

MidWest Missionair

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Aircraft Renovation Continues

Several years ago MidWest Missionair undertook the complete renovation of a Piper Aztec.

The Katrina/Rita and Greensburg disasters took time away from the project but also strongly showed the need for this larger aircraft.

MidWest Missionair volunteers have invested thousands of hours in the project. It is now 90% complete.

Our goal is to have the aircraft ready for service early in 2009. Plans are being made to use it for clean water projects in Central America as early as Spring 2009.



Missionair volunteers working on rebuilding a six passenger aircraft at Garnett, KS airport.

Please help us get airborne!!

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www.midwestmissionair.org

Or mail donation to:
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Garnett, KS 66032

Partnering Power

A person standing alone can be attacked and defeated, but two can stand back-to-back and conquer. Three are even better, for a triple-braided cord is not easily broken.

Ecclesiastes 4:12

This year a very large part of our work has been at Greensburg, KS. 95% of the town was destroyed by a tornado leaving 100's homeless.

Both Greensburg and Katrina have proven that working with other ministries and agencies is a powerful tool.

Speaking at this years Missionair Fall Banquet, FEMA Administrator Dick Hainje emphasized the vital part that all volunteer groups play in disaster recovery.

Missionair now supplies air transportation for Heart-to-Heart and Significant Matters and continues to develop relationships with other ministries.



Heart-to-Heart medical workers leave Johnson County Executive Airport for Greensburg, KS

- **Psalm 63:7** - "Because you are my helper, I sing for joy in the shadow of your wings."



You Can Help Pray

Your prayer support is vital to our success. It is your prayer support that makes the work a success.

Give

Your financial support makes it possible for Missionair to continue. Please help us finish the aircraft renovation project with your financial contribution, and consider a monthly gift of \$25, \$50 or \$100 to insure that we are ready when we are needed.

Volunteer

We need help in putting together this newsletter. Our faithful supporters need to hear from us more often. If you like to write and can work with a desktop publisher to create this newsletter PLEASE call.

Share

Help spread the word about MidWest Missionair. Talk with your colleagues and friends about getting involved.

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Why MidWest Missionair?

Why not **drive** or fly by **airlines**?

Well sometimes these are better ways to travel.

BUT

There are many times when **MidWest Missionair** can do a better job.

Days and sometimes weeks after a disaster, roads are closed by debris. In those early crucial days **MidWest Missionair** may be the only way in and out.

It takes over **5 hours** of road time to **drive** from eastern Kansas to Greensburg.

MidWest Missionair gets workers there in **1.5 hours**.

For Katrina, travel time door to door to the Gulf Coast averaged:

Driving - 18 hr
Airlines - 12 hr
Missionair - 4 hr

Cutting travel times means more people are free to go.

AND

In most cases the cost of getting volunteers where they are needed is about the same as it would be to fly by airlines



Tom Bassford of Significant Matters and John North of Heart-to-heart plan building a new home with a victim of the Greensburg tornado.

N637MA—Help us finish!

N637MA is the new registration number of MidWest Missionair's twin engine aircraft that will be recommissioned early in 2009.

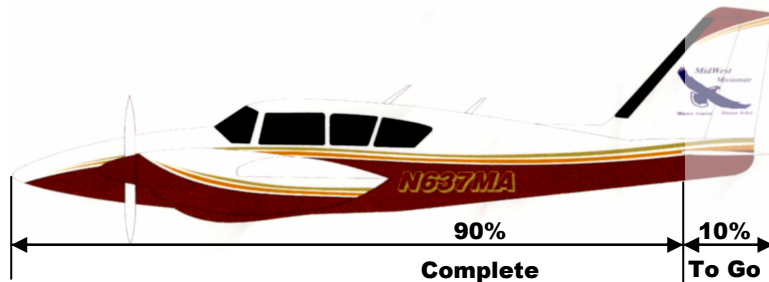
- The new number has its roots in the aircraft's past. Operating under the number **N6324Y**, it carried supplies to missionaries in Haiti.
- **"MA"** stands for Missionair
- **Psalm 63:7** - "Because you are my helper, I sing for joy in the shadow of your wings."



The Project

- In 2001 MidWest Missionair acquired this Piper Aztec.
- The plane serviced in Mexico, Guatemala, Belize, Canada, and the USA until 2004 when it was removed from service to be refurbished.
- Since then qualified volunteers have donated over 5000 man-hours to produce a safe, state-of-the-art aircraft.

Our goal is to finish this aircraft by spring of 2009.



The Need

90% Complete 10% To Go

Many items to complete this project are being offered to MidWest Missionair at a fraction of their retail value, but we need your help to make up the difference.

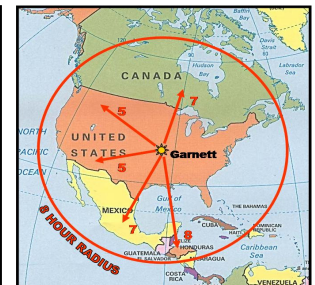
- GPS system—Garmin GNS430W—**\$7810 needed** (Retail value approx. \$15K)
- Audio panel—Garmin GMA340—**\$1338 needed** (Retail value approx. \$2K)
- Calibration and recertification of altitude reporting equipment **\$500 needed**.
- Refurbish two propellers—\$2500 each or **\$5000 total needed**.
- Aircraft paint and painting supplies—**\$1550 needed**.



The Result

The finished airplane will have:

- Range extending to all of North and Central America
- Seating for 6 adults
- More cargo capacity than any plane in its class
- A modern GPS guidance system.
- Weather radar.



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