



Global Impact 2008

Overcoming Barriers, Transforming Lives, Developing National Capacity

In the past twelve months, the PACTEC fleet of four aircraft executed 2,126 flights, transported 9,675 passengers, and delivered 316,554 pounds of cargo to provide relief and development services as well as access to healthcare.

These statistics translate to **PACTEC having saved agency and medical workers 5,197 days of travel time—or 21.5 work years—redeemed for productive humanitarian work!**

Additionally, PACTEC-*Learning Technologies* (PACTEC-LT) responded to training needs by providing vision, consulting, leadership, and the necessary technology for training indigenous people through distance education and digital publishing. Indigenous community leaders previously without access to training were trained through distance education courses, as well as by accessing digital reference and study materials.

Examples of servant efforts enabled and supported by PACTEC in FY2008 include ...

AFGHANISTAN—Maintained long-term aviation and communications services to alleviate Afghanistan’s infrastructure crisis. ♦ Installed 26 additional VSAT systems to enable the work of NGOs serving in the region. Maintained 90 systems. ♦ Supported the activities of more than 200 humanitarian agencies and NGOs serving Afghanistan’s poor and those suffering from disease and the aftermath of war. ♦ Operated 27 airstrips year-round while also providing villagers with a means of generating income by clearing snow and ice from the airstrips during the winter months. ♦ Taught basic and advanced information technology skills to six Afghan staff members.

KAZAKHSTAN—Served more than 400 expatriates and indigenous people now subscribing to a secure email system. ♦ Maintained a content management system (CMS) website for hosting an online newsletter. With 240 clients, this PACTEC *listserv* and website connects isolated people and organizations. ♦ Built on the proven effectiveness of its distance learning tools and technologies ... Advised and provided oversight for three doctors designing medical courses—six of 12 courses have been completed and are available for distance delivery ... Trained 12 college students in computer basics as well as the use of the resources available via the PACTEC USB stick ... Taught an “Instruction Design” course to 19 students from six Asian countries ...



Began a multiyear project to create six distance education classes for a local college. These classes will teach master's level information to students throughout Kazakhstan and nearby countries. Also created a website and initiated distance education programs for the organization. Commenced work on development of the first distance education course. ♦ Created and hosted websites for six humanitarian organizations. ♦ Established a local business entity, which will eventually offer PACTEC Internet services in Kazakhstan. ♦ Took initial steps for the creation of a digital resources depository. When completed, this will provide an electronic library of rare, out-of-print materials. This initiative will be global in scope and encompass multiple languages. ♦ Loaned two teacher families (four adult workers) to an international school. The school supports some 175 families working in 13 countries of Central Asia. The PACTEC teacher families are serving as teachers, school administrator, and teacher recruiter.

LAOS—Taught aviation English to 50 students at the *Lao Civil Aviation Training Center (CATC)*. ♦ Began discussions with the *Department of Civil Aviation* and *CATC* regarding the launch of a flight training program.

SENEGAL—Established a Community Access Point (CAP) in Fass Mbao, serving approximately 1,000 clients per month. There are currently three CAPs operating in Senegal. ♦ Provided high-speed Internet connection to these CAPs by beaming the signal from the PACTEC office. Also provided Internet service to the *Youth With a Mission (YWAM International)* training center. ♦ Began negotiations with *Partners International* to establish a CAP and VSAT station in Timbuktu, Mali. ♦ Continued translation of a family life course into French, for implementation through distance education. ♦ Served some 1,000 clients a month at each of the established CAPs. ♦ Initiated steps to establish a solar energy project in eastern Senegal. Identified potential partners in the project.

