SAMMY'S NEWSLETTER

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MY STORY

I joined YWAM Solomon Islands in 2021 when I did my DTS. Since then I have been a full time staff with a focus on Community Development projects. I have been part of four large scale projects in different provinces, involving water infrastructure and solar energy.

Growing up in the Solomon Islands has been difficult and I was wasting my life away. Jesus met me radically when I was 25 and since then my life is changed. YWAM has given me a much greater purpose in life and I really enjoy helping people both spiritually and physically.

Last year I was asked to go to Fiji to learn how to sail, to prepare me to take part in our sailing vision where we want to use sailboats to reach the most isolated islands. This year I am back to learn even more and I am very excited for the voyage with the Vaka Hop'e.

INTRODUCTION

My name is Sammy Gapu and I am from the Solomon Islands. In this newsletter I will give you a short introduction of myself and my ministry.

SKIPPER SAMMY

I have just finished my YWAM school of navigation and seamanship in Fiji. Here I have learned important skills for what comes next.

GOING TO THE PHILIPPINES

Next year I am planning to go to the Philippines to join the Vaka Hop'e voyage to the Solomon Islands. I need your help to get there :)

SONS SCHOOL

I have just completed the YWAM School of Navigation and Seamanship (SONS) in Fiji with eight other students from Fiji, USA and Europe. This school prepared us to be skippers and I now have the international RYA Day Skipper certificate. This is good preparation for the upcoming voyage with the Vaka Hop'e. I have been sailing with Naomi and Eivind who will also take part in the sail next year.



" I am impressed with Sammy's skills and enthusiasm for sailing. He is a vital member of our crew and I am prepared to fight to get him to the Philippines and the Vaka Hop'e."

- Eivind Andås, captain of the Vaka Hop'e

Next year I hope to be sailing onboard the Vaka Hop'e from the Philippines to the Solomon Islands. The Vaka Hop'e is a Solomon Islands design sailing catamaran that YWAM Solomons has bought to be used in our ministry. Read more on ywamsolomons.org/sailingvision

SAMMY'S CREW FUND

Please consider donating towards helping me get to the Philippines. You can donate through the link or through Naomi or Eivinds personal information.

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