

# FIRE ON THE MOUNTAIN



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Christ's Burning Bushes For The Pacific

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## Living Fire Kids Camp Launch

"We began to do a Kids Club and 68 kids showed up. 27 of them received Christ and were born again!" - E. B. Lomani

This was the first testimony we heard ONLY 2 DAYS AFTER finishing our children's ministry leaders' training on the island of Vanua Levu. Over 25 churches sent leaders in order to learn how to do a Kids Camp, Children's Church, or Gospel Club program. These are to lead children in a "born again" experience as well as to challenge them to pray through to be filled with the Holy Spirit.

Most churches here teach children Bible stories and memory verses in a Sunday School context, but do not follow through in challenging the children to seek forgiveness for sins, make Christ their Lord, and seek the infilling of the Holy Spirit. So many children grow up with only a historical Jesus and a theoretical Holy Spirit, never personally experiencing a demonstration of the Kingdom of God in their hearts. When that happens, most leave the church in their 20s. That's got to change, and that's why we're here.

Through a collaborative effort with BGMC and a local Fijian AOG church, that we have trained in the School of Supernatural Children's Ministry, we are doing three-day vision casting events where we equip the churches during the day, and in the evening programs we go after the Holy Spirit's anointing. Great times of worship, encouraging and challenging messages, and times of seeking the Holy Spirit at the altar.

We straight up tell the church leaders that even though they are receiving the best curriculum, the priority is the Holy Spirit. It's not the curriculum by itself that brings down the giant. Like the best rock that slew Goliath, what matters most is that it is being wielded in the hands of an anointed individual. Here's a look at the resources we are giving the churches <https://youtu.be/oxkqcFZ4FU0>



Training/Equipping KidMin Leaders with BGMC Puppets



Leaders with their waterproof Living Fire Kids Camp Kits

## Demonstrating the Kingdom

Our 3 pronged approach to change a national mindset that embraces kids being born again and filled with the Spirit involves:

- 1) Prayer
- 2) Teaching/Training
- 3) Demonstration.

As they say, "Seeing is believing." So much in the spirit is caught instead of taught, and so it is essential that people "see what we're saying."

In April and May we were able to partner with local churches to set up our crusade tent next to a busy thoroughfare and do outreach on the weekends. Parents who had started Backyard Bible Clubs invited their neighborhood kids to a combined gathering of Clubs, as well as inviting other children.

We start off with some fun praise songs, a couple games, and then we



move into a time of teaching with puppets, drama, object lessons, and illustrated stories. Once we finish getting across the message of the great love of Christ who suffered the cross for our sins, we challenge the kids to respond to that by asking for forgiveness and surrendering their lives to God and His will.

The worship music we've written and produced here in the islands really helps in this process. You can take a listen to one of the songs here: <https://youtu.be/FLfjLHzhN6s>

## Don't Miss The Backpage!!!

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# THE BACKPAGE



We partner with the local pastors to baptize the children after they receive Christ. We've seen some real opposition to this based on old wineskins, but we stick to our guns because statistics tell us that when children who express faith do not follow through with baptism, they are 400% more likely to leave the church when they grow up.

## Teen Challenge Borehole Project Funded!

A big, "Vinaka Vakalevu" (Thanks so much) to the churches and individuals who helped fund the Borehole project at the Lautoka Teen Challenge Center so that the guys there can have drinking, bathing, and washing water!

In the Picture below I'm with Pastor Jameson Tara, one of the counselors at the center.



Children's Outreach at Nabalebale Village where, after the training, 27 children responded to the challenge to be born again



### Opportunities:

- 1) AOG Radio Station, Samoa (Project #30009) \$22,750.00 We are partnering with the pastors in Samoa to reach the thousands of Samoans scattered throughout the island through a Samoan language radio station. These funds will be used to purchase a large generator to power the radio station.
- 2) In 2025 we will be showing churches how to do Kids Camps. Anyone want to come over to Fiji and help us do a "Living Fire Kids Camp?" Write us and let me know!

### - OUR VISION -

**BRING KIDS** into an **ENCOUNTER** with the **HOLY SPIRIT**  
So they can **KNOW THE GRACE** of our **LORD JESUS CHRIST**,  
and  
**BEING** thus **EMPOWERED** can **MINISTER TO OTHERS**.

### Plans to Pray for

- **June** We are graduating another class of School of Supernatural Children's Ministry Students! PTL - we are expanding into other islands and need wisdom to sustain growth.
- **July** We are traveling to Brisbane, Australia to help train missionaries.
- **July & August** we want to travel and do more Living Fire Kids Camp programs, but a tank of fuel here now costs \$100USD. Pray for our supporters, that the Lord would continue to bless them so that they can help offset this inflation and move things forward.

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