



Kona United Methodist Church Newsletter

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The People of the United Methodist Church in Kona

Our Mission - To be a strong United Methodist presence in Kona

Kailua-Kona, Hawaii

Serving West Hawai'i Since 1989

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A message from Rev. Stinson

“Houston, the Eagle has landed!” Your new pastor has finally arrived. Not on July 1st in typical United Methodist fashion, but on August 22nd. Better late than never I always say.

Sometimes we have to compromise, a good principle in most cases. In my case, I had a commitment to finish the semester at the Christian university in Japan where I had been assigned by the General Board of Global Ministries for the past 12 1/2 years. Unfortunately the school year in Japan (April - July, September - March) is out of sync with the pastoral appointment year (July - June) of the United Methodist Church. I thank you all for your patience and am especially grateful for the lay leadership of Kona UMC who filled in during this absence of pastoral leadership.

Now, that's the past. Let's move into the future.

I look forward to listening to all of you during the weeks to come regarding your vision for our church. If we are to move forward, we must move forward together, while at the same time respecting each other's differences. In the words of John Wesley, “In essentials unity: in nonessentials, liberty; and in all things, charity.”

I also look forward to working with you in all the many tasks of ministry - the care of our flock, reaching out to those who do not have a church experience, the care for the poor and those who are in need of the love and mercy of God in their lives, and of course, the TLC of our church facility on Palani Road. I'm sure there are many other tasks that need to be met and I trust you will tell me about them in the months to come.

May the grace of God be with us as we work together in faith to do the will of God in Kona and the world.

Sincerely in Christ's Service,
Pastor Stinson

Please remember to donate
non-perishable food items cash, or check
for the Hawaii Island

Food Basket
September 6, 2009



Parsonage Remodel Results

For more pictures of the remodel of the parsonage go to the web site at <http://www.konaumc.org/links/movies/parsonage/parsonage.mov>



Give Aloha Campaign 2009

It's getting close to the time for the annual Give Aloha campaign through which Foodland directs its charitable giving to the organizations that are important to its customers.

Last year, Kona United Methodist Church members and friends donated \$3,630. The additional amount we received on top of this from Foodland & Western Union was \$670. Let's see if we can exceed that amount for 2009!

REMEMBER OUR CHURCH CODE IS:
77227

The process is as follows:

From September 1-30, donations to Give Aloha participating organizations will be accepted at the checkout stands at all Foodland and Sack N Save stores statewide.

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 Card may request one at checkout. Only one Maika'i Card will be issued per person.

Foodland and the Western Union Foundation will match each donation up to a total of \$325,000 for all organizations combined. If total customer donations exceed \$325,000, the matching gift will be divided proportionately among all participating organizations.

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 or Sack N Save.

The donation amount and name of the organization will appear on the customer's receipt.

Donor names will not be released to organizations. If you wish to receive credit against your annual pledge, please be sure to turn in a copy of your receipt to Bill Jaeger.

If you have any questions about the 2009 Give Aloha Campaign, please see Bill Jaeger, Church Treasurer.

Non-Church User Groups Month of September

Monday 9:00am-Noon Watercolor West Art Class

Monday 6:00-7:30 p. m. Hula Halau

Tuesday 12:00-4:00 p. m. Bridge Club

Thursday 6:00-8:00 p. m. Line Dancing

Saturday 12:00-5:30 p. m. Line Dancing Special
Function

Worship Leadership Responsibilities

!Please arrange for a substitute for yourself if needed, and then notify Kathleen Jaeger of the change!

September 2009

Date	ALTAR(color)	Liturgist	AM MANAGEMENT
6 th	(green) Kathleen Jaeger	Loumaile Hungalau	Mareko/Walton
13 th	(green) Sue Pyun	Tony Aldred	Aldred/Triplett
20 th	(green) Connie Zaun	John Heath	Skibby/Dunlap
27 th	(green) Kathleen Jaeger	Kevin McHugh	McHugh/Uemura

October 2009

Date	ALTAR(color)	Liturgist	AM MANAGEMENT
4 th	(white) Sue Pyun	Sherry Talasinga	Mareko/Walton
11 th	(green) Kathleen Jaeger	Cris Scoufos	Moore/Skibby
18 th	(green) Pat Aldrich	Jim Monk	Monk/Aldred
25 th	(green) Connie Zaun	June Hodgkiss	Triplett/Tapa'atoutai

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HABITAT for HUMANITY

Habitat for Humanity is asking for volunteers in several areas. If one sounds like you can help, please contact them at (808)331-8010.

Special Events Volunteers - Eight people to help with set up and clean up of both the Keahou Triathlon (Sept. 12th am and 13th am) and Ironman (Oct. 8th 7am-5pm & 11th 6am-10am). We help with these events as they donate to our affiliate as well as gives our volunteers an opportunity to build or do something when we are not building.

Booth recruitment - People to sign up for coverage of various booths at retailers. Recruitments will focus on recruitment of build volunteers as well as special event volunteers. Will also place flyers out for any open positions on committees or staffing as well as partner families recruitments. If you are looking for a low key volunteer opportunity this may be it.

ReStore Volunteers - we are always in need of ReStore volunteers M-F 10am-4pm and Saturdays 9am-4pm. Volunteers can help by pricing and selling items and ensuring great customer service to those that come in to our store. An orientations will take place to help volunteers feel comfortable in this role.

Build Volunteers - Our Habitat for Humanity West Hawaii affiliate is looking for qualified Site Supervisors. This is a very part-time position that should be considered for "supplementary income." This is a perfect job for a retired contractor! The position requires that you have experience in running a construction site and know how to read plans. Site Supervisors are responsible for the entire construction of a home from layout to final inspection. Applicants must have a valid Hawaii driver's license, pass a background check and drug screening. Site Supervisors work closely with our volunteers and need to have a positive and amiable personality. Our builds typically last 12- 16 weeks and require the site supervisor to be onsite 1 weekday and also on Saturdays with our volunteers. This is a contracted position that pays \$3,000 after rough inspection and \$3,000 after final inspection. Site Supervisors can expect to build 1-2 homes per year. Please call the office at (808)331-8010 for further inquiries, or e-mail a resume and cover letter to hwrecruiter@gmail.com.



Tongan Congregation News

Regular Tongan Congregation Activities

- 3:00 pm Worship each Sunday
- 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal, Tuesdays
- 7:00 pm Prayer Service, Wednesdays
- 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal, Saturdays

Special Tongan Congregation Activities

- Sept 4 Quarterly Meeting
- Sept 4 Misniale (Pledge Day) 12 Noon All are welcome
- Sept 5 Youth Dau of Hololulu
- Sept. 6 Special Sunday for Tongan Women
- Sept 12 Youth Day of Hilo and Kona (host in Kona)
- Sept 18 Ewa UMC Fundraising (Conduct in KonaUMC)

Preachers on Sunday

- Sept 6 Special Sunday for Tongan Women
- Sept 13 Seini Teaupā
- Sept 20 Sailosi Nusipepa
- Sept 27 President Youth of Hilo UMC

Preachers on Wednesday

- Sept 2 Rev. Malakai Tatafu
- Sept 9 Winnie Hungalu
- Sept 16 Taipaleti Langi
- Sept 23 Kaufo'ou Tatafu
- Sept 30 Finau Tu'amoeloa



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