



Baptism at the Cakau Multipurpose Centre on.

## Fiji Mission celebrates 130 baptisms at evangelistic series

📍 Suva, Fiji | Joni Vatuvatu

One hundred and thirty people were baptised at the end of the “Countdown: Back to the Future” evangelistic series on July 1, held at the Cakau Multipurpose Centre in Suva, Fiji.

Institute of Public Evangelism director Pastor Gary Webster was the speaker at the three-week event, which began on June 11, hosted by the Suva North District in Nasinu, Suva.

Fiji Mission (FM) president Pastor Nasoni Lutunaliwa said the initiative was “successful as it was a face-to-face event that also incorporated media evangelism”.

“Several candidates never attended the event physically and only watched from the comforts of their home and made their decisions to follow Christ,” said Pastor Lutunaliwa.

He added that organising such big events is always challenging, but “God blessed the event and proved faithful when His church members unite their efforts with Him to save souls”.

The event also included a three-day training for ministers and elders.

“FM recognised the importance of equipping ministers and elders to effectively share the message of salvation and bring souls to Christ,” said FM ministerial

secretary Aisake Tiko Kabu. “Their passion for spreading the gospel was reignited as they learned new techniques and strategies to reach people’s hearts.”

He added that the evangelism “not only brought souls into the fold but had ignited a flame of revival that would light the way for many more to come”.

District ministerial leader Pastor Pita Tokalau said the newly baptised members are distributed to attend churches all over the district, close to their homes. He added that nurturing programs and further Bible study programs have begun in most churches for the new members.

He also acknowledged church members for their contribution and sacrifices during the planning, running and follow up of the evangelism.

Pastor Lutunaliwa thanked the ministers, church members and everyone who was involved, especially the final year theology students from Fulton Adventist University College who were part of the evangelism team. The students were on practicum and were heavily involved in the operations, visitations and joined ministers in conducting worship during the event.

Fiji Mission set aside the month of July as Pentecost harvest month.



Adventist HealthCare CEO Brett Goods presenting in the San chapel.

## Sydney Adventist Hospital’s 24-hour prayer event uplifts and inspires

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Twenty-four speakers from around the world featured in a 24-hour prayer and praise event hosted by Sydney Adventist Hospital on June 23-24.

Speakers included church leaders from the General Conference and South Pacific Division, local Adventist church pastors and Reverend Graham Long, pastor at The Wayside Chapel at Kings Cross. Organised by the Spiritual Care Services team, it featured prayer, praise, worship and testimony. People were also encouraged to fast in a way that was appropriate for them.

The San chapel was the hub of the event, however those who couldn’t be

there in person could participate on Zoom, and via the hospital’s in-house TV channel for patients and staff on the wards.

The organisers said the event was the first of its kind held at the San in living memory, and it was a very uplifting and unifying occasion.

“The purpose was to acknowledge our God for His countless blessings to the San over 120 years and in anticipation and thanks for His continued blessing,” said Dr Steve Stephenson, acting director of mission integration at the San.

He encouraged continued prayer for the hospital and its mission.