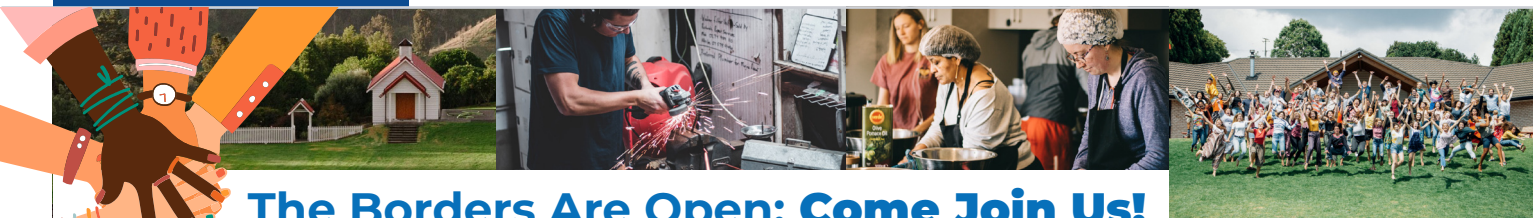


Newsletter

REACHING INTO *THE FUTURE*



The Borders Are Open: Come Join Us!

Monday mornings at Marine Reach are a time for whanau (family). Typically, the Marine Reach dining room hosts staff, students, and community members at this time for morning hot drinks and baked goods.

Starting off the week in this way is not only a fun, social event (a recent whanau time included celebrating David Cowie's 75th birthday complete with the gift of a new golden retriever puppy to keep him from getting bored), but it is also a vital time of relational connection across the ministry.

As the DTS students and staff head out on outreach, these Monday morning gatherings sometimes feel like shadows of bygone days. The Covid pandemic and border closure has provided Marine Reach with many unique opportunities to focus on the community around us and develop new, more efficient routines for running a base, but perhaps the most visible difference is the impact it has had on our staff team's numbers.

Volunteer opportunities are open to short and long term staff. Please see www.marinereach.com/opportunities/ or reach out to the HR department at: personnel@marinereach.com

Several staffing areas are particularly low on volunteers, and now that New Zealand's borders are open to internationals, we want to extend an invitation for staffing opportunities:

1 - Communications Team Volunteers -

promoting our programs and telling the stories of God at work in our ministry using digital technology and relational connection; mobilising new students and volunteers into missions through our ministry;

2 - Kitchen Volunteers - making food, doing dishes, meal planning, and creatively stewarding the resources and provision God has given;

3 - Grounds and Maintenance Volunteers - weeding, pruning, fixing broken things, updating old things, and improving facilities to honour the people and land God has entrusted to us;

4 - DTS Staff Volunteers - mentoring students, supporting the logistics of running the DTS, planning and participating in outreach activities, and supporting what God is doing in the lives of the students He brings in our doors.

For more information, please visit www.marinereach.com

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

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***

2022 DTS Discount: \$3000 off school fees for EVERY student*

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



Answer to Prayer: Nurses Return to Vanuatu

Last month, we asked you to pray that two of the FCC nurses, Anna Harris and Estera Badulescu, would be able to return to Vanuatu after experiencing delays in their return plans.

We are thankful to share that before the newsletter was even in your hands, Anna and Estera were approved for a special flight to re-enter Vanuatu, landed in Port Vila, and started their quarantine at a local hotel! What an incredible (early) answer to your prayers!

Anna has served as a nurse with the Family Care Centre for years, helping to establish the clinic in Teouma Valley. But her father's long fight against cancer ended in January 2021, and Anna was ready to spend time with her family after four years of investment in Vanuatu. Anna was able to go home to grieve with her family and support her mother through the transition. Due to covid, the date for Anna's return to Vanuatu changed multiple times, and she ended up having to reschedule her flight on three different occasions.

She shares, *"It was very challenging to be home for an unspecified amount of time, but through that time God taught me to trust Him with the*

plans and His timing, and to be faithful to what he put before me each day."

Estera returned to Switzerland in July 2021 for her brother's wedding. Her time at home coincided with renewing her Vanuatu visa, and she focused on sharing about God's work in Vanuatu, encouraging her family and friends in their walk with the Lord, and working as a nurse in nursing homes, which was a large cultural adjustment after extended time in Vanuatu.

Her visa application was finally approved in January, and Estera scheduled flights to return in early March, but two days prior to leaving, Vanuatu's border restrictions changed again, delaying her plans. However, the Lord used the change to allow Estera to attend her sister's civil wedding ceremony, which she would have missed if her original plan had gone forward.

"God made a way for me to get back into Vanuatu in a time where nobody was allowed to enter," Estera recounts.

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



**NEXT
DBT:
August
2022**

Discipleship Bible Training Course

In January of 2021, Marine Reach partnered with a local Tauranga-area church, Bethlehem Baptist Church, to offer a 10 week Discipleship Bible Training Course equipping participants to experience the Bible from a holistic, thematic perspective.

About 20 community members came to the weekly evening teaching session. In correlation with their weekly meetings, participants also read selected portions of the Bible to accompany the teaching of that week.

Each week's teaching gave a brief overview of the topic at hand and connected the topic of that week to the overarching theme of God's redemptive work through Jesus and the evidence of His character as seen through the Bible. The weekly meetings also included small group discussion time and space for participants to ask questions or wrestle with application of their learning to their own life.

Last year's DBT was well received by the participants and was a highlight of the year for the Marine Reach staff who ran it, so in February 2022 another DBT was launched - this time occurring at the Training Centre. With a shortened eight-week schedule, the weekly

teachings focus on themes that trace the story of God's involvement in human history as seen in the Bible and our individual opportunities to respond to Him.

The DBT facilitator, Tim Van der Kooij, shares about this year's format: "Similar to last DBT, the goal is to encounter Jesus through the Scriptures and get a deeper understanding of the Bible for the goal of growing in relationship with Jesus. This time we went for a more casual feel, starting with worship, a short teaching time, fellowship around hot drinks and some snacks, and then break out in conversation groups. All the speakers are in-house speakers, showing how blessed Marine Reach is with people that can share from the Bible from a place of having an intimate relationship with Jesus."

Marine Reach is so excited to provide different opportunities for engaging with the community and cultivating an understanding and passion for the Bible.

For more information or to register for our next DBT, please see: www.marinereach.com/event/discipleship-bible-training/





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

- 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



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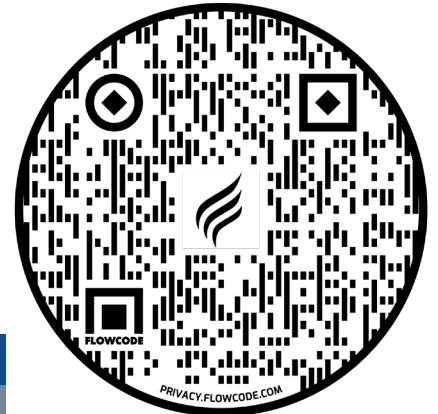
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