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News from Paul and Martha Daku
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“Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us.” Ephesians 3:20. This verse comes to mind when we think of all that was accomplished these past months for eternity.

PROPHECY CONFERENCE: We held special meetings on prophecy with Jewish Evangelist Steve Cook from USA the end of March and into April. It was a special time when Dr. Cook demonstrated a Jewish Passover for us on 5th April, which was the actual date for the real event for Jewish people. This was meaningful as we reflected on the death and resurrection of Christ, the Lamb of God.

JUNIOR CAMP: It takes all of us missionaries and local pastors here in Fiji to pull off a week of camp, but the rewards are immeasurable. This year was no exception as we had 63 campers in May from Grades 5-8. The theme was “Say NO to Sin and YES to Jesus”, a study on the life of Joseph. Many spiritual decisions were made among the campers. About half had never been to camp before.

OPEN HOUSE AT SOLID ROCK BAPTIST CHURCH: We had Open House for the community surrounding our new church in Rakiraki on 22nd April. The response was wonderful and has been the beginning of many new contacts and salvation decisions for Christ. We are amazed at how the Lord is doing exceeding abundantly in that place to build His church. Since April, we have held regular Sunday morning services, Thursday night Bible studies, held our first Youth Meeting and first Ladies’ Meeting. There is nothing like the excitement of new believers and a new church! Thank you for praying. We continue to spend as much time as possible in Rakiraki to help get this new church going. As soon as the baptistry is completed, we will be baptizing these new believers.

EVANGELISTIC MEETINGS were held in June with Dr. and Mrs. W.L. Smith. Dr. Smith preached in Lautoka, Rakiraki,

Nadi and Ba towns. A seminar was held on “Personal Holiness.” Many accepted Christ in these places and now the work of follow-up and discipleship begins.

SCOT DAKU’S HEALTH: The day after Dr. Smith finished preaching at Scot’s church in Nadi in June, Scot started having chest pains. He was admitted to the hospital in Fiji but it was decided that it would be best to fly him overseas. Our insurance paid to Medivac Scot to Australia, accompanied by Martha. They are currently in Australia. It has been determined that Scot has a rare heart condition that only shows up in men 10% of the time, in women 90%. We are thankful for expert doctors who were able to correctly diagnose the problem. Please pray for his continued healing and wisdom for the doctors. (Scot is our second-oldest son.)

FURLOUGH: We will be taking a 10-week Medical Leave starting mid-August. Our schedule is already full of opportunities to report to our supporting churches. The main reason for this visit is to have a cancer check-up with Martha’s doctors in Pittsburgh. Please pray for a good report.

Photos from Rakiraki: L. to R. Home visit, children’s class and home Bible study.



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