

Drew Baker Missionary Aviation Repair Center



Drew was born and raised in New Jersey, and is the fourth of five children born to Louis and Carolyn Baker. He received his B.A. in Psychology from West Virginia University and his M.A. in Aeronautical Science from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University. He has also taken some Biblical Studies classes from Freedom Bible College and Seminary.

In 1985 Drew graduated from the United States Air Force Undergraduate Pilot Training program and spent twenty years flying multiple aircraft for the USAF. It was during his early years in the military that he met and married Carla (Syrjanen). They have two lovely daughters, Caitlin Laurie (12/28/92) and Christin Leah (5/29/01).

Drew and Carla felt called to Mission Aviation for many years before God finally said "Yes" and allowed them to serve for nearly five years with Mission Aviation Fellowship. During that time, they were assigned to Central Asia, where Drew flew and managed the flying operations.

In the summer of 2009, following the Holy Spirit's leading, Drew and Carla came to Alaska to visit MARC. It was during that visit that the Board of Directors asked Drew to become the next Field Director of MARC.

The Bakers have claimed 1 Thessalonians 2:8 as the epitome of their family's approach to ministry. It reads, "We loved you so much that we were delighted to share with you not only the gospel of God but our lives as well, because you had become so dear to us." (NIV)