

News letter

REACHING INTO THE FUTURE



The M/V Pacific Hope recently completed an extended outreach mission into the Amazon, where the ship sailed up the Amazon River to distribute Bibles and conduct medical and dental clinics to remote villages in the heart of the Amazon Region.

After returning to the island of Dominica for refuelling and gathering supplies, the M/V Pacific Hope sailed for Puerto Morales, Mexico, in August for its next mission.

Puerto Morales is located just south of Cancun, Mexico, and the Pacific Hope plans to harbour there for the next year while focusing on outreaches. Captain Marvin Wilson shares:

"Our focus resonates strongly with addressing the needs of the youth in this region, a demographic that requires our unwavering support. Central to the ethos of the Pacific Hope is our steadfast commitment to embodying the teachings of Jesus Christ. Within this framework, we are steadfast in our dedication to conducting dental clinics for children who have never had access to such care. The sheer volume of need within this community is staggering,

urging us to call upon volunteers from various walks of life - medical practitioners, childcare experts, church congregations, and all those who can offer their time and compassion to uplift these deserving young lives."

The ship will continue to offer medical and dental clinics as part of their outreach efforts, alongside outreach programs and events for children and youth, with the goal of providing enriching opportunities for spiritual learning and growth among the young people of Puerto Morales.

If you are a medical professional, someone with some Spanish-speaking experience, someone with a heart for youth and children, or someone who wants to experience working on the front lines of sharing the love of Jesus cross culturally, would you consider investing some time in the next year to serve alongside the M/V Pacific Hope in Mexico?

For more information, please visit, www.marinereachglobal.org





Staff Spotlight: Estera Badulescu

In 2019, DTS student Estera Badulescu stepped out of an aeroplane into the warm, humid air of Port Vila to serve the people of Vanuatu with her nursing skills for 7 weeks of outreach.

During that time, Estera's heart grew to love the people of Vanuatu and she saw how she could help to fill a huge need for medical care in the nation.

Just before the Covid pandemic, in October 2019, Estera found herself stepping off another plane onto the Port Vila tarmac, and this time she knew she was ready to make this nation home for the next season of her life.

Estera's day to day life looks like prepping the clinic to be ready to receive patients, organising medical teams, doing medical consultations, organising the pharmacy and other supplies, and keeping good relations with the Ministry of Health.

Having lived and worked in Vanuatu for more than three years now, Estera reflects on her duration so far at the Family Care Centre: "Working on the community's primary health is a very satisfying job as I can improve people's health and pray for my patients and see God's working through our ministry. It has not always been easy, I had to step out in so many new responsibilities as clinic manager, but the Lord has always been one step ahead of me, giving me the strength and wisdom needed with every challenge."

Estera shares, "The Lord has put on my heart to focus on bringing medical assistance and His love to remote villages and communities. I hope to organise more medical outreaches to places where there aren't any medical facilities or where the patients need to take several types of transport to reach help. With the skills, knowledge and support from the FCC, I'm excited to pursue this dream for the next months and years."

The ongoing work of the Family Care Centre would not be possible without the dedication and loving service of medical professionals who are willing to use their knowledge to bless the people of Vanuatu. We are so grateful for Estera's service.

For more information about what happens at the Family Care Centre or how you can be involved, please visit: **www.familycarecentre.org**





The FCC's busy August

August was a busy month for staff and visitors to the Family Care Centre (FCC) in Vanuatu!

Not only did it see the return of several long term staff who had been on leave during the months of June and July, but there was also the addition of a nurse, Annalise, to the FCC staff, and several groups of guests.

In early August, YWAM New Caledonia sent a DTS outreach group of seven to Vanuatu for a week of ministry. Mary, our FCC staff who helped coordinate the details of their accommodation, shares: "The French Speaking nation of New Caledonia has a unique opportunity to minister to the French speaking population in Vanuatu. And though there were some language barriers for our staff, the cross-cultural experience was beautiful to be a part of. Especially seeing the wider YWAM community make new connections in neighbouring nations."

Later on in the month, the FCC was able to host an international group participating in training for Life International. LIFE International is an international organisation that focuses on valuing human life. They work to connect local leaders with resources and organisations to help fulfil their goal of valuing

each individual as an image bearer of God.
The training participants included people who attended from the USA, AU, the Solomon Islands, PNG, and Vanuatu.

The group spent a week at the FCC and enjoyed times of fellowship with our staff around meals, while being busy in the classroom during most of their days here. The FCC Mat Time (Men's Ministry) leader was able to present to the local leaders attending not only about the Mat Time program, but also about our upcoming DTS (which will be running from June - November 2024).

We are grateful for the FCC's hospitality and the staff team that makes it possible to continue the ongoing work of healthcare and discipleship. We are also grateful for the opportunity to see the FCC facilities utilised to support other ministries in their efforts to share the Love of God with the people of Vanuatu and beyond.

For more information about the FCC, please visit: **www.familycarecentre.org**

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Thanks to a recent donation of \$500, we were able to source several new-to-us leather couches for the lounge at the Training Centre. We are so grateful for the support (financial and for our lumbars) of our donors as we live, work, fellowship, and disciple in the midst of daily life at the Training Centre. We hope these couches will be places of connection and relationship-building in the years to come.

We invite you to contemplate

the profound impact of

contributing a portion of your

estate to ensure the enduring

progress of Marine Reach even

beyond your lifetime.



- Office Septic System our administrative centre is located in an old house on the base, which also doubles as additional staff and student accomodation. Due to its age and the frequency of usage, the septic system needs to be upgraded; \$10,000
- DTS Scholarship Fund: Help a student in need come participate in a Discipleship Training School at Marine Reach. \$50-\$500

PRAYER **PROJECTS**



Please pray for the staff as they prepare to welcome the October DTS to the base for their lecture phase, and please pray for the incoming students, that the right ones would come through our doors.

Starting March 1, 2024, ANZ will no longer accept cheques worldwide. Please consider using online transfers or credit card donations for your support. Thank you for your understanding and ongoing assistance. For help, reach out to our Accounting department at 07 543 3787.

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