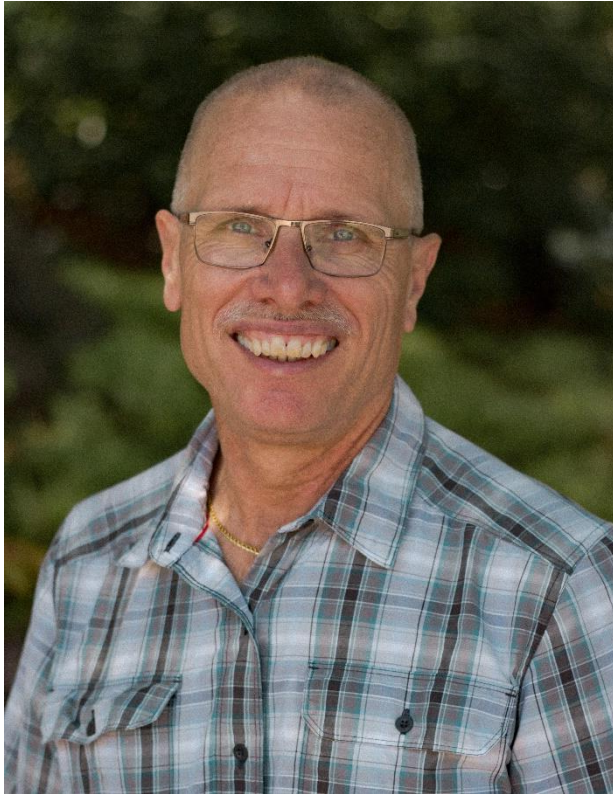Garry Barkman

Garry Barkman has spent most of his life overseas, serving in Venezuela, Panama, Paraguay, Arizona, and the Philippines. He began his mission aviation career as a single man on loan to Mission Aviation Fellowship and married his wife Cynthia while serving in Venezuela. Garry and Cynthia served with New Tribes Mission Aviation (now Ethnos360 Aviation) for nearly twenty-five years. Garry is currently on loan to Moody Aviation, serving as Director of Safety.

Garry's passion is the Gospel and the fact that it changes everything. One of his greatest joys in serving missionaries all over the world has been to see new churches born among remote groups of people. It doesn't seem to matter where a new church is born, God works in unique ways to bring people to a growing relationship with Jesus, impacting every part of their lives. These days Garry's passion for the Gospel plays out in mentoring students at Moody Aviation and teaching that safety is wisdom, a gift from God.

One of the blessings of serving at Moody Aviation has been networking opportunities with mission aviation worldwide. As Director of Safety, Garry has been key in setting up Moody Aviation's SMS using Argus Prism's software. He hopes to see more mission aviation organizations using the software to catch problems before they become incidents and to better share information.

Garry and his wife Cynthia have been married for 26 years and have two sons, Kevin and Kaleb. Kevin (24) is currently living in Manitoba and plays professional badminton. He has a passion to share Jesus in the badminton world and inspire hope in the next generation. Competition is Kevin's passport into the badminton community. Kaleb (19) is studying youth ministry with a media emphasis at Great Northern University in Washington. He loves pouring grace into kids' lives through volunteering with junior high kids at church. Kaleb also loves meeting kids through street BMX and uses his gift in photography and stop-motion animation to share truth.