

Dear Pete and Olive, Jim and Betty,

Marj asked me to write a note to you kids telling you about this morning's flight so here goes. The guys are excited when they get back from these trips that sometimes it takes a few days to get all the details from them. But the two outstanding things today were that they had tied on two of their combs about 5 inches square, made out of the stuff they make arrows out of. The second and most interesting thing is that they have made a model airplane, made very well according to the fellows, sitting up on the ridge of the house. It made Nate think that they were imitating the one in front of our house. Who knows? Anyway it surely is exciting and in many ways unbelievable. It will be a great day when we can hear just what their thoughts have been during this time etc.

Rachael is anxious to give us anything we want from her language material according to Marj and we plan to look over her stuff, hear the tapes, etc. this afternoon. We feel that this is the only way to get more material right now as anything else will give folks reason to guess what is going on at least. Saints don't feel that Rachael could be in on the thing without letting her group know, because of loyalty, etc. But as long as she is willing to give Ed the stuff just in case he should ever need it, we can be happy.

One other thing about this first trip. Ed feels too that it should be made as soon as the gear gets here but that there should be no effort made to contact the Aucas on this first trip but rather to concentrate on the approach for the airstrip, with Indians helping, and then coaxing the Aucas over on the second trip when there are no Indians around and then the strip is in shape.

Guess this is all for now. Surely are anxious to see all of you. Will be good to talk over all the happening. We're leaving for Quito tomorrow. Had hoped to get back by next Saturday but may very well not be finished with the shopping in time. Cesar Andi is preaching in the meeting at Wawatosa on Sunday and another believer leading the singing. We'll be anxious to know how it goes. There were 17 believers meeting on Wednesday. The fellows from the coast are not back yet either.

With love,

Marilou

