



NCC News

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A Weekly Newsletter of Nu‘uanu Congregational Church

Membership/Baptism Classes

Membership/baptism classes will be offered on Sunday mornings from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. during the Lent: **February 17, 24, March 3, March 10**. If you are interested in finding out more about Nu‘uanu Congregational Church, what church membership is all about, wish to be baptized, or wish to become a member, please contact Paula Yamamoto and attend the first session on **February 17**. If you have any questions, contact Pastor Mary.

Worms Work

Nu‘uanu Congregational Church’s Ulu Wai Ministry takes care of God’s creation through our overflowing love. We do God’s work through an overflow of love and care for the hungry and needy, for the earth, for our community, and for the next generation.

Here’s one way to care for the earth and God’s creatures: Don’t throw out your garbage and discarded papers! Our Ulu Wai Ministry invites you to learn how composting worms can take care of all that waste and reduce your carbon footprint on our Island home all at the same time.

Worm guru Ralph Rhoads from Bellingham, WA will be in Hawaii in January. He is looking forward to speaking to the community about the “nuts ‘n bolts” of composting worms. Ralph has a wealth of knowledge to share with you. He will have 2 worm sessions: **January 15** at 7-8 p.m. on the Friendship Lanai and **January 17** at 9:30-10:30 a.m. in Kosasa Hall. His talk will include why worm castings are perfect for the soil and list all its benefits to the aina. Information about worm bins for non-profit and school groups, as well as worms, will be available. Please join us as we take a walk down Worm Rhoads with Ralph.

Reservations are required. To sign up, please email Velma at (kimoment2@hawaiiintel.net) or call her at 595-3135 after 7 p.m. Give your name, phone no. and email address.

Worship Service at 15 Craigside

We were invited to lead worship at 15 Craigside on **January 20** at 4:00-4:30 p.m. It will be a time of joyful worship, and the start of an on-going ministry in our community. Carpooling is recommended, so if you would like to come and join us, we will meet at NCC at 3:30 p.m.

Pastor Mary

Palm Crosses

Do you remember where you put your palm cross from last year's Palm Sunday? You have 4 weeks to look for it! If you can find it, please bring it with you to church on **February 10**. We will be burning the palm crosses after the morning worship service to make the ash for our Ash Wednesday services.

Mahalo

“To Nuuanu ohana in Christ,

Thank you for the delightful Christmas greetings sent to me. I have been recovering and my foot sore, after about 9 months, has finally healed. I am now receiving therapy to strengthen my legs. I appreciate your concern and prayers. May the Lord continue to bless you, Edna Ito.”

2013 Altar Flower Chart

Remember a loved one or celebrate a special occasion with a floral arrangement! Sign up on the 2013 Altar Flower Chart on the Fellowship lanai or call the church office. First come, first serve! Mahalo to all who have donated flowers in 2012. Your beautiful arrangements have graced the sanctuary throughout the year.

Family Stories

We are starting to schedule the small group sessions in January and February. If you have already formed a group of 8, please give the names to Paula Yamamoto, so we can schedule the groups. If you do not have a group, and don't mind joining any group, let Paula know, and she will assign you a group. Also, if you would like to host a small group at your home, give your name to Paula. Pastor Mary is looking forward to hearing your stories.

Office Help Needed

Paula will be on vacation **February 18-27** (ski trip) and **March 6-13** (family wedding). If you are able to help watch the office during those dates, please see Paula. Your help is much appreciated!