

## The Fiji Times

News from Paul and Martha Daku Missionaries to Fiji and the South Pacific January 2025



THERE IS JOY IN SERVING JESUS: Sometimes we look at ourselves and express how much joy we find in serving the Lord here in Fiji. We are thankful for the grace of God which has kept us here for all these years. Our hearts are grateful for your part in praying and giving so we can minister in this needy place. We are expecting great things from God in the new year!



HOPE FOR FIJI CRUSADES: October of 2024 was a busy month for us, as we were blessed to have Evangelist Chris Miller visit Fiji. Hope for Fiji services were held in five towns and cities and more than 50 people trusted Christ in these meetings. Our people responded to Brother Miller's clear, simple presentation of the Gospel. One of the features of several of these crusades was to invite the First Responders to attend: policemen, firemen, ambulance workers and emergency doctors. They were each given a special Bible and other gifts. Several trusted Christ and we were so thrilled to have them come to our services. Paul is working to arrange a Bible study with the firemen in Lautoka. Fijians openly respect God and receive the Word of God, but in many cases, have never heard a clear presentation of the Gospel. We think of the words of the great hymn: "He breaks the power of cancelled sin, He sets the prisoner free; His blood can make the foulest clean; His blood availed for me." Pray with us that the blood of Christ and the power of the cross will set many more Fijians free in 2025.

PRAYER FOR HEALTH: Please pray for our son, Scot, who is also a missionary here in Fiji with his family. They returned to the US last November due to Scot's on-going health concerns. Please pray they will be led to the right doctors and for complete healing.



MINI REFRESHER CAMP: Our annual teen camp is held in August every year and we have always desired to have something between camps to encourage our teens to continue living for the Lord. This month it became a reality. We held a three-day Mini Refresher Camp at Camp Faith in Sigatoka from 15-18 January. There were 54 campers who came and a total of 80 people including pastors, staff and younger children. We worked with our son, Joshua, and his wife, Frances, to organize the camp. Josh, as director, did a great deal of the work. It was a very hot, humid three days, but we are thankful that the Lord still worked in hearts. Our theme was "The Power of the Cross" so our teens were challenged with the life-changing powerful message of the cross. There were 14 campers who accepted Christ, many of whom were there for the first time. Our campers represented 6 different churches on the island. Our prayer is that they will continue in the things they have learned and be victorious in their Christian lives as they start a new school year next week.

THANK YOU to those who so graciously and generously gave us a Christmas offering. We were encouraged and blessed by your generosity. Thank you for your sacrifice and your love! We enjoyed a lovely island Christmas, even though we had much rain and flooding during that week.

PRAY FOR LABORERS: We need more laborers in Fiji! There are still many unreached towns, cities and islands. Luke 10:2: "...pray that he would send forth labourers into his harvest."

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