and maintained, add up and can leave the project burdened.

\$40 per day; **\$120** per week or **\$480** per month.

\$250 each for emergency survival kits.

\$500 for aviation fuel costs, and **\$250** for starter tool kits.



\$40 • \$120 • \$480 • \$250 • \$500



\$312

DISASTER RESPONSE

Two aviation hand-held radios for ground search teams to communicate with aircraft: **\$312** each for a total of **\$624**.



\$120

GUYANA

Every December, many Guyanese paint their homes because the South American sun alternating with the ominous rain deteriorates structures. Painting helps preserve plaster and wood surfaces. Since the building of the Learning Center in 2017, it hasn't been repainted.



HEADQUARTERS

Monitors for the new offices. 5 computers @ \$150 each for a total of \$750.

A letter folding machine will help expedite the preparation of bulk mailings: \$450.

\$150 • \$450



MIDWEST

Three aircraft cylinders require overhaul \$1,000 each for a total of \$3,000.

A borescope for aircraft engine inspections \$92.

\$1,000 • \$92



NICARAGUA

The Runne Family shipping 5 boxes @ \$500 each for their personal and household goods, with Caleb shipping his medical physio table so that he can conduct treatments in the country for a total of \$2,500.

A hydroelectric generator will provide sustainable power for the missionary quarters and the aircraft hangar: \$500.

Musical instruments to be used as an outreach ministry for the local children and youth: \$300-500.

\$500 • \$2,500 • \$300-500

PHILIPPINES

This spring, AWA's Philippine Project Board Chairman is holding a week-long Health and Family Crusade anticipating over 200 villagers in attendance. \$1,250 is needed to cover: the cost of baptismal Bibles or hymnals (\$550), transportation ministry (\$150), arts and craft materials for the children's program (\$125), healthy snacks (\$250), and literature to be handed out nightly (\$175).



\$550 • \$150 • \$125 • \$250 • \$175



Kentucky on My Mind

by Steven Leger

Saturday morning, the news reached AWA headquarters. Tornadoes touched down in Kentucky with over 240 miles of reported damage and countless lives affected.

Sunday morning, Doug Pagliolo and I received the call to respond. Pulling the Mooney M20C out of our hangar, we did our pre-flight checks and took off. Three hours later, after battling a 40-knot headwind, we landed at Nashville International Airport (KBNA). We stopped to refuel and a crane operator with Gideon Rescue Company (GRC) joined us. Forty-five minutes into our flight, we came across the tornado's path. Circling the most devastated areas, we pinned the locations that were most affected. Seeing the destruction up close filled me with a sense of urgency. The thought of someone trapped kept Doug up all night. He wasn't alone.

Early the next morning we laid out plans. I oversaw the box truck that delivered essential supplies from the distribution centers to the communities while Doug picked up more rescuers from Nashville and flew them to Mayfield. Praying to God that He would direct our actions, I headed towards the airport where some of the supplies were being stored. Upon arrival, I discovered that the two major distribution centers for food, water, and other essentials, were full to the brim. Not enough

people from the communities were getting to the distribution centers to pick up the supplies they needed. I stopped by the fairgrounds to meet with GRC's president, Brock, and the Heritage Academy students. They were handing out small pamphlets to people leaving the fairgrounds and praying with them. These pamphlets talk about hope, and how to deal with devastating circumstances in our lives. Many individuals broke down crying, so grateful for our prayers and encouragement. This is when I realized that filling their physical needs was not enough, and that if I wanted to make an impact in the lives of others, I had to be there for them physically, emotionally, spiritually, and mentally.

I met up with Doug at the airport and advised him on the supply situation. Doug replied, "Well, if the distribution centers aren't getting enough supplies out, we will do it ourselves!" Off we went to the supply hangar and loaded our truck with food, clothes, and other essential supplies. We had no idea if we would find a place to drop our supplies, but with a little faith and a lot of determination we set off. It was getting dark and our hopes of finding a community in need of our supplies was setting with the sun. Finally, we arrived somewhere called the Moors where police were blocking some of the roads.

We stopped to ask for directions, but they told us there was nothing ahead and that we should turn around and drop off our supplies at the elementary school. However, we decided to drive ahead to a nearby restaurant.

This restaurant was feeding all the community members for free; anyone who needed a hot cooked meal could come and eat. We unloaded winter clothes, food, blankets, baby food, and diapers so people coming to eat could also receive much-needed supplies.

Next, we loaded the box truck and headed to Gilbertsville. When we reached the peninsula along the lake the destruction was everywhere. As far as the eye could see the tornado had ripped apart everything. A sea of two-by-fours, nails, broken furniture, kids' toys, and houses laid to waste. Every step I took was slow, for every step was riddled with nails and other hazards. The rescue dogs searched the debris for signs of survivors. Signs, where houses once stood, memorialized the lives of those lost; their names painted on sheets of plywood along with "Rest In Peace."

Doug, a former Marine, told me this damage and destruction was worse than any war zone he had ever witnessed. As we arrived where our team was working, I heard cries of excitement as a small red camera was found. Pictures and videos of the last precious moments of a family member who had lost their life during the tornado were on the camera. The lady gripped the device tightly to her chest, crying in disbelief that our group would take time to search through the rubble, on a seemingly impossible task to find this small red camera in an ocean of debris.

Doug and I found countless memorabilia and keepsakes scattered across the disaster zone. Particularly were toys and Christmas presents still intact. The presents belonged to two girls who hid in a bathtub along with their dad when the tornado came and ripped them from their home and threw them across the street. One suffered a collapsed lung, the other lost a few fingers.

As I stood watching the chaos around me, an older couple stopped and asked if the supplies in the truck were for the community. We immediately gave them whatever they needed. The gentleman then his wife broke down crying. Doug and I hugged them; praying with them I felt my own eyes water. Getting back in the truck, Doug hanging on the back as I drove, I cried. How could I not? So much pain in one place, my heart ached.

We began moving house to house, pulling debris out to the road. Everywhere we went, we prayed and sometimes sang songs in a group. As we moved on to the next home, I would look behind me and see a smile from those we had just helped. I remember finding an American flag on the ground and when returned to the owner, he took it with tears in his eyes.

Finally, when we reached the end of the road, we saw a house with smoke coming from the chimney. Brock and a few



others, checked to see if everyone inside was okay. They found an army veteran, Reid, inside. Drinking and wanting to take his life he was devastated by all he had lost. We cleared his driveway so he could get to his truck. Doug was able to sit and talk with him for a long while. As the team talked with Reid he began to focus on the good and the suicidal thoughts faded. We all gathered around him, surrounded him, in a circle and sang, "Amazing Grace," then prayed with him. Encouraging him, we thanked him for his service.

The next day he messaged Doug, "Thank you all," he said, "for saving my life."

We worked day and night, bringing aid; partnering with amazing individuals to save lives. We reached out to everyone we came across, filling their needs. On our flight home both Doug and I meditated on the experience, exhausted but pleased by the good we had done. We intend to return soon to follow up and assist where needed.

I once heard that we are not defined by what we say, but by what we do. Our actions speak louder than words. So, as the faces of the people we helped are etched in my mind forever, I am filled with a longing to do more.

MEET THE AUTHOR...



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His Timeline

by Ray Young

**“To everything there is a season,
and a time to every purpose
under the heaven.”**

—Ecclesiastes 3:1, KJV

“Light the propane heater. It’s freezing inside!”

This winter, Julie and I worked in the Canadian AWA hangar in Oliver, BC. The hangar is not heated, and we rely on one propane heater and a small electric one to keep the chill off us while we do maintenance, restoration, and polishing of the Cessna 172. Even though we are used to Canadian winters from December to January, we had to forgo our daily drive to the hangar. The heaters struggled to keep us warm as the temperatures lowered farther into -20 degrees. We spent the rest of the short winter days at home in our office, getting caught up on paperwork, logbook updates, and getting ready to send out tax receipts to our donors.



Meanwhile, in Winnipeg and Northern Ontario, the temperatures are still -40 degrees, and the region is currently blanketed by snow. Flying in the winter is impossible with a floatplane. The engine and engine oil need to stay warm and ready for flight, and the plane clear of snow for when a need arises.



To cultivate and move forward, it is felt that the current floatplane is not meeting the true needs of the work to be done in the region. Over time, the world changes, and so do our mission projects. We must be flexible and adjust quickly to the changing needs. Having prayed on what would be a better plane, our prayers were answered; we found one for sale in the hangar behind ours in Oliver.

The new plane to be purchased is a Cessna 206. This plane will be a better option for the region. It is faster, which saves on fuel, it carries two more people, and it can be used when the lakes are frozen, which means a more extended flying season. We still have the option to put floats on if needed in the future. Our insurance costs will be lower, and we can use pilots with less total time, unlike a floatplane. Most pilots get their licenses flying similar planes. This one is more powerful, making the training time much shorter and cost-effective.

Our future goal is to build a base that can operate year-round. Since that area sees many months of cold and snowy weather, we need a hanger to keep this plane clean of snow and ice. The new hangar will allow us to warm the aircraft and still use it in cold weather. Protecting God's assets for longevity will also help keep the costs down. We already have a spot to build, but we need funds

and possibly a construction company that can help. The total budget is \$200,000.00. Please pray about this and consider giving toward this need so it will be completed before next winter.

God's timing is perfect, so we are reminded of His valuable lessons to rely on His plan, and His timeline, not our own.

**“He hath made every thing
beautiful in His time.”**

—Ecclesiastes 3:11

MEET THE AUTHOR...



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Amazing Restoration Venture

by Kyle Stevenson

The Toku Hana is more than just a historic aircraft. It all started when little Henry Ohye, a US-born Japanese American citizen, fell in love with flight at the age of 9. He saved his pennies, took flight lessons, and in 1931 earned his private pilot's license. Following the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, he tried to enlist in the US Army Air Corps but was declined because of his ethnicity. Instead, he was sent to Arizona's American "relocation" camp. Nevertheless, he clung to being a loyal US citizen.

When economic and trade tensions arose in the 1960s between the US and Japan, Henry sprang into action with his talents of flight and his plane, the Toku Hana (named after his parents in their loving memory). Out of love and concern over the fractured relationship between the US and Japan from war and distrust, Henry planned and executed a "goodwill" mission flight to Japan to reconcile the countries and maintain peace. In July of 1964, he took off and flew dead reckoning (no GPS, just a compass and sectional charts) from Los Angeles, California, stopping along the way in Oakland, Honolulu, Midway, Wake, Guam, and Okinawa. The flight successfully ended in Tokyo, where he delivered his goodwill letters from sister cities in the US. This helped maintain peace and friendship between the two countries.



After a long chain of events, the Toku Hana was donated to AWA to keep flying for the goodwill needs of humanity. It has been well taken care of over the last 60 years but found to need some better wiring and avionics. A decision was made to upgrade the avionics (electronics) and wiring to a more modern standard. The Toku Hana is often used for Angelwings Flights (non-medical-emergency, humanitarian flights).

As I began to dig into the wiring and inspect things, I realized the enormity of the needed task and dreaded my next path of action on the plane. I found quite a bit of the



original wiring in bad condition and in need of repair. Additionally, all the circuit breakers were quite old and probably original equipment from the 1960s. On top of that, there was no room in the original circuit breaker panel for all the new circuit breakers I'd need for installing new avionics. Besides a complete rewiring of the circuit breaker panel, I would have to make a new avionics circuit breaker bus and panel.

I knew I had a big job ahead of me. First, I carefully removed all 20 circuit breakers on the main bus, meticulously labeling and inspecting them as I disassembled the panel. Then, I suddenly realized the depth of the issues I was facing. The 60-year-old wiring and components needed repair, and some previously done repairs were not done well with unlabeled wiring, all during the years of the plane's service. So, I found myself in the middle of what would be a 6-month long project of repairing and replacing wiring and failed components like the stall warning system and flap position indicator.

Thanks to some generous gifts of wiring and components, I then pulled it all together. With a custom fabricated avionics bus and replacing every single circuit breaker in the system, I was able to completely rewire the entire main circuit breaker bus. This powers everything on the plane. In addition, I installed four new radios, GPS and antenna, transponder, audio panel/intercom, rewired all the headset jacks, and fixed and repaired gauges that could no longer be purchased or easily fixed!

When I hooked everything up and turned the power on for the first time, I was worried that it would all blow up in my face! With so many wires, tracking ordered parts, and completed repairs I had done, I was utterly dumbfounded the moment I turned on the power the first time to test everything. No smoke came out of the wires.

Those who work with electricity know that it can be extremely temperamental. However, if the smoke stays inside the wires, everything will be okay. Much to my amazement, I only had a few straightforward problems to fix, and almost everything was working. I replaced a bad (new) circuit breaker (*yes, sometimes that happens*), connected a few wires I'd forgotten to join, and praise the Lord – everything worked!

I'm putting the finishing touches on the panel, labeling everything, calibrating the new radios and GPS, and setting things up. Soon, this historic bird will be back in the air again, with up-to-date avionics and a whole lot safer to fly. While it's been a long, arduous battle, I'm proud to have been the one to do all the work. I may not be the best avionics/wiring technician in the world, but I was able to add some more life and utility to a historic aircraft that is still more than capable of spreading the hope and love of Jesus in service with AWA.

MEET THE AUTHOR...



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Información Privilegiada

¿Cuáles son sus creencias? ¿Qué es verdadero y qué es falso? ¿En qué clase de reportes se puede basar para tomar decisiones? Hoy en día, hay acceso a una variedad de información a través de internet, televisión o incluso en la mesa con amigos o familiares.

Con todo este bombardeo de información, muchas veces se dificulta focalizarnos y capturar lo que realmente es importante en este momento, eso es, la vida eterna personal y la de nuestro prójimo.

Realmente es un don poder encontrarse con personas y conversar con ellas aun cuando no ven el mundo de la misma manera. Esto es ser un verdadero misionero. Pero ¿cómo dirigimos de forma genuina y trascendente el enfoque secular de las personas y lo encauzamos a uno espiritual? La forma más poderosa de llegar a alguien es a través del testimonio y vivencia personal.

Supongamos que su amigo le relata una historia sobre un anciano que vivía a las afueras de la ciudad. Este hombre ya entrado en edad le da a su amigo una pluma de ave con supuestos “poderes especiales” y le dice que cada vez que quiera ir a un lugar, puede ponerse la pluma en el bolsillo y volar como Superman. Suena descabellado, ¿no es cierto?

Insider Information

by Josh Fix

What do you believe in? What's true and what's false? What information can you put your weight on to make decisions? In this world there's every kind of flavor of information floating around out there on the internet, on tv, or even around the table at a gathering with friends or family.

It's hard sometimes to rise above the noise coming from all sides to see through all the smoke and grab a hold of what's important right now and will forever be the most important thing, and that is eternal life. Eternal life not only for ourselves but for everyone, even for those we don't agree with on every point. Encountering and conversing with people who don't see the world in the same way we do is what being a missionary is all about. But how do we direct people's focus and help them to put their faith in the same place we have ours, and in a genuine way that will stick and change their life? The most powerful way to reach someone is by your testimony, either by sharing it or by living it.

Here's a quick scenario. Say your friend tells you that they climbed the hill outside of town and found an old man living in a shack. According to your friend the old man gave them a special feather and whenever they want to go someplace, they can stick the feather in their back pocket and fly there like superman.



La verdad, es que para muchas personas la idea de amar incondicionalmente y/o hacer el bien a su prójimo desinteresadamente, es también descabellado...hasta que lo ven en acción. Cuando genuinamente demostramos lo que creemos, el testimonio tiene poder y ésto no viene de nosotros sino que es un milagro de Dios.

Cuando ponemos nuestra fe en Cristo, se nos da poder para llegar a ser hijos e hijas de Dios (Juan 1:12). Es a través del conocimiento de Cristo y teniendo fe en Su poder para salvar que podemos escapar de ser una amenaza para la sociedad y ser realmente “participantes de la naturaleza Divina” (2 Pedro 3-4). ¿No es maravilloso? En realidad, ¡es mejor que poder volar gracias al poder de una pluma! No se preocupen, eso vendrá después.

El caso es que nuestro propio ejemplo de una vida transformada es necesario para que la gente vea que es posible. De lo contrario, solo somos hipócritas. Así es que cuando se nos presente la oportunidad, necesitamos compartir nuestro secreto que es el Salvador morando en nosotros (Colosenses 1:27), de lo contrario, ¿cómo van a tener una fe salvadora en nuestro Señor Jesucristo? (Romanos 10:13-14).

Entonces, si se siente agobiado por noticias desalentadoras y el estado deprimente del mundo, recuerde que hay una batalla que realmente importa y es la batalla por la vida eterna personal y la de nuestro prójimo. Precisamente ésto es lo que nuestro Señor nos ha llamado a hacer. Justo antes de ascender al Cielo, Jesús dio a sus seguidores unas palabras de despedida. Como todo mensaje final, estas palabras tenían y tienen mucha importancia: “Id por todo el mundo y predicad el evangelio a toda criatura” (Marcos 16:15). No se me ocurre una forma más adecuada de concluir.

I must chuckle as I write this because it's such a ridiculous story, but for a lot of people, being a selfless loving person who desires others good with nothing in return seems just as farfetched, *until they see it in action*. And if we are honest, and it's important that we are, not only for our own good but for others as well, being good doesn't come natural to us earthlings. It doesn't matter what kind of family you come from, it's only by a miracle of God that we aren't Hitler reincarnate. I'm not even kidding.

But when we put our faith in Christ, we are given power to become sons and daughters of God (John 1:12). It is through a knowledge of Christ and having faith in His power to save that we can escape being a menace to society and be “partakers of the divine nature” (2 Peter 3-4). Isn't that awesome! It's better than being able to fly! Spoiler alert, that does come later.

The deal is we must exemplify a changed life for people to take us seriously. Otherwise, we're just fanatical hypocrites. And if the opportunity presents itself, we need to share our secret, which is an indwelling Savior (Colossians 1:27), else how are they to have a saving faith in our Lord Jesus Christ (Romans 10:13-14)?

So, if you're weighed down with discouraging news and the polarized state of the world, remember that that there's a battle that really matters, and that is the battle for eternal life. We need to strive for eternal life ourselves, but we also need to bring as many along on this journey as well. It's what our Lord has called us to do. Just before He rose to heaven, He gave His followers some parting words. Parting words tend to be important, and I believe that Jesus' last words to His disciples are no different. He said “Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature” (Mark 16:15). I cannot think of a more appropriate way to conclude.

MEET THE AUTHORS...



**Josh Fix, and his wife, Yosiday,
and their children, Caleb and Isaac,
are Missionaries-in-Training for Nicaragua.**



Worthwhile Pursuits

by Jim Kincaid

Someone might ask, “What do people who fly and operate airplanes for humanitarian purposes do when there is no flying going on?” Unfortunately, the last couple of years has given rise to that question. A global pandemic and the daily news of international tensions of nation against nation causes many to be fearful and preoccupied with their daily struggles.

However, we have a Savior, even when the world is in turmoil and hearts fill with fear. We have a place to run to—a safe place to take our stress and anxiety.

It is the perfect time to share faith—to bring answers to peoples’ persistent questions.

Now, maybe more than ever, folks are searching for a place and a person in whom to believe. We have found that many in our community are not only open to studying the Bible but are hungry for a Word from the Lord.

We have been leading Bible studies three nights a week for the last few months. I can tell you that Bible study is good for what ails you, no matter who you are.

It is such a joy to see your Bible study participants step forward and follow Jesus into the waters of baptism.

Kiersten Ubanks is a 20-something young lady whose father and grandmother are members of the North Pole Seventh-day Adventist Church.

She investigated several religious diversions before giving Jesus a chance in her life. Now she is not only committed to Jesus but plans to pursue education for a career of service.

So, while we prepare our airplanes for a summer of activity, we can tend to valuable pursuits for the kingdom of God.

“The fields are white with grain that is ready. Pray the Lord of the harvest, that He will send laborers into the fields.”



MEET THE AUTHOR...



**Jim Kincaid, and his wife, Linda, are your
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Our Lifeblood

by Thomas Hinrichs

God's blessings could be likened to His river of life. They keep coming, constantly flowing, energizing, and making life beautiful. For a nonprofit charity like AWA, we daily covet those blessings that God sends, the "river of life," if you will, that flows through the veins of this institution.

That river is donations. Donations are the lifeblood of all nonprofits and charities. Often, the donations are in monetary form, but it's not only cash donations that matter and makes a difference; in-kind donations play a significant role.

What are In-Kind donations?

They consist of any non-monetary gift. A donor can give goods like food or computers, services, time and labor, or use of facilities or equipment at no cost. For instance, a lawyer who consults for free, or a vendor who donates anything from water to office supplies, makes an in-kind donation. A magazine could present free ad space. An individual may donate clothing to a shelter or medical supplies to aid an organization. These are all in-kind donations.

When done right, making an in-kind donation can be incredibly beneficial to both the nonprofit and the donor. A prime example is that most of the aircraft in AWA's fleet were

from in-kind donations. For the donor, in-kind donations may be an opportunity to give away surplus goods that might otherwise cost money to manage. It's also a way for them to give back and be a part of something global. For the nonprofit, in-kind donations allow them to acquire things they need without overtaxing their operational budget (like the aircraft). In addition, it gives the nonprofit a way to connect and make lasting relationships.

In-kind donations can also be made to a nonprofit for resale purposes. AWA has accepted goods as diverse as vehicles like vans, trucks, and cars, recreational craft such as boats, aircraft, and RVs, and even real estate like houses and land. These sales have been used to supplement the monetary support raised for our projects and missionaries.

As you are blessed and moved to make a difference, please consider making an in-kind donation today. Our office staff can answer any questions you may have regarding current needs or logistics in making your donation a reality. *Thank you for making what we do possible.*

MEET THE AUTHOR...



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stationed at AWA
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In Memory...

Families and friends
in memory of Freeman Groat

Sandra Wirth in memory of parents
Stephen and Catherine Koval who
were supporters of AWA for many years

Vilma Hodgson
in memory of Wilhelmina Martin

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Michael and Alice Weakley in memory of
Barry and Thelma Burton and John and Betty Weakley



Fiesta Cheesy Dip

by Jordana Runne

**Yields 4 cups
of plant-based
deliciousness!**

INGREDIENTS:

- 3 cups diced potatoes
*(the smaller you cut them,
the quicker they cook)*
- 1 big carrot, scrubbed and
cut into tiny pieces
- 4 Tbsp. vegetable oil
- 3 Tbsp. nutritional yeast
- ½ tsp. mustard
- 1 tsp. salt
- 3 tsp. lemon juice

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Chop the potatoes and toss them in the pot.
2. Slice the carrots and throw'em in. Then let them boil for 12 minutes approx. on med heat.
3. Next, pop the vegetable mixture in the blender.
4. Add the oil.
5. Put in the nutritional yeast.
6. Drop in the mustard, salt, and lemon juice. Then, pulse until the mixture gains a finely chopped consistency. Blend on HIGH until smooth, scraping down the sides of the blender. Tweak to taste, then, dig in!

TIPS:

- If you'd like some kick, add a bit of cayenne pepper, just watch out!
- This can go with a lot of dishes, including nachos, tacos (Hispanic food in general), even burgers and chili.

**Eat your savory dip!
Yum!**

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Jordana Runne is the 12-year-old daughter of Caleb and Glenda Runne. The Runne family are Missionaries to Nicaragua.



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