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Dear Friends and Supporters of the Dream Machine Foundation:

Sometimes an event in one's life is so significant it changes who you are and pivots your life into a new momentous direction.

Such as what has happened to me and a Fiji Clan known as the Nasukamai. They are an ancient clan of Fiji, their village is located high up on a mountainside. The mountain is the most sacred place in all of Fiji. The chiefs and leaders of the Nasukamai are highly respected and often consulted by government officials. Fiji is governed both by elected officials and traditional chiefs. The chiefs maintain order in the villages, settle disputes, preside over ancient ceremonies, and help to coordinate with the government ministries on local needs and services. Being a Fijian chief carries a lot of responsibility.

In July 2019, I had the great honor of being adopted, along with my family, into the Nasukamai Clan. The astonishing part of the adoption is that I am now the brother of Ratu (chief) Waisea Vuniwa of the House Maitairoko, which means first chiefly house. How this came about is best shared in his own words:

“I am pastor Waisea V Vuniwa, former president of the Fiji Mission and of the Trans Pacific Union Mission, which comprised 13 island nations in the South Pacific. I met Steve Arrington in 1997, my first year as Fiji Mission president. The mission was burdened with a financial crisis caused by bad management over a period of time. Steve offered to assist the mission by raising funds in the USA. This he did with the Dream Machine Foundation. Apart from the many mission works they did in Fiji, the DMF contributed significantly in clearing debts for six of our primary schools that were being scheduled to close.

In 1998, Steve and I went to my village, Nasukamai, in the highlands of the main island of Fiji. Steve saw firsthand the great need for proper health and medical care for the people of Nasukamai and for the twenty surrounding villages. Today, 21 years after that first arrival in Nasukamai, and as I look back at the mission that brought Steve and me together, the **STORY OF THE AMERICAN EAGLE** becomes clearer.

How did the story start? My great grandfather, who I am named after, was a chief and a great warrior. He united the clans of Nasukamai through the power of his war club. This was before Christianity arrived in Fiji in 1835. My grandfather, Ratu Peceli Taukei, the high chief of Nasukamai accepted Christianity and became a Seventh-day Adventist in the 1890s. He lived 106 years and died in 1963. His eldest son, Ratu Poate Dakuni, my great uncle, became the high chief of Nasukamai at the death of his father. He told my family members when I was young that one day I would become the leader of the SDA Church in Fiji. This was realized years later when I became president of Fiji Mission and later president of the Trans Pacific Union Mission. He also told us about the American Eagle, that the American Eagle would one day land in Nasukamai to bring good fortunes to the people of Nasukamai. This great uncle of mine died in 1995 when he was 100 years old.



My family, Cindy, Cheyenne, Stetcyn and Chase (2nd from right), Ratu Waisea Vuniwa, and the DMF Board of Directors: Dr. Doug and Shellie Snider and Gary Martin CFO at the adoption ceremony.

When Stephen Arrington and the Dream Machine Foundation team from America arrived in Nasukamai Village on July 30 this year and as I led them to the community hall to be traditionally welcomed by the people of Nasukamai, I felt that the weather and the welcoming spirit of the people signified something very special. It had been raining heavily for a week, but the morning of the adoption the sky was clear. After the ceremony it began to rain heavily again. When Stephen Arrington and his family were adopted in the ancient traditional way into my chiefly family of Matairoko (means 1st chiefly house), I knew that the American Eagle had landed. Steve shared with the people his vision to build a medical and dental clinic in Nasukamai and the many benefits that this will bring. I explained to him the significance of his adoption to my chiefly house. He is now a chief just like me and co heir with me and members of my family the traditional inheritance of the Nasukamai. He also inherits the privileges and the responsibilities of leadership in the village of Nasukamai.

With the commitment to build a clinic in the village, the people of Nasukamai believe that this is a gift from God and that the American Eagle has landed on Nasukamai through the arrival of Stephen Arrington and the Dream Machine Foundation. The DMF has already provided funds to secure almost three acres of land for the clinic and to cut a road to the site and clear, level and fence the property. The acquisition of land is already done which is traditionally and legally binding forever. Bulldozing work will commence after Christmas. I am supervising all the operations to do with the medical clinic.

Provincial and national authorities are very supportive of our clinic. I have discussed the project with the Minister of Health and he has given his support. He indicated that government paid workers would help to staff the clinic. Two of my children, a son and a daughter, are medical doctors in Fiji. My son will marry a dentist in four weeks. My daughter is dating a young man who is also a doctor. All these young medical professionals connected to me and Steve are already part of the project. The president of the nation who is a friend of mine is highly interested in the project. He told me that he will be very happy to officially open the clinic when it is completed. The Fiji Government is currently putting up electricity poles in Nasukamai and nearby villages and will soon supply electricity to the village and to the clinic. Note: I was a board member of the Sydney Adventist Hospital in Australia and chairman of the Atoifi Hospital in the Solomon Islands.

For Steve and I, our families and the DMF, this project is part of our end time mission to lead the people of Nasukamai and to the world beyond to Jesus Christ. It is my prayer that God will touch hearts to contribute towards this project and that He will open doors to make this vision a reality to the glory of God.

The adoption of Stephen Arrington to the chiefly house of Matairoko in Nasukamai in my view signified the perpetual link between Stephen and the USA with Nasukamai and Fiji. A link that God will use for the finishing of His work on Earth. This project is going to be the first of its kind in Fiji, the little islands on the most eastern part of our world where the day begins every day.” Ratu Waisea Vuniwa



Waisea & I with Grandfather's War Club



The Arrington's and Vuniwa's together left to right, Lucy, Vica, Raymond, Waisea and Lani

For those who know my story, I was the chief of a USN Bomb Disposal Team until a stupid marijuana mistake ended my 14 year career. I knew that I would never again have the honor of being called a chief. Then, in prison, by the grace of God, I became chief engineer of an inmate fire crew and drove a fire engine to save the crew of a B-1A supersonic bomber that crashed just six miles from Boron Prison Camp. After leaving prison (2 years later), I was hired as chief diver and expedition leader for the Cousteau Society—another heavenly gift that allowed me an outreach to millions of youth worldwide. Now, as a Nasukamai chief with all the responsibilities it implies, I have an incredible opportunity to further the LORD's work in Fiji, out to the surrounding Pacific Islands, and yes, to the whole world by His grace.

The Nasukamai Clinic Project is creating vast opportunities to do something momentous. In 2016, Fiji was hit by the most powerful Category 5 Cyclone to make landfall in the southern hemisphere in recorded history. It struck the northern coast—it and Nasukamai Village were Ground 0. The devastation was vast. The needs there three years later, remains critical. In 2018, the Arrington's lost our home in Paradise, CA. The Camp Fire destroyed 14,000+ homes and took 85 lives—it has been rated as the worst disaster on the planet for 2018. It is making a huge impression in Fiji, that we, who lost our homes, are working to help those who suffered from Cyclone Winston. I spent many long hours in prayer wrestling with being named the American Eagle, but now I understand it is part of God's plan. The country the Fijians love and respect most is the USA because we helped stop their country from being invaded during WWII. In prison, 38 years ago, I gave my life to Jesus Christ. HE has astounded me with incredible opportunities of service in His Name on a worldwide basis. Please join me in this mission work of a lifetime. It begins in Nasukamai where it will spread across Fiji, then as the LORD wills around the world.

The DMF needs help for this worthy project, both volunteers, medical equipment and supplies as well as funding are urgently requested. To learn more visit www.dreammachinefoundation.org