

The family of Tetonganga

descended at 68 2 f 6
(unattributed)

Teman came from the eastern side of the ancestral tree of Tamoa. He wed Meï Kamaua and their daughter was Meï Bakeke. Tinoka came from the western side and married Meï Buranikaia. Their son, Tetonganga wed Meï Bakeke.

Tetonganga went from Tamoa to Arorae which was not settled and had children there — Teannaki and his sister, Meï Marewe. Meï Marewe roamed all over Arorae. She went north and met Tanimalang; she met Tanimaniaki in the South; Tanimaeao in the west; and Tanimainika in the east. They made her pregnant and her mother calked her, felt her all over, sniffed and pummelled her. Tetonganga and his family moved on and made her father near Nambawan. When the child was born, it was named Namonikeaki and in due course he married Meï Mauri.

Meï Mauri used to bathe in the sea and was seduced by a man called Tewannaba. Her husband asked her how she had become pregnant but she wouldn't tell him. The child was born and named Tetonganga the younger. When the older folk were dead (Namon) Keaki said to his wife, 'My son is about to leave us' and Tetonganga departed to the east. He did not stay there because Hakeia and Kaitu were there before him so he got Taburitokia and the people of Tangea to build (a canoe) for him. He went to live at Arinibonota, took Meï Rereua as his wife and had a family.

When Tatabaki's canoe was leaving, Tetonganga went with it, leaving his wife and son behind. That son was Kirata who married Kotiu and their descendants were:

Taukewa m. Teangina

Tenitu m. Tinime

Tem Manika m. Tekokaki

Beruiaki m. Kaulakia

Tewa m. Tewannang

Toma m. Bikebike

Toua m. Tembeiti

Taukai m. Kateang

Bikebike m. Kimaere

Baire m. Baita

Temoa