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MV YWAM PNG anchored off Aromot Island, Morobe Province

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SECTION 1: 2016 AT A GLANCE







1.1 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

It is with great joy that we share with you our 2016 Annual Report.

I am deeply proud of all that we and our partners have achieved this year. As I reflect on the year that has been, I am very pleased to share that many major goals and milestones have been achieved in collaboration with many different government departments, businesses, non-government organisations (NGOs), and over 800 of volunteers.

One of the most exciting milestone achieved this year was the completion of Stage 2 and 3 of the MV YWAM PNG's refit which included a brand-new dentistry clinic, day procedure unit, laboratory, and the addition of two extended-range patrol tenders. These upgrades and longer time spent in the field resulted in our patient numbers tripling compared to 2015.

Lives Transformed

Thousands of lives were touched in 2016, including six-year old Mandy. For the past three years, Mandy (see story page 69) had been blind from bilateral cataracts. She could only see light and dark shades and was heavily dependent on family members for her basic everyday needs. In a rural village, the dangers and lack of opportunity associated with blindness can cause extreme vulnerability.

After a two-hour operation aboard the MV YWAM PNG, Mandy's family and the YWAM volunteers witnessed a special moment when Mandy reached out for the nurse's hand after the patches on her eyes were removed – Mandy could see! To see

the joy in her mother's face as she had surgery on board that restored her sight after three years of being blind was an amazing privilege.

And the privilege extends to many more; Mandy is just one of 423 patients who had their sight restored in 2016.

Return on Investment

It is so pleasing to report that in 2016:

- YWAM Medical Ships delivered 272,340 healthcare and training services to 42,646 patients in 215 remote villages
- Since 2010, a conservative 80 million PGK value of service has been provided in PNG.
- 827 volunteers from 24 nations served with us on board the MV YWAM PNG in Papua New Guinea. Their donated time and labour had an estimated value of 3.9 million AUD.

We thank you for supporting YWAM Medical Ships in 2016; all that has been achieved is the result of many people's belief and dedication to strengthen the unique and diverse nation of PNG.

We look forward to going from strength to strength in 2017.



Ken Mulligan OAM, OBE
Managing Director

1.2 MILESTONES AND HIGHLIGHTS

Stage 2 Refit and Deployment

- In January 2016, a brand new day procedure unit (phase 1: cataract surgery) and 4-chair dental clinic, extended-range patrol tender (with cradle and crane) were completed aboard MV YWAM PNG. The vessel then deployed to PNG for 5 months of field service.

Stage 3 Refit and Deployment

- Stage 3 Refit took place August - September, 2016. It included a second extended-range patrol tender, laboratory upgrade, enhanced patient reception area and medical supplies handling facility and increased beds aboard to carry additional personnel each outreach. The ship then returned to PNG for an extended period of field service spanning into 2017.

Expanded heli-supported patrol

- 2016 saw successful expansion in the geographic footprint of ship activities through deployment of teams to remote inland locations via integrated helicopter-support.

Record number of PNG nationals aboard

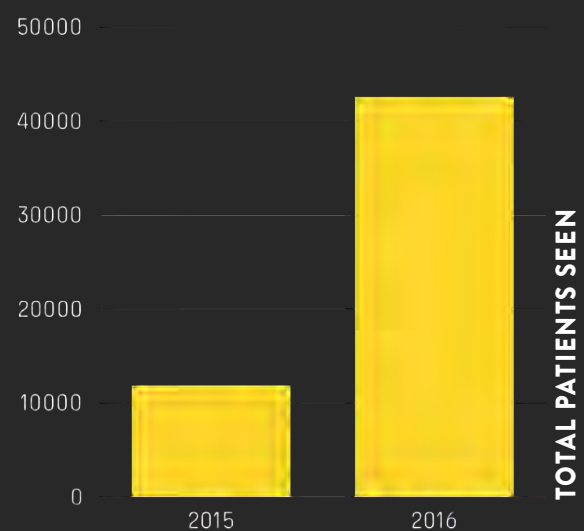
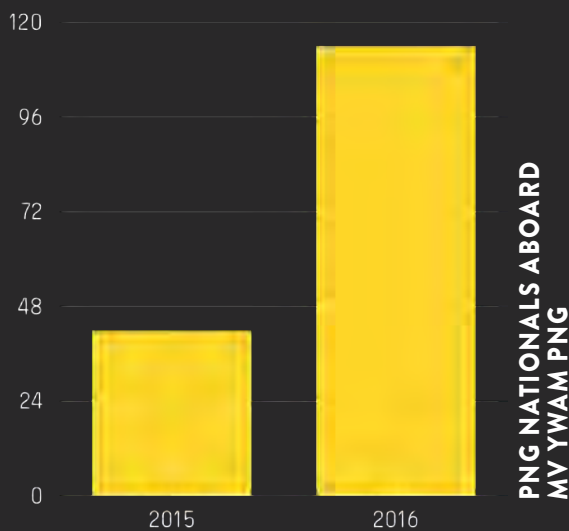
- With progressive refit and deployment of MV YWAM PNG in 2016, there was exceptional growth in the involvement of PNG nationals in field operations. This included a record 118 Papua New Guineans joining directly aboard the ship (280% of the 2015 tally).

Assisting with rollout of updated PNG Childhood Immunisation Schedule

- YWAM Medical Ships' central focus on preventative healthcare for children continued in 2016 including assistance provided to rural health workers to roll-out updates to the PNG Childhood Immunisation schedule. More than 35,000 immunisations were administered in collaborative patrols to rural areas.

Puma Scholars aboard

- An ever increasing number of PNG youth are being engaged aboard the Training and Medical Ship; in 2016 this included the first young people sponsored by a corporate partner for a leadership development program aboard. Puma Energy PNG (major fuel partner) sponsored a pilot project involving four young women from communities around the Napanapa refinery joining a two week voyage aboard MV YWAM PNG.



Vasectomy

- YWAM Medical Ships' central focus on preventative maternal health continued to strengthen in 2016 with the inclusion of the first vasectomy services on an outreach patrol, via a collaborative pilot with Abau Family Health Services, Central Province.

Laboratory development

- The fight against tuberculosis continues to be a significant public health focus for PNG and therefore a strong element of the YWAM program. Further development of patrol sputum-slide preparation and field microscopy activities was a significant step forward in 2016 and celebrated by several field partners.

Attaining ACFID Full Membership

- After undergoing a rigorous review process, it was a noteworthy achievement for YWAM Medical Ships – Australia to receive Full Member status of the Australian Council for International Development (ACFID), being admitted to membership at the ACFID AGM in October 2016.

Information technology solutions

- The transition from paper-based to paperless inventory systems and patient record database progressed significantly in 2016. Several clinics, as well as consumables management, started moving to a digital Filemaker-based platform designed pro bono by Gearbox Solutions.

Large increase in field activities 2015 vs 2016

- Strong growth continued across all program areas: for example, 2016 total patient numbers in YWAM-supported outreach patrols rose to 350% of the 2015 milestone. With the progressive refit ongoing, it very pleasing to see fruitfulness from refit works and program development achieved to date.



272,340

healthcare and training services



827

volunteers



24

nationalities
represented



320

PNG nationals
engaged



42,646

total patients



215

villages visited



35,815

immunisations
given



304

individuals tested
for TB



120,039

health promotion
attendees



2,041

reproductive health
services



8,316

glasses distributed



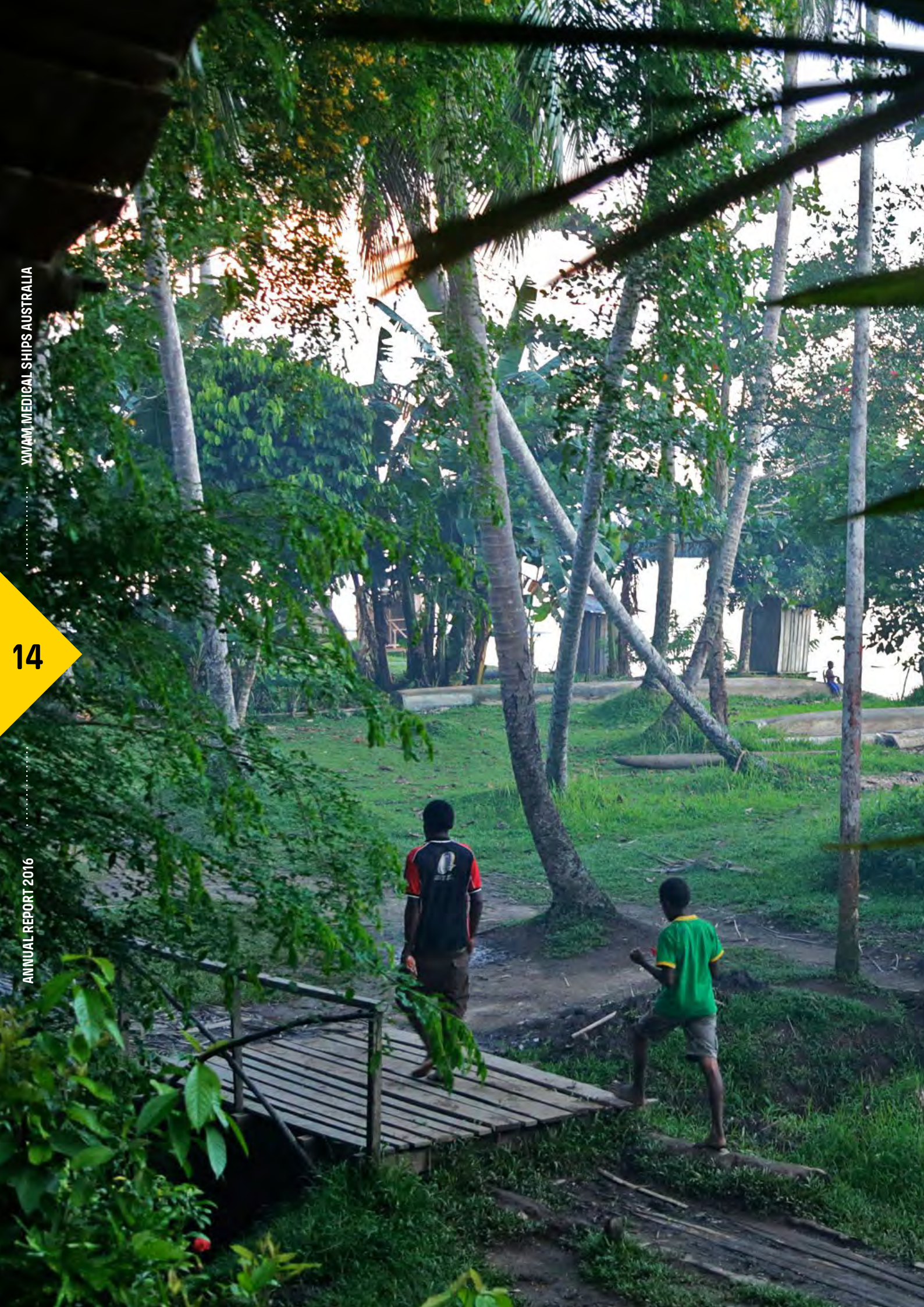
311

eye surgeries



5,305

dental procedures



1.3 HISTORY

YWAM Medical Ships' first Training and Medical Ship, MV Pacific Link, came under the management of YWAM Australia in 2010. The vessel was previously managed by YWAM Marine Reach New Zealand, primarily conducting its work in Fiji and Samoa before it began working in PNG with YWAM Medical Ships, headquartered out of Townsville.

Before YWAM Medical Ships commenced operations in PNG, leaders met with the then PNG Secretary for Health, Dr Clement Malau. During this 2009 meeting, Dr Malau gave his endorsement to the project and invited YWAM Medical Ships to operate in PNG. Dr Malau's advice was to initially focus on the Gulf and Western Provinces where healthcare services were most lacking.

The MV Pacific Link operated successfully in the Gulf and Western Provinces for five years (2010-2015) with growth in output volume year after year. In 2011, YWAM Medical Ships was proud to sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with PNG's National Department of Health (NDoH). The MoU outlines a commitment to work together around a shared vision; strengthening the delivery of healthcare and training in PNG's remote areas.

Throughout this time, YWAM Medical Ships started to pursue a new vessel that would enable YWAM to expand their operations in PNG's rural areas.

In 2014, a lease-to-buy contract was signed on a former boutique cruise catamaran, MV Ammari, in July. This was followed by an 8-port public relations and fundraising tour in Australia and advocacy campaign in PNG, spreading the message of 'Overcoming the Impossible' and seeking to raise the \$6 million AUD required for purchase. The vessel was purchased on December 4th 2014 and renamed MV YWAM PNG, reflecting the core mandate of the vessel. The vessel is four times larger than the MV Pacific Link.

After Stage 1 of a refit process, MV YWAM PNG made her maiden voyage to PNG waters in 2015. Upon her arrival, the Prime Minister of PNG, Honourable Peter O'Neill, officially commissioned the vessel in the presence 150 stakeholders and dignitaries in Port Moresby before she began her first outreach in the Southern Region and Huon Gulf.

In 2016, Stage 2 and 3 of the MV YWAM PNG's refit was completed, which included the construction of a brand new dentistry clinic, day procedure unit, laboratory and the addition of two extended-range patrol tenders. The vessel then completed a collective 8-month deployment in the Southern region and Huon Gulf; more equipped than ever before.

The MV Pacific Link was re-deployed to PNG in 2016, under the management of YWAM Ships Kona, Hawaii. The vessel operated in Madang and East Sepik Provinces throughout 2016.

1.4 WHO WE ARE & WHAT WE DO

Care, Connect, Serve, Build

Who we are

Youth with a Mission (YWAM) is a worldwide Christian movement operating in more than 180 countries since 1960. YWAM is decentralised in structure; each centre is financially and legally autonomous, allowing locations to adapt and serve the specific needs of the community.

YWAM Medical Ships is a charity that aims to care, connect, serve and build with communities. YWAM Medical Ships values individuals' rights to quality of life.

YWAM Medical Ships is actively developing communities by addressing health care and training needs in Papua New Guinea (PNG) in partnership with the relevant national and provincial government administrations.

The program is guided by the vision and priorities of key policy documents including PNG's National Health Plan: 2011-2020 (NHP: 2011-2020). It also honours the PNG – Australia Partnership for Development: Health and HIV/AIDS Schedule and a shared commitment to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG).

YWAM Medical Ships implements its program, in association with key stakeholders and partners, via use of a Training and Medical Ship and land-based teams deployed in rural PNG communities.

Memoranda of Understanding (MoU) are in place with a number of sector leads including the National Department of Health (NDoH) and provinces engaged. All of YWAM Medical Ships staff, including senior project managers, are full-time volunteers.

YWAM Medical Ships is a signatory to the ACFID Code of Conduct, and World Relief Australia Code of Conduct.

What we do

YWAM Medical Ships has the capacity to overcome isolation and lack of infrastructure through the use of ships, allowing local health workers and other volunteer personnel access to many communities which currently struggle to receive basic service delivery. Both ship-based and land-based (usually deployed from the ship to reach further inland) activities occur. The focus is largely on primary health care, particularly the health of women and children, health promotion and preventative medicine. Oral health, correcting reversible vision loss and cataract blindness have also been major areas of activity.

Important collegial support and in-service updates for rural health care workers are incorporated alongside clinical work. In addition, training sessions on generator and outboard motor maintenance and repair, as well as safe drinking water and solar projects are important elements of the program, influencing logistical and environmental determinants of health.

Papua New Guinea nationals play a special role on YWAM Medical Ships outreach teams. For example, young PNG medical and dental graduates come aboard and benefit from opportunities to receive close mentoring from YWAM colleagues whilst experiencing their skills making a significant difference to remote rural communities. Young PNG general volunteers also have valuable international exposure and coaching as they are welcomed to serve their nation as part of a YWAM Medical Ships team.





1.5 MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD CHAIR

As we reflect on 2016, we are filled with absolute gratitude and awe for the outcomes we have seen. To see the refitted MV YWAM PNG is a dream come true, not just for us but for the many people whose lives have been impacted.

Having the new day procedure unit, four-chair dental clinic and two extended range patrol tenders have made a tremendous impact, allowing us to see over 42,000 patients who received health care and training in 215 villages.

We also began the fit out for the onboard laboratory and enhanced both the patient reception and medical stocking areas for more efficient operations. There were also a number of extra beds added on board, providing space for increased number of volunteers.

Added support logistics such as expanded heli-supported patrols and paperless inventory database systems for both supplies and patients have made a significant impact as well.

Another key milestone was receiving Full Member status of the Australian Council for International Development (ACFID). These incredible milestones will help provide good foundations for our future with PNG.

There were 827 people from 24 nations who helped make this

happen on board the ship. Most profoundly, we had our largest number of Papua New Guinean volunteers – 118 precious men and women who are committed to making a tremendous difference in their nation.

The results you will read in this report are largely due to their incredible sacrifice and commitment and we are so grateful.

As I consider this year, I am continually reminded of a young man named Bray. At 14 years old, he was blind, out of school, and unable to help provide for his family as he had in the past. His family heard about the YWAM Ship and prayed for three years that Bray would be able to regain his sight.

That dream came true in June 2016 when we met Bray and Dr Bill Talbot removed the cataracts on his eyes. Bray has gone on to re-enrol in school and is filled with hope for the future.

We hope you enjoy the reports of many just like him.

Kind Regards,



Rebekah Hoover

Rebekah Hoover
Chairperson



1.6 MESSAGE FROM PATRON: PAPUA NEW GUINEA

What a privilege, in my fifth year as PNG Patron, to be a part of the vast expansion that has once again taken place with YWAM Medical Ships in 2016. I am amazed at the rapid rate YWAM Medical Ships continues to expand and develop and 2016 was certainly no exception with the biggest year yet. The continued expansion comes from a deep passion and a belief to see great change in our nations as we work together. This is evident from the many stories of lives that have been transformed.

Over the past seven years, YWAM Medical Ships has brought together thousands of volunteers from Papua New Guinea and across the world to the most remote parts of PNG.

During 2016, over 800 volunteers from 24 different nations have delivered a staggering 272,000 health and training services. We thank each one for their commitment, compassion, and enthusiasm.

I am committed more than ever to see YWAM Medical Ships not only continue its success, but continue to expand year after year. The strong continued partnership from the National, Provincial and Local Level Governments is to be commended as we work together toward breaking down isolation to reach the rural majority; where essential health services are desperately lacking.

I would like to congratulate YWAM Medical Ships leaders, volunteers, and partners for their incredible sacrifice to see so many wonderful outcomes achieved in 2016.

Sincerely,



Right Honourable Sir Rabbie Namaliu GCL, KCMG, CSM
Patron – Papua New Guinea



1.7 MESSAGE FROM PATRON: AUSTRALIA

It has been incredible, in 2016, to see the MV YWAM PNG in operation along the Southern Region and Huon-Gulf. After undertaking extensive refit aboard the vessel the greater outcomes that are now being achieved are outstanding.

The commitment and sacrifice of the volunteers who donate their professional services should be commended as they work in some of the most remote regions of Papua New Guinea. I am so proud to be a part of such an organisation that has such deep care for individuals.

What we are able to achieve as we work together with so many individuals, government and corporates is amazing. As the Australian Patron for YWAM Medical Ships I am so proud of the ongoing partnership from the Australian Government which has continued to strengthen our operations allowing us to increase our outcomes.

It was an absolute privilege to continue to strengthen the sister-city relationship between Port Moresby and Townsville by hosting both the Premier of Queensland, Honourable Anastacia Palaszczuk MP in October and the Papua New Guinea Prime Minister, Honourable Peter O'Neill.

I want to again congratulate Ken Mulligan, Managing Director, for his vision, hope and leadership in achieving our major goals in 2016. We have so much to celebrate as we wrap up 2016 and look forward to 2017.

Kind regards,



Honourable Mike Reynolds AM
Patron – Australia



1.8 KEY PARTNERS



GULF
PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT

WESTERN
PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT

CENTRAL
PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT

ORO
PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT

MILNE BAY
PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT

MOROBE
PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT





1.9 SUPPORTERS

Air Niugini
 Alphapharm Pty Ltd (A Mylan Company)
 Aputos
 Aquacorp Pty Ltd
 Atlas Copco Compressors Australia – QLD
 Barnabas Foundation
 B.Braun Australia Pty Ltd
 BlueKino
 BOC Ophthalmic Instruments Pty Ltd
 Carl Zeiss Pty Ltd
 Cattani Australia
 Cirrus Insight
 Cook Islands Trust Corporation Ltd
 Coutts Redington
 Credit Corporation
 Dawson and Associates
 Designs for Vision
 Device Technologies
 Dow Water & Process Solutions
 Electrotech
 Filter Supplies (WA)
 First Advisers
 Food Relief NQ
 GE & MJ Chapman Partnership
 Heroes Need Heroes
 H.I. Fraser

Insight Surgical
 IAPB
 Jessups North Queensland
 Laila Foundation
 Lloyd's Register
 MarineSafe Australia
 Maritime Cook Islands
 Maritime Safety Queensland
 Medical Dental Solutions NQ
 Metro Pharmacy
 MOB Enterprise
 Mineral Resources Development
 Company
 Mun Australia
 Nalco (An Ecolab Company)
 North Queensland Bulk Ports
 Corporation Ltd
 Novartis Pharmaceuticals Australia
 O'Shea & Dyer Solicitors
 Oilmin
 Pacific Marine Group
 Pacific International Hospital
 Penske Power Systems
 PNG Association of Australia
 PNG Dockyard
 PNG Eye Care / Brien Holden Vision

Institute
 Ports North
 QantasLink
 QBE Australia
 RA Tech Engineering Services Pte Ltd
 RANZCO Scientific Congress
 Rosshaven Marine
 Shailer Park Medical
 Stryker Australia
 Suncorp Bank
 The Drill Guys
 The Navigation Centre
 Thermo Fisher Scientific
 Total E&P
 Tradelinked Cairns & PNG
 Transpacific Industries Group
 Universal Cranes Pty Ltd
 Vital Medical Supplies
 WearCheck
 William Talbot Eye Care
 Xerox
 YWAM Melbourne
 YWAM Newcastle
 ZOLL Medical Australia



1.10 AMBASSADORS

Our Ambassadors continue to play a key role as YWAM Medical Ships' advocates in their local communities.

In 2016, YWAM Medical Ships' had Community Ambassadors actively engaged in Cairns and Singapore, and 23 Youth Ambassadors engaged in Townsville, Cairns, Cooktown,

Newcastle, Brisbane, Sydney, and Port Moresby. Their activities included fundraising, speaking engagements, recruiting volunteers, collecting resources, and raising awareness.



CAIRNS AMBASSADOR GOES THE EXTRA MILE

A highlight from our Ambassador program in 2016 was the Cairns Corporate Challenge, a fundraising and PR initiative led by our Cairns Ambassador, Yolonde Entsch.

In partnership with Getaway Trekking, a committee worked together to raise funds, strengthen the links between Cairns and PNG, and raise YWAM Medical Ships' profile in the Cairns community. Together the committee signed up seven Cairns locals to hike the historic Kokoda track in PNG, and raised over \$30,000, and selected and sponsored five local Youth Ambassadors to volunteer onboard the MV YWAM PNG during an outreach in 2017.

Yolonde's efforts included speaking engagements, interviews with local media, organising events (including a spectacular Gala Event on the top deck of the MV YWAM PNG), peer to peer fundraising, and perhaps the most impressive of all - trekking the Kokoda track alongside six other local trekkers. Yolonde trained for several months before taking up the challenge.

"The Cairns Corporate Challenge provided an excellent opportunity to raise the profile of YWAM Medical Ships' work and to encourage the Cairns community and beyond to become involved.

"Through the Cairns Corporate Challenge we were able to connect with a large number of locals and encourage hundreds of young people to consider volunteering and/or contributing their time and energy into the supporting our work in PNG," said Yolonde.

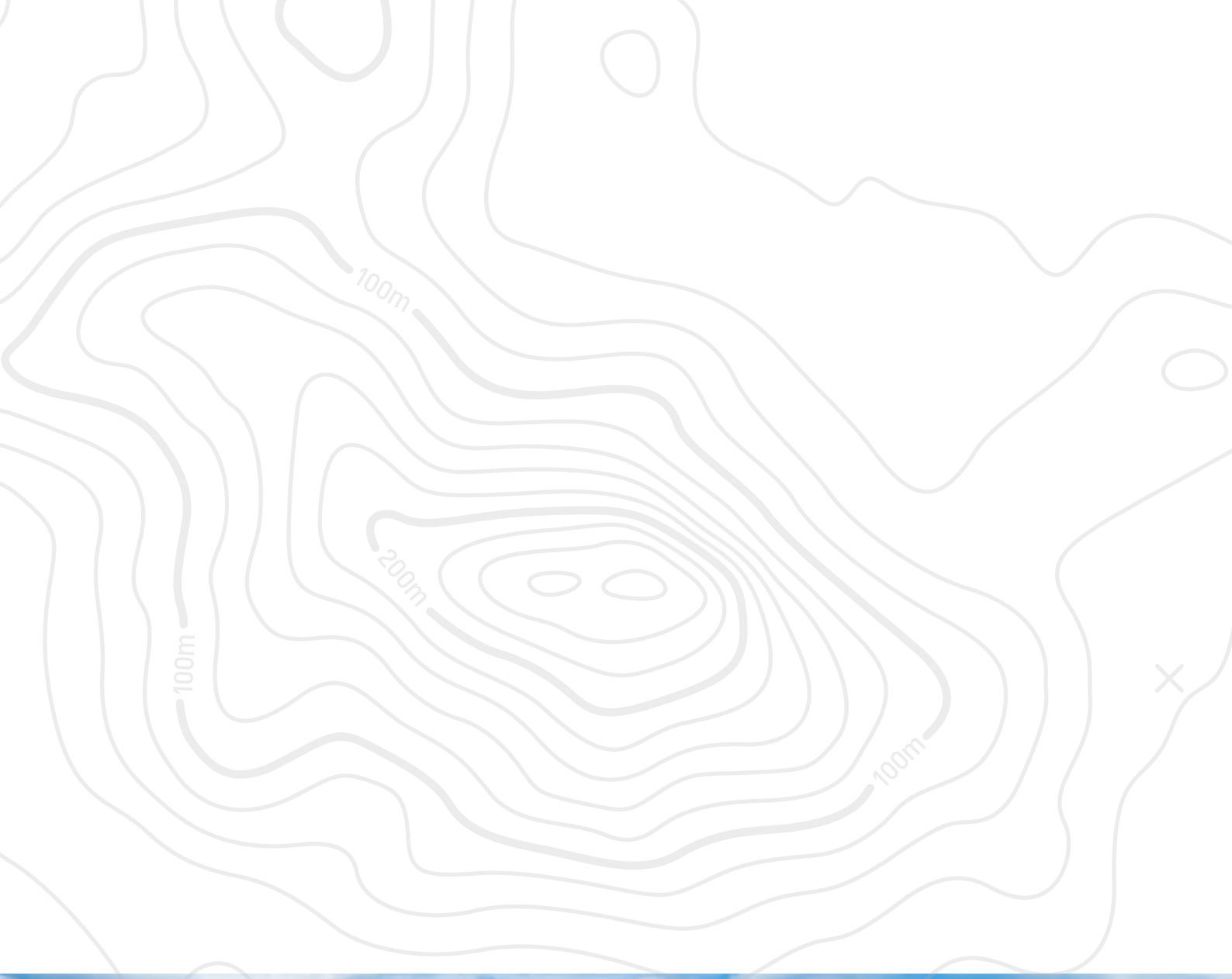
Yolonde will join an outreach onboard the MV YWAM PNG in April 2017 alongside five Youth Ambassadors from Cairns and Cooktown who have been sponsored to join the outreach by the Cairns Corporate Challenge.

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SECTION 2: PROGRAM OVERVIEW





2.1 MV YWAM PNG IMPLEMENTATION OVERVIEW

YWAM Medical Ships has set these milestones and targets over 2014-2017

MILESTONES	TARGETS	IMPLEMENTATION
Vessel purchase (via bridging loan)	4 December 2014	Achieved
Stage 1 Refit	First quarter 2015	Achieved
Maiden deployment into PNG waters	Second quarter 2015	Achieved
Realisation of pledged capital funding contributions	As soon as possible to complete bridging loan repayment	Outstanding capital funding and operational funding pledges from some partner provinces
Review of data from maiden voyage and Stage 2 Refit	Third and Fourth Quarters 2015	Achieved
Stage 2 Deployment	First and Second Quarters 2016	Achieved within acceptable limits (with tight budgetary restrictions in view of some outstanding pledges)
Stage 3 Refit	Third Quarter 2016	Achieved within acceptable limits (with reduction in view of budgetary limitations)
Stage 3 Deployment	Fourth Quarter 2016 - 2017	Achieved within acceptable limits (with tight budgetary restrictions in view of some outstanding pledges)



The Honourable Anastacia Palaszczuk MP, Premier of Queensland, speaking at YWAM Medical Ships' annual fundraiser in Townsville



2.2

MARITIME OPERATIONS

2016 saw the largest outreach year to date for YWAM Medical Ships, with nine outreaches completed.

Anchoring in dozens of locations and relying largely on hydrographic survey work conducted by YWAM Medical Ships, the MV YWAM PNG served in six provinces.

The addition of a second 7.6m rigid-hull-inflatable-boat (RHIB) in the middle of the year increased capacity to deliver teams more quickly into more villages, as well as to transfer patients to the ship. The installation of the dentistry clinic, day procedure unit, sterilization area and stage-one of the laboratory enhanced the scope of medical services and training possibilities available from the ship.

The multi-national crew including at one time officers from six countries provided training to several PNG maritime cadets.

Milestones and highlights are as follows:

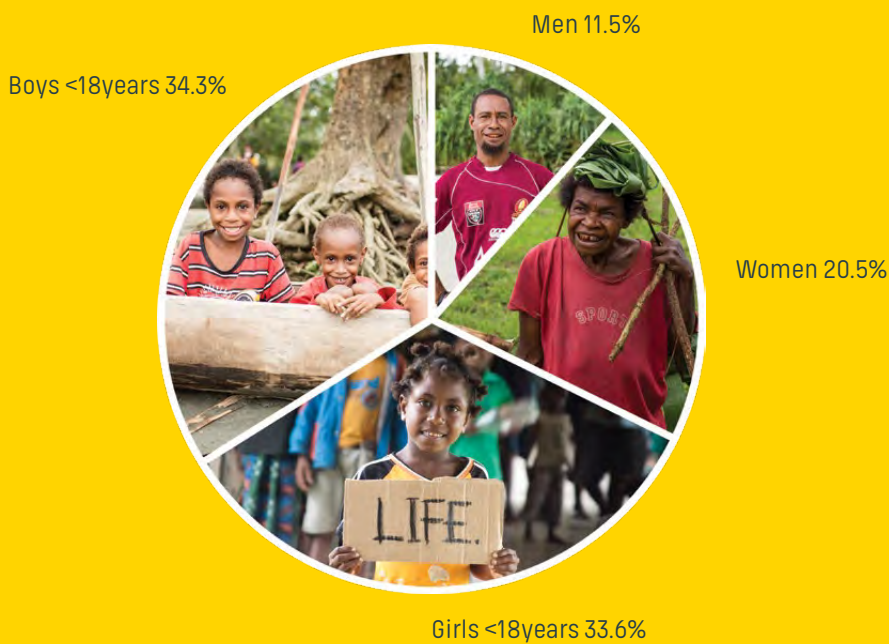
- First 7.6m RHIB with davit installed in January and second 7.6m RHIB with additional davit installed in October.
- Construction of a dental clinic, day procedure unit and sterilisation area in the vessel's former restaurant.
- Construction of a clinical laboratory in the vessel's former sick bay.
- Installation of improved rubbish storage compartment and designated compactor room.
- Open space aft of bridge deck covered to increase sheltered weather deck area.
- Ongoing partnership with Puma Energy to provide fuel.

2.3 PRIMARY HEALTH CARE

Primary Health Care (PHC) is a large clinical group aboard each outreach voyage, with multiple teams deployed to different locations for simultaneous patrol activities.

Alongside major priorities of maternal and child health (with a focus on preventive care), a full range of general outpatients also present to these clinics.

TOTAL PRIMARY HEALTH CARE PATIENTS - 31,027





2.4 PRIMARY HEALTH CARE MATERNAL HEALTH FOCUS

Maternal health activities are a strong area of focus for YWAM Medical Ships' outreach teams.

Enhancing access to family planning options for rural communities is the major thrust of this work, alongside health promotion activities (including family planning awareness and awareness of 'warning signs in pregnancy') and support with collaborative antenatal care.

Family Planning Highlights

YWAM continued to provide access to medium-term, reversible contraceptive implants in rural areas. These small rods sit just under the skin of the inner-arm and provide a highly reliable, reversible contraceptive option for couples over the course of 3-5 years (depending on brand).

Training (on implant removal and, where appropriate, insertion) was offered to suitably qualified local health workers wherever they were present in these remote areas.

This embodies YWAM Medical Ships' program model, directly interlinking collaborative service delivery with capacity building priorities.

Non-scalpel vasectomy was able to be offered for the first time through the ship via collaboration with a PNG health worker skilled in this domain. Mr Ravu Kapa (Boreguina Health Centre, Central Province) came aboard for an outreach in Central Province, utilising the ship as a platform to extend his vasectomy community education and clinical service through to the Amazon Bay area.

There was strong interest and steady uptake of the vasectomy option during this first pilot outreach and further development in this area will be explored. In particular, the training element is coming into sharp focus; that is, utilising the ship to mobilise trainers to connect with appropriate rural health facility staff showing aptitude to learn the non-scalpel vasectomy skill-set.

SUMMARY STATISTICS
Across 9 outreaches in 2016

FAMILY PLANNING CONSULTATIONS

1,349

(Target: 1,125)

ANTENATAL CHECKS

692

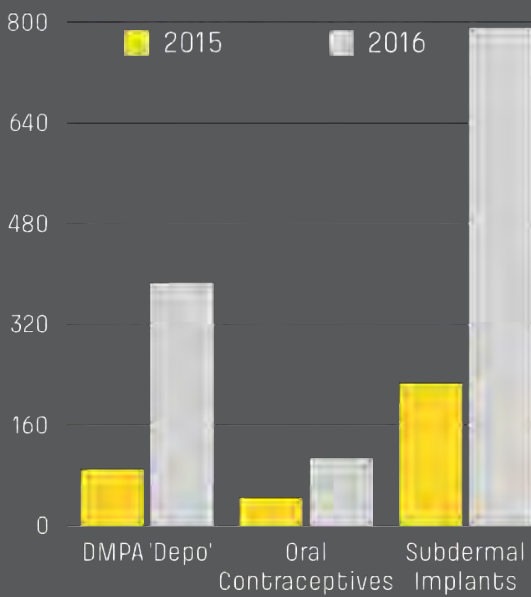
(Target: 608)

COUPLE YEARS OF PROTECTION*

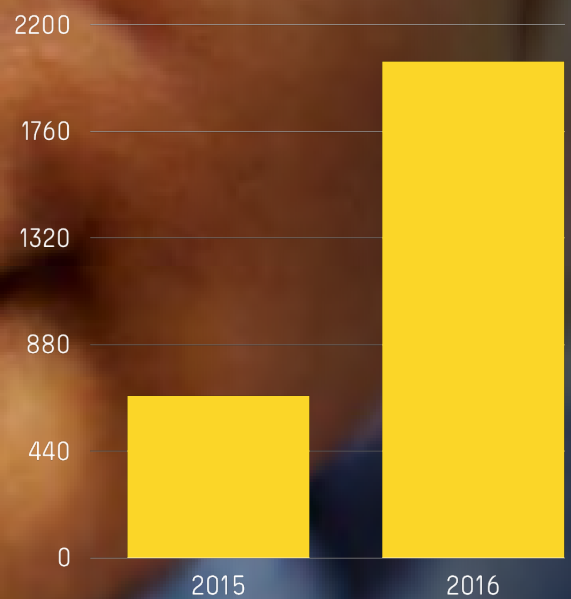
3,484

(Target: 1,710)

*Standardised measure of contraceptive cover



MAJOR FAMILY PLANNING CHOICES



TOTAL REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH CONSULTATIONS
(FAMILY PLANNING AND ANTENATAL CARE)



2.5 PRIMARY HEALTH CARE CHILD HEALTH FOCUS

Child health activities are at the centre of YWAM's field program, the heart of which is assisting local health workers with mobile primary health care patrols in rural areas.

A main element of integrated-maternal child health patrol is immunisation support. In 2016, YWAM Medical Ships was pleased to support the implementation of the updated PNG Childhood Immunisation Schedule. This included the rollout of measles-rubella vaccine, updated oral polio vaccine and ongoing pneumococcal vaccination (commenced 2015). Several areas engaged had not yet begun these updates due to supply and other logistical issues so it was excellent to be

able to support these catchments in their pursuit of strong immunisation coverage.

'Lukautim Pikinini' discussion groups, focused around the value of children in community and the importance of protection and nurture, were incorporated into field activities through Community Engagement teams which run alongside mobile clinics.

SUMMARY STATISTICS
Across 9 outreaches in 2016

NUMBER OF PATIENTS
UNDER 18 YEARS

21,088

(Target: 12,150)

IMMUNISATIONS
ADMINISTERED

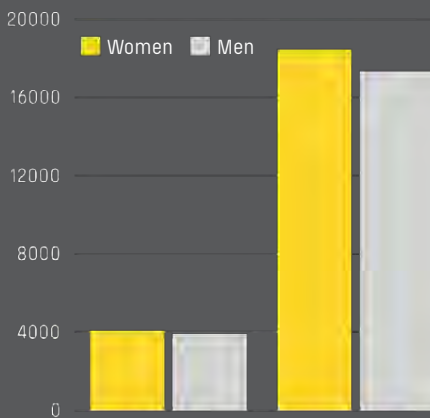
35,815

(Target: 17,550)

DOSES DELIVERED
TO RURAL FACILITIES

20,997

(Target: 16,380)



**TOTAL
IMMUNISATIONS**



2.6

TUBERCULOSIS AND MOBILE CLINICAL LABORATORY

Papua New Guinea continues in a state of national emergency response regarding the tuberculosis (TB) epidemic affecting the nation.

In 2016, YWAM Medical Ships continued its contribution to the fight against TB in the following areas:

- Health promotion
- Logistical support with delivery of clinical and laboratory consumables
- Mobile health clinics including clinical evaluation and referral where appropriate
- Collegial support/training to selected rural laboratories
- Establishment of a basic clinical laboratory aboard for the processing of sputum samples by microscopy
- Conducting mobile sputum collection and slide preparation patrols and training local health workers in the same

- Increases yield of specimens which were previously potentially degraded by the time a patrol team could transfer the specimen to the nearest laboratory.

YWAM Medical Ships formally joined the Stop TB Partnership in 2016 and also continued to attend the TB Emergency Response Team (ERT) meetings relating to TB hotspots in PNG.

It was a privilege to be able to host the final ERT meeting of the year aboard the ship while docked in Port Moresby.

SUMMARY STATISTICS
Across 9 outreaches in 2016

TB HEALTH PROMOTION

10,546

attendees at 139 sessions

**BCG DELIVERED
TO HEALTH FACILITIES**

1,350

doses
(part of overall imms
target noted previously)

**TB SUSPECTS
SPUTUM TESTED***

304

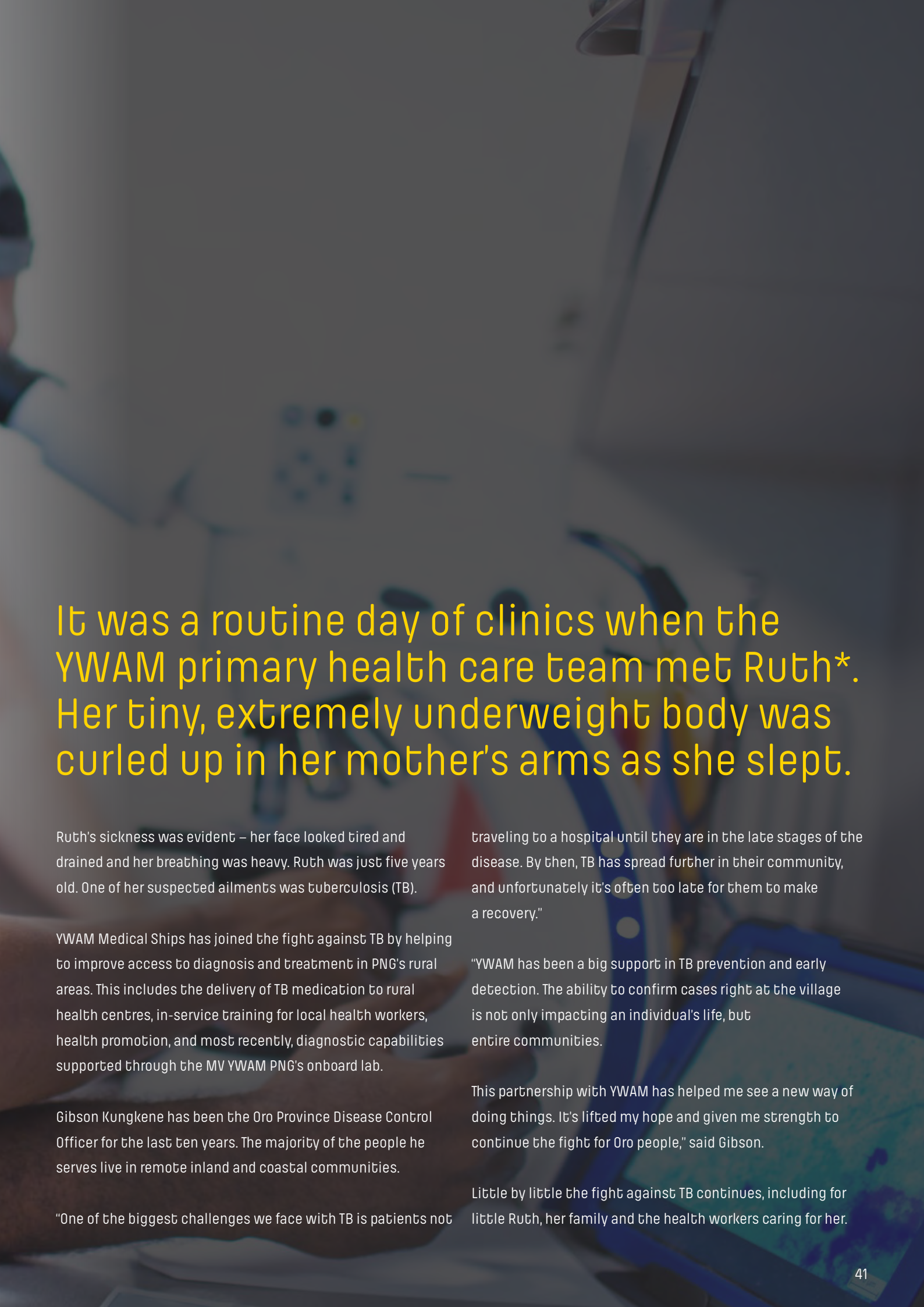
individuals
(Target: 100)

*Lab operational
during 5 outreaches



A close-up, profile view of a woman with dark hair pulled back, wearing a dark blue polo shirt with white piping on the sleeves. She is smiling and looking towards the right. In the background, a man wearing a blue polo shirt and a grey baseball cap is partially visible, looking in the same direction. The lighting is soft and focused on the woman's face.

**STOP TB:
THE FIGHT
CONTINUES**



It was a routine day of clinics when the YWAM primary health care team met Ruth*. Her tiny, extremely underweight body was curled up in her mother's arms as she slept.

Ruth's sickness was evident – her face looked tired and drained and her breathing was heavy. Ruth was just five years old. One of her suspected ailments was tuberculosis (TB).

YWAM Medical Ships has joined the fight against TB by helping to improve access to diagnosis and treatment in PNG's rural areas. This includes the delivery of TB medication to rural health centres, in-service training for local health workers, health promotion, and most recently, diagnostic capabilities supported through the MV YWAM PNG's onboard lab.

Gibson Kungkene has been the Oro Province Disease Control Officer for the last ten years. The majority of the people he serves live in remote inland and coastal communities.

"One of the biggest challenges we face with TB is patients not

traveling to a hospital until they are in the late stages of the disease. By then, TB has spread further in their community, and unfortunately it's often too late for them to make a recovery."

"YWAM has been a big support in TB prevention and early detection. The ability to confirm cases right at the village is not only impacting an individual's life, but entire communities.

This partnership with YWAM has helped me see a new way of doing things. It's lifted my hope and given me strength to continue the fight for Oro people," said Gibson.

Little by little the fight against TB continues, including for little Ruth, her family and the health workers caring for her.



2.7 EYE HEALTH OPTOMETRY

In 2016, YWAM Medical Ships continued to mobilise eye health patrol services across the Southern Region and Morobe, as well as provide training and peer support opportunities for PNG health professionals.

Eye health activities were conducted both via mobile optometry clinics and ophthalmological patrols. Health promotion sessions conducted in schools and with the general community incorporated education related to eye health.

Correcting refractive error provides a very significant benefit to individuals and their communities. In 2016, YWAM has

continued to increase access to optometry services for rural communities through facilitating mobile clinics.

Collaboration with PNG health professionals in this area has been strong, especially with Fred Hollows' Foundation, PNG Eyecare and New Britain Palm Oil Ltd (NBPOL).

Four PNG ophthalmic clinicians were mobilised to serve in rural areas on outreach patrol in 2016 via the ship platform.

Screening of school students for eye health problems has also been conducted wherever possible.

SUMMARY STATISTICS
Across 9 outreaches in 2016

NUMBER OF PATIENTS

8,213

(Target: 2,025)

**GLASSES AND
PROTECTIVE EYEWEAR
DISTRIBUTED**

8,316

(Target: 1,518)

**PNG HEALTH
WORKERS ENGAGED**

5

(Target: 2)

**EYE HEALTH
EDUCATION SESSIONS**

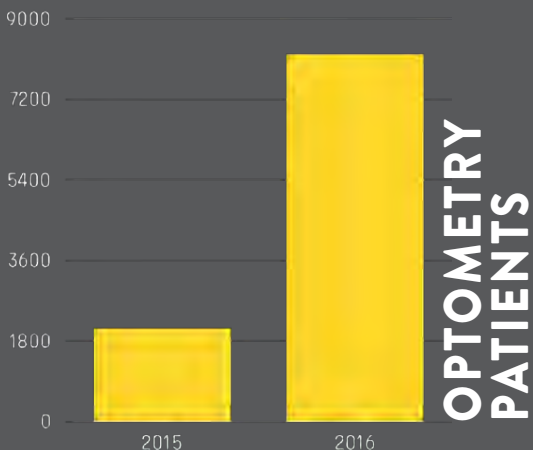
3,196

attendees at 48 sessions
(Target: 1,350 attendees
at 45 sessions)

SCHOOL STUDENTS SCREENED

1,249

(Target: 900)





2.8 EYE HEALTH OPHTHALMOLOGY

YWAM's ophthalmology program took a major step forward in 2016 with the construction of a brand new day procedure unit aboard MV YWAM PNG. In its first stage, this two table facility is used primarily for cataract and pterygium surgery under local anaesthetic. Outpatient consultations are also conducted.

Generous donations from individuals and companies enabled the purchase of additional equipment to increase the effectiveness of surgical outreaches. Purchases from 2015

were able to be operationalised in 2016 including a new operating microscope, training arm to allow direct binocular viewing of the surgery by a supervisor or surgical trainee and additional sets of surgical instruments.

In total, 10 PNG health professionals took part in ophthalmic outreaches this year. This included 5 PNG ophthalmologists (or ophthalmic surgical trainees).



SUMMARY STATISTICS
Across 4 outreaches in 2016

PATIENT CONSULTATIONS

423

(Target: 160)

SURGICAL PROCEDURES

311

(Target: 100)

PNG HEALTH WORKERS ENGAGED

10

(Target: 2)



2.9 ORAL HEALTH

In 2016, YWAM Medical Ships continued to mobilise oral health patrol services across the Southern Region and Morobe Province, as well as provide training and peer support opportunities for PNG health professionals.

YWAM's oral health program took a major step forward in 2016 with the completion of a brand-new 4 chair dental clinic aboard MV YWAM PNG. Oral health activities were conducted both from the clinic aboard and land-based mobile chairs.

Oral health topics were incorporated in health promotion

sessions conducted in schools and with the general community. Small-scale oral cancer screening sessions and community awareness in villages engaged was also initiated.

The increase in physical capacity of the clinic aboard was accompanied by a strong rise in the number of PNG nationals represented in the clinic.

The collegial training and peer support environment was also greatly enhanced by the renovations.

SUMMARY STATISTICS
Across 9 outreaches in 2016

NUMBER OF PATIENTS

2,983

(Target: 2,700)

NUMBER OF PROCEDURES

5,305

(Target: 4,050)

PNG ORAL HEALTH WORKERS ENGAGED

23

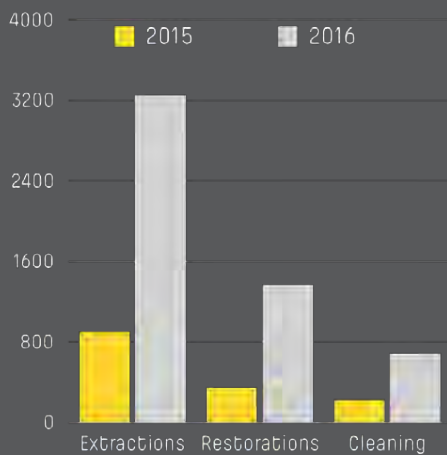
(Target: 9)

ATTENDEES AT HEALTH PROMOTION

24,799

attendees at 3,237 sessions*
(Target: 5,400 attendees at 2,790 sessions*)

*In this case, individual patient education sessions are included in the totals



PROCEDURES BY YEAR





Before



After

PAIN BE GONE: 14 YEAR-OLD BOY GETS HIS SMILE BACK

A group of teenage boys were together on the shore looking on curiously as the dental team triaged patients in Emo village.

"Does anyone have pain in their teeth?" asked oral health therapist, Dinah Haswell.

The boys all pointed to 14 year-old Eric. Dinah walked over to Eric and asked him, "Where is your pain, can you point with your finger?"

Eric responded, "Everywhere."

Eric opened his mouth, and immediately Dinah knew he was speaking the truth. She recognised his condition as Amelogenesis Imperfecta, a genetic condition that affects the enamel of the teeth as they form. The condition takes many forms and varies in severity, but Eric's case was the worst that Dinah had seen in her 33 years of dentistry. Eric had little to no enamel on any of his teeth – leaving nerve endings exposed. Brushing, eating, even breathing through his mouth would likely be very painful.

Dinah shared with Eric and his father that her team could help with his pain. A few moments later, Eric was in YWAM's small boat making his way to the MV YWAM PNG's onboard dental

clinic. It would be his very first visit to the dentist.

Once Eric arrived, he was greeted by YWAM Medical Ships' dentist, Dr John Phillips, and dental assistant, Patricia Voss. Eric opened his mouth wide, and John and Patricia got straight to work.

John and Patricia removed the diseased tooth structure and covered Eric's molars and premolars with GC Fuji VII-EP – glass ionomer cement that releases fluoride to harden adjacent tooth structure, reduce sensitivity, and lessen his susceptibility to decay and tooth wear.

Eric's top six front teeth were restored with composite resin; a stronger, harder material that would provide him with a more normal appearance when he smiles. After just two hours, 22 of Eric's teeth had been restored. The result left Eric with a restored smile and far less pain.

"I can't imagine the pain that Eric was in. The restoration of his teeth should have a profound impact on his quality of life. I'm so glad his friends dubbed him in for a trip the dentist!" says Dinah.



2.10

HEALTH PROMOTION AND EMPOWERING COMMUNITIES

Health promotion continues to be a significant focus of YWAM Medical Ships' field activities, alongside clinical work; that is, community empowerment through opportunities to engage in discussion and access information surrounding health issues. Emphasis is placed on delivery via peer to peer education among young people (PNG's population has a large majority of youth and young adults) and also via appropriate discussion groupings of older adults.

Topics included:

- Nutrition
- Oral health
- HIV/AIDS
- Tuberculosis
- Malaria
- Water, Hygiene and Sanitation
- Immunisation, Child Health and 'Lukautim Pikinini'
- Family Planning
- Safe Pregnancy and Birth
- Gender Based Violence and Safe Communities
- Puberty
- Joint Care/Musculoskeletal Health

SUMMARY STATISTICS
Across 9 outreaches in 2016

**TOTAL HEALTH
PROMOTION SESSIONS**

3,218

(Target: 3,290)

TOTAL ATTENDEES AT SESSIONS*

120,039

(Target: 28,890)

*Some individuals may attend more than one session





2.11

HEALTH WORKFORCE AND CAPACITY BUILDING

A total of 320 PNG nationals took part in YWAM field teams in 2016. This included 269 health workers engaged in collaborative outreach activities (both in local ground teams and those who were directly living aboard MV YWAM PNG).

In-service training sessions were conducted for local healthcare workers, according to their self-assessed learning needs. These were valuable encounters alongside many hours of peer support and collegial mentoring through collaborative clinical work.

SUMMARY STATISTICS
Across 9 outreaches in 2016

TOTAL PNG NATIONALS
ENGAGED IN THE FIELD PROGRAM

320

(Target: 126)

TOTAL PNG NATIONAL
HEALTH WORKERS
(AS A SUBSET OF THE ABOVE)

269

(Target: 99)

TOTAL TRAINING SESSIONS

103

(Target: 18)





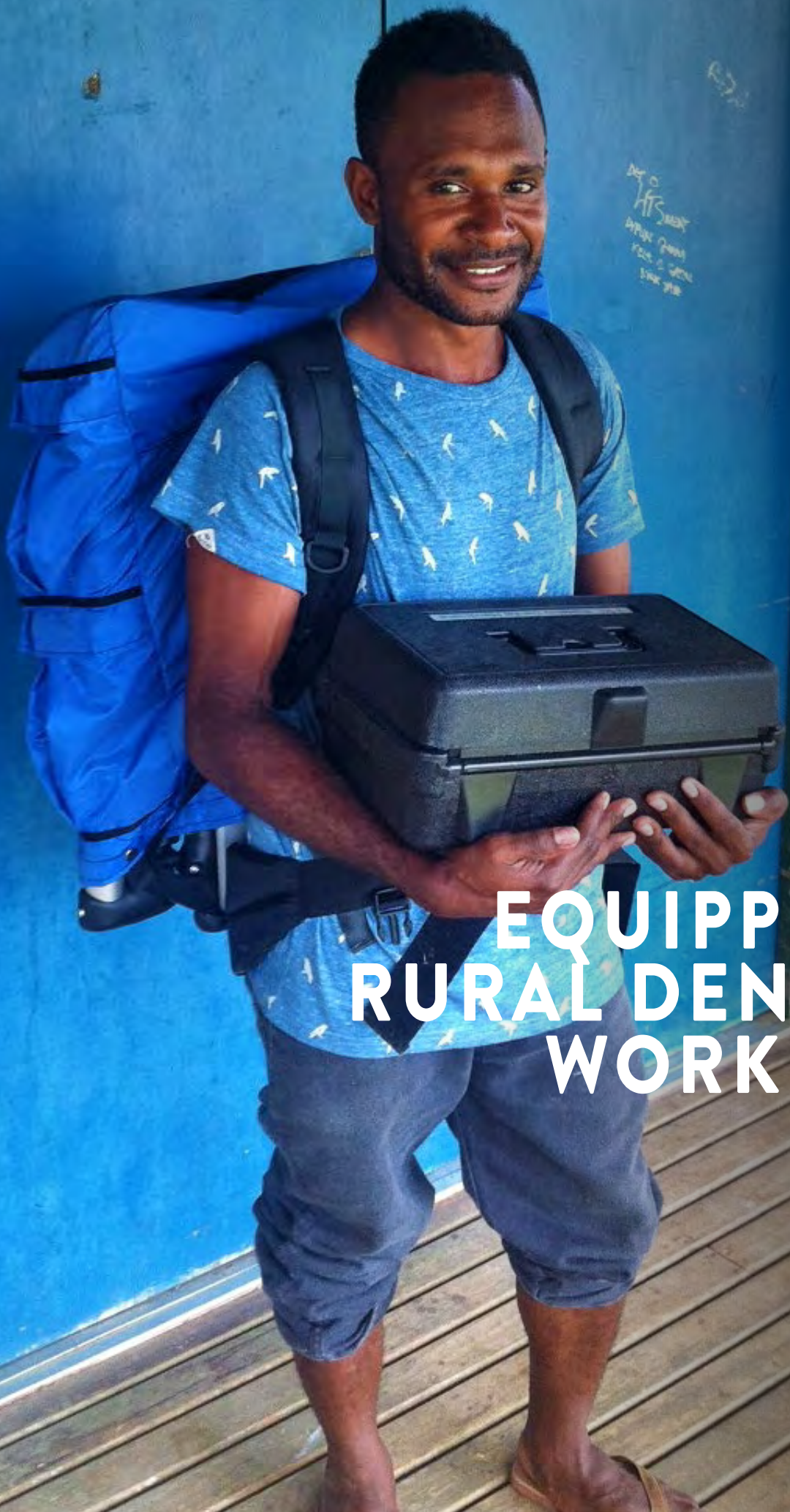
2.12 SUPPLY CHAIN SUPPORT

Over the course of outreach voyages, YWAM Medical Ships takes every opportunity to support supply chain logistics for health facilities engaged.

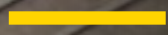
In 2016, this support included:

- Routine immunisations: 20,997 doses
- Birth kits: 974
- Contraceptives: 54 subdermal implants; 638 vials of DMPA/Depo (supplies equivalent to 365 'Couple Years of Protection')
- Toothbrushes: 11,354
- Toothpaste: 10,188
- Long-lasting insecticidal nets: 561
- i-Dent chair (solar-powered dental chair that folds into a backpack for patrol): 1 system





EQUIPPING RURAL DENTAL WORKERS



Kevea, a local dental worker from Kikori Hospital, joined YWAM Medical Ships' 2016 Outreach in Gulf Province.

As part of the on board dental team, Kevea was able to use his skills to provide dental services and also receive collegial support and practical, contextualised training in his field.

YWAM Medical Ships has developed a relationship with the Kikori Hospital since it began outreaches in the area in 2010. The relationship has demonstrated both direct collaborative

service delivery and capacity building of the local health workforce. Building on this partnership, Kevea was provided with an i-Dent chair that was donated to YWAM Medical Ships in 2016. The solar powered chair and basic dental tools fold into a portable backpack weighing just 15 kilograms. This equipment allows Kevea to continue to deliver dental services to the Kikori area after the ship has left.



2.13

WATER/SANITATION AND SOLAR POWER

YWAM Medical Ships' Community Engagement teams sought opportunities to improve communities' access to clean drinking water and power by assisting with the installation and repairs of water tanks, filters and solar kits.

Wherever possible, these activities were conducted in small group tutorial sessions, engaging local people to not only take part in the project, but to gain measurable skills for ongoing maintenance and repair.



SUMMARY STATISTICS

WATER TANKS
INSTALLED

3

WATER TANKS
REPAIRED

81

WATER FILTERS
INSTALLED OR PROVIDED

58

SOLAR KITS INSTALLED

1

(Solar lighting kit
installed at Bamio Aid Post)



**LET THERE BE LIGHT:
SOLAR POWER GIVES
GROWING AID POST
A BOOST**

Nestled along the Bamu River lies Bamio village; home to 300 people and an aid post that services communities along the lower Bamu and Gama Rivers.

Bamio Aid Post had just been built by the village 10 months ago, replacing a much smaller aid post the community had outgrown due to the demand. The aid post is built out of bush materials and consists of a triage area, maternity ward, medication dispensary, and a storeroom. There is no power or running water.

During YWAM Medical Ships' visit to Bamio, four members of the MV YWAM PNG's deck and engineering crew installed a solar lighting kit in the aid post, donated by Solar Solutions Papua New Guinea and Barefoot Power.

The solar kit consists of solar panels for the aid post's roof and four lights; providing light to the maternity ward, triage area, medication dispensary, and storeroom. It also includes chargers for the healthcare workers' mobile phones, a necessity for their communication to Middle Fly District Health Services and outlying areas.

Before the installation of the solar kit, the healthcare workers only source of light was their mobile phone (when it was

charged) or a torch when they had batteries; which proved to be difficult when an emergency came up in the night, or when a woman was in labour.

YWAM Medical Ships' Senior Clinic Leader, Hannah Peart, said she had been visiting Bamio since 2012.

"Every year I have seen Bamio go from strength to strength. We have seen Bamio Aid Post grow from one healthcare worker operating out of a small hut, servicing a handful of villages, to three healthcare workers operating out of a four-room facility servicing quite a large area.

"The installation of this solar kit gives us the opportunity to cheer on the amazing work that the aid post is doing in region. The addition of solar power to the aid post has given the healthcare workers a real boost," said Hannah.

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SECTION 3: LOCATION SNAPSHOTS





3.1 CENTRAL PROVINCE

SUMMARY STATISTICS

2,507

Primary Healthcare Patients

In 2016 YWAM Medical Ships continued to serve in Central Province, primarily focused on the Abau District, with some engagement in Kairuku-Hiri, through discussion with Provincial Health. Two villages technically falling within National Capital District boundaries were also included.

300

Reproductive Health Consultations

It is hoped to expand geographic extent of activities in Central Province in 2017, including through the use of land-based teams.

2,952

Immunisations Administered

It continues to be a privilege to support the health sector team in Central Province. In particular, working closely with Sr Rigolo Mokela (Family Health Services Coordinator, Abau) and her team has been very fruitful. Sr Mokela has consistently made good use of the ship outreach voyages to help mobilise staff to remote areas of the district as part of collaborative patrols.

448

Dental Procedures

The Central Provincial Government made a cash contribution of K100,000PGK toward collaborative patrols in 2016 (in addition to in-kind support).

967

Glasses Distributed

13,031

Health Promotion Session
Attendees across 383 Sessions

HELPING LOCAL HEROES SPREAD THEIR WINGS

RAVU KAPA IS ONE AMONG MANY PNG RURAL HEALTH HEROES YWAM MEDICAL SHIPS IS PRIVILEGED TO WORK ALONGSIDE.



Ravu originally trained as a Community Health Worker (CHW) and subsequently specialised in the field of reproductive health, with a major focus on the role of men in family planning.

With over 5,000 vasectomies under his belt, Ravu also has a passion for community education and for seeing non-scalpel vasectomy services become more available to rural families through training others. As often as his own health facility can release him, he gets

out on foot patrol to deliver services in remote parts of Abau District, Central Province. A man on a mission with energy to match, Ravu jumped at the chance to join a YWAM Medical Ships' outreach and extend the reach of vasectomy services into the Amazon Bay area, at the border of Central and Milne Bay Provinces.

Ravu described the opportunities gained from being on the ship. "I really enjoy taking my own specialisation area, visiting the

villages and talking to the people and helping them understand... Being a CHW specialised in vasectomy makes me feel great. This is what I really love to do. And the ship is giving me a boost. Improving my morale to encourage me to convert my skills into quality services for my own people here," said Ravu.

What a wonderful privilege to work together in team as change-makers like Ravu chase their dreams of a bright and healthy future for PNG.

3.2 GULF PROVINCE

SUMMARY STATISTICS

4,403

Primary Healthcare Patients

It was excellent to be able to engage for the seventh year with East Kikori and Baimuru Rural Local Level Governments (LLGs). In addition, Provincial Health requested engagement in West Kikori and strengthened activities in Ihu Rural. It was a significant milestone to deploy strong multidisciplinary teams in both locations in 2016.

372

Reproductive Health Consultations

It continues to be a privilege to join the health sector team in Gulf Province. YWAM works together with many stakeholders, including close collaboration with Gulf Christian Services (operators of Kikori and Kapuna hospitals) in serving the Kikori District.

5,846

Immunisations Administered

1,307

Dental Procedures

1,388

Glasses Distributed

109

Ophthalmology Patients

16,059

Health Promotion Session
Attendees across 467 Sessions

SUCCESSFUL HELICOPTER PATROL TO OMATI

AFTER A 45 MINUTE HELICOPTER RIDE, THE YWAM MEDICAL SHIPS TEAM SET FOOT IN THE REMOTE VILLAGE OF OMATI, LOCATED IN WEST KIKORI DISTRICT, GULF PROVINCE.



The village is home to 400 people. Their closest health facility is Kikori Hospital which takes seven hours via boat and road to reach. Due to the remote location, the region's last health patrol was several years ago. Gulf Provincial Health have had difficulty accessing the region for some time and identified Omati and surrounding villages as places to visit. The team was made up of two nurses, two doctors and a Kikori Hospital CHW. A mobile

primary health care Clinic was set up in Omati's school and provided immunisations, family planning, health education and outpatient services over a period of three days.

YWAM Medical Ships Senior Clinic Leader, Hannah Peart, said that the patrol marked a significant step in increasing YWAM's reach in the region.

"Our patrol to Omati and

surrounding villages was our very first helicopter patrol. When we purchased our new medical and training ship, the MV YWAM PNG, incorporating a helicopter into our operations was always a part of the vision as we expanded our reach," said Hannah.

The patrol was done in partnership with the Gulf Provincial Government, Manolas Aviation and Gulf Christian Services.

3.3 MILNE-BAY PROVINCE

SUMMARY STATISTICS

5,122

Primary Healthcare Patients

358

Reproductive Health Consultations

2,315

Immunisations Administered

1,166

Dental Procedures

2,384

Glasses Distributed

117

Ophthalmology Patients

36,620

Health Promotion Session
Attendees across 776 Sessions

In 2016 YWAM Medical Ships continued to serve in Milne Bay Province with activities across Alotau Open, Kiriwina-Goodenough and Samarai-Murua Districts. Milne Bay is PNG's largest maritime province with many offshore island groups as well as remote mainland areas. There continues to be rapid geographic expansion of ship and land-based activities in the Province, alongside revisiting previously engaged areas.

A particular highlight in 2016 was expansion into the Goodenough Bay area. This zone was thoroughly surveyed and received a full suite of YWAM outreach activities for the first time in 2016. Helicopter-supported patrols were used to expand reach and access inland areas.

The Milne Bay Provincial Government made a cash contribution of K50,000PGK toward collaborative patrols in 2016 (in addition to in-kind support). Kiriwina-Goodenough District Development Authority contributed K100,000PGK and the Makamaka and Weraura Local Level Governments contributed funds toward helicopter fuel to reach inland areas.



SIX YEAR OLD GIRL RECEIVES SIGHT

A BLIND SIX-YEAR-OLD GIRL FROM THE TROBRIAND ISLANDS HAD HER SIGHT RESTORED FOLLOWING A SUCCESSFUL CATARACT SURGERY ABOARD THE MV YWAM PNG, DURING THEIR COLLABORATIVE OUTREACH PATROL TO THE KIRIWINA-GOODENOUGH DISTRICT.



The young girl, Mandy, had been blind for the last three years from bilateral cataracts, she could only see light and dark shades and was heavily dependent on family members for her basic everyday needs.

Mandy's family had been hoping and praying for the YWAM Medical Ship to return to their region since their last visit in 2014 with their previous vessel, MV Pacific Link.

After a two-hour operation performed by volunteer ophthalmologist, Dr Keith Maslin, the day before, Mandy's family and the YWAM volunteers witnessed a special moment when Mandy reached out for the nurse's hand after the patches were removed – Mandy could see again.

Following the operation, Mandy was greeted by elated uncles, aunts, siblings, grandparents and friends –

in tears and overjoyed by the result.

Mandy chose her favourite pair of sunglasses and received distance and reading glasses before returning to her village following the surgery.

Dr Maslin was very pleased with the outcome of the surgery, and the condition of the eye. Dr. Keith said that this surgery has given Mandy hope to live a fairly normal life.

3.4 MOROBE PROVINCE

SUMMARY STATISTICS

6,861

Primary Healthcare Patients

In 2016 YWAM Medical Ships continued to serve in Morobe Province, with a particular focus on the Huon-Gulf and Bulolo Districts. Active planning was also undertaken for an outreach covering the Tewae Siassi District, planned for early 2017.

328

Reproductive Health Consultations

There continues to be an excellent working relationship around the YWAM program in Morobe facilitated by an active Working Group Partnership Committee. This grouping helps to implement the objectives of the shared MOU between YWAM Medical Ships, Morobe Provincial Government and ANGAU Hospital.

5,961

Immunisations Administered

The YWAM field team and local health workers were again joined on patrol by a strong contingent of Provincial Health personnel and some ANGAU clinical staff.

646

Dental Procedures

Morobe Provincial Government made a cash contribution of K500,000PGK toward collaborative patrols in 2016 (in addition to in-kind support).

1,293

Glasses Distributed

148

Ophthalmology Patients

8,367

Health Promotion Session Attendees across 305 Sessions

YWAM & MOROBE STATION HEALTH CENTRE COLLABORATE TO STOP TB

DURING THE MV YWAM PNG'S 2016 OUTREACH TO MOROBE PROVINCE, THE LAB TEAM WORKED OUT OF THE TB ROOM AT MOROBE STATION.



Over just one week, 51 patients were tested for TB from patient samples from individuals living around Morobe Station and from YWAM Medical Ships' primary health care teams traveling to villages within the Morobe Station catchment. 61% percent were found to be positive, and every location YWAM Medical Ships' primary health care teams visited in this catchment had an active case of TB.

The local TB/Directly observed

treatment short-course (DOTS) supervisor, Zavia, worked alongside the lab team to consult with patients once results of their tests were determined. Positive cases could then begin treatment.

TB education and discussion took place with four health workers at Morobe Station. The training session included information on how to use some of the new medications received from the government. The main issue discussed was the issue

surrounding detecting TB at Morobe Station and possible solutions to changing how samples are collected and sent for analysis to Lae.

At the time, it took one to three months for results to be shared with Morobe Station and by the time the results came, often the patient had already passed away. The collaboration with Morobe Station proved to be very beneficial in strengthening the StopTB Campaign.

3.5 ORO PROVINCE



SUMMARY STATISTICS

6,561

Primary Healthcare Patients

431

Reproductive Health Consultations

5,492

Immunisations Administered

631

Dental Procedures

909

Glasses Distributed

27,434

Health Promotion Session
Attendees across 652 sessions

In 2016 YWAM Medical Ships continued to serve in Oro Province. This occurred across both Sohe and Ijivitari Districts, via use of both ship and land-based teams.

It was a privilege to continue to work with a strong grouping of local health care workers in Oro Province. The teamwork culture developed over several years has been outstanding. Mr Philip Tahima, CHW, has been an important and common thread over this period. Among other supporting colleagues, Mr Tahima has operated in a logistics coordinating role and an active clinical role in collaborative patrols both via ship and on land.

Both the Oro Provincial Government and Sohe District Development Authority made cash contributions to collaborative patrols in 2016, to a total of K300,000PGK (in addition to in-kind support).

A VISION OF HOPE

IN 2013, BRAY, AN ACTIVE 17 YEAR OLD, LOST HIS SIGHT IN BOTH EYES.

Bray's sight was limited to light and dark shades. The once capable fisherman, soccer player and student dropped out of school and other activities he loved. Bray's existence was confined to familiar surroundings as he depended on family to lead him around the village, help him eat and help him dress.

When Bray first lost his sight, his family took him to their closest hospital in Oro Bay and asked if anything could be done for his eyesight. The glimmer of hope that Bray and his family was given, was that soon the YWAM Medical Ship would be visiting Oro Province, and on board there would be eye specialists that may be able to help Bray regain his sight.

The waiting ceased in June 2016 when the MV YWAM PNG dropped anchor in Oro Province. One of the villages visited by the optometry team was Bray's village, Emo. The



optometrist shared with Bray and his family the news - Bray was a candidate for cataract surgery.

On June 7, Bray went into surgery for cataract removal with a lens implant, a procedure which took 40 minutes. Bray and his brother Dura returned the next day to find out how successful the surgery was. YWAM Medical Ships' nurse gently peeled away the patch and wiped his eye. A sheepish smile emerged from Bray's face when the nurse asked if he could see. She held up her hand for a high five - he high fived her back!

Dura came over to Bray to see the result, as Dura bent down in front of him, a smile erupted from Bray's face. Dura put his hand on his cheek and spoke to him in their language and they smiled together - Bray's sight had returned.

Bray has now returned to school, is playing with sports and climbing coconut trees.

At 17 years-old, Bray is a picture of hope and longing fulfilled. The light and sparkle in his face illuminates YWAM Medical Ships' motto, "I want to live".

3.6 WESTERN PROVINCE

SUMMARY STATISTICS

5,573

Primary Healthcare Patients

252

Reproductive Health Consultations

13,249

Immunisations Administered

1,107

Dental Procedures

1,375

Glasses Distributed

49

Ophthalmology Patients

18,528

Health Promotion Session
Attendees across 635 Sessions

In 2016 YWAM Medical Ships continued to serve in Western Province, focused on the Bamu Rural LLG but also with engagement on the island of Daru, at Balimo (the capital of Middle Fly District) and surrounding inland areas.

It continues to be a privilege to join the health sector team in Western Province, working together with many stakeholders, most closely with Daru Hospital and Middle Fly District Health Services.

YWAM activities in Western must strike a determined and positive balance to encountering the challenges of high population density on Daru, with significant tuberculosis burden, and also the geographic challenges of vast waterways and 'king' and 'bore' tide phenomena, especially along the Bamu River.

The Middle Fly District Development Authority provided K9,200PGK toward helicopter fuel and additional transport logistics to support collaborative patrol in 2016 (in addition to in-kind support).



WATER OF LIFE

VILLAGE GIVEN ACCESS TO CLEAN WATER SUPPLY. HOME TO 280 MEN, WOMEN, AND CHILDREN IS THE VILLAGE OF WAKAU; A REMOTE COMMUNITY ON THE BANK OF THE BAMU RIVER, WESTERN PROVINCE.

When YWAM Medical Ships' team first set foot in Wakau, one of the first things they noticed was the two water tanks that lay near the bank of the river, unused. They soon found out that the people drank straight from a muddy creek.

The tanks had been donated 15 months ago, but didn't come with any taps or fittings. The MV YWAM PNG's deck and engineering team met with Wakau's village leaders and offered their assistance with getting the tanks operational. The leaders agreed to build a platform by noon the following day, and together they would put the tanks on the stand, build a roof, connect the guttering, and fit the taps.

The men in the village got started



on the construction straight away, and by the following morning, the platform was built, and guttering and corrugated iron had been sourced ready for their afternoon project.

Together, the YWAM Medical Ships crew and the men in the village

secured the tanks on the platform, built a roof, and attached the guttering and tap fittings.

Afterwards they celebrated their completed project and prayed for rain to fill the tanks.

And sure enough, that night it poured with rain and the tanks were filled!

In a nation where 60 percent of the population live without access to a safe water supply,[1] another 280 people that now have clean drinking water sure is reason to celebrate.

[1] "Papua New Guinea has world's worse access to clean water, says WaterAid", The Guardian 22 March 2016.



3.7 TOWNSVILLE CAMPUS



The City of Townsville, Sister City to Papua New Guinea's capital Port Moresby, is proud host to the headquarters of YWAM Medical Ships. Based out of the City Campus with YWAM Townsville, (YWAM Townsville Assoc Inc is a separate legal entity from YWAM Medical Ships) the main office of YWAM Medical Ships engages a committed and diverse team of self-funded volunteers from many nations working together with a network of advisors and other professionals to operate the Training and Medical Ship in PNG.



Support from the Townsville community for the work of YWAM Medical Ships in serving its nearest international neighbour has been strong and consistent. This reached a new level in 2014-2016 when the broader community of Townsville got behind the redevelopment of YWAM City Campus, in the heart of the CBD.

Since 2014, the campus has undergone a series of developments to transform the former TAFE institution into a vibrant, versatile centre to support YWAM Townsville's training activities, (RTO Reg. No 30614, CRICOS Provider No. 02205D) youth development work and YWAM Medical Ships' operations in PNG.



Alongside YWAM personnel, more than 100 local businesses have contributed to a series of stages of development at the campus during 2014-2016. The renovations have included the construction of dormitory-style accommodation for 278 students, 26 new apartments for volunteer staff, a dining room and café, interior and exterior painting, repaving the car park and the landscaping of the centre courtyard and grounds.

Since acquiring the campus in 2013, YWAM has invested \$10 million worth of development into the City Campus. The developments continue to contribute toward strengthening the link between Townsville and Papua New Guinea.



YWAM's Pacific cultural group use cultural expressions to bring a message of hope through dance, music, and sport. The group encourages others to embrace their unique cultural identity building a sense of dignity and self-worth.

TRAINING EXPANSION

In 2016, YWAM Townsville added an additional seven Certificate III & IV training courses to scope. Each course is designed to be matched with character development and hands-on work experience at the YWAM Townsville City Campus, or medical ship in PNG. The courses are available to students from around the world. Expanding the range of available courses is an exciting step toward equipping more young people to serve communities around the globe.

99.9 LIVE FM

A partnership with 99.9 Live FM, developed this year, has made a growing impact in YWAM's operations. After renovating new studios at the YWAM Townsville City Campus, and training new on-air announcers, the brand received a refresh with an enthusiastic message - "It's Good to Be Alive." Live FM broadcasts a mixture of music and short, encouraging words aimed to bring life, which reaches 26,000 people and growing. Since partnering with YWAM, 99.9 Live FM has reinstated an operational leadership team that is showing

consistent growth in management, broadcast content, and reach. New digital equipment has been installed, a transmitter has been replaced, doubling the geographic reach, and new on air announcers have been trained. YWAM Townsville and 99.9 Live FM have also achieved a training partnership where by YWAM Townsville will be offering a Certificate III in Screen and Media, Certificate III in Events and Certificate IV in Marketing and Communications. The first interns are already working informally. The partnership has potential to strengthen Australia, PNG and the wider Pacific region.

YOUTH ENGAGEMENT

YWAM engages youth through camps, high school seminars, and local and overseas service projects. Each initiative aims to provide a positive safe environment where young people feel valued, motivated, and empowered to be the best they can be while serving the needs of others. YWAM works in partnership with schools, social clubs, youth organisations, and governing bodies.

Shalom Christian College Partnership

In 2016, YWAM Townsville expanded their youth activities by signing an MoU with Shalom Christian College, an indigenous school in Townsville. The MoU outlines a commitment to work together in engaging and strengthening young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students. The partnership includes collaboration on skills-based training, character development and volunteering opportunities on board the medical ship in PNG.

Youth Adventures

In the last seven years, over 400 teenagers have participated in YWAM's Youth Adventures program. It offers incredible short-term opportunities for teams and individuals to come together to be challenged, grow in their cross-cultural understanding, and serve courageously. An initial hands-on training phase prepares teams to be immersed in communities in North Queensland and Papua New Guinea. In 2016, over 80 youth from five schools participated in Youth Adventures.

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SECTION 4: FINANCIALS





4.1 YWAM MEDICAL SHIPS' FINANCIAL REPORT

INCOME	JAN - DEC '16 (AUD)	JAN - DEC '16 (PGK*)
Volunteers - Gift in Kind	3,940,039	9,036,873
Donations - Gift in Kind	1,271,559	2,916,448
Donations - General	629,464	1,443,739
Grants & Sponsorship	1,559,813	3,577,587
Crew Fees	64,597	148,160
Outreach Fees	287,128	658,557
Miscellaneous Income	51,124	117,258
Total Income	7,803,724 AUD	17,898,622 PGK
EXPENSE	JAN - DEC '16 (AUD)	JAN - DEC '16 (PGK*)
Volunteer Labour	3,940,038	9,036,871
Employee Expense	138,710	318,145
Ship Expenses	1,206,103	2,766,318
Medical Expenses	388,083	890,107
Office/Administration	186,032	426,683
Donations	366,991	841,731
Travel	286,671	657,509
Insurances	264,340	606,290
Legal & Financial	141,194	323,843
Depreciation & Amortisation	268,432	615,676
Miscellaneous	88,265	202,445
Advertising/Marketing	30,102	69,042
Total Expenses	7,304,961 AUD	16,754,659 PGK
NET INCOME	498,763 AUD	1,143,963 PGK

* 1 AUD = 2.36251 PGK

4.2 TOWNSVILLE CAMPUS' FINANCIAL REPORT

INCOME	JAN - DEC '16
Volunteers - Gift in Kind	3,319,164*
Training Income	813,305
Travel Income	72,110
Donation Income	70,404
Youth Program	48,553
Other Income	37,275
Administration Income	26,142
Vehicle Income	16,141
Conference Income	5,582
Interest	213
Property	627,328
Total Income	1,717,053 AUD
EXPENSE	JAN - DEC '16
Administration	120,385
Advertising/Marketing	93,494
Accounts & Legal	49,158
Gifts and Donations	120,958
Furniture and household items	9,834
Travelling expenses	42,677
Depreciation	25,969
Training expense	572,655
Property and office Operations	574,182
Interest paid	52,797
Food, events and conferences	168,649
Other	772
Total Expenses	1,831,530 AUD
NET INCOME	-114,477 AUD

YWAM Townsville updated its income recognition policy in 2016 to strengthen and streamline financial reporting. These changes had the effect of YWAM Townsville posting a small deficit in 2016 with approximately \$450,000 of income for the January 2016 quarter being recorded in 2015 financial year, but no income for the January 2017 quarter being recorded in 2016 financial year.

*Not included in 2016 audited financial report

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SECTION 5: MOVING FORWARD





5.1 YWAM MEDICAL SHIPS' FLEET IN PNG

In 2017, YWAM Medical Ships will see major growth as an additional two vessels are added to the YWAM Medical Ships fleet in Papua New Guinea.

The MV YWAM Liberty (YWAM Ships New Zealand) and the SY Ruach (YWAM Ships Newcastle) will join the MV YWAM PNG

and the MV Pacific Link (YWAM Ships Kona) in late 2017/2018. The MV Pacific Link is expected to retire in 2018.

All of YWAM's medical ships that operate in Papua New Guinea are legally separated and owned, managed and operated by different YWAM centres from around the world.



MV YWAM PNG

1999, AUSTRALIA

Built

2.1 METRES

Draft

60 METRES

Length

12.5 KNOTS

Economical Speed

2 x MTU 12V2000 788kW, FIXED PROPS

Propulsion

140 BERTHS

Capacity

MV YWAM LIBERTY

1986, UK
Built

65.5 METRES
Length

4.7 METRES
Draft

62 BERTHS
Capacity

**2 x MIRRLEES
BLACKSTONE
DIESEL 2300kW,
VARIABLE PITCH
PROPELLER**
Propulsion

14 KNOTS
Economical Speed



MV PACIFIC LINK

1979, JAPAN
Built

37 METRES
Length

3.7 METRES
Draft

50 BERTHS
Capacity

**622kW
DAIHATSU,
VARIABLE PITCH
PROPELLER**
Propulsion

9.5 KNOTS
Economical Speed



SY RUACH

1986, GERMANY
Built

24.6 METRES
Length

3.5 METRES
Draft

**MAN 182kW,
FIXED
PROPELLER**
Propulsion

7.5 KNOTS
Economical Speed

26 BERTHS
Capacity





5.2 EMPOWERING PNG'S YOUNG PEOPLE

Half of Papua New Guinea's population is under 20 years of age, presenting the nation both with a unique challenge and opportunity. A focus on human capital development, gender, youth and people empowerment forms the first of seven pillars in Papua New Guinea's Vision 2050 (1).

Within the context of a nation-wide critical skills shortage across a range of professions (3), there is a clear need to increase accessible, quality, higher education. A snapshot of Papua New Guinean youth shows:

- Only 10,000 out of 80,000 school leavers enter the formal labour market each year (2)
- Only 0.7% of the population are receiving university education (2)
- Available data shows only 26% of total enrolled students in vocational education were girls (2).

YWAM Medical Ships seeks to establish training campuses in Papua New Guinea with the goal of:

- Extending opportunities for quality education
- Growth of a highly skilled workforce
- Developing young people holistically in their character, knowledge, skills and faith
- Matching education with real needs in the rural context

YWAM Townsville City Campus (RTO Reg. No 30614, CRICOS Provider No. 02205D) is a Registered Training Organisation with the following courses on offer:

- Certificate III Business Admin
- Certificate III Hospitality
- Certificate III Events
- Certificate III Information Technology
- Certificate III Screen and Media
- Certificate III Discipleship
- Certificate IV Marketing and Communications
- Certificate IV Primary Healthcare
- Certificate IV Leadership and Management
- Certificate IV Youth Work
- Certificate IV Christian Missions
- Diploma Christian Missions Leadership

[1] The Independent State of Papua New Guinea, 2009, Papua New Guinea Vision 2050

[2] International Labour Organization, 2013, Youth Employment Policy Brief: Papua New Guinea

[3] Garnaut, R. and Namaliu, R., 2010, PNG Universities Review- Report to Ministers Somare and Rudd





5.3 UNIVERSITY OF THE NATIONS

Founded upon biblical principles, the University of the Nations equips students with spiritual, cultural, intellectual and professional training. The University of the Nations is a global, multi-site, modular university that offers 400 unique training courses and seminars in 650 locations in 97 different languages.

30,000 students are trained per year with more than 50% from non-western countries.

The University of the Nations has the following unique attributes:

- Training programs are 'field led' with a special focus on matching training with meeting real needs. The world is the classroom.
- Practical experience and immediate field application is incorporated in every course.
- YWAM's live-learn philosophy is based on having a training environment where students, staff, teachers, and families live, eat, study, work, and play in close proximity for maximised learning and mentoring opportunities.
- Each YWAM campus is multi-cultural and cross-cultural, drawing from each student's cultural gifts and expressions to the learning experience.
- The University of the Nations includes both higher education and vocational training

In 2017, YWAM Medical Ships seeks to establish training campuses in Papua New Guinea. The first campus will be established in Alotau (see page 88).

University of the Nations campuses in Papua New Guinea would carry the University's unique DNA; a vibrant, dynamic, live-learn, multi-cultural campus that provides young people a platform to grow and flourish in their unique purpose and giftings.

The campuses would contribute toward the broad goals and principles of the National Youth Policy (2015-2024) and the Higher and Technical Education Plan of PNG, seeking to provide the 'skills, knowledge and innovation needed for PNG's sustainable development'. YWAM as a global movement has more than 40 years of experience in running accredited training, and would aim to progress toward delivering nationally accredited training in PNG.





5.4 YWAM ALOTAU CAMPUS

IN 2017, YWAM WILL ESTABLISH A TRAINING CAMPUS IN ALOTAU, CAPITAL OF MILNE BAY PROVINCE.





The campus is being established in partnership with Kwato Church of Papua New Guinea; a ministry with a rich history in training and empowering young people throughout Milne Bay Province for over a century.

Kwato Church have made available a two-storey property, known as the "Youth Empowerment Centre." The centre was built two years ago and includes a classroom, dining room, kitchen, eight bedrooms, balcony, and land surrounding the property.

The property will be utilised by YWAM for a range of training courses designed to help develop character, skills and knowledge – contributing toward the broad goals and principles of the National Youth Policy and the Higher and Technical Education Plan of PNG.

The first training activities to commence will be two-week introductory seminars covering a range of topics including micro-enterprise, basic health care and community technology, delivered in partnership with YWAM University of the Nations, Hawaii.

The pilot seminars are designed to gauge the appropriate style for training delivery as YWAM progresses toward delivering nationally accredited training in the future.

The YWAM Alotau Campus will attract and include people from all over the world, helping to create a vibrant environment for young people to grow and flourish.

The campus will also serve as a support-base for YWAM's Medical Ships, serving in remote communities in PNG.

5.5 2017 - 2018 DEPLOYMENT

The MV YWAM PNG will be in PNG January - May 2017, visiting Western, Gulf, Central, Milne Bay, Oro and Morobe provinces. The MV YWAM PNG will be in Townsville from June - October for maintenance and renovations (including dry dock) before she begins her next deployment October 2017 - May 2018. Dates and locations are outlined below.

2017 Outreach Calendar*			Outreach Programs								
Outreach #	Location	Dates	PHC	DEN	OPT	OPH	LAB	MED	MAR	HOS	CE
1	Oro Province Arrive: Alotau, Milne Bay Depart: Lae, Morobe	19 January – 5 February	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
2	Morobe Province Arrive: Lae, Morobe Depart: Lae, Morobe	9 February – 26 February	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
3	Central Province Arrive: Alotau, Milne Bay Depart: Port Moresby, NCD	9 March – 26 March	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
4	Gulf Province Arrive: Port Moresby, NCD Depart: Port Moresby, NCD	Thursday 30 March – Sunday 16 April	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
5	Western Province Arrive: Port Moresby, NCD Depart: Port Moresby, NCD	Thursday 20 April – Sunday 7 May	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
6	Milne Bay Province Arrive: Alotau, Milne Bay Depart: Alotau, Milne Bay	Thursday 11 May – Sunday 28 May	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Refit	Townsville	June - September	Marine crew, tradesmen, general volunteers, hospitality and galley staff								
7	Oro Province Arrive: Popondetta, Oro Depart: Popondetta, Oro	Friday 20 October – Sunday 5 November	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
8	Gulf & Western Province Arrive: Port Moresby, NCD Depart: Port Moresby, NCD	Friday 17 November – Sunday 3 December	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
9	Central Province Arrive: Port Moresby, NCD Depart: Port Moresby, NCD	Friday 8 December – Sunday 17 December	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•



2018 Outreach Calendar*			Outreach Programs								
Outreach #	Location	Dates	PHC	DEN	OPT	OPH	LAB	MED	MAR	HOS	CE
1	Morobe Province Arrive: Lae, Morobe Depart: Lae, Morobe	Friday 26 January – Sunday 11 February	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
2	Milne Bay Province Arrive: Alotau, Milne Bay Depart: Port Moresby, NCD	Friday 23 February – Sunday 11 March	•	•	•		•	•	•	•	•
3	Western Province Arrive: Port Moresby, NCD Depart: Port Moresby, NCD	Friday 16 March – Sunday 1 April	•	•	•		•	•	•	•	•
4	Gulf Province Arrive: Port Moresby, NCD Depart: Port Moresby, NCD	Friday 13 April – Sunday 29 April	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
5	Central Province Arrive: Port Moresby, NCD Depart: Port Moresby, NCD	Friday 4 May – Sunday 20 May	•	•	•		•	•	•	•	•

OUTREACH LEGEND

PHC Primary Health Care Clinic

DEN Dental Clinic

OPT Optometry Clinic

OPH Ophthalmology Clinic

LAB Laboratory

MED Media, Journalists, Videographer & Photographer

MAR Deck and Engine Operations

HOS Housekeeping & Galley

CE Community Engagement

*Subject to change

5.6 PARTNERSHIPS

YWAM Medical Ships unique model combines donated human resource, corporate sponsorship, and support from partner government agencies to deliver a highly cost-effective development solution.

YWAM Medical Ships seeks additional sponsors to help expand YWAM Medical Ships operations in remote and rural communities. Sponsorship opportunities (including both cash and in-kind) are categorised in the following levels:

Bronze - Up to 99,000 PGK per annum

- Company listed as a bronze sponsor on the YWAM Medical Ships website
- Company listed on the MV YWAM PNG's sponsorship board as bronze sponsor
- Company listed as a bronze sponsor at YWAM Medical Ships events
- Social media acknowledgement

Silver - 100,000 - 299,000 PGK per annum

- Company listed as a silver sponsor on the YWAM Medical Ships website
- Company listed on the MV YWAM PNG's sponsorship board as silver sponsor
- Company listed as a silver sponsor at YWAM Medical Ships events
- Social media acknowledgement

Gold - 300,000 - 499,000 PGK per annum

- Company's logo featured on the MV YWAM PNG's sponsorship board as a Gold sponsor
- Company's logo featured in YWAM Medical Ships promotional materials and website as a Gold sponsor
- Customised communications materials for CSR & PR purposes
- Acknowledged as a major supporter in press releases
- Customised media engagement plan including social media
- Company listed as a Gold sponsor at YWAM Medical Ships events

Platinum - 500,000 - 999,000 PGK per annum

- Company's logo prominently featured on the MV YWAM PNG's second deck
- Company's logo featured on the MV YWAM PNG's sponsorship board as a Platinum sponsor
- Company's logo featured in YWAM Medical Ships promotional materials and website as a platinum sponsor
- Customised communications materials for CSR & PR purposes
- Acknowledged as a major supporter in press releases
- Customised media engagement plan including social media
- Company listed as a Platinum sponsor at YWAM Medical Ships events
- VIP MV YWAM PNG package for up to three employees per year, including helicopter transfers to the MV YWAM PNG's location, two night stay onboard the vessel and first-hand exposure to YWAM's work in PNG's rural areas.

Platinum Plus - 1 million PGK and above per annum

- Company's logo prominently featured on the MV YWAM PNG's top deck
- Company's logo featured on the MV YWAM PNG's sponsorship board as Platinum Plus sponsor
- Company's logo featured in YWAM Medical Ships promotional materials as a platinum sponsor
- Customised communications materials for CSR & PR purposes
- Customised media engagement plan including social media
- Company listed as a Platinum sponsor at YWAM Medical Ships events
- VIP MV YWAM PNG package for up to five employees per year, including helicopter transfers to the MV YWAM PNG's location, two night stay aboard and first-hand exposure to YWAM's work in PNG's rural areas.

A customised Public Relations strategy can be discussed to help meet your company's specific goals and objectives.

PLATINUM+

1 million PGK and above
per annum

PLATINUM

500,000 - 999,000 PGK
per annum

GOLD

300,000 - 499,000
per annum

SILVER

100,000 - 299,000 PGK
per annum

BRONZE

Up to 99,000 PGK
per annum



Minister of National Planning and Monitoring - Papua New Guinea,
Honourable Charles Abel MP

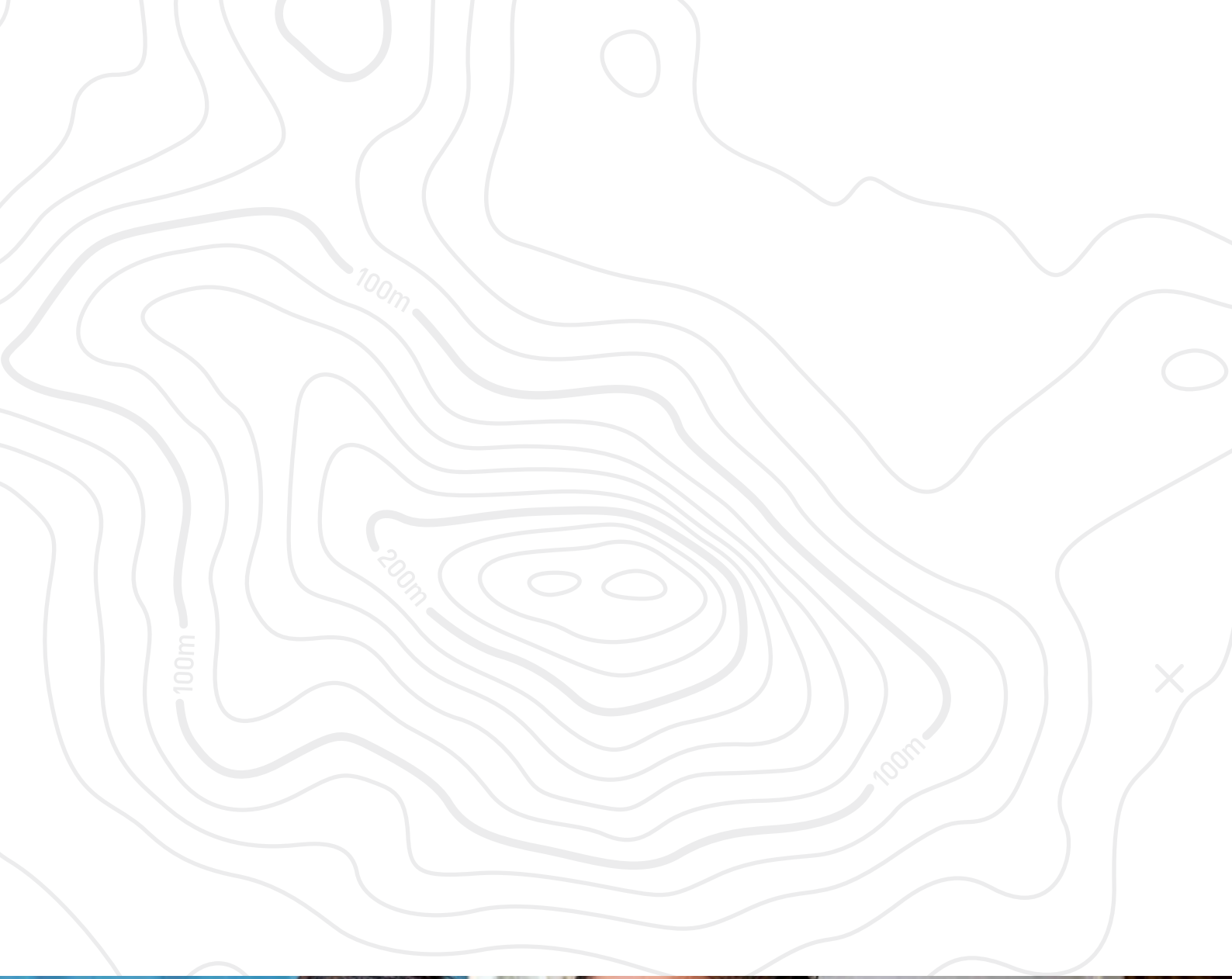
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SECTION 6: APPENDIX





A photograph of a man in a dark suit and glasses speaking at a podium. The podium has the YWAM logo on it. Behind him is a flag with a red field and white stars. The scene is set under a white tent-like structure. The text '6.1 LETTERS OF ENDORSEMENT' is overlaid on the right side of the image.

6.1 LETTERS OF ENDORSEMENT

YWAM Medical Ships PNG Patron,
Right Honourable Sir Rabbie Namaliu GCL, KCMG, CSM



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29 April 2016

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Dear Ken,

As the Minister for National Planning and on behalf of the National Government, I am writing to express my deep gratitude and strong support to YWAM Medical Ships and its important work in the nation of Papua New Guinea (PNG).

I have witnessed this program under operation in the field and have been impressed with the way YWAM Medical Ships has worked alongside national, provincial and district level governments to overcome isolation in rural areas, support our health workers and together bring much needed health and capacity building services right to the doorstep of our village people.

I am proud that our government has taken the opportunity to partner with organisations such as YWAM, to find innovative solutions to some of the challenges we face. The natural features of our country, alone, make it very challenging to deliver the level of health and education services to which the National Government is committed to moving toward. YWAM Medical Ships is a strong partner as we make this journey forward, as underscored by our K5.5million PGK contribution to the capital purchase of the new ship, *MV YWAM PNG*.

All the YWAM personnel are to be commended as they so diligently donate their professional services as volunteers aboard the Training and Medical Ship. This profound level of commitment and friendship does not go unnoticed and factors into the powerful investment this program represents.

Leveraging support across volunteer services, community donations, corporate sponsorship and governmental contributions, this valued-added approach sees a K10 PGK investment translating into a minimum K30 PGK value output in the field. Already, since work first began in our PNG waters in 2010, K60 million PGK of value has been injected into the coal-face of our health system.

What a strategic and encouraging program this is and I have been delighted to witness its continued progress step by step, year by year. Nothing crystallises the magnitude of this more than hearing the story of a mother who sees her children for the first time after receiving cataract surgery aboard the ship. Stories like this, among many others, remind us of the things that are most important, in particular the critical situation of our people in rural areas matched against the hope that great gains are possible.

In conclusion, I would like to salute the strong leadership displayed by the patrons and senior management of YWAM Medical Ships including the Right Honourable Sir Rabbie Namaliu, Honourable Mike Reynolds, Mr Ken Mulligan and Mr Brett Curtis. The perseverance you have shown to see this vision become such a successful reality is to be commended. On behalf of the National Government, let me again extend our heartfelt thanks to you. We look forward to a strong future of partnering together in service of the people of Papua New Guinea.

Kind regards,

Honourable Charles Abel MP
Minister for National Planning



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Hon. Michael B. Malabag, OBE, CBE, MP

12th January 2017

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Dear Mr. Mulligan,


Belated New Year Greetings.

I make reference to your letter dated 4th November, 2016 which you expressed satisfaction of the PNG Governments Yearly Financial Contribution in support of the Health Programmes been undertaken by YWAM Medical Ships.

In my capacity as Health Minister, allow me to express my personal thanks to the wonderful Community support YWAM has provided over many years within the Health sector in PNG. The Government has recognized this by providing some financial assistance commencing this year and I enclose the NEC Decision in relation to the joint submission which myself and Minister Charles Abel presented to NEC.

This partnership will only prove more beneficial to our people and again I truly appreciate the role YWAM is providing in terms of effective health services.

Sincerely Yours,


Hon. Michael Malabag, OBE, CBE, MP
Minister for Health & HIV/Aids

Cc: Mr. Pasco Kase
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Mr Ken Mulligan
YWAM Medical Ships
Australia

Dear Mr. Mulligan

It gives me great pleasure to write in my capacity as Minister for Community Development, Youth and Religion and to provide my strong endorsement of the activities of YWAM Medical Ships in Papua New Guinea (PNG).

Both in my Ministerial capacity and as the Member for Sohe, Oro Province, it has been my privilege to witness the fruit of the YWAM program first hand, serving remote rural communities with such passion, respect and innovative determination.

The enthusiasm sparked by your volunteers into our local health care workers, youth and broader communities is contagious. We are seeking our young people motivated afresh to appreciate their key role in sustainable development.

From my portfolio perspective, I am delighted to find a strong partner in the area of youth development, disability engagement and women's empowerment.

Our discussions in the above areas, including YWAM's Memorandum of Understanding with my National Youth Development Authority (NYDA) and our growing synergies in implementation of the National Disability Strategy in rural areas are most pleasing.

Our strong focus as a National Government has been on rural service delivery and particularly on paving the way for access to development opportunities for all Papua New Guineans, including our youth, women and those living with disability. I am proud of our partnership and investment with YWAM Medical Ships and our shared achievements to date.

From here, I look forward to furthering our discussions into the future as my Ministry seeks to capitalise on strategic partnerships.

As we both know, Ken, there remains much to be done. I am confident that as my Ministry set a strong steer in the direction of empowering youths, women and the disability community much more can be achieved together.

Yours Sincerely

HON. DELILAH GORE, MP

Minister for Religion, Youth & Community Development and
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YWAM Medical Ships

Dear Mr. Mulligan,

It gives me great pleasure to write today to express my endorsement of the activities of YWAM Medical Ships in Papua New Guinea (PNG).

I have been following the development of the Training and Medical Ship program over the past number of years and have been particularly impressed by the depth of YWAM's collaborative partnerships across many spheres of PNG's community including the health, education, government, church and business sectors.


As a National Government, it has been our strategic determination to invest in this program as part of broader intent to prioritise strengthened services in rural development.

Alongside the excellent work being achieved in the health sector, I am now pleased to see further development of our youth as active agents in development.

In line with the National Higher and Technical Education Plan (2015 – 2024), my Department is active in building partnerships with organisations demonstrating the willingness and capacity to support implementation of our vision.

In light of the above, I look forward to continuing discussion with you and the broader YWAM team, Ken, as we work together to see the youth of PNG mobilise to build toward our national aspirations and Vision 2050.

Kind regards,



Hon. Francis Marus, EMBA, MP
Minster

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MINISTER FOR FORESTS

10 March 2017

Mr. Ken Mulligan
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Dear Mr. Mulligan,

After witnessing firsthand the wonderful work of YWAM in my own District, including collaboration, capacity and building strength for our people, it gives me great pleasure to write to express my endorsement of the activities of YWAM Medical Ships in Papua New Guinea (PNG).


I have personally been a keen observer of your activities in our country since the first pilot project with MV *Pacific Link* back in 2010. The development of YWAM's strong partnerships in country, and the depth of the professionalism and care shown by your volunteers from many nations serving shoulder to shoulder with our people, has been a most beautiful story to watch unfold.

As a Minister serving in our National Government, it has been a great source of pride for us to invest in this program as we seek innovative methods to implement a clear strategy regarding strengthened service delivery for our rural majority.

The involvement of many young Papua New Guineans in training opportunities aboard, alongside many nations, has been an inspiration not just for these youth but for their communities. I'm glad to hear YWAM activities in the youth empowerment space are gathering momentum.

In line with our national aspirations and Vision 2050 focus, I would encourage my colleagues and countrymen to strengthen this wonderful initiative and to use their influence to make this partnership an even greater success for the people of Papua New Guinea.

Kind regards,



Hon. Douglas Tomuriesa, MP
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ACFID | Australian Council for International Development
AUD | Australian Dollars
BCG | Bacillus Calmette–Guérin (vaccine)
CBD | Central Business District
CHW | Community Health Worker
DOTS | Directly Observed Treatment Short-course
HIV/AIDS | Human Immunodeficiency / Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome
LLG | Local Level Government
MV | Motor Vessel
MoU | Memorandum of Understanding
NDoH | National Department of Health
NHP | National Health Plan
NGO | Non-Government Organisation
PGK | Papua New Guinean Kina
PHC | Primary Health Care
PNG | Papua New Guinea
RHIB | Rigid-hull-inflatable-boat
SDG | Sustainable Development Goals
SY | Sailing Yacht
TB | Tuberculosis
TB ERT | Tuberculosis Emergency Response Team
YWAM | Youth With A Mission

6.4 LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS









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