



Ekonak School (Epau Village, Efate)

25 years ago, Terry Burrows was approached by two ladies from a church in the Blue Mountains west of Sydney Australia to build school classrooms in the village of Epau Vanuatu. Two years ago we were asked to help Terry and his friend Erland put a new roof on this same school. We agreed to help out.



Unfortunately, Terry passed away before the project got started. After discussions with Terry's family, it was agreed that the project would still be undertaken. Their generosity in providing funds to buy materials was vital. Pictured to the left is "Baby Terry" named by a local family after Mr Burrows.

We enjoyed the help of Terry's son Rod, Sam, Archie, and Jackson from Sydney, as well as Murray, Mikaela, India, Katie, Chris as well as ourselves. Terry's daughter Jenny joined us for a few days late in the project.

We were able to re-roof the building, put in a complete new ceiling and paint the whole of the interior and exterior of the building. Katie and Chris also assisted in running a children's program for the Wycliffe Missionary conference in Port Vila.



Places are now available for trips in future trips to Vanuatu and to Far North Queensland 2019.



Another cyclone!

Yet another cyclone struck some of the Vanuatu islands this year. Most of the middle islands and a few to the north sustained property damage. Our home at Megamone was slightly damaged as was our solar unit.

When our team arrived on Ambrym in April they set about checking on our belongings, bed (mattress), our tools and our food supplies.

They were able to salvage as much as they could and relocate tools to Megamone School and the Solar system to the new principle's home. There it was re-installed and the batteries stored in a safe and dry place.



Would you like to be involved?
Volunteers are needed to join with us this year. You don't have to have any particular building skills and there are opportunities for women as well as men to come along.

Financial support for our projects and personally is always welcome. Tax deductibility is available.



Olal School (Ambrym)

When our team arrived on Ambrym they worked to complete tasks that had previously been started but not finished. Ceiling sheets were installed in the classrooms that had been re-roofed. Verandah lining was also completed during this time. We were grateful to the Olal Catholic community who hosted and fed us and also to the Ellis' family for their hospitality. Gavin was able to meet with the local Catholic leaders (and the North Ambrym bible translation team) about the unknowns with the local language translation. This time was also very special for Gavin as his granddaughter India also joined our working team.

