



Cooke Family Arrives At Airport

## NEW MEDICAL DIRECTOR FOR THE EAST SEPIK ARRIVES

We are excited to announce that Chris and Sarah Cooke, along with their four daughters Riley, McKenna, Amelia, and Lucy, arrived on May 26th. Our growing team was waiting at the airport, excited to welcome them to Wewak!

Chris is a registered nurse and will fill an important role in overseeing the medical aspect of our ministry. Because of his background in trauma nursing, we will be able to offer training to the local nurses who fly along with us on emergency flights, as well as more advanced care for patients in life-threatening situations. We're looking forward to the avenues this will open for further ministry in the local clinics, hospital and among the medical community. Chris and Sarah will both be a part of our hospital ministry as well!



The Growing Papua New Guinea Team

The Cooke family shared that they are eager to begin this journey with Samaritan Aviation. As an RN, Chris is thrilled to be a part of sharing Christ's love and saving lives through medicine. As a family, they are excited to use the various gifts and talents God has given them be His hands and feet to the people of Papua New Guinea. We can't wait to see how God will use their family here as a part of our team. Please keep them in your prayers as they adjust to life here in Wewak.



Chris Greeting Patient On The River



## SECOND PLANE UPDATE

The money has been rolling in faithfully and the plane is almost complete. We are so grateful for those of you who have partnered with us! We plan to unveil the finished plane this summer at the Oshkosh Air Show, which is the largest air show in the world.

If you still want to give towards this project or even to help fund future flights in Papua New Guinea, it's not too late to make a donation. You can do so online at [www.samaviation.com](http://www.samaviation.com) or by contacting our office.

## COME SEE US IN OSHKOSH

If you happen to be near Oshkosh, Wisconsin from July 20-26th, we invite you to stop by the air show and visit with us. Some of our Papua New Guinea missionaries will be there and would love to share with you firsthand what God is doing in the Sepik!

## MEDICAL CONTAINER FOR WEWAK AND THE EAST SEPIK PROVINCE

A twenty foot container from Perth, Australia with over \$35,000 worth of medical supplies arrived at the Area Medical store in Wewak this past month. The container held everything from stretchers, baby warmers for the pediatric intensive care ward, birthing kits for mothers in rural areas, patient trolleys, bandages, IV poles, reference books, exam tables, gloves and syringes.

East Sepik Provincial Health Advisor, Albert Bunat, along with Sister Saline from Catholic Health Services and Rhondy Ktumusi from Living Child joined President Mark Palm and the Samaritan staff to be a part of the opening ceremony for the container. Mr. Bunat said, "This is another success story in service delivery in the East Sepik." Rhondy from Living Child shared, "These supplies are needed to help us continue to serve the people and help us continue to focus on maternal health. A special thanks to Living Child Director Sara David and Samaritan Aviation President Mark Palm for working together on this project." A big thanks also goes out to the Perth Rotary and St. John's Ambulance in Western Australia for their generous donations.

Rhondy and Samaritan Aviation's new Medical Director, Chris Cooke, will be working with a committee to make sure these supplies are distributed quickly to where they are needed and fully accounted for.

