

# Newsletter

REACHING INTO THE FUTURE



After two years of our borders being closed to international tourists, we are so excited for the New Zealand borders to open next month for Visa Waiver Countries!

Marine Reach is planning to run three different schools in July: a *Discipleship Training School*, as well as two secondary schools, a *Discipleship Bible School* and the *School of Primary Healthcare*.

The Discipleship Training School (DTS) offers students opportunities to encounter the Lord, deepen their faith, and prepare for how to disciple others whether at home or abroad. We will have a variety of streams available for students to choose their focus, including our brand new stream, Leadership and Pioneering.

The Discipleship Bible School (DBS) is a comprehensive overview of the Bible over a three month period, giving students a chance to experience Jesus through the Word of God.

And after a two-year hiatus, we are excited to resume offering the *School of Primary Healthcare (SPHC*) for

individuals wanting to grow in their understanding of how healthcare and missions intersect, and become equipped to serve vulnerable populations through primary healthcare in missions settings.

According to the Immigration New Zealand website, from 03 May onward, borders will be open for visitors from visa-waiver countries entering New Zealand on tourist visas. For tourists from visa-waiver countries who are fully vaccinated against Covid-19, there will be no isolation or quarantine restrictions once they enter the country.

At this point, visitors entering the country who are not fully vaccinated will need to plan to secure a spot in New Zealand Managed Isolation and Quarantine (MIQ) prior to their arrival in New Zealand.

We will also be running a DTS in October 2022. All students participating in a DTS during this year will receive a \$3000 discount on their DTS fees, and the first 25 accepted students for the July school will receive a free domestic flight from Auckland International Airport to Tauranga Airport. Consider joining us for a DTS, DBS, or SPHC in 2022!

For more information, please visit **www.marinereach.com** 

## New Zealand borders are opening and we can't wait to see Ewe!

2022 DTS Discount: <u>\$3000 off</u> school fees for EVERY student

## Ready to Change Your Life? Join Us in July or October 2022!

Do you want to live a life of purpose? Are you yearning for a deeper relationship with Jesus? Are you interested in serving the Lord through missions? Come join us for one of our short schools in 2022. You will discover how to hear when God speaks to you, how to cultivate a meaningful relationship with God and others, and ways to serve God with your abilities. Adventure into your faith while building lifelong friendships. DTS is a life changing experience, and we know God will use the time powerfully! Learn more about start dates, school offerings, areas of focus, and terms and conditions at www.marinereach.com

Apply now!
First 25 accepted students of July 2022 receive a free domestic flight\*

\* Please see our website for terms & conditions, www.marinereach.com



**Responding to Community Spread in Vanuatu** 

During the first week of March, the government of Vanuatu reported their first case of Covid community spread. Five days later, the positive cases had reached 252 people infected with Covid.

Following through on a plan in place from August of last year, Vanuatu moved into a high alert system, requiring all non-essential services and businesses to remain closed, and for Vanuatu's inhabitants to stay home.

The Family Care Centre, located just outside Port Vila, is considered an essential service, and due to the Ministry of Health designating the Port Vila Central Hospital for Covid care and emergency surgeries. All other healthcare needs must go to the small clinics around town. Due to its location, the Family Care Centre is now the primary clinic for about half of the island of Efate.

As of this article's writing, the Family Care Centre clinic is being run by Nurse Mel and several onsite trained volunteer staff. The clinic operates several days per week. After months of delay, two well-experienced FCC clinic nurses, Anna and Estera, were

scheduled to fly into Vanuatu, but due to positive tests at the Vanuatu border around their flight dates, those flights were again delayed indefinitely.

Chelsea Wood Geiger, the facilitator of the Family Care Centre, shares honestly: "We don't have any idea of what these next few months are going to look like."

As this health crisis unfolds in real time in Vanuatu - one of the least equipped nations for handling high need medical emergencies - we ask that you please pray for wisdom for those involved in running and coordinating the clinic, and that God would make a way to supply the needed personnel for the clinic to continue to operate smoothly. Please also pray for every person seeking help at the FCC Clinic - that they would get the medical care they need, but most importantly, that the FCC staff would demonstrate the love and compassion of Jesus to them.

For more information on the Family Care Centre and how you can also support the work happening there, please visit: www.familycarecentre.org



way that would change the course of his life forever. He stayed on to staff, which resulted in meeting fellow Canadian, Julia D'Aoust, who had spent her early childhood years as a Missionary's Kid in Cameroon. Over the next two years, while staffing, Matt and Jules fell in love and got married.

Since then, they have continued at Marine Reach. Their various roles have included leading DTS's, leading outreaches to India, the Philippines, and Vanuatu, cooking many meals for the base, providing tech support, heading up quality of life for the base, and being on the Base Leadership Team providing spiritual covering and long-term direction for the ministry.

Since 2020, Matt has run the Administration Circle and been a part of the logistical team coordinating the day-to-day running of the base, and Jules just finished a year of heading up the Hospitality Circle.

They also are the parents of Lydia (almost 5) and Bennett (2), and have almost wrapped up the finishing touches of their tiny house, located on base, which they lived in while constructing it into a home.

For the Prices, Marine Reach is woven into the fabric of their family. While their roles have evolved over their years, their can-do attitudes and willingness to use their talents and energy to fill gaps as needed have helped form the Marine Reach of today.

#### Matt reflects:

"We love being a part of a ministry where people can come from all walks of life, encounter the love of God, and leave totally transformed. We've been so blessed to serve and participate in the work that God is doing in this place, and having our kids grow up in a missions/discipleship community is so fruitful. We know God has so much more in store for us and for Marine Reach, and we're excited to continue partnering with Him in mobilising young people into a lifetime of loving and following Jesus!"



## DONOR PROJECTS

- DTS Scholarship Fund: Donate to support students who are unable to afford the full price of DTS; \$50 - \$500
- · Deeply needed dental & medical supplies for Vanuatu; \$5000.



## PRAYER PROJECTS

- $\boldsymbol{\cdot}\,$  Please pray for the FCC Nurses to be able to enter Vanuatu as soon as possible.
- Pray for our 2022 students and incoming staff, that God would direct the right people to apply and open doors for them to come.
- Pray for wisdom in transitioning back to receiving international students while also continuing to pioneer new initiatives across the ministry

For more information on Marine Reach, contact:

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Your support is crucial to us as we seek to double our efforts and reach out across the Pacific into the lives of those who need us the most. Simply scan the QR code with your smartphone's camera, and click the link that appears on your screen to set up a monthly donation. Even a few dollars can go a long way.

These are some examples of how recent donations have been used



\$63

One box (50 cartridges) of dental anesthetic



One week of room & board for a NiVan staff member



\$300

NZ Outreach Team ministry tools (ie: Bibles, kids ministry, teaching material)



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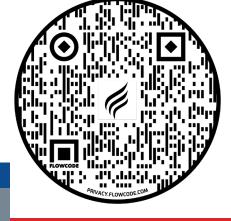
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