

Impact Report 2025



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a message from

The Board Chair

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*... work towards
a whole-of-family
vision and strategy
that will see MAF
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by 2045. ”*

As you read this annual Impact Report, I hope you are encouraged by the impact MAF continues to have in bringing help, hope and healing to people living in some of the world's most isolated communities. Each story reflects God's faithfulness and the impact of your partnership.

Looking back over the broader story of mission helps us understand the moment we are in today. In the early 1900s, when aviation was first being considered in the advancement of the gospel, it is estimated that Western believers outnumbered those in the rest of the world by a ratio of 19 to 1. Mission was largely understood as taking the gospel from “the West to the rest.”

By the 1980s, following the growth of the global Church, Western believers were roughly equal with the rest of the world. Today, evangelical Christianity in the majority world means Western believers now represent around one quarter of all believers globally - and by 2045, when MAF turns 100, that ratio is expected to be closer to one in five.

This shift is not just historical - it is visible in MAF today. We now see missionary engineers from Papua New Guinea serving in Arnhem Land,

African missionaries serving in other parts of Africa, and Indian believers serving with MAF in Cairns and PNG. Yet our current siloed structures mean these colleagues do not always receive the support we would ordinarily expect to provide to missionary staff.

For several years, MAF has been working to develop support bases in Asia, and more recently in Africa, alongside a shared desire to work towards a whole-of-family vision and strategy that will see MAF double its impact by 2045. Through this process, it has become clear that achieving this vision requires deeper organisational integration across the global MAF family.

For MAF Australia, this next step involves transferring our membership to be held solely by the new Stichting[‡] MAF. This will see MAF Australia become part of a more fully integrated global organisation, serving as the Australian expression of that wider family.

Ultimately, this is so that MAF can continue to bring more help, hope and healing to isolated people.

Thank you for your partnership and support.

Yours sincerely,



Ian McBride
Board Chair
MAF Australia

[‡] Means 'Founding' in Dutch.



a message from **The CEO**

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*Thank you for your ongoing prayers,
generosity and faithful support.*

2025 was a truly significant year in the life of Mission Aviation Fellowship as we celebrated 80 years of operations around the globe. It was a privilege throughout the year to meet so many of our supporters as we hosted a number of events and celebrations across Australia.

One of the highlights was our Eastern Seaboard plane tour, during which we visited 13 locations to introduce our newest aircraft, P2-AFD, on its journey to serve in Papua New Guinea. These events provided a wonderful opportunity to welcome both long-standing and new supporters into the story of MAF's work and impact.

We were honoured to gather at St Paul's in Canberra for a special Thanksgiving Service, joined by dignitaries from the countries we have served - and continue to serve - alongside our valued partner organisations and faithful supporters. In addition, CineMAF events were held across churches nationwide, sharing the MAF documentary "To the Ends of the Earth" and bringing fresh insight into the mission we share together.

Our Gala events at the Melbourne School of Theology was another memorable occasion, where we were joined first by alumni over lunch and later by supporters for an evening of fellowship and fundraising.

While 2025 was a year of celebration, it also began with deep sorrow following the tragic road accident and loss of our brother and pilot, Chris Coffee, in Arnhem Land. We continue to stand alongside his wife Alison and the family in prayer and support as they grieve this profound loss. In the midst of tragedy, we have been humbled and encouraged by the establishment of the Chris Coffee Aviation Foundation, created

as a lasting legacy of Chris and his faith. The Foundation will help raise up people from within the very regions we serve, enabling them to train and serve with MAF as pilots and engineers.

The year also marked a significant milestone for the MAF International family as we look ahead to our centenary in 2045. In faith and unity, we have begun an important journey of integration - bringing together our resourcing groups and operational programs into a single entity. This step is intended to strengthen our effectiveness and better align our structures with what we believe are God's plans for MAF.

As I write, I am filled with anticipation for the future and for the role God is calling MAF in Australia to play in growing His Kingdom through aviation and partnership.

Thank you for your ongoing prayers, generosity and faithful support.



Chris Barnes
CEO
MAF Australia

Flying for life in 2025

Your Impact



Global Flights

A MAF plane takes off and lands every

6 minutes

34,000

Hours flying

44,400

Flight legs

4.1 million

Kilograms of freight flown

6.1 million kilometres

Distance flown

120,000

Passengers



Fleet

116

Aircraft

88

Cessna planes



Partnerships

1,500

Organisations

1,400

MAF Staff



Destinations

28

Countries served

43

Countries with MAF presence

24

MAF flight programs

1,000

Total destinations



Medical Care

Fuelling life-saving flights



"MAF gave us hope by flying us to Dili in a shorter time," Octaviano said. "Now I'm deeply joyful to see my daughter has recovered and survived from this serious condition."

Inggrid Pinto, MAF Hospital Chaplain, was part of the team supporting Juvenia while she was far from her community.

"Being part of a life-saving mission is a great privilege, and I'm proud to join MAF in helping the Timorese people who are in need of help," she said.

As part of MAF's Closing the Loop project, MAF Country Director and Pilot Lungpinglak Domtta, and MAF Partnership Development Officer, Yohanes de Costa Silva, visited Juvenia and her family.

"Our journey isn't just about transferring them and forgetting about it," said Lungpinglak. "We want to be part of their lives."



MAF gave us hope by flying us to Dili in a shorter time

– Juvenia's father, Octaviano

When a child is bitten by a deadly snake in a community without life-saving antivenom, the outcome is a heartbreaking family tragedy.

So every minute mattered for four-year-old Juvenia da Costa Noronha when she was bitten by a poisonous snake at her home in Betano, Timor-Leste.

Juvenia's father Octaviano recalled "after the snake bite, we immediately took her to the health centre in Same, but the nurses said there was no specific medicine to treat her, so she had to be transferred to Guido Valadares National Hospital in Dili."

With precious time ticking away, the four-hour road journey by ambulance could have been too much for Juvenia.

A flight with MAF pilot Philipp Techand was able to bring Juvenia safely to the capital Dili in just 25 minutes – a journey that saved her life.





Flying Hope for Sudan's Refugee Crisis



two girls in a class of 24 students who sat for the Grade 7 exams, Abuk persevered and emerged triumphant.

"The partnership of MAF is not just transportation but a bridge of hope for those in need," said Rosemary Khamati, Founder and Executive Director of PEACE International in Uganda.

Flights by MAF help PEACE International to deliver quality Christian-based education to more than 800 children to bring in support needed to deal with trauma from conflict.

"They had acquired the secondary trauma," said Rosemary, realising the students were passing on trauma to their teachers.

The fruit of this training is evident in the school's performance, with it being among the best performers in the district.

For every refugee's life transformed through help, hope and healing offered by its partners, MAF is encouraged to keep flying and multiplying the effectiveness of those on the ground.

The ongoing conflict in Sudan has displaced around 12 million people, pushing them into neighbouring nations, Chad, Uganda and South Sudan.

MAF flights bring help, hope and healing to those fleeing.

Elizabeth's life changed when Khayamandi Foundation employed her as a cleaner at their school, so she could provide for her children.

"I just walked to the office of the headteacher at this school, knelt down, told my story and asked for a job," she said. Elizabeth is now a teacher there.

A MAF flight from the capital city of Kampala to the foundation's offices in Arua takes only an hour and twenty minutes, but a road trip takes nearly 12 hours.

Abuk attends PEACE Primary School and dreams of higher education after achieving success in her recent examinations.

"I want to go to university and get a good job," she said.

At just 14 years old, Abuk has overcome many challenges, but when she was one of only





Making the Good News accessible



Among the beneficiaries of the Bibles provided by YWAM was Farouk Mugisha, who made the bold decision to give his life to Christ last year. During a recent cyclone, he narrowly escaped death while working at a construction site. He had slept on-site, and that morning, when the cyclone hit the island, his roommate lost his life when their house collapsed. Mugisha felt humbled by the fact that he was not at home when the cyclone struck.

"I believe I survived the storm because God has a great plan for my life. He saved my life for a reason," he said.

Prior to his conversion, Mugisha struggled with negative influences and drug addiction. In his new life, he had long yearned for a Bible.

"I've always had a thirst for the Word of God. Now that I have my own Bible, I'll study more and increase my knowledge of the Word of God," he added.

MAF flew 360 copies of the Luganda Bible to Bukasa. Pilot Andrew Parker, who completed the 20-minute flight, shared his excitement.

"I'm excited to fly God's Word to people in their own language. The Word of God is powerful and effective, and I'm thankful for people like YWAM who do this kind of work. I'm glad we played a small part in that."



"I am very happy to receive a new Bible,"

– Joyce Nabwire, a 68-year-old grandmother and village elder

MAF flew a team to Bukasa island on Lake Victoria, Uganda, where they evangelised by bringing Bibles to people in the cut-off communities.

Joyce Nabwire, a 68-year-old grandmother and village elder, was overjoyed to receive a new Bible. She'd been holding onto hers for over 30 years, with some of its pages now missing.

"I am very happy to receive a new Bible," said Joyce.

"I will preach the gospel in the islands and beyond with more confidence, knowing that I have the full Word of God. There's beauty in having the Word of God fresh. I feel more energised and renewed."

Abel Rukundo, leader of End Bible Poverty Now Uganda, a project under YWAM (Youth With a Mission), recounted the role of MAF in helping them reach Bukasa Island.

"MAF saved us the trouble of being on a boat for very many hours. We never had enough money to fund the trip, but MAF stepped in and provided free transportation, so we were able to access the unreachable," he said.





Shouts of joy as MAF brings food supplies



filtration system that helped around 1,000 people to access clean water.

The team also distributed hundreds of food packs for families in need including 25kg of rice, canned sardines in tomato sauce, coffee mix, Burmese fish paste, Chinese sweet sausage, oral rehydration powder, cooking oil, instant noodles, soy protein balls, garlic and onions.

"They were very thankful and the community pitched in straight away to help us organise this stuff," Rick said.

One woman said: "We are grateful for what we are receiving from MAF."

Chad said the team were impressed by the resilience of the community and their enthusiasm to work with MAF.

MAF's team responded to the 7.7 magnitude earthquake which struck Myanmar in March by delivering essential supplies to the capital Naypyidaw, where people were trying to rebuild their lives after widespread destruction.

Terry Fahey, an experienced surveyor and engineer, was shocked by the impact of this natural disaster.

"I have been in numerous earthquakes but have never seen one which has caused such interesting damage. It is as if the ground separated for 300km. Bridges shifted, roads cracked in half, buildings collapsed, and the water table reportedly shifted leaving aquifers empty," Terry said.

Deeram Khong, MAF's General Manager in Myanmar, led the delivery of supplies to Naypyidaw and said it was heartbreaking to see the destruction caused by the natural disaster. The earthquake resulted in huge devastation, with estimates of over 3,000 fatalities, over 11,000 injured and 157,000 damaged buildings.

MAF Director of Global Disaster Response Rick Emenaker and Country Director for Myanmar Chad Tilley joined Terry and Deeram for the drive from Yangon to Naypyidaw with supplies and equipment.

They got to work quickly, installing a freshwater





Financials 2025

Consolidated Financial Activities

MAF Australia and its controlled entities.

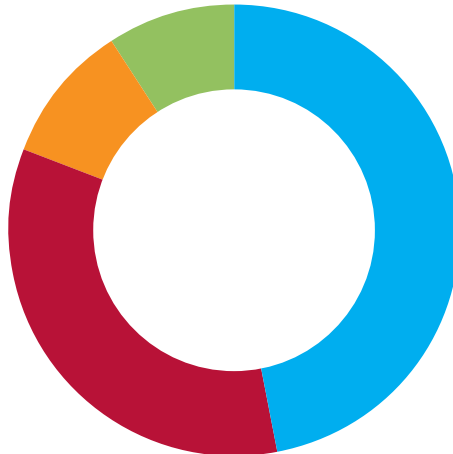
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Income	\$6,232
Staff Sponsorships	\$1,815
Donations	\$3,466
Gifts-in-Wills	\$787
Other	\$164
Expenditure	\$7,547
Program Distributions	\$3,537*
Local Program Expenses	\$754*
Fundraising	\$2,530
Admin & Accountability	\$726
Deficit	(\$1,315)



Income \$6.2m

- 56%** Donations
- 29%** Staff Sponsorships
- 13%** Gifts-in-Wills
- 3%** Other



Expenditure \$7.5m

- 47%** Program Distributions*
- 34%** Fundraising
- 10%** Local Program Expenses*
- 9%** Admin & Accountability

** Program Expenses include Program Distributions and Local Program Expenses.*

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