

# MidWest Missionair

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## Ministry Partners

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*Ecclesiastes 4:12*

2008 marks ten years of ministry. Each of those years has been different than the last and each has been more amazing as we watch God work.

The trend toward developing working partnerships with other ministries continues. We are now supplying air transportation for Heart-to-Heart and Significant Matters. We are mission partners with Reverb Community Church, Foundation Church and we continue to organize our own volunteers for projects to share Christ's love with those who are hurting.

Our biggest effort this year continues to be at Greensburg, KS where 90% of the town was destroyed by an F5 tornado. At first we supplied air transportation for Heart-to-Heart medical workers and when the rebuilding started we partnered with Significant Matters and Methodist Disaster Relief rebuild homes.

And we continue to support Significant Matters in their

effort to rebuild after Hurricane Katrina. A new home project in New Orleans is just getting under way.

We are all self supporting volunteers. That means that no one takes a salary and 100% of your donation goes to the work.

Some volunteers provided their own aircraft to keep things going. This has made it possible to provide ongoing air transportation to the Heart-to-heart and Significant Matters workers in Greensburg, KS.

MidWest Missionair volunteers have continued working at our base in Garnett, Kansas to finish the Aztec refurbishing project. We are hoping that this six-passenger, twin engine aircraft will be back in service by this fall. Please pray that the good progress we have been making will continue through the summer.

Thank you to all who have helped!!

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### *You Can Help Pray*

Prayer support is vital. It is your prayer support that makes the work a success.

### *Give*

Your financial support makes it possible for Missionair to continue. Our monthly budget requires \$900/mo to pay rent, heat, electric, office supplies an debt retirement. Please consider a monthly gift of \$25, \$50 or \$100 to insure that we are ready when we are needed.

### *Volunteer*

This is the first newsletter we have had time to get out this year. 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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Heart-to-Heart medical workers leave Johnson County Executive Airport for Greensburg, KS



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



MidWest Missionair, Significant Matters, and Heart-to-Heart workers fly to Greensburg, KS to plan a coordinated effort to build new houses.



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



Significant Matters volunteers framing houses at Olathe Sports Complex on 159th St. In a short five hour period houses were framed for shipment to Greensburg, Spring Hill, Edgerton and New Orleans, LA.

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

There are no *airlines* to Greensburg, KS and it takes over 5 hours of road time to *drive* from eastern Kansas to Greensburg. *MidWest Missionair* gets workers there in 1 1/2 hours.

In the case of Katrina, travel time door to door to the Gulf Coast averaged:

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

Cutting travel times means that more people are free to go. And they have more time to work while they are away.

Because *MidWest Missionair* workers do not draw any salary

AND

Thanks to your generous contributions:

The cost of getting a volunteer to the disaster site is about the same as it would be to fly by airlines

## One Family's Story

Mike and Tamara Kaltenbach were at home with their boys Garrett and Dylan as their home disintegrated around them the night of the storm. Their home was a total loss but they managed to acquire a property that was rebuildable.

They had already redone most of the inside when this *MidWest Missionair* team arrived in August to help. Mike was at work driving an oil tanker and the two boys were with a friend. Shown here is Tamara working with the team. Jason Wright and Luke Falke worked on siding and paint. Larry Weber, Gordon Blackie and Don Thomas of Methodist Disaster Relief worked on the electrical service entrance. The whole team is shown arriving at the Greensburg airport in a plane donated by Dave Lybarger.

By November of 2007 the Kalenbach's were living in their new home. They were the first on their block to move back and have provided inspiration for a number of other Greensburg residents to rebuild.



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