# The Jeanette Little Scholarship Scheme Recipient Report

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## The Kanana Fou Library

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### Who Am I?

- My name is Ana <u>Vui Tuigamala</u>.
- I am a Samoan <u>Faletua</u> who graduated from the <u>Kanana Fou</u> Theological Seminary in 2008. My husband is an ordained minister for the Congregational Christian Church of American Samoa.
- I began my career at the Seminary as an Administrative Assistant (previously Secretary). Three years ago I served as an Assistant to the Librarian.
- I have recently been appointed as the Librarian at <u>Kanana Fou</u>.
- I am very happy to be at this conference so I can learn more about my job as a Librarian. Hopefully, this conference will help me learn and understand the profound tasks and responsibilities of a Librarian.

#### **About our School**

Kanana Fou Theological Seminary (KFTS) is an undergraduate theological college of the Congregational Christian Church of American Samoa (CCCAS). Kanana Fou means, 'The New Canaan' or New Promised Land.

We prepare mature effective leaders for service to God, the church, the academy, and the world. We accepts students from everywhere. Most of our students are Samoan but we also have a non-Samoan student from Tuvalu, Australia and also a student from Guam.

We are affiliated with the World Council of Churches.

<u>Kanana Fou</u> is a beautiful campus that the students look after. They undertake training at the school in preparation for their work in the ministry not only in Samoa, but the wider community as well.

Students at <u>Kanana Fou</u> not only learn about the Bible but also about our culture which is very important to us as Samoans.







The 'Bert William <u>Tofaeono'</u> Library



#### **About Our Library**

Our Library is named after Bert William <u>Tofaeono</u>. Dr. <u>Tofaeono</u> was the first president of <u>Kanana Fou</u> 1983-1987.

The library provide a flexible space with a wide and inclusive range of resources to support learning and teaching throughout the school. It serves not only the students, staff, and faculty, but also our local pastors. It help provide resources and services in a variety of media to meet the needs of our students for education, information and personal development including recreation and leisure.

We currently serve over 70 full-time students undertaking classes. They currently use the resources at the Library to do research for their thesis projects. At least 60 percent of their materials must come from the Library at Kanana Fou.

Complete copies of student theses submitted to the Library are catalog for the Library and for public access.

Our Library housed about 20,000 books, varying in category from Spirituality, Relationships, South Pacific History, through to Theology, Church history, Christology, New Testament and Old Testament studies. This count does not include periodicals, etc.



#### Our Library Cataloguing System

We use the <u>Follettdestiny</u> Library Management System which is available at

https://aslc.follettdestiny.com/common/welcome.jsp

This system is for online cataloguing that allows us to keep track of books. Its is connected to all different Libraries in American Samoa.

People can freely access this system online and check to see what books are available at our Library.

Our Library is open to both Seminary students and members of the public in American Samoa. Anyone can check to see what books we have available.

This system is managed by the Computer Support staff at the Feleti Barstow Public Library located in Pagopago American Samoa.

