

## ***Lowell & Gail Deering***

### ***MAF Canada***



Lowell and Gail Deering started their service with MAF in January 1988, departing Canada just two months after being married. Over the years, they have ministered through MAF to remote people groups in Australia, Papua New Guinea, and other countries in the Asia-Pacific region.

Lowell is a pilot, engineer, and safety system specialist. Over the years, he has carried out more than 23,000 service flights, carrying much needed personnel and freight to and from developing communities inaccessible by road. These vital flights moved church, medical, and educational personnel and freight, building materials, and primary produce. As an instructor, he has taught Papua New Guinean pilots to fly, and conducted advanced pilot training for international MAF staff.

Lowell has held a number of senior positions in the MAF world, including Chief pilot in Papua New Guinea, Regional Quality Manager, and Asia-Pacific Region Flight Standards Manager at the MAF-International office in Cairns, Australia.

During this time, Gail has had varied roles, including hospitality co-ordinator, teacher and administrative assistant. While in Australia, she completed a post-graduate diploma in education and taught in the Australian school system.

Lowell and Gail returned to Canada in July 2014, and Lowell now works in the MAF Canada national office.

Lowell continues to minister with MAF Canada as the Vice-President of Operations and Recruiting. In this role, he is responsible for oversight of the MAF flight and medical programs in Angola, and directs the Canadian recruiting of technical staff for service with MAF worldwide.