



HOPE OF FLIGHT

My house is near the Kelowna International Airport, where small aircraft, commercial airlines, and charters regularly fly over. I love that I am directly on the flight path of airplanes, roaring high above, carrying passengers for business or to exotic locals and other airports. As a plane enthusiast, I enjoy sitting outside and watching them fly overhead, going about regular daily business...

But what if the narrative of this story was...

The missionary base I live on is critically located in a small community. Each day, I hear the buzzing hum of

the propeller as the yellow and blue Cessna soars low over the house and lands or takes off in front of me on the grass runway, always ready to fly to transport another patient in need of medical attention locally or on a far off island.

I would like to see that yellow bird flying daily on medical flights. Call me optimistic, but if I had a machete cut, was bitten by a snake, was ill with jungle fever, or was in critical labour, I, too, would want to look up and see that plane swooping down from the heavens. A blessing in the sky was being flown by a

missionary pilot and assisted by a health practitioner. Someone to come and hold my hand and give me a stuffed animal to snuggle. I want that missionary to tell me it would all be ok and that Jesus is flying with me.

If taken out on a medical flight, I would return and share with the community about the missionary who cared for me. I would share that all of it was free and that the flight was supported by a person far away in another city who felt in their heart that I was worthy of care and protection. That is why the planes that fly within AWA are essential in continuing to fly for those in crisis, mentally, physically, or spiritually.

Can you share my expectation of looking up into the sky and visualizing the yellow and blue missionary plane flying off to assist another person in medical distress?

Did you know that flying is referenced in the bible?

There are many texts to find that signify liberty and protection for each one of us.

“The LORD recompense thy work, and a full reward be given thee of the LORD God of Israel, under whose wings thou art come to trust.” Ruth 2:12

“If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me.” Psalm 139:9-10

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A photograph of Julie Young, a woman with blonde hair, standing behind a table covered with a blue and white cloth. The table has various items on it, including brochures and a small plant. Behind her is a large blue banner with the AWA logo and the text 'ADVENTIST WORLD AVIATION MISSIONARY PROGRAM TO SERVE IN AREAS SERVING HIGHERLY - AWA FLYAWA.ORG'. The background shows an indoor setting with a stone wall.