



stories and updates from Scripture Union around the world

Global News aims to keep you in touch with how our network of Scripture Union teams around the world is having an impact on young lives. We hope this monthly update will inspire you to partner with us.

Being God's hands in Fiji

How one Scripture Union family is showing God's love in action



Despite the many challenges over the past months in Fiji, Scripture Union staff worker Ane Tuiloma and her family (pictured above) have been doing inspirational work to show God's love in practical ways in their country.

Fiji has recently struggled from the effects of hurricanes and floods and following the spread of Covid-19 large gatherings have been forbidden and schools have been closed to outside visitors.

Ane put her faith into action and, along with her husband and her five children, they visited the chief from one of the most badly affected villages, where they offered to run Scripture Union groups in the village. Initial concerns were quickly overcome and many children, young people and their families joined in the activities and Bible studies.

Ane prayed asking God to show them specific families in need and through the generosity of friends in the capital of Suva they were able to supply clothes, food and practical resources which the families were grateful to receive. One Bible verse became an inspiration for Ane, which was: "In every way you will grow richer and become even more generous, and this will cause others to give thanks to God because of us." 2 Corinthians 9:11 Ane said, "I know God is speaking to me, he wants us to be the extension of God's hand to those that need it."

About Fiji



Fiji is made up of 333 islands, with just 110 of them being inhabited. Most of the population, of almost 883,000, live on the two main islands of Viti Levu and Vanua Levu. With its pristine waters and white sandy beaches, it isn't surprising that Fiji receives between 400,000 and 500,000 tourists each year, and although Fiji has 28 airports, only four of them have paved runways! The country is a world leader in ecotourism and has over 4,000 square miles of coral reef. Its waters are home to over 1,500 species of sea life. Fiji became independent on 10 October 1970 and is a member of the British

Commonwealth of Nations. Its official language is English though Fijian is also spoken. Christianity is the main religion and <u>Scripture Union in Fiji is active</u> through Bible ministries and resources, camps, holidays and schools ministries.

Shining a light through radio



Scripture Union in Honduras is sharing its message across the airwaves through a special radio program each week. The 'Lamparita' (the Spanish word for a small lamp) is a live program on the Christian radio station Sidkenu. The program started with Scripture Union staff or volunteers simply reading Bible stories, but now it has developed with children and young people taking part and sharing stories. The prog ram, in Spanish, is also available for people to watch on **@ubhonduras** Facebook page.

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Children leading children

Ten-year-old Delicia Tuluma (pictured), from the Democratic Republic of the Congo, shared her story of setting up and running a children's club, where they were able to read the Bible, and at the same time help young children develop their reading. Along with supporting Bible clubs like this, **Scripture Union in DR Congo** have also been running self-care training for mothers and daughters from their centre in Kinshasa, where they learn literacy, sewing and small trades.



You can help support children like Delicia to continue seeing lives changed by making a donation <u>HERE</u>

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