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Foursquare Emissaries to the South Pacific



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Thank you, thank you, thank you! We count it a privilege to be your hands and feet on the mission field. Along with Julie Stott, the South Pacific Women's Empowered leader, and her husband Dr. Jerry, the Global Associate Director of the South Pacific and Southeast Asia, I (Cindy) was honored to participate in a large United Foursquare Women's event in Papua New Guinea.



Dressed in a sea of Foursquare colors, a 1000+ women came together to worship and celebrate their God. By foot, car, boat, and plane, they traveled from the far corners of the nation. Hungry for the Word of God and fellowship, they remained attentive for four and a half hours in the first of 12 sessions. In contrast, the first hour, I rejoiced; the second hour, my lower posterior stopped rejoicing; the third hour, I was practically comatose, and the fourth hour, I was certain someone would have to carry me out on a stretcher. My spirit was willing, but my flesh was weak! These ladies, still energetic hours after arriving, taught me that seeking God was more important than my personal comfort. This wimpy American was humbled.

The women marched in procession, each province represented by a different color, and I was privileged to march with the New Guinea Islands region.

The conference theme was:

Isaiah 61:1 (ESV) The Year of the LORD'S Favor: "The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me because the LORD has anointed me to bring good news to the poor; he has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to those who are bound."



The Holy Spirit's presence was strong through the speakers and He was powerful throughout the conference. Dr. Jerry and Julie both did an amazing job. Many people were filled with the Holy Spirit, delivered from demonic oppression, and healed.



Fiji

Acts 2:42-43 (NKJV) "And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers. Then fear came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were done through the apostles."

For the first time since Covid, the FMI Missionaries and the National Leaders of the South Pacific gathered in Fiji. It was a time of instruction and refreshing for regional discipleship and leadership training.

We gathered around the Word of God with our brothers from the US Hispanic district with the theme of "The Kingdom of



God." Eleven nations were represented in all. We had a wonderful time of fellowship and breaking of bread, and God's presence was powerful. We all shared in the anticipation of God opening doors and doing new things.

The South Pacific Women Empowered gathered the Fiji women leaders for a special time of ministry and healing. During this time, the South Pacific Men's ministry was also launched. We know God will do great things in the islands as men and women of God unite to lead and spread the good news.

Please pray for our travels in the South Pacific, as doors are opening for new works in the Chuuk and Pompeii Islands, and opportunities in Vanuatu and New Caledonia. Pray for our new works in Kiribati, Nauru, Marshall Islands, and Palau.

Summer

We have been busy this summer taking care of the farm and being active in our local church, Journey Foursquare Church in Suncrest. The churches in the Suncrest/Nine Mile Falls, WA area recently had a Sunday "Combined Service" where we worshiped and studied the Word together. We called it "ONE Church." Eight hundred of us from four area churches met in the local high school for the service. Afterwards, we hosted a BBQ and games that whole families could enjoy together. Our son David led the large team of volunteers who did a phenomenal job serving at this event.



What's next: Burundi

On September 3rd, we travel to Burundi for a training outreach for the Foursquare Disaster Relief Medical team. We love to serve the communities in Burundi by providing medical relief. Most importantly, we love to partner with the local church in doing evangelism. In addition, we love to build up pastors and their families. We spoke to the pastors on marriage last year, and Pastor Serges, the National leader, invited us back this year. So Keith and I will continue that theme, simultaneously teaching a three-day seminar, "Balancing Ministry and Family," for 300+ pastors and their wives. We are thrilled to disciple, encourage, and equip these pastors and their families for their service to God.

We have also partnered with Foursquare Mission Press to provide Bibles in the Kirundi language. This facilitated the purchase of 100 Study Bibles! Thank you also for your partnership, prayers and support; you help make this all happen.



Papua New Guinea

In November, we are taking a small medical/evangelism team to some remote villages in New Ireland. We are excited to partner with our Islands Supervisor, Joe Tobung, in this endeavor. Please keep us in your prayers as we prepare for the upcoming missions!

Bless you

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