

# Newsletter

## REACHING INTO *THE FUTURE*

### Dire Need for Dentists at the FCC

The Family Care Centre in Vanuatu has been running regular weekly medical clinics since 2016. This has provided a beautiful opportunity to serve the community and build relationships while sharing the gospel in word and deed.

However, while medical care is much needed in Vanuatu, perhaps an even greater need is dental care. Estimated dentist population ratios in Vanuatu are one dentist per 35,000 people. As a result, a large portion of the population gets no routine dental care, much less acute dental care.

In the past, the FCC, which is located just outside of Port Vila on the island of Efate, has been delighted to offer regular dental clinics with the support and help of a dentist in Port Vila and visiting dentists from abroad. We have a clinic room, complete with equipment to facilitate a comfortable dental experience. However, since November of 2022, we have not had a dentist able to volunteer at the FCC dental clinic on a regular, weekly basis.

We are so thankful for the short term support of dentists over the past year and a half who have generously volunteered to travel to Vanuatu during their holiday to serve the people of Vanuatu with this critical skill. They come and work hard for the duration of their visit, pulling teeth and filling cavities. But we are saddened that we are unable to provide this service on an ongoing basis.

If you are a dentist, would you please consider coming to volunteer and bring your skills to serve in Vanuatu? Or, if you know a dentist with an interest in missions, would you please pass on this information and encourage them to prayerfully consider this opportunity? We are open to short term dental trips, and equally excited about someone catching a vision for how to serve for a longer period of time - perhaps 3 or 6 months or longer.

**For more information, please visit the Family Care Centre website at [www.familycarecentre.org](http://www.familycarecentre.org)**

## WE NEED YOU!

If you are a dentist, would you please consider coming to volunteer and bring your skills to **serve in Vanuatu?**



## January School Graduates Following An Unexpected Outreach

After 5 months of DTS lectures and outreach, the 20 students of the January 2024 DTS graduated in mid June.

This particular school had an interesting experience as there were some curveballs in the execution of outreach which occurred: midway through their time in Vanuatu on outreach, Air Vanuatu went into liquidation, cancelling all flights immediately. The outreach teams all had return flights booked back to New Zealand on Air Vanuatu, so they found themselves somewhat stranded in Vanuatu.

We were able to purchase new tickets for them on Air Fiji, and all of the outreach students and staff made it back to New Zealand safely, but their outreach plans needed to be reworked. Specifically, the teams had planned to spend a few weeks travelling to parts of New Zealand for the final phase of their outreach, and due to the costs of replacing their tickets, they needed to stay more local.

But, this school proved to be resilient and adaptable, and they were able to focus their energy and efforts on serving and ministering in the Tauranga area for their last weeks of outreach. They partnered with organisations doing all kinds

of service, such as community dinners, youth programs, serving food to people on the streets, helping around community gardens, and more. It was amazing to see them persevere, and take the opportunities that arose while being in Tauranga.

The graduation event was a celebratory evening, complete with videos from both teams, presentation of graduation certificates, testimonies about what several students saw God doing on outreach, and worship.

Ashley Hernandez, the Training Leader for Pacific Reach, shares her reflections on this school:

*“The more I am a part of our DTSs, the more my heart desires to see authentic, and life-long transformation take place. I’ve found that in order to see transformation, surrender and lordship is key. That is something I’ve seen in these people: when plans change, things came up and there were opportunities to share and surrender, they took it. They learned to lay down their life in this season, and I pray it continues in the seasons to come.”*

**Our next DTS will launch in October. For more information about how to be involved in it, please visit: [www.pacificreach.org](http://www.pacificreach.org)**



## Staff Spotlight: RoseMary Grainger

When you walk into the front doors of the Pacific Reach base, likely the first face you'll meet is a young woman with a bright smile and capable attitude. Her name is RoseMary Grainger, and one of her many roles at Pacific Reach is working at the front welcome desk.

RoseMary hails from Alaska, and came to do her DTS with Pacific Reach in 2022. Over the course of her lecture and outreach phases, RoseMary felt the Lord lead her to continue her journey with Pacific Reach after graduation in a staffing role.

Arriving to staff during a time of updating systems and structures, RoseMary was able to step into a new role as receptionist, learning on-the-job and helping to create her role to best support the functions of the base.

RoseMary's regular responsibilities and tasks include ordering food, answering the phone, checking emails, receiving payments, and fielding inquiries. In addition to her

administrative support, she also has stepped into supporting the DTS recently by splitting her time between her admin role and staff for the January DTS. In this role, she was able to help facilitate student-led intercession, disciple one-on-ones, lead a stream night, and be a presence during morning lectures.

Reflecting on her time so far at Pacific Reach, RoseMary shares: *"Wow, what an adventure! As I started out in reception, it was interesting to learn how I could be participating in 'missions' while doing more admin, 9-5 type work. It was easy to think that what I was doing wasn't really mission work like those in more discipleship-focused roles. As I stepped more into DTS however, I discovered that doing the background admin work actually served as a large support for those in discipleship roles. I've had such a lovely experience with Pacific Reach so far as I've witnessed God continually move in and through staff and students."*

**We are so thankful to RoseMary for her faithful contributions to the logistical and spiritual work of Pacific Reach!**

For more information about how you can get involved in serving with Pacific Reach, visit: [www.pacificreach.org/opportunities](http://www.pacificreach.org/opportunities)



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We invite you to contemplate the profound impact of contributing a portion of your estate to ensure the enduring progress of Pacific Reach even beyond your lifetime.



Thanks to several recent donations totalling \$452, we were able to purchase some medical supplies for the Family Care Centre. The Xylocaine is a topical numbing jelly, and the Vitrebond is used in dental procedures when filling or reconstructing a tooth. Both are useful to have on hand in the clinic at the FCC.

**\$452**



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- *Missions Mate:* Help us fund the day-to-day, month-to-month, and annual costs of running a ministry effectively with a monthly gift of \$10, \$20, \$50 or more.

## PRAYER PROJECTS

- *April DBS:* Please pray for the DBS students and staff as they wrap up their final weeks of the DBS and seek the Lord about next steps in their lives.
- *We are approaching our annual Sabbath month* (in August), which is an opportunity for staff to rest, visit family, reconnect with supporters, or pursue other areas of growth and health. Please pray for the staff that they will be refreshed during this down time.



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