

Newsletter

REACHING INTO *THE FUTURE*



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October DTS Departs on Outreach

Sending students on outreach is one of the most exciting parts of running a DTS. After three months of lectures, where students hear teaching on topics to challenge and grow their relationship with God, they get to put their faith into action and “Go!” to make disciples of Jesus, serve the nations, and continue to exercise their spiritual muscles in a new environment.

In January, Marine Reach sent 46 students and staff on outreach to three nations. Half of the Medical Compassion stream and the Worship stream went to Vanuatu, the other half of the Medical Compassion stream went to the Philippines, and the two Pilgrimage stream teams departed for two different areas of Australia.

Their three-fold plans are to evangelise, disciple, and serve wherever they go, in whatever capacity is available for them.

Anika Hochstedler, the DTS coordinator for the October 2023 school, shares about the experience of this school: “It has been an absolute joy and privilege to lead this school of intelligent, passionate young people who are being totally transformed by the love and knowledge

of Jesus! Week after week, we get to walk with these students as they encounter the love of God in a way that moves them to give up everything to follow after Him. This is discipleship, and it is so beautiful, and it is so personal! While getting to experience this and encourage this in the lives of those around me, I also get to continually deepen my own relationship with God and others.

One of my favourite parts of this school was getting the opportunity to teach on Evangelism and Missions, followed by a Christmas Outreach in our city. I was reminded of the passion God has put inside of me for His name to be known in the world, and I loved getting the opportunity to share and encourage the students in this mandate and mission.”

Anika will be leading the Worship Team in Vanuatu and New Zealand during their outreach time.

Stay tuned for stories of how God showed up on outreach for these students!

For more information about DTS’s at Marine Reach, please visit: www.marinereach.com

STAFF SPOTLIGHT:

The Linders Answer the Call

Midway through 2022, Marine Reach was undertaking the first international-student DTS since early 2020, and we were preparing for the October DTS with what looked like an extremely small staff team.

In the August 2022 newsletter, we presented an article inviting former Marine Reach staff to consider an invitation to return to the base to help support the ministry as it transitioned back to "normal."

Emanuel and Emelie Linder, natives of Sweden who originally staffed with Marine Reach in 2018 and 2019, felt the Lord stir their hearts to come back to Tauranga and serve as DTS staff for the October 2022 school.

The Linders, along with their son Amadeus (born in 2020), left their home in Vindeln, Västerbotten in Sweden, to come lead the Worship Stream. While staffing with a 2-year-old presented some new challenges, the Linders enjoyed their experience being back on the base, back in the lecture room, and back to discipling young people through the DTS process.

Emanuel and Emelie reflects on their experience participating in the lecture phase:

"Coming back to serve in the area of DTS staff for this period of time has been great and a blessing for us as a family in many different ways. One of the privileges is to see the students step into the doors on arrival and then to follow them on their journey with the Lord, to see them grow in love and surrender to Jesus for each week throughout the DTS.

It has also helped us to grow a stronger vision for us as a family to move forward in the dreams and desires God has placed in our hearts as well."

The whole Linder family will head on outreach to Vanuatu for the start of the Outreach Phase, and then Emanuel will stay with the team for an additional 3 weeks while Emelie returns to NZ with Amadeus.

We are so grateful for this family and their willingness to uproot themselves for this season to help see Marine Reach get back to normal again.

For more information about staffing with Marine Reach, please visit: www.marinereach.com

STAFF UPDATE: Congratulations to Anna Harris (Staff Spotlight December 2022) and former Marine Reach staff, Colson Huntington, on their recent engagement! *We look forward to seeing how you serve the Lord together in Vanuatu & beyond!*





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A Night on MedCom Outreach to Remember

Outreach is always an exciting opportunity to serve the Lord, participate in adventures, and make lifelong memories. Nadja Zorge, July 2022 Medical Compassion Outreach Leader, shares one of her exciting stories from outreach:

“During the sixth week of outreach in Vanuatu, our team of five went to Moso Island, a small island off of Efate. The weeks before we had mainly been working in the Family Care Centre. On Moso, we stayed in a village of 400 people and that week a kustom wedding took place.

As part of the wedding festivities, the entire village ate together for three days. It was a joy to get to participate in the wedding by helping the Mamas cook and serve the food.

Our ministry was focused on loving the people and caring for them, because God loved and cared for us first. We were also able to go door to door to hand out reading glasses, provide wound care, pray with people, and play with the kids.

Friday night was the climax of the wedding and the entire village partied. We decided to stay home and

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have an evening of intercession and worship for the village. A thunderstorm was hitting the island that night. Our team was ready to go to bed when a woman started knocking on the door, requesting help with an injury. I am three months training away from getting my doctor's degree, so I was the most qualified person within several hours to assist her.

During the party she had sliced her forehead open and came in with an open laceration. It needed to be stitched, and I had my emergency stitching kit with me. I was excited God had answered my secret prayer to get to stitch someone up!

I quickly organised the team to assist me. Because there was no electricity, we used headlamps and flashlights and tried to work as sterile as the bush medicine situation allowed. I placed four stitches to close her 5-centimetre laceration.

Being able to respond to this woman allowed us to demonstrate to the village how we want to care for them as a reflection of God's care for us.”

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DONOR PROJECTS

- **Vans:** Transporting students and staff on town trips, evangelism outings, and New Zealand based outreaches requires a fleet of functioning vehicles. We downsized during the pandemic and are now in need of restoring our fleet. \$25,000
- **Granny Flat Reno:** Providing adequate staff housing is an ongoing challenge for the base. The house that came with the new property purchase has a partially built Granny Flat that is in need of some renovation and updating to make it a healthy and liveable space. \$15,000

PRAYER PROJECTS

- Pray for the October DTS students and staff as they complete their outreaches in Vanuatu, Australia, and the Philippines.
- Pray for the upcoming February school students and staff as they prepare to start this DTS.



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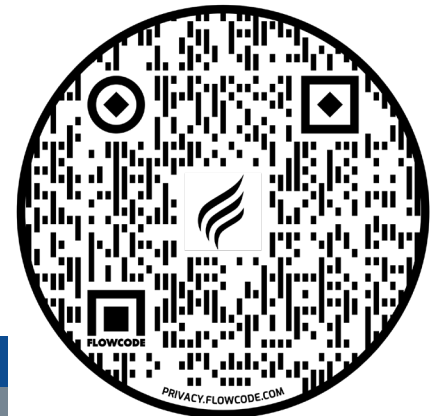
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\$63

One box (50 cartridges) of dental anesthetic



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\$300

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