75 Years of Humanitarian Aeromedical Retrievals Across Asia-Pacific

Bringing

help, hope and healing

to isolated communities
around the world through
aviation.



Nick Hitchins – Director Asia-Pacific Programmes

MAF International



MAF model “Walking alongside”



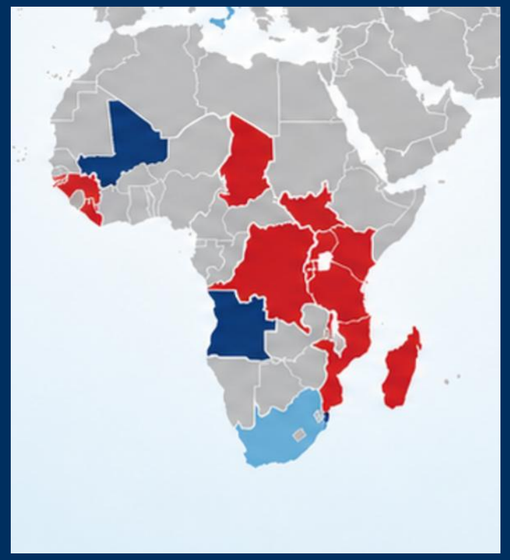




LISTEN | TRUST | PARTNER | DELIVER | TRANSFORM

MAF OPERATIONS WORLDWIDE







24+ countries

1,000+ destinations

116 planes

Isolation should not determine whether someone lives or dies



Our History in PNG





7 May 1951

MAF Papua New Guinea began operations when Harry Hartwig flew the organisation's first mission from Madang into remote parts of the Territory of New Guinea. The service grew to become a vital lifeline for isolated communities across the country.

Papua New Guinea

Papua New Guinea has rugged mountains, dense jungle and extremely limited road infrastructure.









Papua New Guinea

WHAT WE DO:

- Development
- Medical & Health
- Education
- Faith & Hope

STATISTICS FROM 2025:

5,335
hours flown

33,112
passengers

1,115,586
km flown

1,788,003
kg transported

FLEET:

- 1x Cessna 208 Amphib
- 12x Cessna 208
- 1x Cessna 208B



Our History in Arnhem Land

1965

MAF began serving the people of East Arnhem Land, building trusted relationships with Yolŋu communities and providing aviation access to some of Australia's most remote homelands.





Arnhem Land

Arnhem Land is located in the remote north-eastern corner of Australia's Northern Territory.







Arnhem Land

WHAT WE DO:

- Development
- Education
- Domestic Violence Rescue Flights
- Medical & Health

STATISTICS FROM 2025:

2,280
hours flown

10,050
passengers

419,550
km flown

39,635
kg transported

FLEET:

2x Cessna 208

5x GA8 Airvan





Our History in Timor-Leste



2007

MAF commenced operations in Timor-Leste, beginning a partnership that now provides life-saving medical evacuations and aviation support to remote communities across the country.

Timor-Leste

Timor-Leste is an island nation north-west of Darwin, characterised by challenging terrain and weather.









Timor-Leste

- 11 staff, 80% Timorese-led
- 300 medevacs per annum





STATISTICS FROM 2025:

566
hours flown

4,082
passengers

84,444
km flown

170
Repatriation Flights

FLEET:

3x GA8 Airvan







DONORS | PARTNERS | COMMUNITIES

After 75 years of humanitarian aviation, MAF has learned that sustainable impact comes not from aircraft alone, but from walking alongside communities and building trusted partnerships that help save lives.

Thank you!

