

# Meet Your Missionaries

## Paul and Angie Kimball

Serving with Proclaim Aviation Ministries in Michigan



**BIRTH PLACES:** Paul - Lansing, MI  
Angie - Atlantic, IA

**BIRTHDAYS:** Paul - June 18  
Angie - August 31

**HOBBIES/INTERESTS:**  
Paul: flying, doing things with the kids  
Angie: playing piano, reading

**CHILDREN:**  
Megan (17), Isaac (15), Lucas (13), John (8), Ellie (5)

**FAVORITE VERSES:** Paul - Jeremiah 33:3  
Angie - Lamentations 3:19-23

**EDUCATION:** Paul - Moody Bible Institute in Chicago and Moody Aviation in Elizabethton, TN (missionary pilot and mechanic) Angie - University of Northern Iowa (elementary education)

### **TESTIMONIES**

#### Angie:

Growing up in a church-going family, and with a deep desire to "be good," it seemed like a natural thing for me to ask Jesus into my heart at around age 9. I spent the next years trying to be good and please the Lord, but always falling short and feeling inadequate and frustrated. In college, God used a Christian friend and some foolish personal choices to show me that I could never measure up and be good enough, but that Jesus had died for just that reason. His sacrifice was sufficient to pay for my sin. I could accept His grace and forgiveness and live my life walking with Him and letting His goodness grow in me.

When I met Paul during my senior year of college, I had very little knowledge of missions, but had looked into teaching overseas. As I got to know Paul and learned more about missions, I was excited to think that God could use me to help others know His great love and grace expressed in Jesus. Through flight following, helping in accounting and the school, practicing hospitality and home schooling our children, God has allowed me to be a part of what He's doing in people's lives in Brazil and now here in Missouri.

#### Paul:

I grew up in Sierra Leone, West Africa, where my parents translated the New Testament for the Loco people. Growing up in a Christian home enabled me to come to faith in Jesus as my Savior at a young age. While uncertain of an exact time this occurred, there have been several key high points where my understanding and faith grew significantly. One of these times was after family devotions at nine years old when I better understood sin and my real need for a Savior. When we were back in the States, at 12 years old, I committed my life to the Lord after a missions conference at church. I committed to serve the Lord anywhere and in any capacity the Lord would lead. I wanted my life to have Kingdom impact.

That commitment, godly parents, key friendships and encouragers, and the Lord's wonderful grace kept me pointed toward the Lord through Jr. High and high school. During high school, I wondered if the Lord was leading me toward ministry as a pastor. At the same time I was discovering that I enjoyed working with my hands and had some mechanical aptitude. A pastor who was also a missionary pilot in Alaska visited our church and the seed was planted! Mission aviation quickly became my focus and the Lord began to open doors that confirmed this was indeed His plan.

I am in awe at how the Lord leads and guides and provides so faithfully. Coming along side missionary families as a pilot/mechanic was a fulfilling role in helping Bible translation move forward in Brazil. Serving now with Righteous Rides, we are able to encourage missionary families by providing for their home assignment transportation need. It is a privilege and great blessing to be allowed to hear and see how the Lord is at work through His people in so many places around the globe.

### **HISTORY OF MINISTRY**

January 2000: Joined Wycliffe Bible Translators

April 2000: assigned to serve in Brazil as a pilot/mechanic family

November 2000: moved to Campinas, Brazil, to study Portuguese

September 2001: moved to Cuiaba, Brazil, to serve the translation teams and indigenous people living in remote areas with the airplane

July 2004: furlough in the States; six months in Iowa, six months in North Carolina serving in the training department at JAARS

August 2005: moved to Porto Velho, in northern Brazil, to serve as a pilot/mechanic there

April 2006: moved back to Cuiaba, Brazil, continued serving as pilot/mechanic and also aviation manager for Brazil

July 2008: moved to Anapolis, Brazil, served as pilot/mechanic and aviation manager, also initiated closer partnership with ASAS de Socorro (formerly MAF Brazil)

December 2008: furlough in Iowa

November 2009: resigned from Wycliffe

March 2010: moved to Troy, MO, to serve as fleet manager for Righteous Rides

June 2018: Moved to Michigan to serve as flight instructor with School of Missionary Aviation Technology

## **CURRENT MINISTRY WITH SMAT**

After servicing outside the mission aviation world for eight years, in 2018 the Lord opened the door for us to return to that area of ministry when Paul was offered a position to join the flight training team at the School of Missionary Aviation Technology in Ionia, Michigan. SMAT provides students with training in aircraft maintenance and flight, with a focus on preparing them to serve the Lord in mission aviation. Paul is a flight instructor, helping the students receive their private, commercial, and instrument ratings over the course of twelve months. We are so thankful for the opportunity to mentor these students preparing to serve in mission aviation and join the SMAT team in its purpose: to make an impact for God's kingdom through aviation.

A new vision for us: training the next generation of mission aviators.

But the same mission: to be a part of reaching the nations with the gospel of Jesus Christ.

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