



Wings of Faith

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Annamarie's Update

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*"I will lead the blind by ways they have not known, along unfamiliar paths I will guide them; I will turn the darkness into Light before them and make the rough places smooth."
-Isaiah 42:16*

Hello Friends & Family!

In this newsletter:

Flight Assessment, Flight Camps,
Maintenance work, Travels, Moving...



Wolfhagen. One of my highlights getting to land both directions at this 500m interesting strip!

Greetings once again from the Netherlands. A lot has happened since my Spring newsletter and through all the busyness of the past months I'm so grateful for how the Lord continues to display His amazing faithfulness in this in between season & for all of your encouraging support as I continue forward on this journey!

Completed the GAP Analysis at MATC...

In April I completed this MAF flight assessment and am glad for the positive outcome and received the green light to continue moving forward. This assessment was 5 days flying with multiple flight instructors both in airplanes and the sim. I was assessed in areas like navigation scenarios using DR + pilotage, airwork, emergency scenarios, various types of landings, IFR scenario with instrument approaches and surprise emergencies. I flew my first cross country flight into Germany on a surprise diversion, it was interesting hearing German + Dutch on the radio for the first time. Definitely felt challenging being assessed in an European framework and a MAF tailored environment while flying diesel 172's; quite a load of new and unfamiliar things but what I enjoyed the most was the flight where I was given all sorts of surprise emergency scenarios! So grateful for all of you who prayed for me during this week!

2 MATC Flight Camps Finished!

May & June I completed the first 2 Flight Camps which are a requirement by MAF NL before they send me overseas. These trainings focused on Short Field Ops & MAF Airstrip Evaluations and we fly as a group with 4 aircraft to various areas of Germany and camp for several days of rigorous training. We flew into many interesting grass strips with various challenges such as obstacles, slope, short lengths, little prior information, needing to calculate rwy distance + slope from the air by flying various passes over the strip, etc.

Inspecting one of the strips with fellow MAF candidate calculating our take off/landing distances, gnd roll, safe abort point, etc.



*I would love to
hear from you!*



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Keeping busy with maintenance work...

Working at Hangar One continues to be very busy, the past few months have been quite demanding as the hangar is a constant buzz of aircraft coming in and out for all sorts of work. I've slowly been adjusting to working in a Dutch environment which is an interesting challenge, been enjoying getting to know the team of people I'm working with.

I'm really looking forward to September when there will be 2 MAF caravans flying in from North America to get some maintenance done before continuing to Uganda & PNG. One is the caravan on floats bound for Uganda – I'm looking forward to help work on this aircraft and really excited to see some familiar MAF friends again who will also be coming.

Prayer Praises + Requests:

- **Thankful** for the completion of the GAP Assessment and the 2 Flight Camps. I'm grateful for the opportunity to complete all 3 Flight Camps this year.
- **Thankful** for finding new housing and that it's biking distance from the airport!
- **Thankful** for the financial support which is enabling me to do this flying at MATC
- **Pray** for the forming of my TFT – That I would find people here in NL who want to help be a part of this.
- **Pray** for connecting with community + church as I move areas.
- **Pray** for encouragement during this ongoing preparation season + that I would continue to see opportunities God is opening for me to be a Light for Him right now where I am.

Encouraging connections

I recently spent a weekend visiting missionary friends on furlough in Bourgogne area of France. Such a refreshing break driving down to meet up, reminded of the importance of rest & how much I enjoy connecting with others who are fully invested in living lives focused on missions. I stayed at a special BnB run by missionaries and loved meeting several other missionaries from all over the world & involved in very interesting ministries right here in Europe, the Middle East and Africa. Had such encouraging conversations!



What's up ahead.....

Next week I'll be doing the final MATC Flight Camp focused on Terrain Flying. Will share more on this next time but please be praying for safety + energy for us all as we fly and that this will be an encouraging training in continuing to better prepare me as a pilot with MAF.

I'm also moving end of this month! It's been 8 months since my suitcases have been empty so must be time right? 😊 Finding places to rent here has been a real challenge but I've just found a place much closer to the Teuge Airport and it's such God timed for what I need.

Still working through the process of converting my pilot license to a Dutch one. Some days feels a bit like starting over but I'm aiming to write the EASA Exams soon and would really appreciate your prayers for this & the tenacity I need.

In closing...

My biggest need at the moment are your prayers for finding people who want to help with my MAF TFT (Thuis Front Team/Home Support Team). If you live in the Netherlands & are interested in being a part of this please contact me.

Serving with MAF is certainly a long preparation and investment but I'm blessed by all of you who have continued tracking along with me on this adventure and the many ways you partner with me in this.

Thank you for your continued prayers, support + encouragement. I always love hearing from you and am grateful for your part in this journey,

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