

CHURCH PROGRAMS

We have a number of church programs happening each week. Look inside to familiarise yourself with what is taking place.

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PRESCHOOL EXCURSION

Last month, our preschool in Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea visited the Nature Park. A report is included inside.

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MISSIONARY UPDATE

Enoch Kupla arrived in Vanuatu at the start of May. Inside, you'll find his report reflecting on his first two weeks in Banban.

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WELCOME TO TCCFC

Welcome to our June Connect News. We are excited to share this month's news with you.

In this issue, we are excited to share two special reports from graduates of Bethel International Training College in Papua New Guinea. Peggy Harupa and Enoch Kupla, who completed their studies in 2023, are now faithfully serving in the roles they were trained for – a wonderful encouragement to us all.

Peggy shares a report from our preschool in Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea, highlighting their recent excursion to the Nature Park. Meanwhile, Enoch brings us a heartfelt update from his first two weeks as a missionary in Vanuatu. We are grateful to see how God is using our graduates in Papua New Guinea to make an impact both locally and internationally. Their dedication is a testament to the lasting value of faithfilled training and service. We pray their stories inspire and encourage you.

Each week at Tennant Creek Christian Family Church, we also have a range of programs running, including Sunday services, children and youth ministry, and midweek prayer meetings and Bible studies. These ministries are a vital part of building up our church family, and your support makes a real difference. Thank you for being part of what God is doing in and through our church. Together, we are reaching our community with the love of Christ.

MISSIONS

Benjamin and Asinate Wari TCCFC commits \$100 per month

Benjamin and Asinate Wari are serving as missionaries in Vanuatu. Benjamin is from Papua New Guinea (PNG) and Asinate is from Fiji.

They are doing a great job ministering to the community they are located in. In March 2024 they began a preschool on the property they are living on - Bethel Christian Preschool Banban. In the same month they also began a church -Banban Christian Centre.

Please continue to keep them in your prayers as they lead these two ministries in Vanuatu. It is a privilege to support them as a couple.

Bethel Children's Home TCCFC commits \$200 per month

Bethel Children's Home has been in operation since 1998. All of the children come from the Tamil minority ethnic group that has been discriminated against for many years. The children in our homes have been displaced for a number of reasons. Our homes provide children with a safe environment where they are given access to many opportunities that assist them in their development. TCCFC sponsors two children, David and Manju.

Door of Hope Preschool TCCFC commits \$100 per month

Door of Hope Preschool is located in Vavuniya in the north of Sri Lanka. It is predominantly made up of Tamil speaking children.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED Cleaning and Children's Ministry

We are in need of volunteers to help clean the church and assist in our children's ministry. If you have any questions or if you would like to volunteer, please speak to Pr Jeremiah or Delia.

PRAYER AND BIBLE STUDY Tuesday Nights

Everyone is welcome to join us at church for prayer and Bible study on Tuesday nights. The nights begin at 6:30pm. If you need a ride to and from church please contact Pr Jeremiah or Miriam and they will organise a ride for you.

LADIES' BIBLE STUDY Thursday Nights

All ladies are invited to join us for Bible studies at church on Thursday nights. Our Bible studies begin at 6:30pm. If you would like any further information, or if you need a ride, please contact Pr Jeremiah or Miriam.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH Friday Nights and Sunday Mornings

Our youth are welcome to join us at church on Friday nights at 6:30pm. Our children are welcome to join us on Sunday during the church service. If you would like to help out please speak to Ebony (youth) or Delia (children).



OUR VISIT TO PORT MORESBY NATURE PARK

⊘ Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea

On 9th May 2025, 26 children from Bethel Christian Preschool Tokarara, accompanied by our four teachers, went on an excursion to Port Moresby Nature Park.

They generously provided transport for us, and they picked us up from the preschool around 9:30am, arriving at the park by 10:00am.

The purpose of our trip was to give the children an opportunity to explore and experience learning outside the classroom.

We also wanted to assist them in better understanding living things and appreciating the beauty of the world around them.

We are grateful to the Nature Park team for running the Explorers Program for children this year.

We were guided throughout the day by the Nature Park staff, who explained the animals' feeding times and the types of food each animal eats.

Before the program began, we were given rules to follow.

The children were very well-behaved, following every rule without exception.

We started our excursion with a nature talk, followed by a lesson on the animal food chain.

After that, the children were asked to collect dry leaves for their snake collage activity.

Once they had finished, we went on a nature walk around the park, again guided by the staff.

Full of curiosity, the children asked the staff many questions – why it is green everywhere, why the crocodiles were sleeping, why kangaroos hop, and many more.

The children thoroughly enjoyed themselves; their excitement was written all over their faces.

They participated eagerly in every activity and had a great time learning outside the classroom.

This excursion was a valuable extension of their everyday classroom learning.

Our trip concluded with lunch around 11:00am.

After their lunch break, we were escorted to the bus for departure.

We arrived back at the preschool at 11:45am, just in time for the children's parents to pick them up.

The children remained well-behaved throughout the trip and they all returned safely.

We are looking forward to our next visit to the Nature Park in Term 3.

Peggy Harupa

MISSIONARY REPORT: FIRST STEPS IN VANUATU

🔊 Banban, Espiritu Santo, Vanuatu

At the start of May 2025, Enoch Kupla relocated from Papua New Guinea to Vanuatu to serve as a missionary with Benjamin and Asinate Wari. This report reflects on his first two weeks at our CRC base in Banban, Espiritu Santo.

The adjustment over the past two weeks in Vanuatu has been truly amazing. It's a great pleasure and honour to be in this peaceful and humble nation.

I am looking forward to the great and mighty things the sovereign Lord God Almighty will do here. Although we don't yet have a steady group of Christian members with us, I have full assurance, confidence, and trust in God that He will build and establish the church before the end of next year.

My first Sunday service in Vanuatu was an emotional and unforgettable moment – one I will remember for the rest of my life. I had expected that there would be a congregation gathered for the service and that we would worship together. However, that didn't happen.

Only three of us were present -Benjie, Asinate and myself. After I led worship, Asinate stood on the stage and welcomed us. What touched me deeply was how she welcomed me in the Vanuatu way of welcoming people. I couldn't hold back my tears, and they flowed without stopping.

Sometimes, when there are crowds, you are publicly recognised and welcomed, and everyone notices you. But in this case, there was no crowd – none. Yet I realised that heaven was rejoicing. Even though it was a very humble welcome, unseen by others, heaven saw, and that is what truly matters.

Looking ahead, I believe Banban Christian Centre will have its own full-time Sunday school, youth ministry, and a growing congregation, moving with revival fire throughout this peaceful and humble nation.

Over my first two weeks in Vanuatu, my duties have been going well. Physically, I am doing fine, and spiritually, I am slowly getting to know people and building connections so that I can familiarise myself with the community before beginning my evangelism and visitation work.

I feel strongly in my spirit that although many years have passed with our work in Banban operating at a local level – first through ministry training and now through the preschool and church – the time has come for the work here to grow beyond local impact and move toward national and, eventually, global influence. It will not be a fast movement, but a steady one, reclaiming the position that has been waiting for so long.

We believe and trust in God alone that He will do something exceedingly and abundantly in His mysterious ways.

Enoch Kupla



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GIVING DETAILS

Account Name: Tennant Creek Christian Family Church BSB: 065 005 Account Number: 1076 8547 Reference: Missions or Tithes

Clearly add in the description if your offering is for tithes or missions.

OTHER CHURCH LOCATIONS

Adelaide Christian Centre

Address: 33 Sturt Street, Adelaide SA 5000 Web: <u>www.adelaidechristiancentre.com.au</u> Service Times: 10:00am and 5:30pm

New Life Christian Centre

Address: 105 Dyson Road, Christies Beach, SA 5165 Web: <u>www.newlifeonline.org.au</u> Service Times: 10:00am and 5:30pm

Faith Center Church

Address: 115 Worley Lane, Walhalla SC 29691, United States Facebook: <u>www.facebook.com/faithcenterchurchwalhalla</u> Service Time: 10:00am