

Newsletter

REACHING INTO *THE FUTURE*

Marine Reach Media School Debuts

Douglas Lyra, currently serving in Marine Reach's media department, recently facilitated a four-week School of Media, Film, and Photography.

"It is amazing to me how just one click of the camera, or a short sequence on film, has the power to change someone's life," Douglas comments, reflecting on the journey of his growing passion for media production.

Several months ago, Douglas didn't consider himself qualified to run a Media School, but despite some interest, no one else stepped forward to lead it.

Waiting for the perfect leader, Douglas felt the Holy Spirit prompt him to be willing to volunteer to do it.

The school was able to launch and run for the first time in conjunction with the beginning of the October DTS.

Over the course of the four teaching weeks, students welcomed a variety of instructors with diverse backgrounds: a videographer, an author, a graphic designer, a documentary maker, and a photographer have all been part of the line up.

Students have learned about the components of a story, how to use their cameras in manual mode, developed interviewing skills, and produced a short film.

For their two weeks of outreach in the Tauranga area, they plan to make a short video to support a crisis pregnancy centre.

Student Maeva Ailaouamaua shares, *"It has been everything and more than I hoped it would be! I wish it was longer."*

Douglas plans to run the school again next year. For more information on the school, visit Marine Reach's social media sites or go to: www.marinereach.com/school-of-media-film-photography



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KICKSTARTER FUNDRAISER CAMPAIGN

We believe that, with your help, however big or small, God will release enough finances to rebuild the physical aspects of our ministry that need it. We're calling it the \$1-2-3k Kickstarter Campaign, because *we need \$123,000 NZD to get Marine Reach back to where it can physically sustain the dozens of young people headed our direction, all in desperate need of God's healing and equipping in their lives.*



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STAFF SPOTLIGHT: **Anna Harris**

On weekday mornings at the Family Care Centre in Vanuatu, Anna Harris can be found sipping coffee while working off a detailed administrative list, including tasks such as maintenance, communicating with staff and outreach teams, and coordinating each department at the FCC.

A devoted runner, and a legend at assembling chic but culturally appropriate outfits in the tropical heat, Anna has called the Teouma Valley “home” for over five years.

After training and working as a paediatric nurse, Anna arrived in Port Vila in 2016 to help launch the Family Care Centre, at that time a building just newly constructed with a medical clinic at one end and staff accommodation at the other end.

Those early years were perhaps overwhelming at the time, but the result of pioneering the FCC is an impressive resume of skills, an in-depth understanding of hardware stores in Port Vila, and enough stories to fill a book someday.

Anna oversaw the medical clinic for five years, and in the past several months, she has settled into a new role as the director for the Family Care Centre.

For more information on what is happening at the FCC and how you can be involved, please see: www.familycarecentre.org

Her biggest challenge in this role is trying to adequately execute the array of responsibilities that land on her shoulders. Due to the FCC's staff shortage, she picks up a lot of tasks. But highlights such as mentoring and empowering the staff team to grow in their skills as leaders, facilitating times of connection for ministry leaders and partners, and developing and growing the mission and vision in Vanuatu balances the challenges.

“*Reflecting on her time in Vanuatu, Anna shares: “It has been a great privilege to be part of pioneering the Family Care Centre. I’m constantly amazed as I look around and see all that God is doing in and through this ministry. It is a testimony of what God can do with a small seed of faith that is put into action by simply saying ‘yes’ to his plans. My time in Vanuatu has by no means been easy, it has come at a great cost and required perseverance, but none of that compares to the fruit of the Holy Spirit at work here.*”

We are so thankful for Anna’s faithful, varied, and resilient service at the FCC!

TO TRAIN, EMPOWER, EQUIP AND SEND



If you want to strip away the distractions of life to seek and discover God in His Word and Creation, then the *Pilgrimage DTS is designed for you!*

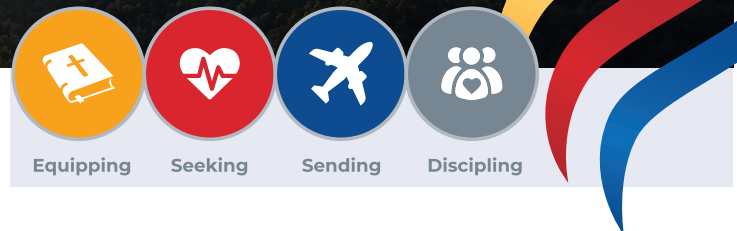
Pilgrimage DTS is Back on the Trail

The October quarter is well underway with almost 40 students, filling the field with lawn games and laughter in New Zealand's pleasant spring weather. Some moments look like life in J.R.R. Tolkien's Shire with good fellowship happening among the rolling green hills of the Bay of Plenty.

And after several years hiatus, the Pilgrimage DTS Stream has resumed. Although no journeys to destroy a ring of power in Mordor are planned, each Pilgrimage student will get to experience leaving the comforts of the base and embarking on some exciting adventures.

DTS students choose a focus (which we call a "stream") during their time at Marine Reach, which involves additional teaching and experiences to their lectures and base-wide community involvement. For the Pilgrimage students, their focus is on outdoor skills, experiencing tramping and camping opportunities in New Zealand, and undertaking a spiritual journey to know and love God with their whole being.

One of our most popular streams, the Pilgrimage students are often excited to gain a hands-on, trail-trekking experience of New Zealand. During their lecture phase, the 13 students will undertake three multi-day hikes, including the Kaimai's and the Waikaremoana Great Walk.



DTS staff Shali Miller shares about her own time as a Pilgrimage staff "I was so excited to be on staff for the Pilgrimage stream this October. It is such a good way to dig deeper into the Bible and learn about Biblical pilgrimages. I also really enjoy getting outdoors and into God's creation!"

The Pilgrimage DTS students come from eight different countries and a diverse background of expertise in outdoor recreation, but one thing they all share is a desire to encounter God through the beauty and splendour of his Creation.

Our next Pilgrimage DTS will run in October 2024. For more information about how you can be involved, visit www.marinereach.com/event/pilgrimage



Stephen, Peter, and Shali are Pilgrimage Staff this quarter



DONOR PROJECTS

- **Washer/Dryer:** keeping an entire base of people's clothing and tea towels clean is a lot of work! Our machines have worked overtime and need to be replaced. \$10,000
- **Couches:** Although "broken in" couches are homey and comfortable, our "broken down" couches are nearing the end of their lifetime. \$8,000

PRAYER PROJECTS

- Pray for the July DTS students who have just graduated - that they will continue to grow in their relationships with God and move into the next season following Him.
- Pray for the October school as they prepare to head on outreach.



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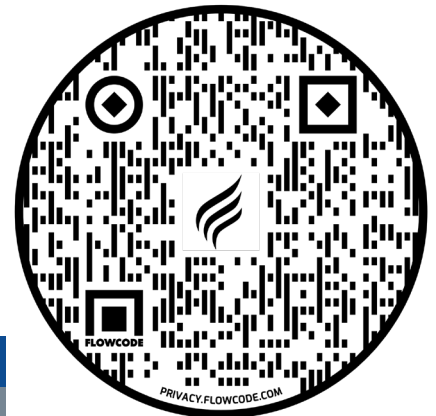
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Your support is crucial to us as we seek to double our efforts and reach out across the Pacific into the lives of those who need us the most. Simply scan the QR code with your smartphone's camera, and click the link that appears on your screen to set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



\$120

One week of room & board for a NiVan staff member



\$300

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



\$500

Sponsorship for a NiVan DTS student

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