

# Flying for Life

#### THREE MONTHS IN PICTURES

Time continues to fly by, and the last three months have felt like a bit of a blur. From a great holiday, to lots of MAF related travel for Dave, and settling into new routines in work and life. Here's a little taste of some of our activities since our last newsletter!



A two week holiday in Scotland was restful and refreshing; we drove all around the Highlands.



In April, Dave visited the AERO Friedrichshafen show, seeing new tech and meeting new people.



Another trip, this time to Gloucester, working on a brand new MAF plane with a great team.



And off to the USA for a busy 3 weeks, including a day seeing brand new technology in action.



Not all fun and games—the trip included a visit to the factory to inspect a brand new plane.



Busy times for Becky too, prepping for her first speaking engagement, and doing more writing.



Celebrating us both turning 39 with a couple of nights in Margate, exploring more of Kent.



Amidst the busyness, we've found time for some lovely long walks together in the countryside.

# **JOIN THE ADVENTURE**

Thank you for keeping us in your thoughts and prayers!

## PRAY...

- For ongoing strength, good health and energy as we continue readjusting to life in the UK.
- For wisdom and clear next steps in our work, and what the future may look like.
- For Dave, with a follow up cardiology appointment this month in London.

## PRAISE...

- We had a wonderful and refreshing holiday in Scotland in March, with incredible weather and sunshine!
- For continued good health, & many great opportunities to rest and recover.
- For a productive trip to the USA for Dave, with successful work and meetings.

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# DAY TO DAY LIFE IN THE UK



If I thought life would be boring or predictable being based in MAF's head office in Ashford, I was wrong! Day to day life is massively varied, and I've enjoyed getting involved in a range of different projects. From working with the fleet department in MAF's Technical Operations team, helping new planes make their way from factory to active service,

to researching and creating reports discussing the feasibility of incorporating new technology such as cargo drones into MAF's operations. I've also been able to help with office projects like sustainable power solutions and office design improvements. There's rarely a dull moment!



My routine feels as though it's been a bit shaken up lately, with Dave doing so much travel through April and May. I was able to spend a couple of weeks in Cornwall with my parents, enjoying the opportunity being in the UK presents to enjoy precious moments with family. The launch of my new Substack email newsletter has gone well, and I have continued recording videos with brief encouragements from the Bible, while doing a little website design work on the side. In the coming weeks, I will be considering what my work and ministry here looks like, and hoping to have some more opportunities to preach and teach.

### COME AND SEE US! WE'RE TOURING THE UK!

Unlike a normal home assignment, where we try to squeeze visits in to churches and other groups in the space of six weeks, this year we're able to spread it out a bit more! We waited until halfway through the year to book anything in, but now we'll be starting a bit of a tour of the UK, visiting various locations. We would love to see you if you're able to make it! Or please do feel free to contact us if you would like to book us in to speak at your location or event. We'd love to come and talk about our work with MAF and our experiences living overseas, and Becky is also available if you are looking for someone to preach on a Sunday morning or at any kind of event. Get in touch; we're looking forward to hearing from you!

Our website has an up to date record of where we'll be when, and

#### Can You Join the Adventure?

Our work with MAF continues to be funded by the incredible generosity of individuals, churches and groups. We wouldn't be able to do this work without you, so thank you for your amazing partnership with us! If you are able to make a monthly or one-off donation, please head to our page on the MAF website:

www.maf-uk.org/waterman

Church, Holt 11th October—MAF UK Legacy Event

> 25th & 26th October—St Margaret's Church, Angmering

**Upcoming Events:** 

6th July—Connect Church, Maidstone

16th July—Together Group at North

**Bradley Baptist Church** 

22nd August—Christ Church, Orpington

27th & 28th September—St Katharine's

30th November—Hordle & Tiptoe Parish

additional information and timings for services will be added as those

details become clearer, closer to the dates of events. Visit the following link to keep an eye on our schedule:

#### https://www.dbwaterman.com/speaking-engagements

We're excited to have the opportunity to share some stories of the incredible work of MAF, and from our lives living overseas, and we're ready to answer any questions you may have too!

We want to take this opportunity to say thank you so much again for continuing to walk with us on this amazing adventure. We really wouldn't be here without you, and your ongoing prayers, thoughts and support means the world to us.

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