

## A quick update on rebuild of the William Gray Memorial Church – Tanna Island, Vanuatu

God's blessings upon the building project in Waisisi through the generosity of many people, churches and Presbyteries, were

amazing. The Waisisi community was hugely encouraged by the support of their brothers and sisters in New Zealand and they enthusiastically started the rebuild towards the end of last year.

The process is not straight forward or easy. Neville Jones (PCANZ Global Missions Project Manager) order and buy material in Port Vila after receiving the list from the builders. When possible, the material is shipped to the Tanna 'port'. I guess it would be about a ten-hour sailing. From there local 'trucks', which usually is old and, let's say less roadworthy, vehicles, transport the material across the island to Waisisi.

There is no labour cost as the local people volunteer their time and expertise to build the church.

After huge ground works was done manually the big build started. Neville visited the site last week and sent some photos.

Unfortunately, rain brought by Cylone Hola damaged the road down to Waisisi on which material is to be transported.



We thank God for the great progress made with the building. Wood, roof iron and other materials for the next stage is probably on route to Waisisi this week.



Please continue to pray for the project and the people of Waisisi and Vanuatu.