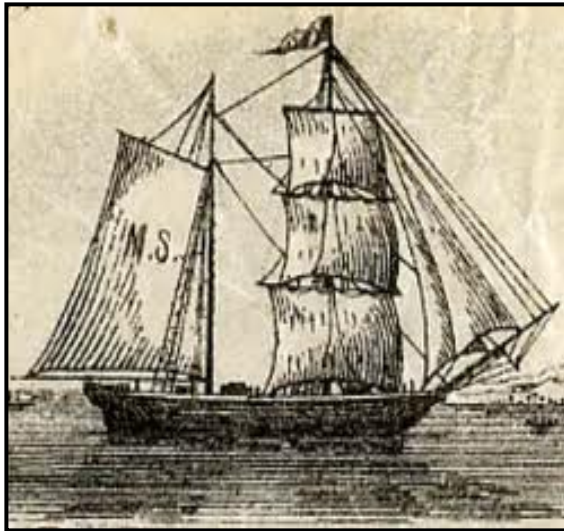


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# THE MORNING STAR

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## NEXT MONTHLY MEETING

Thursday, September 20, 2018

Central Union Church  
Women's Building  
1660 S. Beretania St.

10:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

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## *A Glass of Milk*

One day, a poor boy who was selling goods door to door to pay his way through school, found he had only one thin dime left, and he was hungry. He decided he would ask for a meal at the next house. However, he lost his nerve when a lovely young woman opened the door. Instead of a meal he asked for a drink of water.

She thought he looked hungry so she brought him a large glass of milk. He drank it slowly, and then asked, "How much do I owe you?"

"You don't owe me anything," she replied. "Mother has always taught us never to accept pay for a kindness."

He said...."Then I thank you from my heart." As Howard Kelly left that house, he not only felt stronger physically, but his faith in God and man was strong also. He had been ready to give up and quit.

Years later, that young woman became critically ill. The local doctors were baffled. They finally sent her to the big city, where they called in specialists to study her rare disease. Dr. Howard Kelly was called in for the consultation. When he heard the name of the town she came from, a strange light filled his eyes. Immediately, he rose and went down the hall of the hospital to her room.

Dressed in his doctor's gown, he went in to see her. He recognized her at once. He went back to the consultation room determined to do his best to save her life. From that day, he gave special attention to the case.

After a long struggle, the battle was won. Dr. Kelly requested the business office to pass the final bill to him for approval. He looked at it, then wrote something on the edge and the bill was sent to her room. She feared to open it, for she was sure it would take the rest of her life to pay for it all. Finally, she looked, and something caught her attention on the side of the bill.

She read these words.....

*"Paid in full with one glass of milk"*

Dr. Howard Kelly

## OUR MISSION

“The Woman’s Board of Missions for the Pacific Islands is a group of compassionate Christian women coming from a variety of churches and ethnic groups. Our purpose is:

- \* to inspire and empower women to become active Christians, nurturing the Spirit in their individual lives, homes, community and the entire world
- \* to educate and encourage children in their highest potential, and
- \* to be in partnership with sister organizations sharing similar values.”

## OUR CORE VALUES

### COMPASSION

*Galatians 5:22-23*

But what happens when we live God’s way? He brings gifts into our lives, much the same way that fruit appears in an orchard—things like affection for others, exuberance about life, serenity. We develop a willingness to stick with things, a sense of **compassion** in the heart, and a conviction that a basic holiness permeates things and people. We find ourselves involved in loyal commitments, not needing to force our way in life, able to marshal and direct our energies wisely.

### COMPETENCE

*2 Corinthians 3:5*

Not that we are competent in ourselves to claim anything for ourselves, but our **competence** comes from God.

### COMMITMENT

*Philippians 3:15-16*

So let’s keep focused on that goal, those of us who want everything God has for us. If any of you have something else in mind, something less than total **commitment**, God will clear your blurred vision—you’ll see it yet! Now that we’re on the right track, let’s stay on it.

### CHARACTER

*Ephesians 4:24*

Take on an entirely new way of life—a God-fashioned life, a life renewed from the inside and working itself into your conduct as God accurately reproduces his **character** in you.

### COMMUNITY

*Galatians 6:9-10*

So let’s not allow ourselves to get fatigued doing good. At the right time we will harvest a good crop if we don’t give up, or quit. Right now, therefore, every time we get the chance, let us work for the benefit of all, starting with the people closest to us in the **community** of faith.

## SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

All monthly meetings are held in the Women’s Building at Central Union Church from 10:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

### 2018

- \* **September 20**
- \* **October 18**
- \* **November 15**
- \* **December**  
(no meeting)

### 2019

- \* **January 17**
- \* **February 21**
- \* **March 21**
- \* **May 16**

### \*148<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting & Fellowship

**Saturday, April 27, 2019**

10:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Central Union Church Parish Hall

## CABINET

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<b>Arlene Pihana</b>	Missions Co-Chair, Maui Co-VP Representative
<b>Susan Klassen</b>	Maui Co-VP Representative
<b>Clara D. Priester</b>	Executive Director

## FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:

CLARA D. PRIESTER



*Faith, Hope, Love*

The culmination of our year was celebrated at our 147<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting and Fellowship on Saturday, April 28, 2018 where our program was centered around our theme of ***Faith, Hope, Love***. Among those in attendance who were recognized, were Haneefbilal Abdulshafiq and Dr. Alyssa Tao from the *Women's Community Correctional Center (WCCC) Mental Health Unit staff*, Rev. Don Asman, *UCC Judd Street*, Ruth Stepulis, *President of the Women's League of Central Union*, Ui'lani Pascua and Georgette DeMello, *Agape International*, and the Women of the Word (WOW), *First Chinese Church of Christ*,

Two dynamic speakers were a highlight of our gathering. Kauanoë Hoomanawanui, descendant of Henry Opukaha'ia, shared his life of uncompromising faith, hope for a meaningful future and the love he held for God and his people. As she wove her own lineage through personal stories into her presentation, it was remarkably informative and inspiring. As we approach the 200<sup>th</sup> commemorative anniversary of Henry's death, the Kauanoë's presentation was assuredly timely. Kimberly Pada shared her story of severe childhood cyclical abuse and her journey of serving 17 years for abusing one of her sons causing him to slip into a coma. By the power and love of God, he survived and God is restoring relationships between her family members. Today, Kim's spirit of persistence has enabled her to excel in her academic studies at Windward Community College. On April 11, 2018, Kim graduated with an A.A. and will continue her pursuit of higher education at the University of Hawai'i where she will study to earn a bachelor's degree in Social Work. Her desire is to use her personal experience to positively impact the lives of others who find themselves in similar experiences. She expressed her gratitude to the Woman's Board of Missions, the Women of the Word (WOW) First Chinese Church of Christ Bible study group, and her circle of mentors. Kim acknowledged that the collective ongoing love and support she has received is indispensable and that she is forever grateful.

For all of you who faithfully supported our 147<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting and Fellowship - whether by your attendance, program participation, silent auction donations, contributions to our Family Thank Offering or Mother Alice Scholarship, prayer or a combination of any of these, thank you. Further, I extend a special note of gratitude to WBM members Kelcey and Lorna Bufil (Hawai'i Island), Brenda Chapman (Hawai'i Island) Tricia Clements (Maui), Auntie Susie Klassen (Maui), for traveling to O'ahu for our gathering.

This was, once again, another amazing year. We know that only by faith, hope and love in Christ are we sustained in our commitment to outreach in the ministry of the Woman's Board of Missions for the Pacific Islands. For the women and children that we have the privilege to demonstrate God's love and offer our support to, the gift is really our own. We are also mindful that through the generosity of our supporters and friends of the WBM, God has enabled us to expand our reach. We wholeheartedly thank each one of you.

The year was equally enlivening as I entered my second year at the University of British Columbia, Vancouver School of Theology (VST) for summer intensives. There, I am studying to earn double Masters degrees (both an M.Div. and a Masters of Indigenous Studies). In 2016, I began this graduate program in response to God's call. For the munificent scholarship that I received from the WBM this year, and for the encouraging letters, cards, and phone calls I continue to receive from many of you, I am eternally grateful.

May we remain intentional about encouraging one another in the faith, hope, and love of Christ and those the Lord sends, in His love. *And now faith, hope and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.* 1 Corinthians 13:13

## IN SEARCH OF WILLING WORKERS

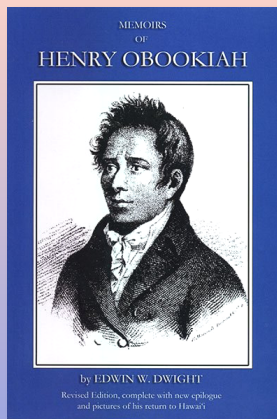
Membership in the Woman's Board of Missions for the Pacific Islands affords multiple opportunities to serve God by utilizing your spiritual and natural gifts to help improve the quality of life for others who are experiencing various hardships both in Hawai'i and the greater Pacific Rim.

We meet monthly to conduct business, receive inspiration, and identify ways to continue to make a difference in our communities and world. Annual dues of \$50 are collected from all members typically in April at our Annual Meeting and Fellowship gatherings and are used to further our ministry. There are many ways to contribute to the work that we do through donations of needed items, financial gifts, serving on mission projects or a committee, and more.

A membership application can be found by visiting [www.hcucc.org](http://www.hcucc.org). You can locate the Woman's Board of Missions for the Pacific Islands by clicking on "Directory," "Affiliated Ministries," and the WBM logo. You can also contact our WBM office for assistance with the application.

### GENTLE REMINDER

If you are already a member of our WBM, please be sure to update your contact information should you move or change any of your information. We want to be sure that you receive all correspondence being sent to you. For those of you who attend our WBM monthly meetings, please remember to bring your favorite food to share during our lunch and fellowship immediately following and bring a guest or two. If you do bring a guest(s) or invite someone you know will be coming, please call Clara to let her know.



## *MEMOIRS of HENRY OBOOKIAH*

Known as the first fruit of the Christian faith amongst the Hawaiian people, this story is honest and untainted, as told through Opukaha'ia's own perspective, as recounted through his personal diary entries and letters to close friends. It is a poignant narrative of suffering, pain and tragic death, but it is also a story of healing, renewal, joyous faith and a new life everlasting that inspired a generation of young missionaries to leave the East Coast and travel to the islands to fulfill Henry's desire to have his people hear the gospel message.

The most current edition contains new pictures and an epilogue detailing how Henry's body was brought home 175 years after his death in Connecticut. To purchase a copy for yourself or as a gift for someone else, you can visit <http://www.henryobookiahmemoirs.com> or contact our office at the number listed above. Soft back copies are \$15. A limited edition hard copy is \$50. All proceeds from sales of this book are used to further the ministry of the WBM.



## HAWAI'I ISLAND UPDATE

### Lorna Bufil

*Hawai'i Island Co-VP Representative*

*"If anyone speaks, they should do so as one who speaks the very words of God. If anyone serves, they should do so with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ. To him be the glory and the power forever and ever. Amen  
1 Peter 4:11*

The summer has been a busy time. Haili Church hosted our annual Vacation Bible Study which was open to the community at large averaging about 70 students nightly. Our theme was "Shipwrecked - Rescued by Jesus." This was a fun time for the students to share in music, crafts, Bible verses, and recreation. They were blessed with special meals each night and our closing was done with a special picnic at Reed's Bay. This year, our Missions support went to the victims affected by the lava eruption that has been ongoing since May 3, 2018. We exceeded our goal of raising \$500.00 and also raised \$1050.00 for Puuhonua o Puna (place of refuge). In addition, donations were given to the Salvation Army, Food Basket and American Red Cross. We are thankful for the interfaith leaders who collaborated to support community relief efforts. The outpouring of aloha was evident as churches and community leaders met weekly to provide solutions, nurture faith, hope, and love during this difficult time for so many.

On July 23, 2018, our Missions group and several of our church members met with Kahu Kaleo Patterson. His work involves working with the incarcerated at Halawa and Waiawa on Oahu, and visiting those at Saguaro Correctional Facility in Arizona. He shared about *Na Paahao O Hawaii - The Imprisoned and Incarcerated*. Kahu Patterson highlighted *Makahiki: Time of Peace*, a culture-based program that focuses on restoration and therapeutic support, promoting rehabilitation, prison reform, and a *Bac Pac Project* that provides basic necessities for those exiting prison. We continue to pray for those who are incarcerated and especially our men from Hawai'i who are in the Saguaro Correctional Facility away from their family and loved ones.

Chaplain Mike Sidman who represents *Good News Prison Ministry* on Hawai'i Island was a special guest speaker at Haili Church. He works with those incarcerated both at Hawaii Community Correctional Center and Kulani Prison. Haili Missions supports this ministry. Kahu Kahiki Hudson of Christian Fellowship Church was also a guest speaker at Haili on Father's Day. He has a homeless feeding ministry at Bay Front. His Associate Pastor and a member of Haili collectively reach out to the community every Sunday by serving meals.

There were several events that I participated in this summer. At the invitation of the First United Protestant Church, our Haili Choir was honored to participate in their 150th Anniversary Celebration where we sang *Nui Kealoha*. The Youth of Haili Christian Endeavor held special fundraisers selling lunch specials. I assisted our East Hawai'i Christian Endeavor Representative and Youth with their special meals prepared each Sunday from June through July to raise funds to attend the National Convention in San Diego held July 25-29, 2018. Kelcey (my son and WBM member) and I prepared two main dishes on a Sunday. On July 7, 2018, I attended my first Association of Hawaiian Evangelical Churches (AHEC) Executive Board Meeting on O'ahu. Truly, I am humbled to serve as the new AHEC kākau'ōlelo (Secretary). Mahalo to AHEC and all who voted their confidence in me. I take this kuleana seriously and will do my very best. Lastly, I attended the memorial service for Officer Bronson Kaliloa who was a kind Christian man. Among those who attended to pay their respect were Governor Ige, Mayor Caldwell, fellow officers from our sister islands and officers from New York.

My role as the Hawai'i Island Co-VP Representative allowed me to assist two women in crisis. One required assistance in securing short-term housing and I was able to help her secure an apartment. Another was in danger of facing eviction after recently becoming unemployed. It was a blessing to be able to refer her to agencies that could also assist her with food and basic necessities.

In closing, I would like to express my sincere gratitude to Ke Akua for his faithfulness.



## HAWAI'I ISLAND UPDATE

### Brenda K. Chapman

*Hawai'i Island Co-VP Representative*

This summer, I was blessed to participate in a few events beginning with a meeting with Kahu Kaleo Patterson. I was so blessed by his prison ministry that we hope to support financially. My husband and I will come alongside him here on Hawai'i Island. It was a joy to volunteer at Haili Church VBS for a week-long evening program doing activities for 56 children and ending the week with

a beach picnic. I attended the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary at the First United Protestant Church and sang with the Haili Church Choir. It was a joy to share the ministry of our WBM with the pastor's wife as she expressed an interest in becoming involved. When the volcano erupted, I volunteered at the Pahoa shelter sitting, talking, and spending time with the many displaced people. It was a privilege to share Jesus with them. Lastly, I continue to dance with the Daughters of God hula ministry as an outreach in our community.



## OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

### Rebecca Woodland

*O'ahu VP Representative & Missions Co-Chair*

This has been a busy season, with summer school at the Vancouver School of Theology as an added bonus and blessing to our already full schedules.

The Woman's Board of Missions continues to receive donations of toys, school supplies, hygiene items, and shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child, the shoebox ministry of Samaritan's Purse. I have been decorating shoeboxes throughout the year, as we have already filled all of the red and green "GO" (Gospel Opportunity) boxes with gifts in preparation for Shoebox Collection Week, which is November 12-19 this year. Our original goal for WBM was 100 shoeboxes. We are nearing this goal as more gift items are being donated to fill the shoeboxes. The past two WBM meetings were working meetings where we assembled and packed shoeboxes until we ran out of things to put inside them.

Please take advantage of the back-to-school sales to buy pencils, pens, bar erasers, crayons, notebooks/binder paper, and other useful items for students. Stuffed toys, new T-shirts (children and youth sizes, or small men's), mild bar soap (not deodorant soap or anything with a strong scent), washcloths, baseball caps, beanies, toothbrushes, tennis balls, jump-ropes, small cars, and yo-yos are always needed and appreciated. **Liquids, candy, food, military-themed items or anything scary are prohibited.** Please keep in mind that a variety of things from each category (school supplies, toys, hygiene items, other necessities) are needed for each shoebox. Monetary donations help with shipping costs (\$10 per shoebox).

For more information about this remarkable ministry, you can visit [www.samaritanspurse.org/occ](http://www.samaritanspurse.org/occ) where you will find ideas and inspiring stories. We expect to pack more shoeboxes at our upcoming monthly meetings, so bring items noted above to the meetings or drop them off at our WBM office located at 1848 Nu'uano Avenue. These shoebox gifts change children's lives and the lives of their families and future generations. YOU can make an eternal difference in the life of a child! God bless you all.

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# NEVER UNDERESTIMATE THE POWER OF A CHRISTIAN WOMAN



**Never underestimate the power of a Christian Woman...**

**Who was born in Cleveland, Ohio in 1940 and grew up in Upper Arlington, Ohio where she had a paper route, was active in Girl Scouts, and found time to play tennis.**

**Never underestimate the power of a Christian Woman...**

**Who began training for her life work at the White Cross Hospital School of Nursing in Columbus, Ohio.**

**Never underestimate the power of a Christian Woman...**

**Who moved to Hawai'i in 1962 and earned her Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Nursing at the University of Hawai'i.**

**Never underestimate the power of a Christian Woman...**

**Who became a nurse for noted neurosurgeon, Dr. Ralph Cloward, worked at Castle and Straub Hospitals, and retired from Kaiser Hospital in 1995 after serving there for 20 years.**

**Never underestimate the power of a Christian Woman...**

**Who in the midst of all this discovered that she loves to paddle!**

**Never underestimate the power of a Christian Woman...**

**Who, alongside her husband, Don, a retired United Church of Christ pastor, has been on mission trips to Malawi, Africa; on several ministry trips to India; has worked with the Aloha Medical Mission in Laos; and has made trips to the Holy Land and the Oberammergau Passion Play.**

**Never underestimate the power of a Christian Woman...**

**Who, along with her husband, Don, is an active member of the United Church of Christ on Judd Street in Honolulu, Hawai'i.**

*~Never Underestimate the Power of a Christian Woman~*



*Never Underestimate the Power of*

**JUDY URSULA ASMAN**

**APRIL 28, 2018**



## THE PAGARAGAN POST

Breakaway 2018 comes to Tokyo!



This past week the team from our home church, Bayside Granite Bay, did an incredible job preparing and presenting a 3 day Summer Bible Camp! Each day we had up to 31 kids between 4-8 years old. The kids had a blast, the volunteers were super, and the moms wanted to know “when’s the next one?”! After Day 1 kids were inviting friends and asking if they could come every day! We had such a great time sharing Bible stories of wisdom, courage and love. We all danced, did crafts and practiced English together. We also had the opportunity to invite the children to learn more about the Bible on Sunday mornings. The Lord is opening doors!! One of the moms asked if it was okay to attend even though they are not Christians.

*Stay tuned to hear what happens next!*

Events like these give us the opportunity to make connections and build relationships with these children and their families. It also opened up doors to invite our Japanese church members to work closely with our California church members. Two of our homestay students helped with translation and one was reunited with his Bayside host family. What an opportunity for these students to witness Jesus in their home country!



Our upcoming Ikebukuro Student and Ministry Center gives us a venue for these events as well as providing housing for the teams that help us make them happen. **So let’s sit down, have a coffee** (or In n Out, Chick-fil-A, Chipotle, a bowl of fruit, a chocolate chip cookie,...) **and talk about this exciting step of faith we’re taking together.** (Can you guess what everyone’s missed eating?)

*Be blessed ~ Kelly Pagaragan*

*(signing off for Jeff, Taylor, Bailey, Kendyl, Reagan and Colson)*



## UCCP PASUQUIN LEARNING CENTER

*By Alma Balatico*

Aloha everyone. The summer months are gone and so comes the new School Year 2018-2019. The UCCP Learning Center started this school year last June with 30 children enrolled. Out of the 30, 10 children are from indigent families. These families receive financial aid from our partners in mission, namely the Woman’s Board of Missions (WBM), the Moanalua Community Church, and Friends of the UCCP Learning Center. Families receiving financial aid are required to contribute some service hours to help around the school. They can be scheduled to help clean or set up classrooms, clean around the school grounds, help prepare meals, etc.

This school year, our students are divided into 3 classes: 2 Nursery classes and 1 Kinder 1. The Nursery classes are taught by Angela Fiesta and Aiza Aguda, our recent graduates from the Ecumenical Theological Seminary last March 2018. They are now full-time teachers at the Learning Center (“LC”). The older group, Kinder 1 is taught by Jennifer Satulan. She teaches the three R’s well, meaning the children under her tutelage can read, count and write simple sentences at the level of development prescribed by the Department of Education in its curriculum which is adopted by the LC and incorporated with the Christian-based curriculum that the school uses. The use of the Christian based curriculum inculcates in the minds of the children that *the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.*

Because the school is an outreach mission of the Church, our school children and their families are encouraged to attend church especially on the first Sunday of each month when the school children sing during the offertory. Families attend the church services even though they belong to another faith community. [pic - Ms. Aiza and her students ready to participate in worship.]



Last month, the schools nation-wide celebrated Nutrition Week. The children learned about different healthy foods and their nutritional values. At the end of Nutrition Week the school had a program to showcase their art work and songs they learned about healthy foods and healthy eating. The parents and guests enjoyed the program and the simple healthy snack foods that were served after. In this photo, the children with their headbands displaying fruits and vegetables are singing a song about a small farmhouse surrounded by an assortment of fruits and vegetables.

The UCCP Learning Center received donations of assorted books and dictionaries from the Friends of the Library in Honolulu. The advance aged books and dictionaries were shared with Gabaldon Elementary School where most of our LC graduates go. This photo shows two of our graduates, Judy Ann and Mariel (recipients of scholarships while at the LC), now in Grade 5, with their teacher Rosa Pagaduan. The donation of dictionaries was very welcomed because the public schools do not have resources to furnish each



class with these valuable learning tools. There may be one or two dictionaries for the entire school! There were also donations of used linens and towels from the Hyatt Regency Hotel Waikiki (Paulette Friedmann) through the courtesy of Fanny Leong of Central Union Church and Valrie Griffith (WBM). This photo shows the 10 boxes of used linens and towels. The UCCP Pasuquin Church will use the items as part of their outreach to the community. These boxes shipped in May to arrive in time for the rainy season which is from July to September. The area can experience several typhoons a year and these linen and towels can be distributed to families displaced by flood.



The UCCP Church and the Learning Center of Pasuquin Ilocos Norte, Philippines are blessed to be the arms and legs of Christ in this part of the world through our generous mission partners. Our deepest gratitude to you, our co-workers in God’s vineyard, for your loving and servant hearts.

To God be the Glory!

## CAMPUS CRUSADE FOR CHRIST (CRU) - GUAM

### “Summer in the Son”

Together, Rose and some University of Guam students had a great opportunity to distribute *Jesus* film DVDs, pens and *Jesus* magazines to incoming freshmen. The students fill out religious surveys to gauge their interest in knowing God. They have a lot of questions and concerns about the uncertainty of their future. We are excited to be more engaged in dialogues and personal connections as they grapple to find truth found ultimately in Jesus. Please pray for our freshmen students to become involved with us this year.



My daughter, Annabelle, joined a vision trip to Taiwan this summer. Here, she was teaching a song to the students along with Bible stories and games. It was a faith stretching experience to trust God as their team moved beyond their comfort zone to see the Lord’s spirit at work in their midst.” The most memorable experience for me is seeing two of my students pray to receive Christ, said Annabelle.

The semester begins this week. A new team of churches have expressed that they feel led to host a campus ministry. What an exciting time for partnership and collaboration for the cause of Christ. Pray for our unity in His bond.

Thank you for your involvement in and support for all of these.

In His care,  
Rose Ludwig, Missionary



## 2018 PROGRAM INFORMATION

Please read the following information regarding the Give Aloha/Foodland Campaign. This is an opportunity to generate funds to support the ministry of our WBM. Thank you to those who continue to give through this campaign.

### **DONATION PROCESS**

- From September 1-30, donations to Give Aloha Participating organizations will be accepted at checkout at all Foodland, Sack N Save and Foodland Farms stores statewide. **The code for our Woman's Board of Missions for the Pacific Islands is 78471.**
- Customers must use their Maika'i Card to make a donation and can donate up to a cumulative total of \$249 per person, per organization. Donations exceeding \$249 per person, per organization will not be matched. Donations made without a Maika'i Card will not be matched. Individuals must use their own Maika'i Card to make a donation. Multiple donations on a Maika'i Card exceeding \$249 for the same organization will not be matched.
- Customers who do not have a Maika'i account may establish one at checkout. Only one Maika'i account number is allowed per person.
- Foodland and the Western Union Foundation will match each donation up to a total of at least \$300,000 for all organizations combined. If total customer donations exceed \$300,000, the matching gift will be divided proportionately among all participating organizations. (*See Calculating Matching Gifts below.*)
- Please do not inform donors that their donation will be matched "dollar for dollar." Foodland and the Western Union Foundation will match a portion of their donation.
- Membership dues, fees, tuition, and other payments for which goods and services are received in return are not considered "donations." These payments will not be matched.
- Donations in the form of cash, check or credit card (Visa, MasterCard, American Express, Discover and JTB) will be accepted. Donations must be made payable to Foodland, Sack N Save or Foodland Farms.
- Donation amounts and name of the organization will appear on the customer's receipt. Donors names will not be released to the organizations. Donations are tax deductible to the full extent of the law.
- Foodland reserves the right to refuse participation of any non-profit organization.

**CALCULATION OF MATCHING GIFTS:** Matching gifts will be calculated at the end of the program. Organizations will receive 100% of all customer donations given to their organization, plus their % of Foodland and the Western Union Foundation's \$300,000 matching gift. The portion of the matching gift that each organization will receive will be based on the total dollar amount customer donations designated to that organization as a % of all customer donations received for all organizations. For example, if total combined customer donations for all participating organizations equal \$1,000,000 and \$10,000 (1% of total) in donations are designated for organization XYZ, then XYZ will receive 1% of \$300,000 or \$3,000 from Foodland and the Western Union Foundation's matching gift in addition to the \$10,000 from customer donations. Total gift to organization = \$13,000.

**ANNOUNCEMENT AND DISTRIBUTION OF GIFTS:** Total gifts to organizations will be announced and checks will be mailed in October.

## FAMILY THANK OFFERING

*Let us give thanks to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the merciful Father, the God from whom all help comes. He helps us in all our troubles, so that we are able to help others who have all kinds of troubles, using the same help that we ourselves have received from God.* Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians, chapter 1:3-4 TEV

The Family Thank Offering Committee prayerfully and judiciously reviews requests for emergency financial assistance and approves one-time mission grants to meet a special need of individuals or families. These one-time mission grants have included assistance with rent delinquencies, security deposits, utility bills, food, medication and more. Requests must be submitted to the WBM office by a pastor or church leader, community advocate, or WBM member. All requests are authenticated by the Executive Director and require supporting documentation prior to review by the Family Thank Offering Committee. The Family Thank Offering is exclusively for emergency assistance requests throughout Hawai'i.

**From July 2017-June 2018, our Family Thank Offering Committee granted 15 one-time mission grants totaling \$6,725.00 to:**

- ❖ A disabled grandmother caring for her grandchild who needed assistance with basic necessities: **\$500**
- ❖ A woman exiting prison who required assistance with a security deposit for a clean and sober facility: **\$500**
- ❖ A family whose child was killed in a car accident needed assistance with funeral costs: **\$500**
- ❖ A woman stricken with cancer who needed assistance with basic necessities: **\$500**
- ❖ A mother of two children escaping an abusive husband who needed assistance with rent: **\$500**
- ❖ A woman rebuilding her life after incarceration who needed assistance with a portion of her rent: **\$500**
- ❖ The Kokokahi Tropical Hunger Project – sewing machine previously purchased by the WBM were in dire need of repair. These machines are used to make handcrafted items that are sold. Proceeds are used to buy food to feed impoverished children: **\$500**
- ❖ The Samaritan Counseling Center Hawaii – a gift was given in order that women in crisis without the ability to pay for counseling services would receive the help they need: **\$500**
- ❖ A family who needed assistance after the death of a family member: **\$500**
- ❖ A woman escaping an abusive husband who needed basic necessities: **\$400**
- ❖ A woman with a serious illness and a child who is blind who needed assistance with food/necessities: **\$350**
- ❖ A woman escaping abuse who needed assistance with food and basic necessities: **\$375**
- ❖ A woman rebuilding her life after incarceration who needed assistance with food: **\$200**
- ❖ A woman rebuilding her life after incarceration who needed assistance with dental repair: **\$500**
- ❖ An elderly woman abused financially by her children who needed assistance with a mortgage: **\$400**

Members serving on our Family Thank Offering Committee are Judy Rantala, *Chairwoman*, Nora Kamikawa, and Grace Murata. We appreciate you all for your time, compassion and care in reviewing countless requests.

# Pray For Our Missionaries

*Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples.*

*Psalm 96:3*



**Mark and Dayna Blair**  
*Beijing International  
Christian Fellowship*  
**CHINA**



**Rose Ludwig (second from the left)  
and daughters**  
*Campus Crusade for Christ (CRU)*  
**GUAM**



**Tom and Monica Liddle**  
**EAST TIMOR**



**Team Pagaragan**  
**JAPAN**

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**WISH LIST**

*(new or very gently used)*

The items listed below are regularly needed for missions projects and outreach. If you are able and willing to donate any of these items or a combination of them at any time, it would be a great relief to those in unexpected need. **Items marked with an asterisk are most requested.**

**Personal Items**

- Shampoo/conditioner \*
- Body Wash/Soap \*
- Body Lotion \*
- Toothpaste \*
- Toothbrushes \*
- Toilet Paper
- Hand Wipes/Sanitizers
- Deodorant \*
- Sanitary Napkins \*
- Tampons \*
- Combs/Brushes
- Personal Wipes
- Kleenex

**Bedding Items**

- Pillows (*standard*)
- Blankets
- Mattress Pads

**School Supplies**

- Crayons
- Composition Books
- Pens (*black ink*)
- Pocket Folders
- Markers
- Erasers
- Pencils
- Elmer's Glue

**Baby Items**

- Baby Powder
- Baby Lotion \*
- Diapers & Wipes \*

**Other**

- Socks
- Bibles
- Prescription Eyeglasses
- Postage Stamps
- Plain Envelopes
- Fabric/Sewing Notions
- Gift Cards** (*Walmart, Long Drugs, Safeway*)

**MAHALO NUI LOA**

**Donations & Gifts**

- Betty Abe
- Mrs. Aiyama
- Norina Barcenas
- Lorna Bufil
- Susan Bush
- Eileen Ching
- Winifred Doi
- Rose Marie Doral
- Lisa Fong
- Darleen Fontanilla
- Donna Gamboa
- Donna Hashimoto
- Nancy Heu
- Melinda Ishii
- Nita Johnson
- Karen Koles
- Naomi Komenaka
- Marlene Lee

- Aileen Oshita
- Dr. Dwayne Priester
- Cynthia Sato
- Carol and Mike Sullivan
- Rebecca Woodland
- Dr. Sheila Woods
- Dr. Alan Yoshida

**Churches/Organizations**

- Central Union Church
- Church of the Holy Cross
- First Chinese Church of Christ
- First Chinese Church of Christ - *Women's Sewing Fellowship*
- First United Protestant Church of Hilo
- Friends of the Library
- Haili Congregational Church
- Kaumakapili Church
- Kaulanapueo Church

- Waikeola Congregational Church
- Women's League of Central Union
- Waiialua UCC

**Cancelled Stamps (for Stamp Project)**

- Janet Akau
- Rose Marie Doral
- Judith Engstrom
- Melinda Ishii
- Vicky Malaqui
- Thelma Oshiro
- Pookela Church
- Andi Warren
- H.M. Wyeth