

III. ANNUAL REPORTS



Association of Hawaiian Evangelical Churches Hawai'i Conference United Church of Christ

LUNA HO'OMALU REPORT

Na Kai Ewalu

June 13, 2024

Blessings to the delegates of the Na Kai Ewalu! Personally, it is an honor to serve the Hawaiian churches as the Luna Ho'omalua and there have been many exciting events of the past year.

200th Anniversary Church Celebrations: Last summer Kalapana Mauna Kea Church in July and Laupahoehoe Congregational Church in August hosted wonderful celebrations of 200 years of serving Jesus on the Big Island. Large crowds with many local dignitaries, including the Mayor of the Big Island and our UCC Conference Minister, participated in worship services expressing gratitude to God!

Growing Pacific Relationships: It is also exciting to see the expanding connections AHEC is developing in the Pacific region with the relationship to the Pacific Conference of Churches. This historic indigenous organization has embraced our Association and had a gathering in New Caledonia to officially welcome us in last summer.

Momentum: Our Association has now had three Resolutions pass through General Synod. The original one that passed three years ago was called, "[A RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING TO END 128 YEARS OF WAR BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE HAWAIIAN KINGDOM](#)". Last summer our Association was blessed with the leadership of Papa Makua Kahu Wendell Davis and Josann Meyer Parker Jenks from Kawaiaha'o Church as our official 2023 AHEC General Synod delegates. Other AHEC delegates were there representing other entities and all together they were successful in getting passed our two new Resolutions. The titles were 'A Resolution Calling for a New Study by our Church on our Relationship with the Indian Boarding Schools and the boarding schools in Hawaii' and secondly, 'A Resolution to Urge All Responsible Entities to Join in Reparations to Fund Christian Hawaiian Language Education Programs to Undo a Century of Extinction. Americanization and Indoctrination Policies Extinguished the Original Christian Hawaiian Alphabet.' Much of this momentum is based on the work done on the Hawaiian Kingdom History project of two years ago called: **The Kingdom, the Church, and the Land**. The 12 sessions are currently available on the HCUCC website, and the link can be shared with interested people.

<https://www.hcucc.org/hawaiian-kingdom-history-series>. This all goes to prove that the Association of Hawaiian Evangelical Church is an active and vital association that continues to “live into” the 1993 Redress.

Fall Halawai at Miloli'i: AHEC had their Fall Halawai in-person so that our Hawaiian churches can fellowship, have Aha Mele and share ministry together. We are grateful for our wonderful church in Miloli'i in south Kona to invite our delegates to experience the traditions of what is called “the last Hawaiian fishing village.” There were so many highlights during the weekend, the afternoon shoreline journey sharing cultural information by delegate Kaimi, the awesome local food, the workshops sharing the cultural opelu farming process, the sunrise service in the remodeled Hale Pule and finally culminating in the closing Communion service with fresh poi used as the “bread” pounded during a beautiful kanikapila!

AHA O NA KAHU: More than two dozen Kahu and lay people gathered at Kuhio Chapel in Keaukaha, February 15-16, 2024, to receive a two-day training entitled “Indigenous Christology” by Rev. Ray Aldred, the Director of the VST Indigenous Studies Program. The participants gave the event rave reviews.

Spring Halawai at Kalapana Mauna Kea Church: The theme of this Halawai was based on Jeremiah 29:11-12, ***“For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the LORD, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you.”*** This Halawai was a very positive step forward for AHEC, with great attendance due to the Aha O Na Kahu connected to it. Some highlights of the two-day event were the workshops that focused on Healthy Foods from a Hawaiian cultural tradition and a PowerPoint presentation on the Boston Artifacts. We also had a beautiful time of music with the Friday evening State Sunday School Aha Mele and a spontaneous kanikapila to wrap up our time on Saturday. We are grateful to our hosts Kahu Michael and Angie Warren, along with the congregation of Kalapana Mauna Kea Church for a wonderful time!

New Partnership's Presentations: During the Halawai, the Aloha Ke Akua ministry led by Kahu Daniel Kikawa showed a PowerPoint about the importance of “marae” and a vision to utilize this ancient Polynesian practice as a solution for many of our island problems. Wikipedia defines “marae” as ***“A marae is a communal or sacred place that serves religious and social purposes in [Polynesian societies.](#)”***

The Henry Maunakea Center for Discernment and Church Development led by Trevor Maunakea also gave a presentation about current updates on their Kahu training programs.

Papa Makua Leadership: The AHEC Papa Makua went to New York as the indigenous representative for the UCC denomination in April 2024. He was chosen by our UCC President Rev. Georgia Thompson to be the UCC Representative and participate in various activities with the World Council of Churches and the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues. He sent out this letter to the churches of AHEC and the brochure he mentions can be accessed at this link:

https://us3-campaign--archive-com.translate.google/?u=dd0545e3cf1b8fc7d593ca7ac&id=a29d731a74&e=1bdb490074&x_tr_sl=auto&x_tr_tl=en&x_tr_hl=auto

“Aloha e AHEC 'Ohana,

Since last November, I have been engaged with other indigenous Christian world leaders, as an appointed delegate by UCC President, Rev. Thompson. I will be leaving for NYC this weekend in preparation for the United Nations Forum II as a delegate representing the UCC denomination and especially, our AHEC 'Ohana. I will be joined by my other colleagues of indigenous world leaders with opening worship beginning on Monday, April 15th at the Church Center for the United Nations with Chaplain, Rev. Dionne Boissiere at 9:30am (EST). My daughter, Puakailima, will be joining me to participate in reading the Hebrews scripture in Hawaiian and dancing hula to "Majesty". She will also record the 30-minute worship service on Facebook Live. I will also be participating in scripture reading as well and have been asked to deliver the sermon message. Meeting me there will also be Donna Bollinger, UCC Representative to the United Nations, Wider Church Ministries. Along with other delegates, I will also be attending the United Nations side events and platform on Monday and Tuesday, then returning on Wednesday, April 17th. I have attached a brochure of the event for your perusal.

Your prayers are appreciated as I take the stage with other Christian indigenous world leaders and together, like the pu kani, our voices will be heard.

***Aloha ke Akua,
Papa Makua”***

The brochure is titled ***“Cultural Survival”*** and the opening paragraph reads: *On April 15-26, 2024, the 23rd session of the [United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues](#) (UNPFII) will take place at the UN Headquarters in New York. This year’s session theme will focus on ***“Enhancing Indigenous Peoples’ right to self-determination in the context of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples: emphasizing the voices of Indigenous youth.”****

AHEC is very blessed to have a great leader recognized by our National UCC Leadership and now AHEC has an international voice to advocate for the Hawaiian People. May God bless the days ahead with favor to see better outcomes for our Hawaiian community.

The Association is looking forward with high anticipation to the next meeting of the Na Kai Ewalu at Kawaiahao Church in Honolulu on Thursday, June 13th.

Blessings,
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PAPA MAKUA REPORT – AHA NA KAI EWALU

JUNE 13, 2024

“For the body is not one member, but many.” – 1 Corinthians 12:14

Over the five years of serving as Papa Makua, I stood on the truth that absolute unity is finding oneness and commitment, and moving forward toward a common goal, despite our differences. It doesn't require that we all be the same, but that we are all heading in the same direction. Paul reminds us that “the body is not one member, but many”. (1 Cor. 12:14). It's a recognition of our individuality. But then he stopped in the middle of his discourse on the importance of each body part to give the other side of the coin. “Now there are many members, but one body”. (1 Cor. 12:20) Both statements are true. Like an intricate puzzle with hundreds or even thousands of pieces, no two are alike. But, when God, the divine “puzzle master” has finished interlocking all of the parts, the result is a complete picture. Some of the “interlocking pieces” that I have witnessed are as follows:

UCC PENSION BOARD

- Engagement with this vital group has been incredible. They have always been gracious to our association and grateful for the trust that we have in both our spiritual and financial relationships. Recently, I have been blessed with conversations for establishing ministerial assistance through Joaquin Labour, Director of the United Church Board for Ministerial Assistance. He has been valuable in assisting me to establish a "Ho'omaha Sunday" Giving plan that would assist our churches in providing opportunities for pastor financial support upon retirement as well as, other initiatives.

WORLD COUNCIL OF CHURCHES

- Representing the United Church of Christ as appointed by UCC President, Rev. Karen Georgia Thompson, the opportunity to convene with world indigenous Christian leaders was extraordinary beyond measure. With support from Donna Bollinger, UCC Representatives to the United Nations, the privilege of attending the 23rd Session of the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues with other indigenous leaders from around the globe, humbled me as I began to realize the common ground of shared spirituality and experiences. Topic discussions, such as empowering indigenous youth, advocating for self-determination, and promoting continuity among indigenous peoples connected with each person of the WCC. Ongoing themes of unity, climate action, language preservation, land rights, women's rights, and other critical issues were addressed, setting the stage for ongoing dialogue and action. AHEC is blessed to have a seat where our voices can be heard along with other indigenous communities in bringing awareness of indigenous issues on local, national and global levels. In the near future, I am looking forward to engagements and continued commitment in addressing

indigenous people's rights and self determination. I have also requested to be a part of the working group on decolonization to end slavery, colonialism, racism, and all forms of discrimination and intolerance. The purpose of this Decolonization Working Group is to promote and facilitate putting an end to all forms that are still present and active in the world today.

PACIFIC CONFERENCE OF CHURCHES

- For several months, I have been in communication with General Secretary, Rev. James Bhagwan and there are plans for our partnership and participation in the upcoming FestPac and PAAM Convocation schedule for the month of June this year. With active membership with the Pacific Conference of Churches, AHEC has the full support of 35 National Churches, 11 National Council of Churches, along with 17 Regional Partners and 20 International Partners that include the World Council of Churches and the United Church of Christ. This involves thousands of congregants.
- In this partnership, Rev. Upolu Vaai, Principal Professor of Theology & Ethics Pacific Theological College located in Fiji, has been instrumental in providing courses for our AHEC pastoral leaders through the Pacific Theological College.

AHEC PARTNERSHIP MINISTRIES

- With the inclusion of two new partnerships, AHEC can broaden its purposes in impacting our churches and community.
- **ALOHA KE AKUA MINISTRIES** - The Aloha Ke Akua Ministry with Kahu Daniel Kikawa and the "marae" initiative through our Maori 'Ohana will provide important information to the homeless issues on our islands through a Christian-based initiative.
- **HENRY MAUNAKEA CENTER FOR DISCERNMENT AND CHURCH DEVELOPMENT** - Trevor and Jan Maunakea's vision and implementation of this center will provide an alternative pathway for Pastoral and Lay Leader development in the Christian faith that is sensitive to Native Hawaiian language, customs and culture as needs are met in underserved Hawaiian churches throughout the Pae'aina.

CONFERENCE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

- I have participated and attended two staff meetings with the HCUCC staff. This has provided valuable participation, as well as, both sharing and receiving information that can assist both HCUCC and AHEC.

Like the Parable of the Mustard Seed (Matt.13:31-32; Mk.4:30-32; Lk.13:18-21), it teaches that the Kingdom of Heaven may start small, but it has the potential to grow and expand immensely, providing refuge and sustenance. In the same way, it is not the size of AHEC, but the impact of our association that truly matters to God. We may live one day at a time and see only one piece of the puzzle, but God is doing great things in our association because He sees the whole picture. **No Ka Nani O Ke Akua.**



Papa Makua

Report for ‘Aha Na Kai Ewalu
By: Rev. Jonathan C. Roach, Ph.D., ACM
January 1 through April 30, 2024

Aloha Kākou,

I. Introduction:

These months have been a rollercoaster! I had opportunities to take two great continuing education courses. First, I took a two-day course on Indigenous Christology through the Indigenous Studies Program at the Vancouver School of Theology, which was offered at Kuhio Chapel as part of your association’s ‘Aha O Nā Kahu. Second, I took a four-day course on basic mediation for conflict resolution through the Ku‘ikahi Mediation Center in Hilo. I have been blessed to provide ministry and support on five islands, and I also spent two days in Boston as part of my board of directors retreat for the Congregational Library & Archives. I can go on and on and on...

II. My duties include the following essential functions:

1. Work collaboratively and openly with all Conference staff.
2. Support and resource all Hawai‘i Conference churches and ministers.
3. Work in partnership with the Papa Makua for support of the Association of Hawaiian Evangelical Churches’ congregations.
4. Support and resource Hawai‘i Island Association’s Board and Committee on Ministry.
5. Support and resource the Association of Hawaiian Evangelical Churches Board and Committee on Ministry.
6. Spearhead Search and Call support of congregations in pastoral transition.
7. Staff and resource missional teams of the Conference Council and staff as assigned.
 - a. Editorial Team
 - b. Committee on Ministry Chairs
 - c. Pastoral Leadership Retreat Planning Team
 - d. Innovation and Engagement Missional Team
 - e. Justice and Witness Missional Team
8. Ensure that Conference files of churches, ministers, and associations are kept current with minutes and all supporting documentation.
9. Attend meetings, as assigned, of Conference staff, Conference Council, associations, and ecumenical events.
10. Perform other duties as assigned by the Conference Minister.

III. Search and Call

I am currently serving as the Conference support person for Waialua UCC (who made a successful call for a settled pastor on April 14), Haili Congregational Church,

Hokuloa UCC, ‘Iao Congregational Church, Kauaha‘ao Congregational Church, Waipahu UCC, and Filipino UCC.

Since the beginning of 2024, I reviewed profiles of 28 UCC clergy, met with nine clergy via Zoom or in person to discuss ministry opportunities, and worked with one clergy outside of the UCC who was interested in ministry and at one of our congregations. All of our congregations in active searches have had pastoral profiles for their consideration in the last four months.

Since the beginning of the year, we have welcomed Rev. Gary Percesepe to Keawala‘i Congregational Church and Kahu Sam Masilamoney to First United Protestant Church.

IV. Maui Wildfire Recovery Spiritual Support

I continue my work with Rev. Ben Sheets to empower and support the Maui clergy as they provide vital ministry. Ben and I organized a webinar, “Resilience & Renewal: A Time for Revitalization,” as a Conference-wide opportunity for mutual support and building faith-based resiliency. This session was provided free of charge through the partnership of the HCUCC, the Pacifica Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA), and Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. Thirty-five people attended this workshop. An in-person event on Maui on May 15th for clergy has been scheduled (when this report was submitted) and another event is being planned at the end of August for clergy spiritual support.

V. Repatriation

After 13 months of work in my role as a Board Member for the Congregational Library and Archives, two niho palaoa were repatriated back to Maui on March 12, which was their island of origin after at least 153 years absence. Edward Halealoha Ayau, of Hui Mālama I Nā Kūpuna O Hawai‘i Ne, and Kahele Dukelow, Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs University of Hawai‘i Maui, served as the cultural advisors and worked to find a suitable home on Maui where the niho palaoa could be accessible to Hawaiian students and community members. All cultural protocols and legal requirements were followed.

I hand-carried the niho palaoa from Boston to O‘ahu with the help from Marie Trottier, the TSA Tribal Affairs Liaison who coordinates TSA security requirements with cultural protocols. On O‘ahu, Kahele Dukelow and Sissy Lake-Farm, Executive Director of the Maui Historical Society, and the Bailey House Museum, met me. After a welcome, they carried the niho palaoa on the last leg of their journey back to Maui. Mahalo to everyone from both HIA congregations and AHEC congregations who helped and advised.

VI. Meetings and Support

Over the last three months, I have participated in 116 meetings and events for my job duties and responsibilities. I have the boring details if anyone is interested, but I will note that these meetings fulfill all the duties of my call. With my Conference-wide responsibilities in my ministry, I have made in-person visits to:

- a. ‘Aha O Nā Mokupuni ‘O Maui, Moloka‘i a Me Lāna‘i
 - i. Po‘okela Church (Preaching)
 - ii. Makawao Union Church (Visit to Secondhand Heaven and with pastor)
 - iii. Keawala‘i Congregational Church (Visit with new kahu and spouse)
 - iv. Kalaiakamanu Hou Church (Preaching)
 - v. Ho‘olehua Congregational Church (Preaching)
 - vi. Waialua Congregational Church (Visit)
- b. Association of Hawaiian Evangelical Churches:
 - i. Hau‘oli Kamana‘o (Preaching)
 - ii. Haili Church (Preaching, Search and Call, and Scheduled to be at 200 Anniversary)
 - iii. Kalapana Mauna Kea First Hawaiian Congregational Church (‘Aha Hālāwai)
 - iv. Kuhio Chapel (‘Aha O Nā Kahu)
 - v. Kalua‘aha Congregational Church (Preaching)
- c. Kaua‘i Association
 - i. Kōloa Union Church (Upcoming Preaching when report submitted)
- d. Hawai‘i Island Association:
 - i. First United Protestant Church (Preaching)
 - ii. Hilo Coast UCC (Preaching and 130th Anniversary Celebration)
 - iii. Pu‘ula UCC (Preaching)
 - iv. Kauaha‘ao Congregational Church (Preaching and Search and Call)
 - v. Church of the Holy Cross (Preaching)
 - vi. Puka‘ana Congregational Church (Preaching and Installation)
 - vii. United Community Church (Visit with Pastor and Leadership)
 - viii. Hokuloa UCC (Upcoming Preaching when report submitted)
- e. O‘ahu Association:
 - i. Waipahu UCC (Preaching and Search and Call)
 - ii. Kailua Christian Church (Visit with new pastor)

I have had online meetings with lay leaders and/or clergy from: Makiki Christian Church, Waialua UCC, United Church of Christ Judd Street, Community Church of Honolulu, Lihue Christian Church, and Hawai‘i Island Russian Baptist Church.

God is Good!
Jonathan Roach

AHEC Ho`ola I Ka `Aina Komike (AHEC Land Research Committee) Report
‘Aha Na Kai Ewalu, June 13, 2024

“The land must not be sold permanently, because the land is mine and you reside in my land as foreigners and strangers.” (The Year of Jubilee: Leviticus 25:23)

The goals of our Ho`ola I Ka `Aina Komike remain:

1. To research the titles of our AHEC churches to determine who owns the land.
2. To research the history of the land of the HCUCC (Hawaii Conference of the United Church of Christ).

Our committee members have:

1. Gone in-person twice to research at the Mission House Library, the Hawaii State Archives, and at the Bureau of Conveyances.
2. Joined a webinar “Papa Palapala `Aina” (Land Documents Class) led by Dr. Ronald Williams, Jr., Archivist at the Hawai`i State Archives on Sunday, April 2, 2023.
3. Joined a free tutorial led by Mr. Donovan Preza on The Great Mahele of 1848 that has included Joyclynn Costa, Kerisa Carmelo, La`akea Kamakawiwoole and Ronald Fujiyoshi in learning the basics of The Great Mahele of 1848, the unique basis of all land in Hawai`i.
4. Suggested viewing the four (4) video presentations on The Great Mahele by Mr. Donovan Preza at www.hcucc.org/hawaiian-kingdom-history-series. Videos covered: 1) An Overview of the Great Mahele, 2) Government Lands, 3) Konohiki Lands—emphasis on the King’s (Crown) Lands, and 4) Kuleana Lands.

Recent events and research indicate that justice in terms of a return of sovereignty is closer. Please ask your niece/nephew or grandchild to help you see Dr. Keanu Sai’s YouTube video “Update on the Status of Hawai`i under International Law” dated March 6, 2024, or read one of two documents found on the Hawaiian Kingdom Blog, either “Operational Plan for Transitioning the State of Hawai`i into a Military Government” or the “Royal Commission of Inquiry: Investigating War Crimes and Human Rights Violations Committed in the Hawaiian Kingdom.” Many young Kanaka Maoli scholars are making available more information of the injustices of the past.

The slogan, “Land is Life” is often raised by indigenous people. Mr. Donovan Preza’s research shows that the Crown Lands in the Mahele were the private lands of the king and not subject to takeover with the so-called “overthrow in 1893”. This illegal transfer of land will be part of the land that will be returned sooner or later. Now is the time to study the Mahele of 1848 to understand the legal title of land.

The Ho`ola I Ka `Aina Komike stands ready to assist the AHEC member churches in the research of its lands but cannot do this alone. We would appreciate the name of one member in each church with which to work

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AHA NA KAI EWALU – June 2024 – Ho’okolokolo Committee



“Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.” – Galatians 6:9

Ho’okolokolo Committee

- At our last Aha Halawai in February at Kalapana Mauna Kea First Hawaiian Congregational Church, this committee presented a collection of artifacts gathered together in sharing the historical conversations made between the missionaries and the ABCFM (American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions).

The artifacts shared was organized in three significant periods: **PRE-OVERTHROW PERIOD, OVERTHROW PERIOD and POST-OVERTHROW PERIOD**. A few hardcopy booklets of artifact discovery were made available for review to those in attendance. It is also important to note that numerous artifacts of support for the Hawaiian monarchy were discovered and voiced their loyalty and love for our beloved Queen Liliuokalani. Lastly as shared at our February Aha Halawai, the Ho’okolokolo Committee had two recommendations to be considered by the body of AHEC, in order to advance the efforts of transcribing the hundreds of artifacts and organizing them into specific time periods, as shared.

These recommendations of funding needs are:

- 1. Monies to support legal efforts to secure the rights of all documents and permission usages.**
- 2. Monies to incorporate archival and transcribing experts to assist with the interpretation of all artifacts, as well as, organize them in a historical and chronological order.**

Currently, seeking resourceful individuals and/or organizations are on-going, along with cost evaluations. Lastly, initiatives on the Hawaiian Alphabet is on-going with no changes as to future initiatives, however the resolution on Boarding Schools and activities are on file.

Waiho ‘ia me ka mahalo, (respectfully submitted)



Papa Makua.

AHEC Ho`okolokolo Boarding Schools Sub-Committee Report
'Aha Na Kai Ewalu, June 13, 2024

“So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.” Genesis 1:27

At the Fall Halawai in October a full written report was presented on the Boarding Schools Resolution passed at the 2023 United Church of Christ General Synod. It traced the “Federal Indian Boarding School Initiative Investigative Report” of May 11, 2022, by the Department of the Interior which first revealed the seven (7) boarding schools in Hawai`i at eleven (11) locations. A resolution proposal was approved at the Aha Halawai at Ewa Community Church in the Fall of 2022 which after processing by the General Synod Resolutions Committee was forwarded to the General Synod. At the General Synod, the boarding school resolution garnered the highest number of votes of all the resolutions passed. The resolution:

“directs the UCC to conduct a thorough survey of its history beginning with the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Mission (A.B.C.F.M.) on its work done both with Native American nations and the Hawaiian Kingdom and evaluate the results of this survey in terms of whether actions need to be taken by the United Church of Christ to make amends of moral, and legal (both under U.S. laws and under international humanitarian laws) violations that have occurred, and requests that the UCC Board ask for the cooperation of the Association of Hawaiian Evangelical Churches (AHEC) and the Council for American Indian Ministries (CAIM) in so doing.”

“if the survey reveals clear violations, that the United Church of Christ begin its reparation process by formally apologizing for the harm done to the Native American nations connected to the A.B.C.F.M. and to the Native Hawaiians;” and

“if the survey reveals violations, that the United Church of Christ Board propose specific steps in the reparation process and begin the reparation process by formally apologizing for the harm done to the Native American nations connected to the A.B.C.F.M. and to the Native Hawaiians.”

Our committee was in contact with Mr. Louie Bluecoat, the interim Director of CAIM and with the permission of the AHEC Board of Directors applied for a Neighbors in Need (NIN) grant for a maximum of \$10,000 to fund the proposed task force formed by the AHEC Ho`okolokolo Committee and CAIM with the participation of the national UCC, namely the Wider Church Ministries (the descendant of the A.B.C.F.M.) and the Washington DC office. The NIN Grant was not approved as it was found “incomplete” due to the lack of the signature of the Conference Minister of the HCUCC.

In the meantime, CAIM has hired a new interim Director Libby Gee Fairchild. CAIM is in the process of a reorganization and will decide if Libby Fairchild will become the Executive Director of CAIM. Kahu Rennie Mau has invited us to lead a workshop on the General Synod resolutions at the upcoming PAAM Convocation June 18-22, 2024, on Oahu. We are awaiting the decision

by CAIM whether they will send a delegation to the convocation and to help lead this workshop on the boarding schools.

As more information is shared of experiences of Native Americans about their boarding school experiences and attention to the injustices have been raised in movies like “Killers of the Flower Moon,” more attention is directed to knowing the truth of what truly took place in the boarding schools. We hope you will support us in discovering the truth.

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CHURCH ON MINISTRY – AHA NA KAI EWALU REPORT

‘Imi I Ke Kahu - INSTALLATION OF KAHU

- **Kahu Daniel Kawaha** (Haili Church) – November 5, 2024
- **Kahu Brianna Lloyd** (Ka Hana O Ke Akua Church)
- **Kahu Linda Kamai-Kaaihue** (Hau'ula Kahuku Church) – planning is being focused on the Fall Aha Halawai (October) 2024.

Kulekele A Me Mā Ka'ina Hana – POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

- Evaluation and assessment tools are to be used in building relationships to care for our Kahu. Also being considered is including the Manual on Church and Manual on Ministry.
- Initiate plans that will assist our Kahus in the transition of licensure to ordination. Names have already been considered and will be forwarded.
- **Annual License Renewal** - Successful response by all our Kahus for renewal.
- **Buke Lawelima** (Manual on Church Procedures) – Kahu Michael Warren, Joyclyn Costa and Papa Makua have spent several hours of reviewing and updating this document. This project is ongoing.

‘A‘o Kahunapule – PASTOR TRAINING

- **Aha O Na Kahu** – Training workshop held at Kuhio Chapel on February 14-15. Instruction provided by Rev. Ray Aldrich, Vancouver School of Theology.
- **All-COM Training** was held on February 29, 2024.

‘Oihana ‘Ae ‘Ia – AUTHORIZED MINISTRY

- **John P.C. Makuakane Institute** confirmed.

REPORT OF THE REGISTRAR
Churches Authorized with Standing in the Hawai'i Conference
United Church of Christ
May 31, 2024

<u>Hawai'i Island</u>	<u>CHURCH</u>	<u>PASTORS SERVING CHURCHES</u>	<u>POSITION</u>
Kainaliu:	LANAKILA CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH	TAKETA, Charlene	P
Kurtistown:	'OLA'A FIRST HAWAIIAN CHURCH	MASILAMONEY, Sam	Sup
Nanawale:	KALAPANA MAUNAKEA FIRST HAWAIIAN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH UCC	KAPUNIAI, Agnes Lani	P
Punalu'u:	HOKULO'A/HENRY 'OPIUKAHA'IA CHAPEL	WARREN, Michael	P
<u>Kaua'i</u>			
Anahola:	KO'OLAU HUI'IA PROTESTANT CHURCH		
<u>Maui</u>			
Ha'iku:	KALANIKAHUA HOU CHURCH	AARONA, James	P
Honokowai:	LAHUIOKALANI (KA'ANAPALI) CONG'L CHURCH		
Huelo:	KAULANAPUEO CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH	AARONA, James	P
Kihei:	KEOLAHO CONGREGATIONAL HAWAIIAN CHURCH		
Lahaina:	WAIOLA CHURCH	ROSA, Anela	P
Olowalu:	OLOWALU LANAKILA HAWAIIAN CHURCH		
Pa'ia:	PA'IA HAWAIIAN PROTESTANT CHURCH		
Waihe'e:	WAIHE'E PROTESTANT CHURCH	KLASSEN, Verl	P
Wailuku:	KA'AHUMANU CHURCH	HIGA, Wayne	P
<u>Moloka'i</u>			
Puko'o:	KALUA'AHA CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH	OGOSHI, Janice	P
<u>O'ahu</u>			
'Ewa	'EWA COMMUNITY CHURCH	MAU, Rennie	P
Hale'iwa:	LILI'UOKALANI PROTESTANT CHURCH		
Hauula:	HAU'ULA CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, UCC	CHEE, Sage	P
Honolulu:	BISHOP MEMORIAL CHURCH		
	KALIHI AND MOANALUA CHURCH	NAEOLE, Manu	P
	KAWAIAHA'O CHURCH	MAKUAKANE, Kenneth	P
Pearl City:	KAHIKUONALANI UCC	HIRAKAWA, Rick	P
Wai'anae:	KA HANA O KE AKUA CHURCH	LLOYD, Brianna	P
<u>CONGREGATIONAL CHRISTIAN CHURCHES</u>			
Hilo:	HAILI CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH	KAWAHA, Daniel	AP
Laupahoehoe:	LAUPAHOEHOE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH	CACABELOS, Alvira	P
Milolii	HAULI KAMANAO	KAUPIKO, Charles	P
		KAUPIKO, Melveen	P

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST MINISTERS IN FULL STANDING

ASSOCIATION OF HAWAIIAN EVANGELICAL CHURCHES

Alger, Richard	RT	Makuakane, Violet	RT
Davis, Wendell	CH	Masilamoney, Sam	P
Ha'alilio, Nancietta K.L.	RT	Mau, Rennie	P
Kaina, William H.	RT	Merseberg, James	RT
Kaupu, David K.	RT	Twigg, David	RT
Kekuna, Curtis	RT	Warren, Michael	P
Makuakane, Kenneth	P	Welsh, Brian	CH

LICENSED MINISTERS

Cacabelos, Alvira	Kaupiko, Melveen
Higa, Wayne	Kawaha, Daniel
Hirakawa, Rick	Rosa, Anela
Kapuniai, Agnes Lani	Taketa, Charlene
Kaupiko, Charles	

MEMBERS IN DISCERNMENT

Hoomanawanui, Kauanoë (Ko'olau Hui'ia Protestant)

MINISTERS OF OTHER DENOMINATIONS SERVING OUR CHURCHES

(Without standing in the Hawai'i Conference)

Chee, Sage

Klassen, Verl

LEGEND:

AP	Associate Pastor
CH	Chaplain
CM	Commissioned Minister
CME	Conference Minister Emeritus
CP	Co-Pastor
CW	Conference Work
D	Dual Standing
DW	Denominational Work (UCC covenanted, affiliated or associated ministries)
EW	Ecumenical Work
ED	Educational Work
HW	Health and Welfare work in UCC institutions
IN	Interim Minister
IS	Intentional Interim Ministry Specialist
LA	Leave of Absence
Lic	Licensed Minister
MD	Member in Discernment
MY	Missionary (Global Ministries or other)
OD	Ordained Minister of another denomination serving a UCC church
OL	Other Local Church Position
OMP	Ordained Ministerial Partner
OP	Other Profession
OR	Other religious work (Bible Society, YM/YWCA, etc.)
P	Pastor
PC	Pastoral Counseling
PD	UCC Ordained Minister serving another denomination
PE	Pastor Emeritus
RPM	Recognized Partner Minister
RT	Retired
SU	Supply Pastor
UC	Unclassified
Y	Youth Ministry

<u>DATE GRANT RECEIVED</u>	<u>CHURCH</u>	<u>PROGRAM/ EVENT DATES</u>	<u>AWARD AMOUNT</u>	<u>DATE FINAL REPORT REC'D</u>	<u>UNUSED FUNDS</u>
07/18/23	Kalanikahua Hou	Stories and Songs of the People 08/17/23-08/21/23	\$1,950.00	09/29/23	\$314.72
09/13/23	Waihe'e Protestant	Fall 'Aha Halawai 10/20/23-10/21/23	\$922.00	11/01/23	None
09/13//23	Ewa Community	Fall 'Aha Halawai 10/20/23-10/21/23	\$708.02	10/28/23	None
09/24/23	Kalapana Mauna Kea	Fall 'Aha Halawai 10/20/23-10/21/23	\$735.00	10/30/23	None
09/27/23	Laupahoehoe Congregational	Fall 'Aha Halawai 10/20/23-10/21/23	\$514.70	11/10/23	None
10/06/23	Hau'ula Kahuku	Fall 'Aha Halawai 10/20/23-10/21/23	\$1,367.36	11/16/23	\$111.33
10/06/23	Kona Lanakila	Fall 'Aha Halawai 10/20/23-10/21/23	\$400.00	11/06/23	None
10/26/23	Hauoli Kamana'o	Discerning a Call - An Indigenous Perspective 10/28/23	\$409.00	02/10/24	None
11/13/23	Kalanikahua Hou	La Kuoko'a 11/28/23	\$2,000.00	01/03/24	None
12/28/23	Waihe'e Protestant	Pule Hamau 01/08/24 - 02/03/24	\$861.18	03/05/24	None
01/30/24	Hau'ula Kahuku	Aha O Na Kahu / Spring 'Aha Halawai	\$1,708.00	02/26/24	160.59
01/31/24	Kalihi and Moanalua	Aha O Na Kahu / Spring 'Aha Halawai	\$1,120.00	03/05/24	none
02/01/24	Ewa Community	Spring 'Aha Halawai	\$1,105.00	03/05/24	none
02/01/24	Ka'ahumanu	Spring 'Aha Halawai	\$1,512.00	03/05/24	\$224.65
02/06/24	Ko'olau Hui'ia	Spring 'Aha Halawai	\$1,025.00	03/02/24	none
02/13/24	Laupahoehoe	Aha O Na Kahu / Spring 'Aha Halawai	\$2,025.00	03/14/24	none
02/11/24	Hauoli Kamana'o	Aha O Na Kahu	\$600.00	03/04/24	none
02/13/24	Kona Lanakila	Spring 'Aha Halawai	\$392.00	02/28/24	none
02/13/24	Kona Lanakila	Aha O Na Kahu	\$480.00	02/28/24	none

03/14/24	Hau'ula Kahuku	E Hele Kakou i ka Lawai'a	\$3,950.00	Due 04/21/24	
03/21/24	Hauoli Kamana'o	E Hele Kakou i ka Lawai'a	\$750.00	04/21/24	none
TOTAL			\$24,534.26		\$811.29

FY 2023-2024 Budget (07/01/23 to 06/30/24)	\$40,000.00
NLHE Grants Awarded	\$24,534.26
Returned Unused Funds	\$ 811.29
Balance as of March 31, 2024	\$16,277.03

Program Committee Members - Submitted by Kalei Arinaga 04/30/24

<p>Kalei Arinaga, Chair/Kaua'i c/o 2022 arinagakalei@gmail.com</p> <p>VACANT - Youth Rep</p> <p>Rennie Mau, O'ahu Rep c/o 2025 kahumau@gmail.com</p> <p>Joyclynn Costa, Maui Rep c/o 2025 jkalai.kauihou@gmail.com</p>	<p>Angie Warren, CE Rep. Appointed c/o 2024 angiewarren.hi@gmail.com</p> <p>Brian Welsh, Luna Ho'omalua, kahubrian@gmail.com</p> <p>Kaimi Kaupiko, West Hawaii Rep c/o 2024 Kkaupiko@gmail.com</p>
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2024 Aha Na Kai Ewalu

June 13, 2024

Committee Members: Chairperson, L. Alaka‘i Paleka, West Hawaii, Pualani Muraki, East Hawaii, Ron Fujiyoshi, Oahu, Sandy Kaina, At Large, Russell Paio, Ex-Officio: Papa Makua Wendell Davis, Puukū, Kerisa Carmelo

Leviticus 27:30- A tithe of everything from the land, whether grain from the soil or fruit from the trees, belongs to the Lord, it is holy to the Lord.

Generations Investment Services Inc.

1/31/24-3/31/24

Hua Mua Fund Account Summary

Beginning Balance	\$ 450,892.06
Unrealized gains (losses)	\$ 16,285.31
Ending Balance	\$ 467,177.37
Money Market Fund	\$ 134,266.25
Equity Fund	\$ 210,492.35
Bond Fund	\$ 122,418.77
Total Investment Holdings	\$467,177.37

New checking account opened at First Hawaiian Bank on 10/23/23, Balance as of 11/30/23 is \$628.50.

***CELEBRATE Hua Mua in the months with 5 Sundays in 2024
June, September, and December***

**Please make checks payable to AHEC Hua Mua
Mail to PO Box 1872, Kailua Kona, HI, 96745**

Respectfully Submitted,

L. Alaka'i Paleka

L. Alaka'i Paleka, Chairperson

Association of Hawaiian Evangelical Churches Nomination Committee Report for the 2024 Na Kai Ewalu Business Meeting

The AHEC Nomination Committee Chair, Mama Kahu Karen Welsh, called her committee together via Zoom to discuss proper protocol and bylaw deadlines concerning the slate of nominees to be presented at the June 13, 2024, Aha Na Kai Ewalu Business Meeting at Kawaiaha'o Church on Oahu.

After determining the proper path, creating an up-to-date nomination form, and each nomination committee member taking up the task to call people across the association to prayerfully consider serving or to provide names of people of interest. The Nomination Committee Chair also followed up with sending out the Nomination Form and a letter to all AHEC Members through Papa Makua Wendell Davis. The deadline for submitting nomination forms was noon on Sunday, May 12, 2024. The nomination committee has kept in close contact through message texts, phone calls, and e-mails throughout the process and were in agreement of the three qualified nominees who came forward and are willing to serve (see below), One position is still open for the Kauai COM and we will receive nominations from the floor for that position. If you are nominating someone, make sure you have their form (as a bio of reference) filled out and bring it with you. Also, make sure you have their permission to run for that office.

As a result of our prayer, diligence, faith, and our members blessed kokua in assisting us, we are pleased to offer the following slate of qualified nominees for vacant positions within AHEC.

They are as follows:

West Hawai'i COM - Kahu Mel Kaupiko (Hauoli Kamana'o Church)

West Hawai'i Representative - Kevin Tadlock (Hauoli Kamana'o Church)

West Maui COM - Michele Pimentel (Keolahou Hawaiian Church)

Kauai COM: No forms were turned in by the deadline, so nominations will be taken from the floor.

As per the bylaws, the 2024-2026 Nomination Slate was sent to all members 30 days prior to the upcoming business meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen Welsh
Nomination Committee Chair

Committee Members:
Mama Kahu Angie Warren
Kahu Linda Kamai Kaaihue

AHEC Oahu-Isle Churches Report
January to April 2024
Prepared by Myrna-Lyn D. Abang
AHEC Oahu-Isle Representative

Ewa Community Church

Kahu Rennie Mau

Through April 2024

Included are activities and ministries here at Ewa Community Church

Luau Church ECC facilitates once per month, usually on the third Sunday of each month. January 14, February 16, March 17, and April 21. Potluck dishes are shared, games are played, talent (hula/music) is shared, there is talk story. There is no sermon. 4/21 Lau Church welcomed Mama Kahu Linda Mau, in from Seattle, WA

Installation Services ECC had representatives attended two installation services (Rev. Brianna Lloyd, Rev. Heather Barfield; missed the installation of Rev. Rashan due to inclement weather).

Palm Sunday ECC was blessed production presented by the PAAAM Children's Music and Arts Camp (3/23,24,25) and the students of Ewa Plains Enrichment Preschool. A filling potluck was shared by all following the Palm Sunday service.

Maundy Thursday Culminating the Bible Study, Meeting Jesus at the Table, ECC held it Maundy Thursday in the sanctuary, around the table and feasting on Jook and stories. ECC welcomed back to church ohana Jesse and Rosita Garcia and their ohana. Jesse provided music.

Easter Egg Hunt. A gathering for Easter and children was facilitated on Good Friday evening, hosted by Kaealani's Hula Ohana.

Easter Sunday ECC discontinued its Easter Sunrise Service in 2023. ECC maintained its Easter Breakfast at 8:30AM with the worship now beginning at 10:00AM. It was discussed that if the sunrise service remains discontinued, then breakfast will become a brunch and with food service to begin after the 10:00A< worship service.

Holy Humor Sunday ECC and its Ohana celebrated the joke on the devil.

AHEC ECC sent two voting delegates, along with Kahu Rennie and AHEC Oahu-Isle Church representatives to the February Halawai in Kalapana-Mauna Kea Church on the Big Island.

PAAM Convocation Hula Ola I Ka Wai will be using the space at ECC to teach and learn the choreography on 5/5 and 5/19, 3:00PM to 4:30PM to be presented at the Aha Mele on Friday, June 21, 6:30PM

Community ECC held its 1st Quarter Baked Goods, Plant and White Elephant Yard Sale on March 23. ECC participated at the Ewa Villages Historical Society's first community gathering on April 6.

Wedding performed on April 27. Memorial Service: May 3.

Respectfully submitted,
Myrna-Lyn D. Abang

Ka Hana O Ke Akua

Wai'anae/O'ahu
Kahu Brianna Lloyd

Below is a brief report of the ministry and concerns of Ka Hana O Ke Akua:

- KHOKA continues to offer a small thrift store and food shelf during open hours on Sunday. It also continues its Food Outreach ministry, which distributes about 80-100 meals monthly to communities in Makaha and around Pokai Bay in Wai'anae.
- The church also continues its online ministry, sharing its Sunday services on YouTube. Weekly views average around 20
- A representative of KHOKA attended both the AHEC 'Aha Hālāwai in October 2023 and the O'ahu Association 'Aha Mokupuni in November 2023.
- In December, members of KHOKA participated in the Wai'anae Christmas Parade; we also revived a Blue Christmas service, which was halted by the pandemic.
- On January 27th, 2024, KHOKA's new kahu was installed by Papa Makua Wendell Davis, representing AHEC.
- KHOKA completed and submitted its EPA compliance questionnaire for the cesspool audit initiated by the Hawai'i Conference.
- We have welcomed 2 new 'ohana as church members and baptized 6 members of these 'ohana in February and March 2024.
- A six-week 'Olēlo Hawai'i course was offered February-March 2024 by one of our church members, with attendance between 5-10 church and community members

Respectfully submitted,
Kahu Brianna Lloyd

Kahikuonalani Church

Pastor Rick Hirakawa

Moderator David Wong

Delegates: Joanne Kishimori and David Wong

Worship Service: 9:00am on Sundays in person and service video sent to YouTube

Programs, Events, Meetings, Projects:

- February 25 – Annual Scout Sunday with Boy Scout Troop 75 and Cub Scout Pack 75. They attended the service and took part by bringing in their flags. For the first time since the pandemic, we had lunch with them. We also celebrated with the scouts our 190th anniversary of our founding in 1834 with a huge birthday cake.
- April 6, 2024 – Safety workshop with Danny Tengan, who presented a slide show of what to do when an intruder invades the facilities. He also presented other helpful safety tips as well.
- David Wong, our moderator invited other users/renters of our facilities to this presentation as well.

Life Celebrations:

- Laura May Hashimoto – DOD – April 18, 2024

Kawaiaha'o Church

Kahu Kenneth Makuakāne

Board of Trustee, Chair: Suzanne Boatman

Delegates to AHEC: Brickwood Galuteria, Josann Jenks, Kaiulani Hess and Lehua Galuteria

Worship - God is Spirit, and they who worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth. John 4:24

- Sunday, 9:30am, in person and live stream on YouTube Kawaiaha'o Church TV.
- Observed and Celebrated Lent, Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Resurrection Sunday.
- Kawaiaha'o Church School Chapel Services are held the fourth Wednesday each month in the Kawaiaha'o Church Sanctuary. Family, friends, students, teachers, and staff attend.
- Light and Salvation Church led by Pastor Shin Oh's Sunday services and fellowship are held for our community neighbors, from 8:30-10:30am. A worship service is held in our church gym and a meal is served after the service.
- Pastor James Hahm from Good News Hawai'i Church bible study is held in our Pauahi Room from 11:00am-1:00pm each Sunday.
- Kawaiaha'o Church hosts a monthly morning devotion with the Kawaiaha'o Plaza staff of Kamehameha Schools 8:30-9:00am. These gatherings can be viewed on our Kawaiaha'o Church TV channel.

- Sunday Bible Study, in person for Kane and Wahine are held after Sunday worship services.
- Bible Study Fellowship Groups are held throughout the week via Zoom.
- Sunday School begins in the Sunday worship service at 9:30am and continue in CE classes after the youth scripture reading during the worship service. Thanks be to God for the children who come and the teachers who are committed each Sunday to teach and serve. Praise the Lord!
- CE Sundays will commence on the 5th Sunday of each month beginning on October 29th
- Olelo Hawaii Baibala Study and Fellowship after the Sunday Worship service, in the Pauahi Room began Sunday, April 21st

Programs, Events, Meetings, Projects. Matthew 19:26; Mark 10:27

- Kawaiaha'o Church Membership Class with follow-up sessions with the Director of the Pastoral Care Mission Pillar.
- After Sunday worship service: Sunday Welcome table at the front steps of the church with members handing out information, membership applications in welcoming visitors and new and old friends.
- Host community free concerts.
- Kawaiaha'o Church historical self-guided, audio-walking tour. Scan QR codes placed throughout campus, download, play from smartphone.
- Host HYOOC Concerts with a 100+ youth choir free for family, friends, and community. Announcements throughout the year.
- Na Makamae O Kawaiaha'o "Treasures of Kawaiaha'o", the work of digitizing archival records with a team of supportive workers.
- Wednesday Pickle Ball for the community in the gymnasium, 5-8pm.
- Board of Trustees meeting, third Wednesday of each month.
- Membership Meeting, Sunday, April 28, 2024, 10:45 am, in the sanctuary.
- Host Ali'i Sundays, in honoring Ke Akua through our Lord Jesus.
- Minor repairs in the school kitchen are being completed.
- Roof, gutter, and Bell Tower repairs being done.
- AHEC Na Kai Ewalu, Thursday, July 13, 2024, from 8:00am-3:00pm, at Kawaiaha'o Church
- Aha Mele/Aha Hula, Friday, July 21, 2024, from 6:00pm-9:45pm, at Kawaiaha'o Church with PAMM Convocation participants and churches, HCUCC churches and choirs.

Life Celebrations:

- Peter Galuteria December 3, 2023
- Kaipo Akaka April 22, 2023

Respectfully Submitted by: Ka'iulani Hess

Lili'uokalani Protestant Church

Kahu/Pastor: Guest Ministers

Moderator: John Hirota

Church Delegate: Laurie H. Kauleinamoku

Worship Services Sunday, 10:00 a.m. in-person only

Guest Ministers:

- 11 Feb 2024 Kahu D. Neal MacPherson
- 18 Feb 2024 Kahu D. Neal MacPherson
- 25 Feb 2024 Kahu Manu Naeole and the Kamehameha Deputation Team followed by Aloha hour
- 03 Mar 2024 Kahu Alpha Goto
- 10 Mar 2024 Kahu Kordell Kekoa
- 17 Mar 2024 Kahu David Popham
- 24 Mar 2024 Kahu Wallace Kuroiwa
- 31 Mar 2024-28 Apr 2024 Kahu Alpha Goto

Programs, Events, Meetings, Projects:

- 12 Feb 2024 LPC Council Meeting
- 16 Feb 2024-17 Feb 2024 AHEC Spring Aha Halawai hosted by Kalapana Maunakea First Hawaiian Congregational Church
- 03 Mar 2024 LPC General Membership meeting after worship service
- 10 Mar 2024 Installation of Kahu Heather Barfield at Kaumakapili Church at 4:00 p.m.
- 18 Mar 2024 LPC Council meeting at 10:00 a.m. cancelled
- 31 Mar 2024 Easter Sunday and blessing of our new bibles
- 04 Apr 2024 Funeral services for Emily (Cipriano) Chun (member) at LPC
- 06 Apr 2024 Funeral services for Douglas Gilman (member) at LPC
- 20 Apr 2024 LPC Spring Kalua Pig Fundraiser
- 20 Apr 2024 OCHCC annual meeting hosted by Kalihi and Moana Church
- 27 Apr 2024 SCHCC meeting via zoom

Life Celebrations:

Name of member and date of death/life celebration/baptism/new membership

- 11 Jan 1935-22 Jan 2024 Vanderlyn (Enoka) Anana (member) (89 years old)
- 08 Aug 1930-02 Feb 2024 Douglas Needles Gilman Sr. (member) (93 years old)
- 20 Oct 1944-11 Feb 2024 Gertrude Ann (Hirota) Cabacungan (non-member) (79 years old)
- 11 May 1962-24 Feb 2024 Brian Ho`okala (non-member) (61 years old)
- 28 Aug 1929-09 Mar 2024 Emily (Cipriano) Chun (member) (94 years old)

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie H. Kauleinamoku



Association of Hawaiian Evangelical Churches

Kaua'i Island Representative Report for the 2024 Na Kai Ewalu Business Meeting

²⁰ Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, ²¹ to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen. (Ephesians 3: 20 - 21)

It was a blessed year for Ko'olauhui'ia Church and for all of us to have recovered somewhat from COVID. I was honored to serve as our Moderator but was not sure what the job would entail as I had helped Aunt Marie and Aunt Essie in the past. I prayed hard and asked a lot of questions. It turned out to be a learning experience as we (The Board) are young at heart and with new ideas. I am grateful for all who have helped giving advice and assistance, especially Uncle Pee Wee. I would like to summarize below on where we are and where we need to go, but it will take the whole village to move Ko'olauhui'ia Church forward.

Announcements & News:

We are still ZOOMING after all these years along with our traditional worship service as requested by those who attend from off-island. We are grateful for the 10-15 faithful servants who show up regularly to church on Sundays to listen to God's word.

Membership:

We are always looking for tips on growing our church membership. Several suggestions were brought up such as a monthly newsletter, creating a website and providing service to our community of Anahola. We will definitely be looking at these suggestions and looking at volunteers to help us.

Board of Directors:

We continue to work on a few things that need to be looked at, such as revisiting our bylaws, creating a phone tree, and most important repairing our church and parsonage. Repairs are needed as we continue to seek grants that will help us.

Visiting Kahu and Speakers:

We continue to have visiting kahu and speakers who commit themselves to Ko'olauhui'ia Church and who share their mana'o. As the congregation decided years ago, the decision was made not to find another minister. This meant that the church had

to find speakers to fill our pulpit every Sunday. The membership agreed that both ordained and lay speakers were welcomed. Thank the Lord there were many who were more than willing to come and help. We also had people from our own congregation that helped. Mahalo Ke Akua! We are blessed to have all of them willingly come to speak to and share their mana'o with us.

They are:

Kahu Kordell C. L. Kekoa of O'ahu

Kahu Robert Smith of Kaua'i

Speaker Kauanoe Hoomanawanui of Kaua'i

Speaker Linda Ka'auwai-Iwamoto of Kauai

Speakers Yossi and Ku'uleialoha Johnson of Kauai

Speaker Rae Nam of Kaua'i

Deacons

Mahalo to our deacons who help to keep our church special every Sunday. Our lay reader does an exceptional job! Mahalo Kalei! Special thanks to our deacons for visiting the sick and taking Communion to the homebound. So much ALOHA!

Prayers

We continue to lift up our members and our community with prayers as many are faced with daily challenges such as homelessness and illnesses. We continue to ask Ke Akua to give them the strength and courage they need to face whatever challenges they may be facing and help them to find hope and joy in the midst of their struggles.

Aloha kekahi i ke kekahi - Love One Another

As we continue to embrace our Hawaiian identity, language, and culture, we openly invite and welcome others into our faith community; nurture all with God's unconditional love; and reach out into the broader community, as we remind each other to share their aloha unconditionally and love one another.

We continue to participate with our Kaua'i Association of island churches at association meetings and at aha mele where we come together and fellowship.

Mahalo to our members who faithfully take care of the children and teach them Bible stories. Such a blessing! Also, to the angels who work hard to keep our lawn and cemetery looking really good!

Mahalo to all of for the dedication and service to our church: to the officers who operate behind the scenes; to the deacons; the lay readers, the Board, Committee Chairs, those who attend our church and to our speakers who commit themselves weekly.

We pray that the Good Lord will continue to bless us with his presence, and we thank him for his blessings. Mahalo Ke Akua for providing all that we need: pastors to share their mana'o, dedicated leaders, 'ohana, friends, members and deacons who generously give their time to support our community and church.

Ke Akua Pu,

Althea Kalei Arinaga

Kaua'i Island Representative

**Association of Hawaiian Evangelical Churches
East Maui Report for the 2024 Na Kai Ewalu Business Meeting**

Aloha Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The good Lord brings us together once more. Happy is he who comes to his table.

Even through tragedy has happened on Maui it is our faith in the love of our Lord that will see us through. On August 8th Kula experienced a devastating fire. As the alarm was sounded and the help raced up the slopes of Haleakala, the vantage point gave everyone a sinking feeling as the glow of Lahaina could be seen. For the most part all we could do besides watch is pray. We continue to pray and provide for those who are searching for answers. Churches of all denominations opened their doors to bring in the weary and downhearted. Today as government struggled to figure things out, the people of Maui stepped forward.

Paia Hawaiian Protestant Church continues to serve it's community with service at 11:00 a.m. every Sunday. Kahu Roy Newton brings to light a message that is not only enlightening but applicable to both you and I in present-day living. He charges each of us to be Kahu in our community. Easter Sunrise service was at 5:30 a.m. followed by a prime rib brunch. Most recently, as seen in the Coconut Wireless, they hosted Kamehameha Deputation Team. The testimonies that came from the Intermediate campus brought our makua and kupuna to their knees, one person reported that had attended. God bless our young adults as they find their most comfort from our Lord. Also, mahalo for the kumu and Kahu that guide and mentor them.

Kalanikahua Hou Church committed to join in the Sunrise Resurrection Service this year at Paia Hawaiian Protestant Church. What better way to rejoice that He has risen than with others in Christ. Kahu Aarona was able to then take the early journey into Nahiku Hawaiian Church to praise and worship with his member church. Kalanikahua Hou Church has dedicated much of its time these past few months fundraising to secure funding for our youth ministry. The Pua`a ohana has found its calling and role within the church to dedicate each Sunday for youth ministry. We have decided this year to participate as CE members to travel to Western Samoa. Our fundraising was done so anyone desiring to go can be fulfilled without hesitation or worry about cost. Our goal is \$24,000.00 of which we are at approximately \$20,000.00 so far.

Keanae Congregational Church is still recovering from a storm that took down its steeple. Renovation is well on its way, and lots have already been completed. The community has become robust as the younger generation and their young children have returned to live and thrive in their families kuleana.

Kaulanapueo Church is in the process of renovating as well. Since the passing of aunty Janet Akau, the walls had gone silent. Nan, auntie's daughter is looking to revitalize the church again. Please keep them in your prayers.

Nahiku Hawaiian Church continues to be served by Kahu Aarona every first Sunday. Though the road is long and sometimes not easy with traffic and landslides, Kahu Aarona wakes at his home in Kula to take that journey.

Blessings,

Joyclynn Costa

East Maui Representative

ASSOCIATION OF HAWAIIAN EVANGELICAL CHURCHES
EAST HAWAII CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES
Report

1 Corinthians 15:55-57

“Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?” The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Haili Congregational Church & Kuhio Chapel - Below are the Wednesday's bible lessons 2024 and months of January February, and March.

1/10/24 Jehoshaphat the influenced king. 1King 22:41-50

Attendance: Staff 3 and students 13

1/17/24 & 1/24/24 Jesus taught disciples how to prayer. Luke 11:1

Attendance: 1/17 Staff 3 and 13 students, 1/24 staff 3 and 13 students, **1/31 Rain No Bible Release Time,**

2/7/24 & 2/14/24 Recycle, refresh lessons Acronym for PRAY-(P) Praise God, (R) Repent, (A) Ask God, (Y) Yield

Bible verse: John 3:16 For God so love the world that he gave his only begotten son for whosoever believe in

On Wednesday February 14 Papa Makua Wendell Davis visited Kuhio Early Bible Release Time and share 30 minutes bible lesson on prayer using visual pictures, object pu'u and ohe ihu, singing and dancing group participation.

2/21/24 We pray to God. Mark 1:29-39 (grade 1st-2nd do color worksheet, grade 3rd-5th color worksheet. Activity: 3rd grade up only: Beads charms. Attend: staff 3 & 13 students

2/28/24 Jesus gives us the comforter. John 14:1-26 (grade 1st-2nd do unscramble worksheet, grade 3rd-5th cross word puzzle. Activity: 3rd grade up: Beads charms. Attend: staff 3 & 13 students.

03/6/24 Jesus cleans the temple. John 2:13-16 (grade 1st-2nd do unscramble worksheet, grade 3rd-5th cross word puzzle worksheet. Activity: 3rd grade up: Beads charms. Attend: staff 3 & 14 students.

3/13/24 The power of God's love. John 12: 28-33 (grade 1st-2nd do unscramble worksheet, grade 3rd-5th multiple choice worksheet. Activity: 3rd grade up: Beads charms. Attend: staff 3 & 15 students.

3/27/24 "A joyful celebration- Praising Jesus on Palm Sunday" Mark 11:1-11 (grade 1st- 2nd do color & decode worksheet, grade 3rd-5th cross word & word search work sheet.

Kuhio Release Time children and staff like to express appreciation to Bruce and Lianne Kekuewa generous gift of supplies like clip boards, writing tools and rulers. On Thursday February 15, 2024, AHEC Committee of Ministry donated healthy snacks and we would like to thank all anonymous contribution. Mahalo and aloha.

- **Kalapana Maunakea Congregational Church** – Kahu Mike leads service every Sunday and in between still without pay, he continues to service our community as God wills it, KMKC hosted the 2024 Spring Halawai, they will hold they're Hoike on July 6th, invitations will be sent shortly, due to other churches didn't do their septic when advised yrs ago therefore KMKC was denied any grants to maintain with fumigation, KMKC was also denied install of railings by HCF, however, J.Costa went to bat for KMKC and now they will reconsider the install of railings. The Lord continues to bless and keep them and they are thankful for His blessings and sings His praises as they worship. They know that life is full of challenges but with Christ's love they find strength.

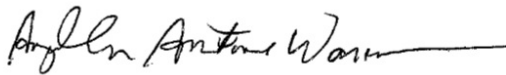
- **Laupahoehoe Congregational Church** Below are the activities Laupahoehoe Congregational Church has been involved in since our last report submitted on February 3, 2024.
 - 2-14/15, attended the Aha O Na Kahu training at Kuhio Chapel
 - 2-16/17, attended the Spring Aha Halawai at Kalapana Maunakea Church
 - 2-18, community food distribution of donated lettuce
 - 3-2, community food distribution of sixty packages of apples
 - 3-3, community food distribution of donated lettuce, tomatoes, and cucumbers
 - 3-9, attended the Haili Church Aha Mele & Hoike
 - 3-10, community food distribution of donated lettuce
 - 3-17, community food distribution of donated lettuce, tomatoes, and cucumbers

We meet every Sunday with Christian Endeavor at 9:30 am, Sunday School at 10, followed by Worship Service at 11 then our potluck lunch in our social hall. We continue to plan and attend functions to engage our community, mahalo ke Akua.

- **Olaa First Hawaiian Church** – 2024 Hoike date in discussion, before service members gather for devotional time, 4th Sunday of the month they do a feeding at the park, and Kahu Ron Fujiyoshi represented Ola’a church at the Aha Halawai’s.

I ko kākou ‘ākoakoa ‘ana, e no’ono’o kākou i nā mana’o o kekahi. E lokomaika’i, E ha’aha’a, a e ho’omana’o e hana me ke aloha.

I ke aloha o Iesu Cristo,



Angie Warren
 East Hawaii Representative
 Association of Hawaiian Evangelical Churches

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2024 Na Kai Ewalu Business Meeting
West Hawaii AHEC Report
Kahu Charles Kaupiko

Hauoli Kamaano Church:

- CE youth camp at Milolii Beach park March 15th-18th "Fruit of the Spirit."
- Youth Sunday at 9:30am!
- First Sunday of month Holy Communion also Rosaline Ioane brings message every last Sunday of month.
- Marc Paio youth leader brings encouragements some Sundays!
- Kahu Melveen Kaupiko and Kevin Tadlock brings praise and worship and sometimes Rose Paio, the children, and Rosaline!
- Please keep them in your prayer!

Lanakila Congregational Church:

- Kahu Sam accepted a part-time position at First United Protestant Church.
- Wednesday bible study nights!
- Church choir provides service at life care center.
- Kahu John Leoug and Kahu Curtis Kahale share pulpit with Kahu Charlene.
- Please keep them in your prayer!

Healani Congregational Church:

- Pastor Mikey with Kona youth ministry been attending Healani Sunday services.
- Roy Ibarra has been overseeing and conduct for hale pule ohanas
- Church service at 10:00am and reiki service at 10:30am.
- Please keep them in your prayer!

The Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it.
Genesis 2:15 NIV

"Kukulu Ke Aupuni Kahua", "Building The Kingdom Foundation"
Kahu Charles Kaupiko



**2024 NĀ KAI `EWALU ANNUAL MEETING
STATE SUNDAY SCHOOL ASSOCIATION
PRESIDENT'S REPORT
JUNE 13, 2024**

³ Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, ⁴ not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others.⁵ In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus: Philippians 2:3-5

Aloha Kākou!

The Lord admonishes us that we should not think of ourselves but instead be humble and put others first above ourselves. Living here in Hawaii many of us come from big 'Ohana and when you come from a big family you learn young that you put the younger first. Or, you put the kūpuna first. No matter what others go before you. Christ gave his life for us. So let us lean on his righteousness and love. Think like Jesus reach out and share God's love...because YOU are loved.

Through this past year, we began at Kaneohe Congregational Church and were welcomed by our brothers and sisters and we made new friends and renewed acquaintances. Our worship was blessed. Then, 2023 Fall `Aha Halawai at Miloli`i was wonderful. All the churches that attended and participated in our meeting were welcomed with joy and aloha. The Hō`ike shared reminded us that God is Good All the time and ALL the time God is Good. The seeds of aloha sown by our kupuna is prevalent in Miloli`i and in all our Hawaiian Churches. It grows ever more in hearts and deeds as that aloha is shared. Next, we fellowshipped at. Our 2024 Aha Halawai at Kalapana Mauakea Church where enjoyed the musical styling of our Kahu who played together and just brought the spirit into our midsts. Our Hō`ike, like our churches, have been so blessed by ke Akua.


Where do we first learn these lessons of aloha... in Sunday School and the aloha continues today. Each of our East Hawaii Churches continue to meet for Ho`ike in their chosen month. 2 celebrated their 200 year Anniversay (Kalapana Mauakea & Laupahoehoe) and one more will celebrate this month (Haili Christian). Our Oahu Sunday Schools gather 2 times a year for a Spring and a Fall Sunday School Hō`ike. They have wonderful Hō`ike with so many churches joining. What is important, is that God's word continues to be taught at our churches and our voices ring with praise. Amen.

State Sunday School and East Hawaii Sunday School partner in support of the Bible Release program which is growing in numbers every month. There are 15 children grades k-6 who attend faithfully. The students walk from Keaukaha Elementary to Kūhio Chapel every Wednesday.

Also we pray. That we see some of the quilts who'e idea stirred and rose. What a wonderful way to tell each of our individual church's stories through a quilt that binds us together. Hope we see yours and we can celebrate each other. Yes Lord bind uus together.

We look forward to our time together with all bringing forth the good that is within each of hearts hearts. The love of God dwells there. Love can overcome fear and hurt. Our God is a good God and lHe reminded us to love thy neighbor as thyself....and JOY! Be blessed.

Mahalo i Ke Akua



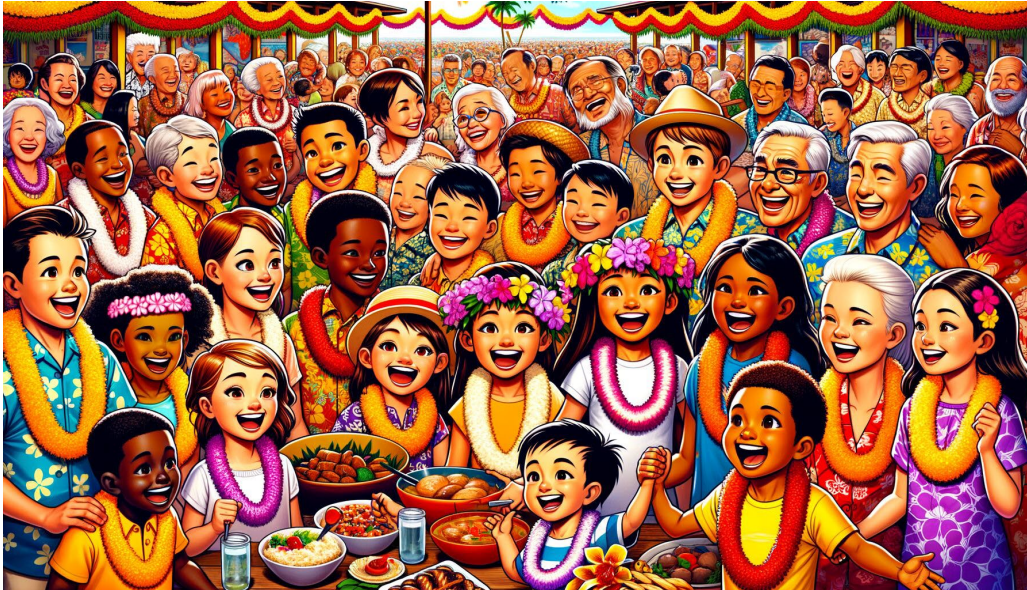
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State Sunday School Association President

Hawaii PAAM Report

Kahu Rennie Mau, Moderator

May 6, 2024



PAAM Convocation 2024 “Ola I Ka Wai” (Water is Life)

Hawaii PAAM will be hosting the national PAAM Convocation in 2024 at the Church of the Crossroads in Honolulu. The dates are set for June 18 - 22, 2024 after the Pasifika Arts Festival. National UCC officers and representatives from various UCC entities will be in Hawaii including representatives from the six regions of PAAM (East Coast, Mid-West, Southern California/Nevada, Northern California, Pacific Northwest, and Hawaii). All AHEC members are encouraged to attend and get to know our Pacific and Asian brothers and sisters. Guest speakers: Rev. James Bhagwan, Executive Director - Pacific Conference of Churches, Rev. Karen Georgia Thompson - UCC President, Derek Duncan - Global Ministries, and more. Special workshops including introduction to the new Manual on Church. AHA MELE honoring the late Juliette Galuteria at Kawaiahao Church on Jun 21st. Includes joint choirs and joint hula ministries. The last time Hawaii PAAM hosted the convocation was in 2008. Costs are \$ 150 for adults and \$ 100 for youth (5th - 12th grade).

PAAM Convocation 2024 link with audio. You can download and print.

Click to turn pages on bottom right. Flier version 6.0

<https://heyzine.com/flip-book/f9a145af7a.html>

Registration link: PAAM Registration

<https://paamucc.org/2024-convocation-registration/>

PAAM Sunday video with Kahu Rennie Mau and Rev. Dennis Alger

Understanding PAAM and its link to AHEC.

https://youtu.be/LsfiM_-8sYc

PAAM Aha Mele

Friday, June 21st at 6:30PM at Kawaiahao Church. Churches and ministries are invited to sing and dance. Registration required to pace groups and song selections. Contact Josann Jenks for registration! Email: josannjenks@gmail.com

Small Churches who “Rent” Liability Insurance

Hawaii PAAM has located an insurance broker in Hawaii who has affordable rent insurance for our small Micronesian Churches. They have 87 church clients with various denominations in Hawaii and we have checked their references. Excited that we have found a broker.

New “Free” Interactive APP for Hawaii PAAM:

Geneva App - <https://geneva.com/>

Kahu Mau will host a webinar soon for those interested on how to use these free and powerful apps. Please send me an email to register: kahumau@gmail.com

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Pacific Justice and Reconciliation

A Report to the AHEC by Dr. Kahu Kaleo Patterson

Dear Members and Friends,

Thank you for your continued prayers and support for my health and wellness. It will be two years since my cancer surgery in June. I continue to have negative signs of cancer in my colon and elsewhere in my MRI, CTScan, and blood test. I praise God the healer every day and am grateful for all the branches of the true vine that we are together.

It has been very busy with the work on Oahu, with St. Stephen's, and Prison Ministries, and COFO (Central Oahu and Urban Honolulu) Food Outreach and Food Security Collaborative)

COFO, is primarily a food outreach collaborative with a food security education and advocacy component, has expanded quite a bit since the pandemic, and continuation is based in part not only on needs of families, but also as an effort to develop disaster preparedness systems. We have ten sites or programs operating every month distributing food for about 50,000 meals. Please pray for this developing effort, and please consider becoming a partner and co-sponsor. As this is a collaboration of churches and organizations it would be great to have AHEC play a supporting role in some capacity. I am reaching out now to our AHEC partners on Oahu and our sister Oahu Association. Please pray about this. PJRC has played a major role in this project.

Prison Ministries continues to evolve, the prison system has been slow to reform itself, so we must continue to initiate reform efforts and incentive the system through our prayers, witness, and actions. Last year we started a Kapa Komo Reentry Clothing project for the hundreds of men and women exiting Halawa and OCCC, with no reentry clothing assistance. At both Halawa and OCCC those in reentry who cannot afford to purchase clothes or have no family support, exit with paper overalls, HAZMAT suits. Last year we began to collect new and used T Shirts and Shorts, and these are packaged now every two months on a scheduled reentry workday at Kaumakapili Church. The packaged clothing sets, about 60-70 sets, are delivered to Halawa Intake Services for storage and use. This is a good project that involves churches and community and engagement with the prison system. Please pray and continue to support this work. Many of the paahao are kanaka maoli so it is important to have involvement in prison ministries. Mahalo for all your support and prayers over the years. I want to especially express much mahalo and aloha to the ohana of Haili Church that has supported our work without fail with fervent prayers and funds for many years.

APOLOGY AND RECONCILIATION

Also please pray for the United Methodist Church for supporting unanimously an Apology Resolution this week in Charlotte, North Carolina. This was an outstanding effort that began with the Hawaii District Acts of Repentance Task Force of which myself and Dr. Haaheo as (PJRC-AHEC) are members. Now a new work in reconciliation begins with the United Methodist and Hawaii.

<https://www.umnews.org/en/news/apology-okd-for-church-role-in-hawaiian-history>

Apology OK'd for church role in Hawaiian history!

By Sam Hodges April 29, 2024, | CHARLOTTE, NC. (UMNews)

The United Methodist General Conference, meeting in Charlotte, N.C., has approved a formal apology for the denomination's complicity in the 1893 overthrow of Queen Lili'uokalani's monarchy in the Hawaiian Islands. Photo courtesy of the Hawaii District Acts of Repentance Task Force.

Key Points:

- General Conference approved issuing a formal apology for the denomination's role in the 1893 overthrow of the Hawaiian monarchy.
- A task force of the California-Pacific Conference will work with the United Methodist Commission on Religion and Race on the official apology.
- United Methodists in Hawaii cheered General Conference's action, which came on April 29, as part of the consent calendar.

Hawaiian United Methodists are cheering the decision by General Conference to approve a formal apology for the denomination's role in the overthrow of the 1893 Hawaiian monarchy.

"I am ecstatic, just thrilled after so many years of waiting for this to finally happen," said the Rev. Amy Wake, pastor of Trinity United Methodist Church in Pearl City, Hawaii. "It means we can go back to (Native) Hawaiians and tell them The United Methodist Church has heard you and The United Methodist Church is with you."

The apology petition was supported overwhelmingly in committee and gained final approval during plenary on April 29, as part of the consent calendar.

Kamehameha Schools AHEC ‘Aha Nā Kai ‘Ewalu Report

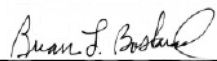
Mahalo iā ‘oukou no kou mau hana ‘ana no ko kākou ka Haku aloha. Na Iehova e ho‘omaika‘i mau iā ‘oukou. Kamehameha School’s spiritual theme for this school year was inspired by 1 John 4:19, “we love because God first loved us”. The spiritual theme is aloha mua mai ke Akua, e aloha aku kākou. God first loved so then we shall love. This year has been a joy to continue to minister to our students on all of our campuses to instill in them the bedrock reminder that God loves us all. We have been fortunate and blessed to share God’s love with some of our sister churches throughout the islands. Below is a list of church visits our deputation team students completed in 2024. The bold names are churches belonging to the Association of Hawaiian Evangelical Churches.

Hale Pule	Date	Visiting Campus
1. Kaumakapili Church	January 28, 2024	Kamehameha Kapālāma
2. Lili‘uokalani Protestant Church	February 25, 2024	Kamehameha Kapālāma
3. Haili Church	March 10, 2024	Kamehameha Kea‘au
4. Kawaiaha‘o Church*	April 14, 2024	Kamehameha Kapālāma
5. Haili Church	April 14, 2024	Kamehameha Kea‘au
6. ‘Ekalesia O Kupaianaha Church, Ho‘omana O Ke Akua Ola	April 14, 2024	Kamehameha Kapālāma
7. Pā‘ia Hawaiian Protestant Church	April 21, 2024	Kamehameha Maui
8. Ka Hana o Ke Akua	May 12, 2024	Kamehameha Kapālāma

*Kahu Nae‘ole visited Kawaiaha‘o Church without the deputation team


Mahalo nui iā ‘oukou for continuing to provide space for our students to grow in their faith and deepen their relationships with Jesus. We appreciate your continued prayers as we pray for each of our sister churches. Our contact information is below, please do not hesitate to call or email if there is a way we can deepen our pilina with AHEC, our partners in ministry. Na Iehova e ho‘omaika‘i mai a e mālāma mai iā ‘oukou.

Iesū Pū,



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THE CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR PLEDGE

Trusting in the Lord Jesus Christ for strength, I **promise** to live for Him boldly and make it the practice of my life to **pray** and **study** God's Word daily, **serve** others freely, **share** my faith openly, **worship** God in my church regularly, and humbly **lead** His cause for my generation.

Summer, 2024

Aloha `Ohana!

Christian Endeavor Hawaii hopes you are healthy, happy, and giving thanks to our Ke Akua daily!

We hope that you have been able to check out the [CE Hawaii Website](#)! Please visit often for information about our upcoming events, membership and scholarship information (and fillable forms), devotions, CE World updates, and our prayer room! If you would like to add or announce anything on our website, please send all inquiries to hawaii.christianendeavor@gmail.com.

Updates from our CE Hawaii Board:

- **CE Hawaii 2024 Spring Camp at Miloli`i: E Hele Kakou i ka Lawai`a -Let's Go Fishing!**
During Spring Break, March 18 - 22, 2024, Christian Endeavor Hawaii sponsored, E Hele Kakou i ka Lawai`a -Let's Go Fishing! (Matthew 4:19) at the beautiful fishing village of Miloli`i on the Big Island of Hawaii. The 90+ youth and leaders experienced intensive study and activities about becoming Fishers of Men. There was a lot of praying, participating in morning and evening devotions, attending CE Hawaii and Hawaiian culture workshops, singing, dancing and praising the Lord in the Christian Endeavor style!
- **The 2024 CE Pacific Regional Convocation** -CE Hawaii currently has a group of about 25 people traveling to American Samoa to represent us at the 2024 Regional Convocation from July 30 - August 4, 2024, at Kanana Fou, American Samoa.
- **Seed Money to Fundraise for the Pacific Regional Convocation Awarded**
CE Hawaii awarded several seed money grants to membership churches to support fundraising to take members to American Samoa for the 2024 Pacific Region Convocation! Mahalo for everyone's hard work!
- **CE Hawaii Scholarships:** We continue to award scholarships to members planning to attend seminary and/or continuing their Christian education in accredited programs.
 - o CE Hawaii scholarships are available to members of CE membership churches for continuing/beginning a seminary education or continuing education in fields related to ministry.
- **Stay tuned for a possible CE Event this Fall 2024!**

Christian Endeavor Hawaii is a resource to suggest/provide resources and help to support your youth.

For more information about resources or our programs, please contact us @:

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For Christ and His Church, Kahu Michael Warren,

CE Hawaii President, and the CE Hawaii Board of Directors

Aloha Ke Akua Ministries
Pu`uhonua O Hawai`i Marae Association

We have begun grading the site of the first Marae Village. We have people and organizations across the islands who want to follow our model. We have 50 acres, and the dream is to create 10 – 5-acre farming villages. Each village will have a Hale Pule like the first church where they ate and fellowshiped together often because they were neighbors. The ALICE (asset limited, income constrained, employed) population are our target group, working families who still cannot make ends meet in Hawai`i, so they can have a permanent home where they can live well. We have videos and information on our website: <https://www.maraevillage.com/>

Aloha Ke Akua,

Kahu Daniel Kikawa, Ph.D.
President



THE HENRY MAUNAKEA CENTER FOR DISCERNMENT AND CHURCH DEVELOPMENT

April 30, 2024

Aloha Association of Hawaiian Evangelical Churches Board of Directors,

The first quarter of the year 2024 has been a time of growth for us. Not only are we growing in our mission but growing in our faith as well. The work we are being called to do seems unfathomable at times. Having partners to see through the journey is encouraging.

We were privileged to have attended the Spring Aha Halawai this past February as a recognized partnership ministry of the Association. The aloha we felt and the reconnection with Hawaiian churches lifted us to drive forward in the work we are doing.

Our goal this year is to have an event that promotes the work of the center every quarter. In the first quarter we affirmed our relationship with AHEC. The second quarter (April-June) we decided to raise money for the Henry Maunakea Scholarship Fund by successfully completing our 1st Annual Kalua Pig Sale. Through the gifts and aloha that were shared, we were able to realize our financial goal of \$1,000.00 for the fund. We are now discussing when the application period will open along with the release of the scholarship criteria.

For the balance of the year, we will be developing courses of study that will result in both a basic and advanced certificate that could be recognized by AHEC as prerequisites to local ordination. It is also our goal to release our second strategy by the end of the year. Our mentorship division will make available a pool of resources to those choosing to discern their call through the offerings of the center. The work of this division coupled with the courses that our education and curriculum division releases will make for a solid foundation for discernment and growth.

There is much work to be done in this arena of local pastoral education. We pray that our partnership with AHEC can be a catalyst by which we see a fresh movement of revitalization of our Hawaiian pastors, leaders, congregations, and thus our beloved churches.

Holomua Me Ka Uhane Hemolele,

Trevor Maunakea

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