

## AMEN Australia

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The countdown is on—we're just a two months away from the 2025 AMEN Conference! We trust you have saved the date and are making plans to be part of this inspiring weekend. Registration is now OPEN! Take advantage of early bird pricing! Registered AMEN members get 20% discount.

Each year, the AMEN Conference is a time of renewal, equipping, and connection for health professionals and pastors who are passionate about uniting the healing ministry of Christ with gospel work. This year promises to be no exception, and we can't wait to see how God will move among us.

Since our last newsletter, we've seen exciting developments across AMEN, including progress on the AMEN Book Project, which we'll be sharing more about at the conference. In addition, earlier this year Amazing Facts organised a powerful evangelism program in Vanuatu, with **Dr Shaun David-Wilathgamuwa** (AMEN Secretary) and **Dr Megan Forbes** (AMEN Board Member) representing AMEN on the ground. In this edition, Dr Shaun shares his reflections and personal experiences from this life-changing mission, reminding us that when health ministry and evangelism work hand in hand, lives are truly transformed.



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We recently ran a "Guess the 2025 AMEN Conference Keynote Speaker" contest—and we have a winner! The announcement is included in this newsletter, so be sure to check it out. Want to know who our keynote speaker is? Visit our 2025 Conference page below to find out!

We encourage you to keep connected with us by visiting <a href="https://www.amenaustralia.org">www.amenaustralia.org</a> for the latest updates, resources, and registration details. Most of all, we invite you to pray, prepare, and plan to attend the 2025 AMEN Conference. Together, let's continue to inspire, equip, and support one another as we extend Christ's healing touch to a world in need.

Thank you for being such a vital part of the AMEN Australia community—we couldn't do this mission without you!

**AMEN Board** 





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MISSION SPOTLIGHT

# AMAZING FACTS VANUATU 'Y2J'

Dr. Shaun David-Wilathgamuwa

My medical camp experience began at Saralana Park, not knowing what to expect but eager to serve. I was encouraged and reminded by God through His Word that He would prepare the way: "Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think..." (Ephesians 3:20) and "I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will guide you with My eye" (Psalm 32:8).

I was one doctor in a team of four, serving alongside a diverse group of health professionals—nurses, counsellors, administrative staff, ushers, and translators. Each role was vital, helping patients flow through the clinic with dignity and care.

From early morning, sometimes even before sunrise, long lines of people waited to receive what was for many a rare and precious opportunity: access to medical attention. (cont'd)





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(Among them were broken families, those battling physical illness, mental health challenges, addictions, lifestyle diseases, and the pain of isolation. Each came searching for hope—some for healing of the body, others for peace of the soul.



As we served, our team sought to be the hands and feet of Jesus. We remembered Christ's method of ministry:

"Christ's method alone will give true success in reaching the people. The Saviour mingled with men as one who desired their good. He showed sympathy for them, ministered to their needs, and won their confidence. Then He bade them, 'Follow Me.'" — MH 73.4





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This method came alive in the ministry of healing. We not only provided medical prescriptions but also offered spiritual remedies—Bible verses, prayers, and words of encouragement—always pointing to the Great Physician, Jesus Christ.

The grace of God was displayed before our very eyes. Patients eagerly engaged in prayer, gratefully received both medical and spiritual counsel, and some experienced breakthrough moments—addictions broken, lives redirected, faith awakened. What struck me most was how simple words, attentive ears, sound medical counsel, and thoughtful prayers could become seeds of transformation in their lives.







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We also invited patients to the evening health and evangelistic meetings, where the Spirit of God continued to move. Many were led to make personal decisions for Christ, confirming to us that Christ's method is truly Heaven's blueprint for winning souls.

This experience deeply touched my own heart as I journeyed with many patients and witnessed how Jesus led them step by step. I gained a fresh appreciation for how the gospel and medical missionary work go hand in hand. While medical care ministers to the body, God uses it as an avenue to reach the heart.







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"As the medical missionary works upon the body, God works upon the heart. The comforting words that are spoken are a soothing balm, bringing assurance and trust. Often the skilful operator will have an opportunity to tell of the work Christ did while He was upon this earth. Tell the suffering one the story of God's love." — Manuscript 58, 1901

#### Ellen White also reminds us:

"Medical missionary work is the pioneer work of the gospel. In the ministry of the Word and in medical missionary work, the gospel is to be preached and practiced." — MHH 74.2

Our commission and inspired mission is clearly outlined in Scripture. Jesus came "to seek and to save the lost" (Luke 19:10), and "moved with compassion" He healed the sick (Matthew 14:14). His life is our example.

Through this camp, I was reminded that as Seventh-day Adventists we are called to finish the work Christ began —uniting the healing of body and soul through gospel and medical ministry. This is our privilege, our mission, and our preparation for the soon return of Jesus.

(Dr. Shaun David-Wilathgamuwa serves as an AMEN Secretary and is completing his medical internship at Albury Base Hospital)





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## **AMEN BOOK PROJECT**

**AMEN Australia** is committed to uniting the health ministry with the gospel. Our mission is "to inspire, train, and equip Seventh-day Adventist medical, allied, and other health professionals to collaborate with pastors and church members, uniting Christ's healing ministry in preparation for His soon return."

Over the years, AMEN Conferences have been filled with powerful testimonies and life-changing mission stories. Now, we're bringing these stories together in a special devotional book—created to uplift, inspire, and be shared widely as a tool for ministry and outreach. Think of it as literature evangelism in action!

We would love for YOU to be part of this project.

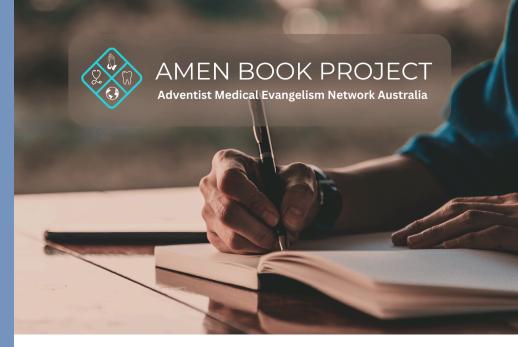
We're inviting you to contribute a short 300-word personal testimony from your journey in health ministry, paired with a meaningful Bible verse that reflects your experience. Your story has the potential to touch hearts, strengthen faith, and encourage countless others in their walk with Christ.

Submissions open 6 July 2025 and we have extended our closing date of submission to close 31 January 2026.

To learn more, visit:

https://amenaustralia.org/amenbookproject/





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# ★ AMEN DEVOTIONAL BOOK TESTIMONY GUIDE ★

We invite you to write a 300-word personal testimony from your journey in health ministry, paired with a Bible verse that captures the heart of your story.

To make it simple, here's a suggested format you can follow:

#### 1. Title of Your Testimony

(A short, inspiring phrase—e.g., "God's Healing Hand" or "Faith in the ICU")

#### 2. Bible Verse

(Choose one verse that reflects your experience. Example: "The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective." - James 5:16)

#### 3. Your Testimony (max. 300 words)

Here's a flow you can use:

- The Challenge Briefly describe the situation you faced (in practice, ministry, mission, or personal experience).
- God at Work Share how you saw God move, guide, or provide in that moment.
- The Outcome Reflect on what changed (in your patient, community, or yourself).
- The Lesson Close with the faith lesson you carry with you today.





## AMEN DEVOTIONAL BOOK TESTIMONY GUIDE 🔭

### **Example Closing Sentence:**

"This experience reminded me that Christ's healing touch works through us when we serve in faith."

Tip: Keep it simple, heartfelt, and personal. Your story doesn't have to be dramatic to be powerful—authentic faith always inspires.

We look forward to your submission!

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# HELP MAKE AMEN BOOK PROJECT A REALITY

The AMEN Book Project is a faith-driven initiative led by AMEN Australia, a not-for-profit organisation dedicated to uniting health ministry with gospel work.

As we prepare to publish this 365-page devotional filled with powerful, real-life testimonies from medical missionaries, we rely on the generous support of individuals who share our vision.

Your financial contribution will directly support the editing, design, and printing of the book, helping to share Christ's healing message with readers across Australia and beyond. If you feel moved to support this project, we invite you to partner with us through a donation. Every gift, large or small, makes a meaningful difference!

To donate, please visit https://amenaustralia.org/donate-amenproject/





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## THE WINNER IS......DR JOY AKRAWI

A big congratulations to Dr. Joy Akrawi for winning our Guess the 2025 Keynote Speaker Contest! As the winner, Dr. Joy Akrawi will enjoy a free entry to the 2025 AMEN Conference along with an exclusive AMEN T-shirt. What an exciting way to join us for this year's gathering, themed "Touch of Faith" — a weekend filled with powerful testimonies, practical mission stories, and opportunities to be inspired and renewed in service for God.

Even if you didn't win the contest, you don't have to miss out! **Registrations are now open** — so secure your place today and be part of this life-changing event. We can't wait to welcome you and share in the blessings together!



# 2025 AMEN CONFERENCE Touch of faith

Keynote speaker:

Dr. ROGER SEHEULT

Date: 5th-7<sup>th</sup> Dec 2025

Location: Waitara Seventh-day Adventist Church



We warmly invite you to the 2025 AMEN Conference, where health professionals, pastors, and mission-minded believers will gather under the theme "Touch of Faith."

This annual gathering is more than a conference—it is a sacred space to be refreshed, inspired, and re-equipped to bring Christ's healing touch into your practice, ministry, and community. As we come together, we will explore how faith not only transforms the lives of our patients but also strengthens our own calling as medical missionaries, living out the compassion of Christ in today's world.

We are especially honoured to welcome **Dr Roger Seheult**, MD, FCCP, FAASM as our keynote speaker. Dr Seheult is a highly respected physician, medical educator, and cofounder of MedCram, widely known for making complex medical concepts clear, practical, and applicable. He is quadruple board-certified in Internal Medicine, Pulmonary Diseases, Critical Care Medicine, and Sleep Medicine, and currently serves as an Associate Clinical Professor at the University of California, Riverside School of Medicine. Recently, he was featured on the *Diary of a CEO* YouTube channel, where he shared profound insights into lifestyle medicine, the science of healing, and the vital role of faith in health and resilience. His ability to bridge evidence-based medicine with the hope of the gospel has impacted audiences worldwide—and now you have the opportunity to hear him in person.

Alongside Dr Seheult, you will experience inspiring testimonies, interactive workshops, and Spirit-filled fellowship designed to equip and encourage you to more intentionally blend health ministry with gospel work.



Whether you are a seasoned professional or just starting your journey, the 2025 AMEN Conference will renew your purpose and passion. You will leave not only with practical tools and deeper knowledge but with a heart rekindled to extend Christ's healing touch to a world in desperate need of hope.

Register now, invite a colleague, and be part of this life-changing movement. The 2025 AMEN Conference is more than an event—it's an encounter with the God who calls us to heal, to serve, and to live by a touch of faith.



Dr. Aaron Koh President AMEN Australia



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Do you want to be an effective in integrating Health and soul winning? Join AFCOE@Home Health Evangelism module to receive hands-on experience from proven practitioners in health outreach. Register for this module at afcoe.org.au

Topics for Health Evangelism

- Principles of Health Evangelism
- **▼** NEWSTART
- ▼ ELIA Wellness Tools for outreach
- Mental Resilience
- Emotional intelligence
- Country outpost Health Retreat
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- ▼ Effective Centre of Influence





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#### WISH TO SUPPORT AMEN?

AMEN Australia operates as a not-for-profit Seventh-Day Adventist organisation, guided by dedicated volunteers serving on the AMEN board.

Our core belief centers around empowering, training, and preparing SDA health professionals to collaborate with pastoral ministry in the field of medical missionary work.

You can support AMEN by joining our AMEN Membership at our website or by scanning the QR quote below.



As an AMEN member, you will receive discounts from our annual AMEN conferences, as well as exclusive 10% discounts from a diverse range of selected books at ABC (Adventist Book Centre) across Australia. We are also giving away a AMEN Devotional Book from Philippines for every registered member. We only have a few books left in stock!

You can also support AMEN by spreading the word to your friends and colleagues, and remembering us in your prayers.