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The Presbyterian Church of Vanuatu recently commissioned their General Assembly staff at a service in Port Vila. Global Mission has five personnel serving in Port Vila this year, with a sixth teaching at Talua College.

It is looking like being another busy year in our Global Mission partnership with the Presbyterian Church of Vanuatu. Global Mission has a team of six serving in Vanuatu this year, five of whom are based in Port Vila — Neville and Gloria Jones, Martyn and Annette Vincent, and Nicola Young. Rev. Dawn Daunauda is teaching at Talua Ministry Training Centre.

Several congregations, youth and school groups have projects they are working on, including the completion of a church that will be opened at the PCV General Assembly on Tanna Island in August. This edition of *Nambawan!* tells you about our Global Mission team, the projects we are supporting, and gives information about the ways you and your congregation can become involved in our partnership with the Presbyterian Church of Vanuatu. Read on ...

Our Global Mission Team in Vanuatu



Neville and Gloria Jones (left) are back for a fourth year in Vanuatu. Neville is continuing as the PCV's Special Projects Manager, ensuring efficient management and liaising with PCANZ teams who are involved in various projects. Sometimes this will take him to other islands like Tanna and Santo a bit more this year. Gloria is working in several schools and an after school club helping children with their reading, as well as using her dental skills helping out at the hospital when required.



Martyn and Annette Vincent (left) are back for their second year. Martyn has returned to complete the finance work he started last year, helping to get the office finances ready for audit and assisting the transition to a new finance team; Annette will help in the office and finance department and be available for other work as it takes shape.

Keeping Up with The Jones

Please support our personnel in Vanuatu with your prayers; and you can follow news of the Jones and Vincents on their blogs, jonesvanuatu.blogspot.co.nz and vincentsinvanuatu.blogspot.co.nz

Nicola Young (right) joins the team this year. From Auckland, Nicola is volunteering in curriculum development and tutoring at the PCV's Korvan health school, which this year will be delivering a nurses training curriculum on behalf of the Vanuatu Government. She is pictured here with fellow team member Morinda Kalmar



The only non-Port Vila based member of our team is the Rev. **Dawn Daunauda** (left). Dawn is an ordained Anglican vicar who is teaching English at Talua Theological Training Institute. After several years working with Ni-Van seasonal workers in her parish role in Seddon, Dawn sensed a call to serve in Vanuatu and we are thrilled to add her to our team, and be working in partnership with the Anglican Church's NZCMS in doing so. Read the article about Dawn in the autumn edition of Spanz.

PCV Pastor Studying in New Zealand This year

Lorna Markie, one of the few female pastors of the PCV is studying in New Zealand in 2018. She is doing a Diploma in Mission Studies at Eastwest College in Gordonton, just out of Hamilton. Lorna is pictured here with her family. There is still some need to meet expenses so if you would like to support the Markie family, please contact the Global Mission Office. Grateful thanks to the North Shore Korean Church who have already made a donation towards fees.



Get Involved!

There are lots of projects that you could get involved with this year. There is something for everyone – congregational financial support, building projects, youth and worship programmes, individual service opportunities:

- A young adults Going Global programme to work with a church on Santo. We have been invited to send a team of youth and young adults to this church. They have an interest in youth ministry and worship and are keen to host a team from PCANZ who can help resource them in these areas. I would love to hear from you if you think you can put a team together.
- IT developer for the PCV website – The PCV does have a website, but it is very basic and out of date, and needs a serious overhaul. If IT is your skill and you are interested in serving in a short term mission project, this could be for you.
- Talua administrator – Talua Theological College have been requesting administrative support for a while now. They would like someone to help them out for a few months. If you have a gift in administration, are very patient, and willing to consider serving in Vanuatu, let's talk.
- Teaching English – there are different options for teachers of English – including the annual position at Talua College. Talua offers accommodation and can include a family. We have had teachers with families fill this position in the past.
- Williams Bay School - this is a school on the island of Erromango. They would like to welcome a church group from New Zealand who would be willing to enter into a partnership with them to help support and resource the school and their community.

Let Global Mission Coordinator Phil King know if you would be interested in finding out anything more about any of the above.



New Principal at Talua

Pastor Philip Baniuri (far left) is the new Principal at Talua Ministry Training Centre. He visited Knox Centre for Ministry and Leadership last year. He is pictured here with fellow Talua lecturer Pastor Shem Tamara.

Global Mission Involvement in 2018:

- ⇒ St. Paul's Church Papamoa and the Kaimai Presbytery have raised funds for the rebuild of the William Gray Memorial Church in Waisisi Village, on Tanna Island. This will be completed this year and officially opened at the PCV General Assembly in August.
- ⇒ St. Peters Tauranga is beginning to explore a relationship with Napagasale Presbyterian School on Tongoa island.
- ⇒ Shirley Anton has been invited to give workshops at a Teachers Conference at Onesua College in April. Shirley has continued to develop the literacy programme she published last year for schools in Vanuatu, based on the experiences of Ni-Van RSE workers in New Zealand.
- ⇒ St. Kentigern College is taking a large team to Port Vila in July to work on several projects supporting new PCV schools.
- ⇒ Brockville Union Church is hosting a team from South West Bay in August, following on from the Brockville team's visit to Malekula last year. It is going to be cold – but they wanted to come in winter so they could see snow!
- ⇒ Arana College, Otago University Hall of Residence, will also meet the team from Malekula and then travel to the island in August, to offer their students a service experience among the people of South West Bay.
- ⇒ East Taieri Church will be sending a youth team to Lenakel Presbyterian College for a Going Global programme in July.
- ⇒ Highgate congregation in Dunedin is taking a team to Paama Island to keep working on their partnership with Vaum School and village which has been in place for a few years now.

It's fantastic to have so many groups and individuals contributing to our mission partnership with the PCV.



Villagers help unload a boat as the sun sets near Tasiriki Village, on the west coast of Espiritu Santo.

Financial Support needed:

The following projects are worthy of your consideration for financial support:

- Completion of Jerivu Church building, Big Bay, Santo – this project has been led and funded by St. John's Church, Hawera. Now as they are nearing the end, they need a financial boost to help get the building completed.
- Lorna Markie's mission studies at Eastwest College.
- Talua College dining hall roof replacement – the work is being done by an Anglican Church team from Southland through their links with Dawn Daunauda; but some help with the costs is still needed. In the photo on the right, Jack Brinkman discusses the roof repair with the previous Principal of Talua, Pastor Selerick Kalpram.



- Etas school ablution block. This is a new school on the outskirts of Port Vila that requires an ablution block. We have the building team ready - they need some help with the finances.
- Sponsoring PCV youth leaders to attend Connect youth leaders training camp in 2019 – it would be great to invite some PCV Youth leaders to attend Connect and benefit from some teaching and encouragement. Some attended Going Further last year, but in consultation with our PYM leaders, we feel they would get more benefit out of Connect.
- Sponsoring students at Talua Theological Training Institute – each year we agree to sponsor students who need financial support to complete their studies. Donations to assist with this are always welcome.

If you would like to support any of these projects, please contact Global Mission Coordinator Phil King for more information.

New Water Tanks for PCV Schools

Two new PCV schools were opened near Port Vila last year, Etas Grace and Maces. Global Mission funded the purchase of two new 6000 litre water tanks. Gloria Jones is seen here presenting a water tank to the Principal of Maces School, Mr. Jessie Talsong.



A Tale of Two Waterfronts

The waterfronts on the north and south side of Efate, Vanuatu's main island, offer two contrasts. On the south side of the island, Port Vila's waterfront, seen below left, has been repaired after the damage caused by Cyclone Pam, (paid for by the New Zealand Government) and is now a very pleasant place to visit. On the north side at Eton beach, below right, the natural rock formations at low tide make fascinating viewing.



At the PCV General Assembly in Tasiriki last year, Global Mission Coordinator Phil King met up with PCV pastors who had been sponsored by Global Mission during their study at Talua College. He is pictured here with Pastors Tino Sope (Tanna Island) Charlie Etap, (Malekula) and Baise Narae, (Banks Island)



Scenes from Tasiriki Village. Why not consider serving in mission and falling in love with God's creation in Vanuatu?

WHAT IS NAMBAWAN! NEWSLETTER?

Nambawan! is Global Mission's newsletter specifically dedicated to the Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand's partnership with the Presbyterian Church of Vanuatu. Nambawan is Bislama (one of the three official languages of Vanuatu) and means Number One, or as we might say today, "Awesome!"

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