

10-10-15 Saturday 6:49AM (Eastern U.S. Time) - Cocoa, FL -
Air Mobile Home Base - Report submitted by: Air Mobile Joe

***GETTING FOOD & WATER TO LONG ISLAND
THEN DODGING MORE STORMS - HOMEWARD!***



The day began with meeting some dear friends at the Peace & Plenty. Deatra, the lady in this shot, hosted me and a plane-load of orphans from Haiti one stormy night just after the Haiti earthquake. It was so good seeing Deatra again!



Then it was off to the airport to train a principal Air Mobile Rescuer Operator, Eddie Fischer and his team. Our Lord surely brought us together!



We then presented the Air Mobile Rescuer to Pastor Eddie Fischer who would place this unit exactly where it would need to go! We're so THANKFUL to our Lord for bringing us Eddie!!



After the training, we transferred the food (2000 meals!) that was graciously provided by *"Deliver the Difference"*.



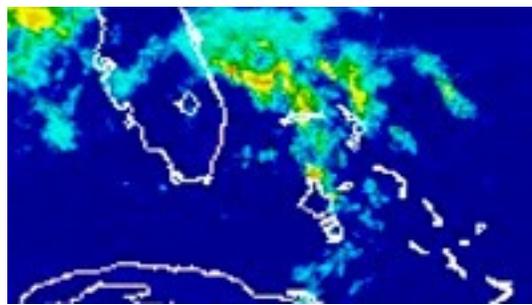
Eddie would be loading both the food and and Air Mobile Rescuer on a boat and heading to the southern end of Long Island, the hardest hit of the Bahamas.



Again, we thanked Eddie for being available to help us to get these life saving supplies where they were most needed. We prayed together for safe journey's for us all!!



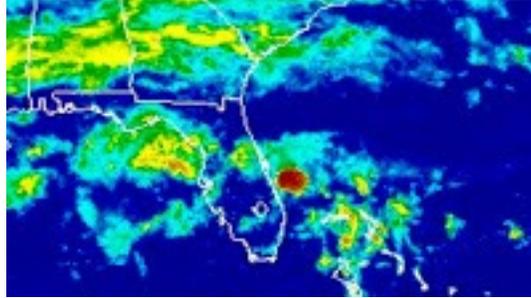
Doug and I bid farewell to Exuma and would have our hands full with some weather ahead.



I snapped this shot of the Satellite image, just before departure. Knowing how quickly things can change in the Caribbean, actually, the Bermuda Triangle, we knew that we'd better get in the air begin heading home quickly.



By the time we approached Fort Pierce, we could see towering build-ups and that time was of the essence.



Then, right before our eyes, a storm blew up just like a bomb. We had just minutes to get in and again, our Lord made a way. We slipped in on the side of that big red blob of weather. Praise God for His guidance!!



As soon as I got home, I saw my lovely Cindy in an Indian Sari. She was on her way to a wonderful event being presented by our Christian School.



I, then brought Peter and Ariana out for a delicious dinner at Beef O'Brady's. Was able to share the adventure of "Dancing With Storms" and how our Lord made a way again.

And how we were able, with a lot help & prayer from our friends, to bring clean water and food to the thirsty and hungry. What a day!!

So, this morning, will be heading back to the airport to meet with Paul to do a "Post-Flight" inspection and find out why my Oxygen supply drained so quickly.

It's a never ending battle, but again, our Lord will help us to get the Little Donkey ready for...."The Next Mission"!

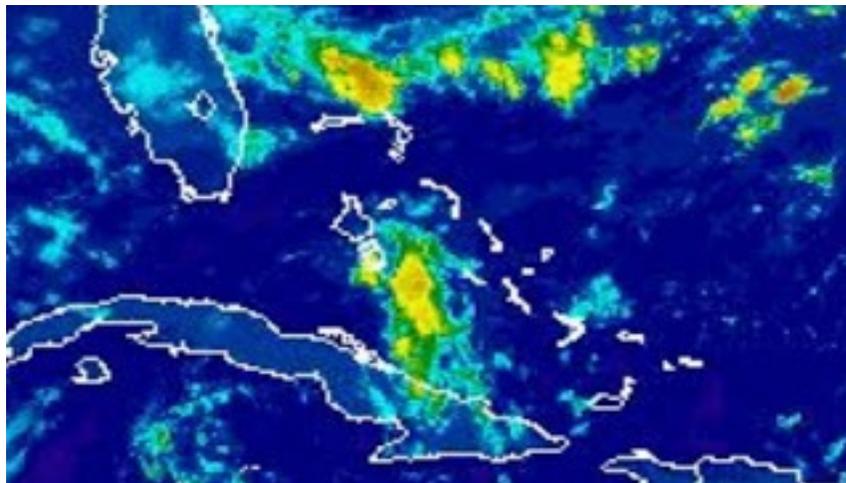
As always, THANK YOU for your precious and vital prayer, love and support!!

Air Mobile Joe

PS - A reminder that the Air Mobile Campaign, "***Hunger is not a game***" is moving ahead. Your help is saving lives!
Here's more - [HUNGER IS NOT A GAME!](#)

10-9-15 Friday 6:16AM (Eastern U.S. Time) - Georgetown, Exuma, Bahamas - Peace & Plenty Hotel - Report submitted by: Air Mobile Joe

THE "LITTLE DONKEY" DELIVERS WATER & FOOD



The weather in the Bahamas looked spotty. Doug, my co-pilot, is a seasoned pilot. We looked at the weather determined that we could work "around" the weather and make it to Exuma Island in the Bahamas. That would be our staging point.

BTW, Doug Rodante has traveled the world with Air Mobile from the Indonesian Tsunami to Haiti and many places in between. Glad to have Doug with me!



We had a word of prayer and fired up the engines on the Little Donkey and took off for the Bahamas.



We climbed to 15,500' and flew VFR due to the extraordinary amount of maneuvering we'd need to do to get around some of those big build-ups. Miami Center was very helpful and soon, we were in relatively clear skies.

BTW, the Little Donkey flew just great. Those fresh mags and new wiring harness gave the faithful little airplane a bit more power.

We landed at Exuma International and was fueled by the son of Junior Strahan (pronounced Strawn). Junior had been fueling our aircraft before his son was born. Good to be with family in the Islands.

We were then directed to the Command Center to discuss the situation on the most affected Islands. Our plan had been to first fly to Crooked Island and deliver food, generator and a Rescuer. The Relief Command Center agreed that this was a good plan.

Our point of contact would be Elton McKinney. He lived in a village several miles away, accessible only by boat. We hoped to find him so that, we could not only deliver the supplies, but could train him on the Air Mobile Rescuer.



We made the 45 minute flight from Exuma to Crooked, dodging some growing storms. Upon landing, the destruction was evident. This little Island took 130+MPH winds for 24 hours! There was not a single structure that was not either severely damaged or completely destroyed.



We unloaded our precious supplies and put them into a hangar that offered just a bit of protection from the rain. We searched for Elton, the recipient of the gifts from some generous folks.



The load of supplies that had been gathered by many caring people would be a great blessing to these folks!!



While waiting, I munched down a PBJ (Peanut butter & jelly) sandwich that my Cindy made for us as we departed for our flight. The jam was some that Cindy made. Mmmmm.

I found an American, Steve, who would be willing to be trained on the Rescuer and would arrange to train Elton when he arrived.



As I was training Steve, Elton walked up! Yeah, the training would now be direct. He was a great student and EXTREMELY thankful for the supplies. He'll be able to help a lot of folks who are cut off and have lost everything.

What a joy to present the Air Mobile Rescuer to Elton. Here's another example of.... "***God knows how to deploy His troops***"! Elton showed up at the perfect time.



We then departed for Exuma International. We flew over Long Island, another Island that was hammered. Our plan is to deliver more food and Air Mobile Resucers.

As we flew over the runway, named "Deadman's Cay", we could see that water was still touching the runway, but slowly draining off.



That's where we'll be going today, weather permitting. Had a great sleep last night in the Peace & Plenty Hotel.

Oh, this place has been a refuge for me over these last 37 years of flying in the Caribbean. Have had to "dash" into Exuma a number of times to dodge storms have stayed at this lovely Hotel.

When Doug and I showed up yesterday afternoon, after a hard day of flying, we were presented with the keys to a lovely room and...there was NO CHARGE! Praise God! These folks were just so thankful that we (along with you) had cared and come to bring help in their time of need.

Well, the sun has just risen, had my second cup of coffee and about to go eat breakfast and then back to airport to launch our next mission to Long Island, Deadman's Cay airport. Pray that the "standing water" will have drained a bit more. We have food and Rescuers for them.

Please PRAY that all goes well, with both the weather and that the folks that we need to meet are at the airport. As always, THANK YOU for your faithful and invaluable prayer, love and support!!

Air Mobile Joe