

Newsletter

REACHING INTO THE FUTURE

FCC DTS Graduates Third School

At the end of 2021, the Family
Care Centre graduated their third
Discipleship Training School. The
twelve graduates were all Ni-Vans,
and their staff originated from
Vanuatu as well.

The first three months of the school, the students and staff lived and learned together at the Family Care Centre's facilities in Teouma Valley, Port Vila. For outreach, the students and two staff members went as one team to the Banks Islands in the northernmost province of Vanuatu. During their outreach, the team went to remote islands throughout the Banks, working alongside a number of churches sharing encouragement and running programs. One of the main focuses of their time was

mercy ministry to visit and pray with those stuck in their homes.

With the Vanuatu borders continuing to be closed to other nations due to the pandemic, the Family Care Centre staff stepped up to fill in gaps in teaching as well as staffing the school. Anytime a DTS runs, it is an involved and intense process for all involved, but even more so when a staff team has already been adapting to a skeleton crew continuously for over a year.

School leader Edward Saveke reflects on the school: "For me DTS is a place where freedom begins for many young people, it is a season of breaking down fears and recognizing God's truths.

I saw lots of lives changed during DTS, especially when they went out on outreach. Not only that, it is a time that a lot of young people understand the value of family."

As some of the students were

unable to generate all of the money needed to pay for their school and outreach fees, some of you readers of this newsletter generously donated toward a scholarship fund on behalf of the Ni-Van students. Your investment in these lives will continue to bear dividends for years to come as the students go forward as disciples of Jesus with the tools and transformation they received during their DTS. Thank you!



S/Y Next Wave Dives Into a New Year

Almost two years ago, what is now Marine Reach Global purchased S/Y Next Wave, and began its refit process in Turkey. Since 2007, the Next Wave has been hosting DTS's throughout Europe and the Mediterranean, and for several years provided a base for ministry among refugees in Lesvos, Greece.

But with the transfer of ownership, the Next Wave needed to be prepared for the warm waters of the Caribbean. Several months later, the 136 foot (41 metre) vessel and her crew sailed across the Atlantic to begin ministry immediately alongside the M/V Pacific Hope.

Currently primarily in the Bahamas, the Next Wave offers sailing-focused Divemasters Discipleship Training Schools, as well as regular two-month long Ocean Discovery Camps for young divers and ocean enthusiasts.

As part of the experience aboard the Next Wave, students and staff live full time on the vessel, participate in daily Bible Studies, prayer and worship sessions, and learn the intricacies of sailing in the open water. They develop a close-knit community as the shared space also results in sharing their lives. Participants also get an incredible opportunity to witness the beauty of God's creation both above the water and below the ocean surface, exploring sunken ships, plane crashes, reefs, caves, and all kinds of wildlife.

Last year, the Next Wave started the year off hosting the Diversers DTS, including sailing to Barbados for the DTS students to participate in mercy ministry and evangelism, and then operated the Ocean Discovery Camp - Advanced Dive Bible Adventure, which included participants earning their PADI Advanced Diver certificate.

For those that seek...



Combine a love of the ocean and diving with the opportunity to go deeper in your relationship with the Lord and your faith journey!

Participating in one of the Next Wave's training options may be appealing if you enjoy a hefty dose of adventure. The first Ocean Discovery Camp of 2022 launched last month, but for further information on what the S/Y Next Wave is up to in the future, please visit:

www.mvpacifichope.org/nextwave

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STAFF SPOTLIGHT:Mary Scibiur

Almost eight years ago, Mary Scibiur stepped off the plane in Vanuatu to participate in her Outreach portion of DTS.

Little did she realise at the time, perhaps, how significant this country would be in her life.

After completing her DTS, Mary committed to serve with Marine Reach for a year. Part of that year ended up being in Port Vila, helping run Grace House, a guest house for missionaries and teams coming through the city.

Those early days of Mary's service in Vanuatu involved wearing many hats: financial administrator, cook, guest relations, housekeeping, and any other variety of odd-jobs that needed to be done. Additionally, as her time continued to extend, she was naturally appointed into leadership roles to help coordinate other staff and develop strategies and vision for the long term.

Once the FCC Training Centre structure was completed, Grace House closed down and Mary transitioned to managing all aspects of food service at the FCC, as well as continuing her involvement in the dental clinics each week. Since then, she has also served as DTS staff as well as joining the Core Leadership Team to help oversee the logistics of the day-to-day runnings at the FCC.

Gifted in organisation and problem solving, and a willingness to do whatever job is at hand that needs to be completed, Mary has proven to be a huge asset to the FCC team.

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

TO TRAIN, EMPOWER, EQUIP AND SEND



Reflecting on her six-and-a-half years of staffing, Mary shares about the highlights so far in Vanuatu:

"I have enjoyed meeting and getting to know such a diverse assortment of people, and finding the things that bring us together. I have been able to see weddings, and children born while I have been here. And I also have taken great pleasure in seeing young people grow to new understandings of who God is."

While there may be times of stress, monotony, exhaustion or heat, Mary believes she is exactly where God has called her to be. And because of that, she truly feels that she is living out her dreams using the skills with which God has equipped her to serve.





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.



- Please pray that a way will open for the FCC head nurse to return to Vanuatu. She is in the USA, unable to reenter Vanuatu due to Vanuatu's strict border measures.
- Please pray for wisdom in pioneering new initiatives across the ministry.



Many thanks to those who have sown into and given toward the new land purchase

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These are some examples of how recent donations have been used



\$63

One box (50 cartridges) of dental anesthetic



One week of

One week of room & board for a NiVan staff member



\$300

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



Sponsorship for a NiVan DTS student

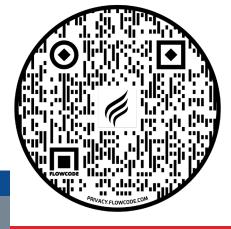
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