

# 2023

ANNUAL REPORT

**SAMARITAN**  
AVIATION

# LETTER FROM THE FOUNDER AND CEO

Dear Friends,

As I take a moment to reflect on 2023, I am filled with a profound sense of gratitude for God's faithfulness. Ministry impact is at an all-time high!

This year, we celebrated the addition of a new floatplane in PNG, new staff families moving to Wewak, and the expansion of a new ministry area in the Gulf Province.

We had the most impactful ministry year to date. We flew 40% more life-saving flights than ever before, which means more people are hearing the life-saving message of Jesus.

2023 also marked a significant milestone as we began developing our newly purchased land in Wewak. This property will allow us to have eight staff houses, a training center, and our national headquarters for years to come!

Simultaneously, we are developing a second base in the Gulf Province, partnering with the Provincial Government and Kapuna Hospital. This ministry expansion on the island's south side will require us to create a floating dock where our airplanes will be fueled, maintained, and stored. We will also build staff housing on land given to us through our partnership with Gulf Christian Services.

As you read this ministry impact update, I know you will be as excited as I am to celebrate what God has done through our committed staff in 2023 and where He is leading us in 2024 and beyond! Please prayerfully consider how you can join us in reaching those in one of the most remote places on earth. Thank you for your partnership with us.

In his service, Reaching the unreachable



**Mark Palm**

CEO and Co-founder, Samaritan Aviation



## WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT IN 2024

# WE CAN IMPACT MORE LIVES THAN EVER BEFORE!

Additional monthly support needed

**\$60,000 (annual)**

Aircraft refurbishment projects

**\$325,000**

Annual Fuel For Life Campaign

**\$300,000**

Audio Bibles for patients

**\$20,000**

Gulf Province Dredger

**\$100,000**

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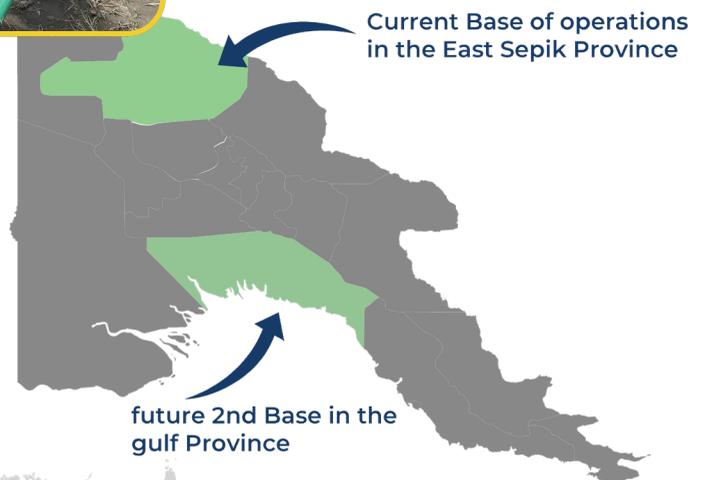
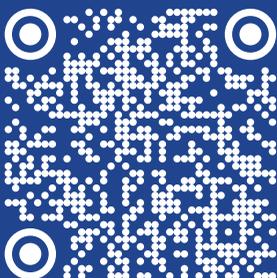
**TOTAL 2024 PROJECT COSTS**

**\$805,000**

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## HOSPITAL MINISTRY

# YOUR SUPPORT HAS MADE AN ETERNAL DIFFERENCE!

## CLOSE TO 400 PATIENTS FLOWN TO BORAM HOSPITAL – NEW RECORD!

- Our patients are visited and prayed for daily.
- We provide an Audio Bible to all patients, in their own language, as well as food and clothing.
- We strive to increase our Gospel impact on more communities each year.



**Close to 400 Solar-Powered  
Bibles in the Tok Pisin language  
were distributed last year!**

**With your support, we could distribute over  
500 Audio Bibles this year!**

**For the cost of \$40, you can give an Audio  
Bible to a patient.**

*Therefore go and make disciples of all nations...  
Matthew 28:19a (NIV)*





## FIRST MEDICAL PATROL IN GULF PROVINCE!

The first Gulf Province medical patrol since the 1960's. Samaritan Aviation is partnering with Gulf Christian Services!



## NEW PROPERTY PURCHASED IN WEWAK!

Our groundbreaking ceremony marked a pivotal step forward in our mission to expand our operations to save lives and share Christ.



## MAJOR PARTNER & FUNDING BOOST IN OUR GULF PROVINCE EXPANSION

We received an \$800,000 grant from the Gulf Province, enabling us to commence our regional expansion plans.



## NEW FLOATPLANE IN PNG

This is a significant milestone in expanding access to vital, life-saving medical assistance for remote communities.



## SNADER FAMILY ARRIVED

We are so grateful for Josh and Janice, as well as Adilene, Elliot and Oliver joining our team in Wewak. Josh is our new Aviation Mechanic!

**OUR FLOATPLANES HELP US REACH THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN FORGOTTEN**

**2023**

**520**  
**LIFE-SAVING**  
**FLIGHTS**

*(40% MORE IN 2023 THAN  
ANY OTHER YEAR)*

**23,000**  
**POUNDS OF**  
**MEDICAL**  
**SUPPLIES**  
**DELIVERED**

**120**  
**VILLAGES**  
**SERVED AND**  
**MINISTERED TO**

**OUR FLIGHTS TURN A 1-3 DAY JOURNEY INTO  
MERE HOURS TO THE ONLY HOSPITAL.**



*Rescue the poor and helpless...  
Psalm 82:4 (NLT)*

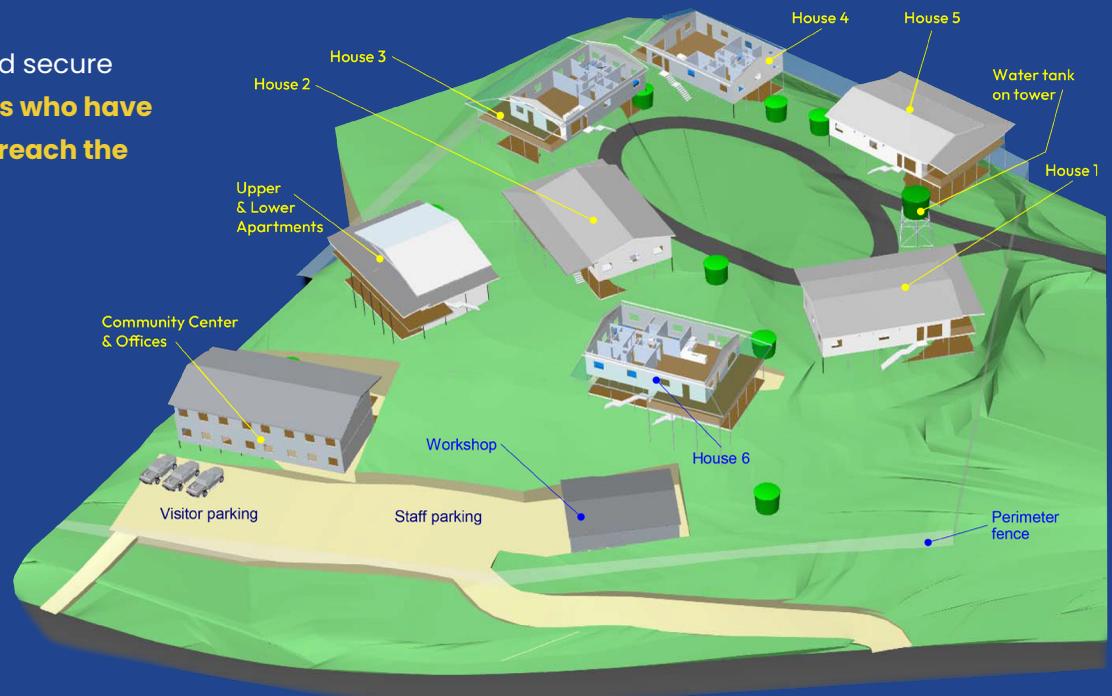
*Nick Mosca with nursing patrol*

**THROUGH OUR PARTNERSHIP WITH THE PNG GOVERNMENT,  
WE ARE ABLE TO HELP STOCK AID POSTS WITH LIFE-SAVING  
MEDICINE, VACCINES, AND MEDICAL SUPPLIES.**

# MISSION TO MORE UPDATE

## EAST SEPIK PROVINCE FAMILY HOUSING AND TRAINING CENTER PROJECT

We must provide safe and secure housing **for these families who have committed their lives to reach the unreachable!**



## GULF PROVINCE EXPANSION

In 2023, we launched the first aviation medical outreaches this region had seen in 60 years.

**The Gulf Province is one of Papua New Guinea's most underdeveloped and remote Provinces, where over 200,000 people currently live without hope and access to emergency medical care.**

**In 2024, we have 4 more weeks of outreaches planned, partnering with Gulf Christian Services.** We are currently preparing to ship a floating dock to be assembled, and are constructing staff housing on land given to us by the Kapuna Hospital.

# WE NEED YOUR HELP TO KEEP OUR PLANES FUELED AND FLYING!

## OUR AVIATION NEEDS:

<h3>OUR FLOATPLANES FLY BECAUSE OF OUR FUEL FOR LIFE PROGRAM!</h3>	<h3>OUR FLEET NEEDS REFURBISHING.</h3>								
<p>Fuel for Life helps pay for aviation fuel, maintenance, parts replacement, inspections, and aviation insurance each year!</p> <p><b>Without Fuel for Life, we cannot bring hope to the hopeless and helpless!</b></p>	<p>This project will include flying both planes to Australia and will receive the following upgrades:</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td><b>Engines overhaul</b></td> <td><b>\$100,000</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Corrosion repair and paint</b></td> <td><b>\$75,000</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Avionics and auto-pilot</b></td> <td><b>\$105,000</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Interior, windows, and general refurbishment</b></td> <td><b>\$45,000</b></td> </tr> </table>	<b>Engines overhaul</b>	<b>\$100,000</b>	<b>Corrosion repair and paint</b>	<b>\$75,000</b>	<b>Avionics and auto-pilot</b>	<b>\$105,000</b>	<b>Interior, windows, and general refurbishment</b>	<b>\$45,000</b>
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<p><b>Total needed for Fuel For Life 2024</b>      <b>\$300,000</b></p>	<p><b>Total needed for Refurbishment</b>      <b>\$325,000</b></p>								



*...how can they hear without someone preaching to them?  
 And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written:  
 'How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!'  
 Romans 10:14-15 (NIV)*

# FINANCES

REVENUE	2021	2022	2023
Cash Donations	\$2,217,576	\$3,303,513	\$4,026,969
Noncash Donations	\$92,000	\$553,018	\$0
Other Revenue	\$148,779	\$12,424	\$64,113
Total Revenue	\$2,458,355	\$3,868,955	\$4,091,082
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
Total Expenses	\$1,789,644	\$2,688,579	\$3,021,622
<b>EXCESS (OR DEFICIT)</b>			
For the Year	\$644,835	\$1,180,376	\$1,069,459
<b>TOTAL CHANGE</b>			
In Net Assets	\$644,835	\$1,180,376	\$1,069,459
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	\$3,274,662	\$2,688,579	\$5,430,319.91
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	\$121,810	\$79,702	\$16,852.03
<b>NET ASSETS</b>	\$3,152,852	\$4,326,704	\$5,413,467.88

\*2023 data is from the end-of-year financial statement, prior to the annual audit.

**YOUR PRAYERFUL SUPPORT HAS ENABLED US TO GROW, REACH MORE PEOPLE, PROVIDE HOPE AND ACCESS, AND SPREAD THE GOOD NEWS OF JESUS.**



93% Ministry  
5% Admin  
2% Fundraising



90% Ministry  
6% Admin  
4% Fundraising



94% Ministry  
4% Admin  
1% Fundraising

*Give generously to the poor, not grudgingly, for the LORD your God will bless you in everything you do. Deuteronomy 15:10 (NLT)*

**Samaritan Aviation has been awarded the Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability (ECFA) seal and has a Platinum rating on GuideStar!**

Less than 1% of organizations achieve a Platinum rating



## EXECUTIVE BOARD

### MARK PALM

CEO/Co-Founder, pilot

### DR. DAN CRANSTON

Chairman, Doctor of Medicine

### JOEY BURNS

CEO/Co-Founder Eagle Land Brokerage

### DANIEL JONES

Pilot, former Dir. Nazarene Mission Aviation

### JASON SCHWITTERS

CEO/Owner Schwitters Farm, pilot

### JASON KENDALL

CEO of Kendall Farms, pilot

### REX SHERIDAN

Marriage and Family Therapist, Clinical Director

## EXECUTIVE STAFF

### MARK PALM

CEO/Co-Founder, pilot

### BRYAN YEAGER

COO, former Dir. of events Promise Keepers, author

### TIM ASKEW

Dir. of Staff Development and Bible translator for PNG

### CHRIS COOKE

Papua New Guinea Country and Medical Director

## ADVISORY BOARD USA

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Consultant of Discovery Profiling Inc.

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Pastor, Clinical Family Counselor

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### MICHAEL BANTZ

Professional Civil Engineer

### REVEREND MATT PALM

Founding Board Member of Samaritan Aviation, pastor.

### PAUL FOREHAND

Former flight school owner, pilot

### PASTOR JOHN POOL

Lead pastor of New Life Church

### JOHN DAVIS

Executive Producer of movies and television

### BYRON DICK

Wealth Advisor (CFP)

### REBEKAH WALSH

Commercial airline pilot

## ADVISORY BOARD PNG

### DR. PILLY MAPIRA

Doctor of Medicine, President of Public Health Assoc. of PNG

### MICHELLE HAU'OFA

PNG business executive, nonprofit management

## ADVISORY BOARD AUSTRALIA

### JAMES HEMETSBERGER

Civil Engineer, missions coordinator

## EXECUTIVE BOARD AUSTRALIA

### MARK PALM

CEO/Co-Founder, pilot

### SHARON HEMETSBERGER

Nurse, midwife, missions coordinator

### ROB HOVENDEN

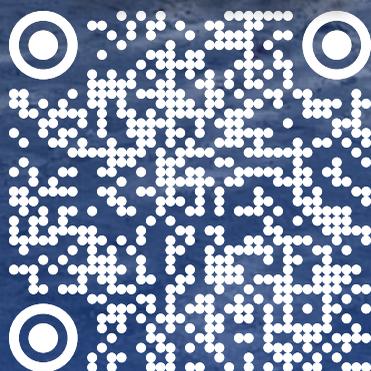
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