

Was your summer full? Ours was packed and before we knew it, gone and school was starting again! God blessed with great health and safety for our family through the many miles traveled and all the activities.

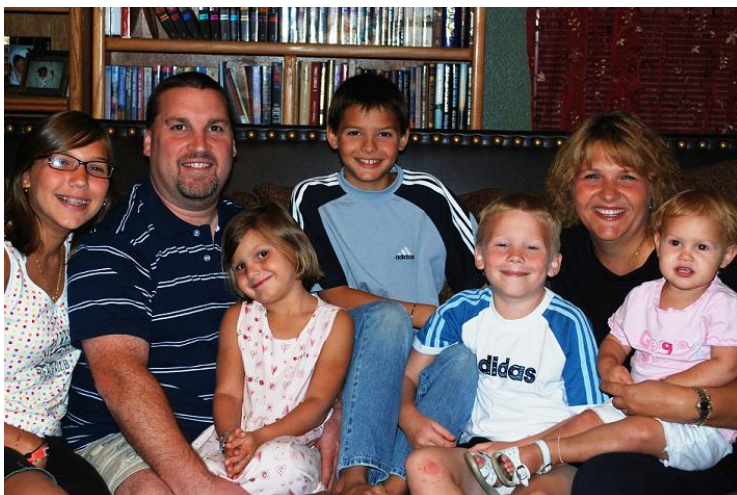


Paul worked hard to get 901 (our plane that was confiscated in MX) ready to be on display at Oshkosh. Many showed up at the UIM Aviation booth to find out more about missionary aviation, and we had a new family join our support team! Paul and Kevin (co-worker) took two days to fly 52Q back to Tucson, and then left the next day for our annual Staff Conference in New Mexico. (No dust sticking to him!)

Meanwhile, the children and I were in NC visiting with my Mom and two sisters who had just returned after 4 years in West Africa. We were able to attend a family reunion where all my brothers and sisters were present...something we hadn't done in many years. On

the flight back, Miriam introduced us all, by name, to the flight attendant telling her she could call me "Aunt Laurel"☺. I was thankful for a flight that went smoothly, with no throwing up on Mommy, no poopy diapers that run all over, and all our luggage came through! Yeah! Trips without Paul can be quite interesting.

Paul began placing a new engine in 52Q... a huge job and not done yet! Next comes the break-in period where 52Q is flown for a certain amount of time to make sure the engine works properly. That has to be done before it can go to Mexico. The modifications continue on 29C. This is the plane that was donated to UIM Aviation. Modifications are done to adapt the plane for our mountain flights... things like adding wing tips for extra gas, a belly pod for extra luggage (see picture), tire flaps to protect the tail from rocks, and putting in new safety seats. It is time-consuming, but vital to our type of flying. Despite the unrest in Mexico, God is changing hearts so we need to keep flying and sharing the Gospel! The Lord will be returning, and there are so many who need to hear!



Matthew (5th), Gabriel (2nd) and Miriam (K-5) changed schools this year. They each were granted scholarships. PRAISE THE LORD! Bethany is in 8th grade and in a home schooling group that has 5 girls/3 grades represented. She is doing well, and I am adjusting to "teaching" again with a baby (Jesse 19 months). It is not my favorite thing, but I am thankful for the extra time in Bethany's life as she is starting these teenage years. (Paul and I are happy the group is made up of all girls! Stay away boys!)

I continue with my Moms Bible Study, Jr. Church, and helping organize UIM events. November 14th will be our UIM Aviation Banquet: Going where the People Are! Thank you to those who are sponsoring a table. I am excited to watch how God is going to multiply your gifts. If you want to sponsor, give me a call or drop me an e-mail. Besides the banquet, our team is planning the UIM Staff Conference in 2010 for around 200 people. Oh, I forgot to mention that I am also leading a team to start a Christian Middle/High School in our area of Tucson. That needs another paragraph (next letter maybe)! Please pray as I try to juggle being Wife and Mom and all the extra activities I am involved in. You are welcome to tell me that I need to just say "No", and please help me decide what I need to cut☺.

This letter is so long! It *was* about twice as long before I edited and cut. Please forgive me for not writing sooner. We have been busy, but I need take time to communicate with you. Thank you for your prayers, friendship and support. God placed you in our lives so we can work here in Tucson and by extension in Mexico. We pray that God blesses you richly.

With love,

Paul and Laurel

PS...we have added a bunch of new pictures to our website, check it out when you have some free time.
www.mmol.org/Timblin

PSS...since writing this we have been hit with the flu... Gabriel and Jesse so far. Gabriel's class at school was closed for the week because there are so many sick. At least is has been a short flu for them!