

# Newsletter

REACHING INTO *THE FUTURE*

## New Schools Launch

The first weekend in February, students for February 2022 DTS and DBS at Marine Reach started arriving. As they made their way to base, they were stepping into a journey with the Lord. Marine Reach staff have been praying for these students for months, and we are excited to have them in our community!

Although student numbers are smaller than they were during summertime-launching schools of the pre-covid (and open borders) season, we are trusting that God is bringing exactly who he has appointed to be at Marine Reach during this time.

Nine students have started on the Discipleship Bible School course, while an additional 12 are participating in the Discipleship Training School. All of these students have been living in New Zealand for a while now, but they come from various backgrounds, including South Africa, the Philippines, England, Australia, the USA, Tonga, and Samoa, along with New Zealand.

Students will be completing 12 weeks of the lecture-phase, and then the DTS students will go on to have an 8 week outreach-phase through New Zealand.



Discipleship Bible School students and staff.

One unique thing about this student intake is the high ratio of young men participating in the schools. This is something the staff has specifically prayed for, asking God to direct young men who desire to be discipled in their relationship with Jesus to Marine Reach.

Another unique aspect of this quarter's students is the familial connections already established: a mother/daughter combination are participating in the DTS and DBS, and one of our new DTS staff member's brother is participating in the DTS.

We trust that God's hand at work in these students' lives will also multiply into his redemptive work in their families as he calls individuals and families to serve him.

Please pray for our staff and students in these schools. Pray for their financial provision, pray for their hearts to be soft toward each other and toward the discipling process, and also for the Lord to meet them and bring healing and growth and restoration in the broken areas of their life.

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Disciple Training School staff team.



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***“We are so blessed by God to have this strong building that can withstand cyclones and flooding”.***

GREG, A MEMBER OF THE FCC STAFF

## FCC Offers Refuge from Cyclone Dovi

Every year Cyclone season comes around in the South Pacific and every year the region's tiny nations brace for the impact. Low-income communities usually lie in the worst geographical areas and that includes the coastal and flood prone areas of the nation.

The Family Care Centre was built 60 cms off the ground in anticipation of possible flooding. In the past, when weather has resulted in dangerous conditions for locals, the FCC has opened its doors to host anyone in need of shelter, and with the approach of Cyclone Dovi the staff prepared to receive guests again. Beds were made, meals cooked and lots of breakfast crackers purchased. In total, about 40 locals came to seek refuge from the storm, including some small babies with their mothers from the antenatal Mama's Class last year. Everyone stayed for two nights.

Visitors arrived as the winds and rain increased. Due to heavy rain the three previous weeks, the river down the road from the FCC was extremely high - almost touching the bridge that provides the FCC's access to Port Vila. Roads turned into rivers, and some people had to use boats to evacuate their possessions from their homes.

The staff and visitors enjoyed times of worship together, managed a flood situation inside of the FCC, and the mamas staying in the Centre made a lovely meal of simboro for everyone on the second day. Despite the storm outside, it was an opportunity to build greater connection and invest in the lives of the people God brought to the FCC.

Greg, a member of the FCC staff, commented: “When I heard that people were coming to stay with us because their houses were flooded, I felt that we are so blessed by God to have this strong building that can withstand cyclones and flooding. Now every time I see this building I'm reminded how we can use God's blessing to bless other people.”

Please pray for the FCC and the people of Vanuatu as the rains continue to be far heavier than normal this year, raising risks of ongoing flooding. For more information about the FCC, go to: [www.familycarecentre.org](http://www.familycarecentre.org)



## Pop Up Clinic On Pele

Off the North side of Efate Island (home of the Family Care Centre) Pele island rises from the ocean about 17 kilometres from Efate's coast. It is home to about 220 residents

The FCC staff made the journey by "banana boat" last year to offer a medical and dental clinic. The clinic was so well received, that the FCC was invited to come back again this year.

In early February, the FCC staff loaded up and made the trek to Pele. During the clinic, they served 53 patients, 11 of which were dental patients. They offered medication, prayer, and saw the Lord do one miraculous healing on the spot.

Several staff members also ran fun kids programs and did dental education and diabetes prevention education. These forms of relationship building and preventative primary care opportunities help to empower the community members (of all ages) on how to make wise health decisions.

During the course of the day, a 6-week-old little girl was brought to the clinic presenting with multiple boils on her head and a high fever. FCC Nurse, Mel, and her medical team made the decision to offer to take the baby and the baby's mother back to Port Vila for more robust medical care. The staff were concerned that the baby was likely showing signs of sepsis, needing ongoing monitoring and potentially IV antibiotics and fluids.

On the way back, the sea had gotten rough, so the FCC staff had some harrowing moments on the boats. But



God's care for the FCC covered even the boat ride, and everyone made it safely to Efate's shore. The FCC staff were able to transport the baby girl and her mother to the emergency room in Port Vila for further follow up care.

The Pop Up Clinic was deemed successful by the staff, and they look forward to future opportunities to serve and interact with the people of Pele Island. Please pray for the people of Pele Island, that this clinic would open their hearts and eyes to a genuine relationship with Jesus.



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



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## 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

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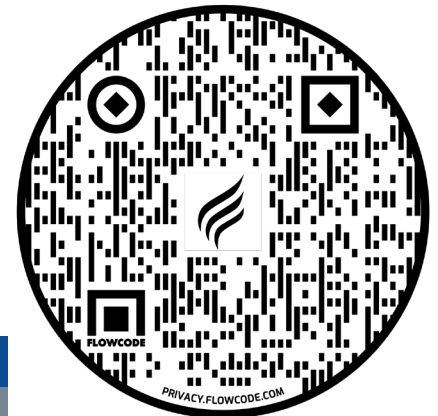
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Your support is crucial to us as we seek to double our efforts and reach out across the Pacific into the lives of those who need us the most. Simply scan the QR code with your smartphone's camera, and click the link that appears on your screen to set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