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Serving Christ by Serving His Missionaries

Everybody has a part | Ephesians 4:16

Ministry tools come in all different forms, shapes, and sizes. It is amazing to see what comes in and out of the Agape hangar, big and small, and then to see how God uses these tools through the missionaries that we serve. Whether it is 119 lbs of garden seeds serving an agricultural ministry, or basketball goals serving an athletic ministry, God has amazing ways of using these tools through His missionaries to serve in the field.

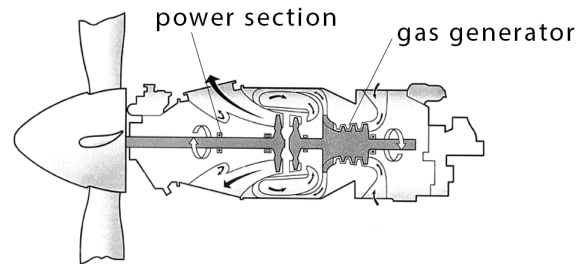
Our main ministry tool at Agape is our Embraer 110 'Bandit' aircraft. Yes, a whopping **7,205 lb ministry tool!** Along with such a great big ministry tool also comes a great big responsibility. We are so grateful for this tool God has provided us, and it is our mission to keep it in top notch condition so that it is able to fulfill His will and His purpose for it.

Currently, the Embraer 110 'Bandit,' our main aircraft, is in need of an overhaul on the gas generator section of the engine. This is a six to eight week process totaling an estimated cost of \$160,000.

Starting the week after Christmas, the engine will come off of the plane, and then it will be sent to Covington Aircraft to do the engine overhaul. Greg Haman, our Chief Mechanic, will accompany the engine to Oklahoma for the first week of the overhaul process.

Greg has been preparing for this overhaul for several

PT6A-34 (engine on the Embraer 110)



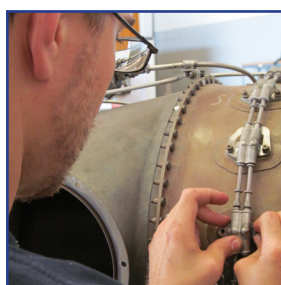
months now, and was able to attend an intensive recurrent training in September at Spokane Turbine Center in Spokane, Washington. The training was on "PT6A Small Engine Series Line Maintenance & Hot Sections Inspections" (PT6A=engine that is on the Embraer 110). He was able to attend with and learn alongside other mission aviation mechanics.

While the engine is being overhauled, we will be renting a replacement PT6A so that we are able to continue normal flights to the mission field. The engine will be rented on an hour to hour basis, and insured through Agape. Once the overhaul is complete, the rented engine will come off and be replaced with our newly overhauled engine. The newly overhauled gas generator section will last "well over 10 years," according to Greg.

Agape is so grateful for Greg, and for the partnerships with Spokane Turbine Center, Covington Aircraft, our donors, missionary affiliates, and all who are making this engine overhaul possible and successful.

From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.

Ephesians 4:16



Greg Haman, along with other mission aviation mechanics, training at Spokane Turbine Center

HALLELUJAH!

turkeys and *trophies*... goals and dinner rolls...

Whatever the ministry tool, Agape is so happy to be a part of sharing Jesus in Haiti, the Bahamas and the Dominican Republic.

Recently, **Thanksgiving** boxes were shopped for, decorated, packed, and flown to the mission field.

Mark Stockeland shipped two basketball **goals** to be used in his ministry, Haiti Bible Mission.

Agape missionary affiliates 'The Wrays' hosted a Haiti-wide volleyball tournament where they needed **trophies** engraved and sent to Haiti for the men's and women's winning teams.

Just **imagine** the Kingdom work accomplished through all **375** missionary families!



Thanksgiving to the field...

- > 6,000 lbs.
- > 2 full mission flights
- > 230 Missionary Thanksgiving Dinners
- > Deliveries completed by 11/21/14
- > \$39,720.00 received as of 11/11/2014
- ...**Hallelujah!** Lots of blessings and a fully funded project!!



"Thanks to Agape Flights for shipping the **goals** to Jeremie, Haiti. Not just a few lives but communities are changed with the love of Jesus when Agape is involved! God is so good!"
--Mark Stockeland, Haiti Bible Mission



"Thanks again for the beautiful **trophies**. They were so nice and much appreciated...It was a great experience for us all. Thanks for continuing to help in so many different ways. We appreciate you all!"
God Bless,
Debbie, Rod, Tim and Katie Wray
Harvest International, Haiti

Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. Philippians 4:6-7 (NKJV)

FROM THE **CEO**



Dear Friend and Agape Partner,

I am writing this invitation with a sense of urgency. In less than 30 days our main tool in ministry will undergo an overhaul on the left engine at an estimated cost of \$160,000.00. Because of the faithfulness of our supporters, and the Lord's blessing

\$78,900.14 has already been raised to specifically fund this large expense. **To God Be The Glory!**

Early in the morning hours of November 4, I woke up, sat up in bed, and said to Jennifer, my wife, "Have I done enough? What more can I do to communicate Agape's needs?"

My wonderful wife, who knows scripture, pointed me to Philippians 4. As I read, and reread this wonderful passage of the Word, God reminded me of His Sovereignty. The anxiety that I was feeling at 2:30 in the morning was self-inflicted. I was awake with heaviness on my heart about the details of the engine overhaul.

I was having difficulty with the "be anxious for nothing part." Then, I was reminded that often through that three-letter word, "**but**" there is a bridge created within the verses. As I crossed that bridge, the Lord said *pray, then pray again, and*

pray after you've prayed again. And then, with joyful thanksgiving communicate Agape's requests to God and God's people.

I love serving the Lord through Agape Flights! I believe that God is using this Agape family to minister to, and through, and alongside of our missionary affiliates; sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ by serving their needs. On a daily basis we communicate with the missionaries through email or telephone, text or social media. But when they stop by the hangar in person, and the entire staff has the opportunity to join hands with them, we can see with our very own eyes who we are working for and the impact it is making in thousands of lives.

We need your help. And our missionary affiliates need your help. **Maintaining an aircraft is expensive, but it is worth the cost!** Some of you can give \$1,000.00 or \$10,000.00, while others are only able to give \$5.00 or \$50.00. Please understand how thankful and grateful I am and our missionary affiliates are for whatever the amount of the gift you can give.

As God promised, I am more at peace.

The engine work will proceed, the aircraft will fly and God will be glorified.

His Servant and Yours,



Volunteers from Palma Sola Presbyterian Church packing **Thanksgiving** boxes



2 **BIG** basketball **goals** sent to Haiti



Men's and women's volleyball tournament **trophies**

Every gift, no matter what the amount, is a huge blessing!

Ways to Give

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When you make a financial investment in Agape Flights, your gift supports 375 missionary families and their ministries; reaching more than a million people with the Gospel of Jesus Christ and humanitarian aid in Haiti, the Dominican Republic and the Bahamas.

To make a gift to assist with current needs, please specify General Fund (where funds are needed most) or Aircraft Fund. To make a gift toward the current engine overhaul, please specify the "Engine Overhaul Fund."



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Merry Christmas from the Agape Flights Staff...
You Bless Our Socks Off!