

## PAPUA NEW GUINEA Growing Opportunities

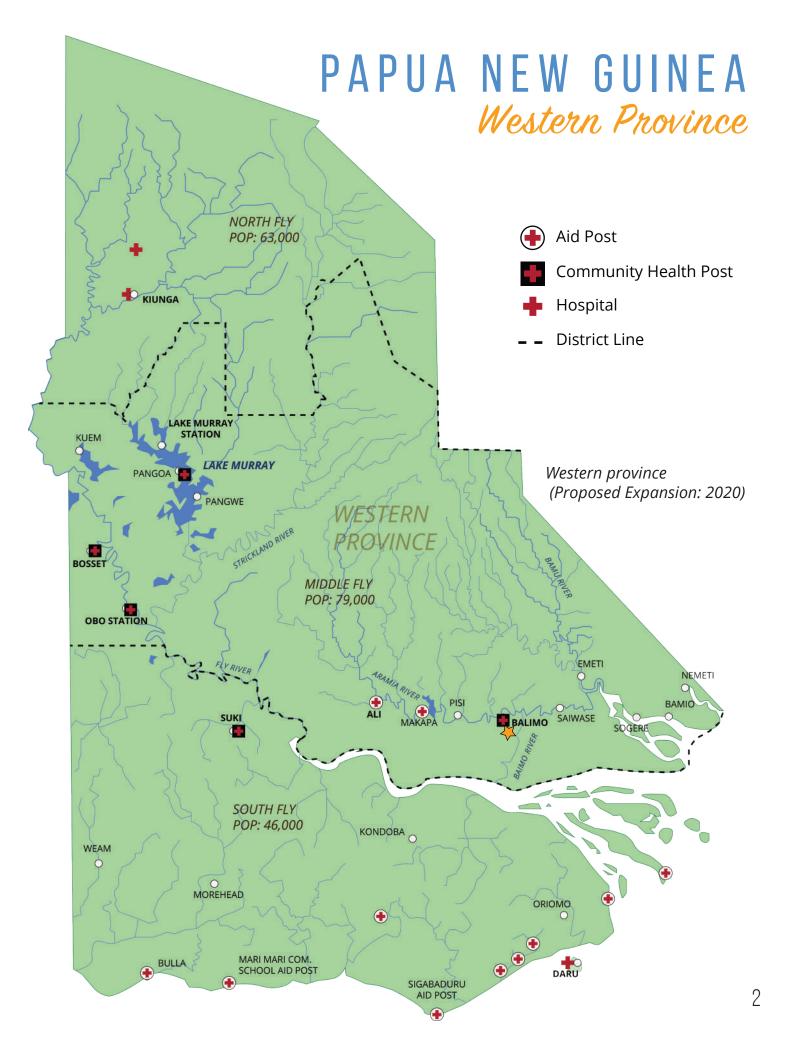


Papua New Guinea is located in the southwestern Pacific Ocean, north of Australia. With a population of 8.5 million people and over 840 languages spoken, Papua New Guinea is one of the most culturally diverse countries in the world. A dense jungle landscape and lack of infrastructure has created a real lack of medical access. Estimates suggest that 80% of the population is 3-5 days away from the nearest hospital, with one hospital for every 500,000 people.

In 2010, Samaritan Aviation began its services in the East Sepik province and began providing emergency medical evacuations, medical supply deliveries, hospital ministry, vaccination outreaches, disaster relief and more, free of charge to those we serve.

After serving the East Sepik province for 9 years, Samaritan Aviation was approached by the PNG government to consider expanding its services to other remote areas of the country. Looking forward, the Western province is the first step in expanding SA's services to more of the unreached population.





# LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

It amazes me to think that next year Samaritan Aviation will hit two milestones. In 2020, we will celebrate 10 years of aviation services and ministry in Papua New Guinea and 20 years from when we officially launched the organization.

As we enter into 2019 and reflect back on Samaritan Aviation's history, I believe that 2018 has been one of the best years our organization has ever experienced. As you will read in this annual report, we flew in 123 patients to Boram hospital; through our hospital ministry we were able to pray and share Jesus with every one of them, and with many of their families. In 2018, we delivered 15,781 pounds of medical supplies, bringing our grand total to over 157,000 pounds. Our vaccine outreaches took an interesting twist as a polio outbreak flared up within the country. Working in concert with international relief organizations, the PNG government called upon us to help deliver over 200,000 polio vaccines throughout the Sepik river area to 17 aid posts that impacted over 100 villages. We look forward to flying our 1,000th patient this year.

Another milestone in 2018 was the culmination of several conversations with PNG national leaders over the last couple of years. We conducted a reconnaissance trip to the Western province to determine whether we would agree to the request of the PNG government to open a second base of operations for those who live along the Fly river and its tributaries. We will be providing more information on this as this potential opportunity develops.

The last year has been filled with meeting new SA friends, companies, churches and other supporters who are partnering with us all over the world. Last fall we even had a unique opportunity to have all of our missionary families join us at our Advisory Board retreat held in the Phoenix valley. During that time we launched our new staff health and missionary orientation training program, something I have wanted to establish for years.

Kirsten and I are so blessed with the missionary families and our national staff. We are also grateful for the SA board, advisory board, and ambassadors and the difference they have made this past year. Most importantly, we are grateful to the Lord who has

allowed us to be a part of something that is greater than ourselves and is changing lives in this remote part of our world.

Thank you for your partnership,

Mark Fal

Mark Palm President / Cofounder



# 2018 MILESTONES







### NEW PLANE FOR PNG

Thanks to the support of generous donors and the National Health Department, we shipped a new floatplane to Papua New Guinea!

### RECONNAISSANCE TRIP TO WESTERN PROVINCE

Mark and an SA team conducted a research trip at the request of the PNG government to consider expansion to the Western province.

### **GROWING STAFF**

In 2018 we accepted two more missionary pilot families, as well as a Director of Staff Development and a Development Associate in the United States.

### MEDIA COVERAGE

We were grateful to tell our story and be featured in newspaper, podcasts, and television news outlets.

### POLIO OUTREACH

In response to an outbreak of Polio along the Sepik River, Samaritan Aviation partnered with the East Sepik Provincial Health Authority and World Health Organization (WHO) to deliver over 200,000 polio vaccines!

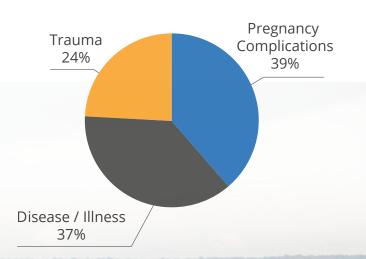


# IMPACT Life Flights

Samaritan Aviation's floatplanes are essential to our mission; in an area devoid of runways, landing on a remote river is the only way to reach villages quickly. Our floatplanes can cut a week-long trip down the river by canoe into a one-hour flight, bringing a dying person in desperate need of medical care to the only hospital in the region.

### TOP MEDICAL EMERGENCIES:

- Retained Placenta
- Obstructed Birth
- Fractures / Broken Bones
- Dehydration
- Snake Bite
- Tuberculosis
- Bush Knife Attack









# 123

Patients flown to the hospital in 2018

## IMPACT Medical Supply Delivery & Hospital Ministry



Through partnership with the PNG National Department of Health and ESP Provincial Health, Samaritan Aviation is able to help stock health outposts with medical supplies through the Area Medical Storehouse in Wewak. In 2018, we helped to deliver 15,780 pounds of medical supplies along the Sepik River.

Samaritan Aviation also partners with the Boram Hospital in Wewak and assists them by providing medical supplies in large shipping containers through our US partners. We have also assisted in sending international experts and doctors to

the Boram Hospital to conduct medical training and critical surgeries.

The Hospital Ministry is at the heart of what Samaritan Aviation does in Papua New Guinea. When one of the floatplanes picks up a patient and flies them to the hospital, our work has just begun. Patients stay at the hospital anywhere from three days to six months.

Our team sits with patients daily, praying with them and helping to meet both their physical and spiritual needs. We provide WiFi access to the Bible and Jesus Film for patients during their stay at Boram Hospital. The ultimate goal of everything we do is to share who Christ is.



# IMPACT Outreaches & Partnerships

While Samaritan Aviation responds to emergency outbreaks, our goal is also to help provide preventative treatment before outbreaks surface. In 2017, we created a new ministry opportunity that also allows us to administer vaccines that help protect against 12 life-threatening illnesses that are prevalent in these areas. When conducting a vaccination outreach, three or four team members will spend an entire day vaccinating children and pregnant women. Throughout the day, individuals are introduced to the Gospel in their own language both one-on-one and in large groups. Our hope is to communicate the love of God through both our words and actions.





### ESP MOBILE BLOOD BANK PARTNERSHIP

Samaritan Aviation partnered with the ESP Mobile Blood Bank to transport over 123 pounds of blood to Boram Hospital.



# FINANCIALS

	2016	2017	
Revenue Cash Donations	\$1,486,105	\$1,098,443	Samaritan Aviation
Noncash Donations	\$42,250	\$93,600	is a proud member of the EFCA and has
Other Revenue Total Revenue	\$13,506 \$1,541,861	\$70,559 \$1,262,602	a Platinum rating on GuideStar!
Expenses			
Total Expenses	\$1,335,991	\$1,105,111	STRANSS
Excess (or Deficit) for the Year	\$205,870	\$157,491	
Other Tatal Change	\$0	\$0	CONSTRACTION GUIDESTAN
Total Change in Net Assets	\$205,870	\$157,491	
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Total Assets	\$1,288,087	\$1,426,579	
Total Liabilities	\$66,697	\$47,696	
Net Assets	\$1,221,390	\$1,378,883	



87% Program10% Admin

3% Fundraising



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# NEEDS

2019 presents us with one of the biggest challenges we have faced. By the end of the year, five missionary families will be living in our compound, maxing out our current capacity. We are currently completing the fifth home. Our long-term solution is to develop our own property, providing us with the space and safety our families need to thrive. Here are our current needs:

### Staff Housing - \$375,000

- Currently, \$25,000 is needed to complete our final apartment located on our present compound.
- \$350,000 is needed for Phase One of a new property just south of the Wewak airport that provides space for six family units, offices, a meeting room, and a safe play area for our missionary kids.



Aerial view of current compound

Aerial view of land to be used for future compound



#### Additional Monthly Support - \$3,700/mo

• We need to raise \$3,700 more in monthly commitments to reach our increased support goal of \$7,500 a month. Monthly support helps us to meet needs as they arise, fund general operations, and other expenses that help us reach and save lives in Papua New Guinea.



# Celebrating 9 years in Papua New Guinea







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