



NCC News

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A Weekly Newsletter of Nu'uanu Congregational Church

Christmas in July

Yes, Christmas in July!! Why wait until December when Christ is born into our lives everyday, right? **Today**, we will celebrate Christmas in July! We will sing Christmas songs and the keiki will play in “real snow” from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.!



As part of this celebration, we will receive the United Church of Christ Christmas Fund Offering. The Christmas Fund is one of the five special offerings, and it goes to the Pension Board of the UCC for it's Ministerial Assistance program to provide assistance to retired pastors. Let us contribute generously to assist the faithful servants of God. Checks may be written to Nu'uanu Congregational Church with “Christmas in July” on the memo line. An envelope may be found in the pew racks.

Lana'i Mission Trip - June 21-27

For the third year in a row, the Nu'uanu Youth Mission Team has been invited by Lana'i Union Church to offer a week-long Vacation Bible School at Lana'i Union Church, **July 21-27, 2013**. Building on the experiences of the last two summers, we have a wonderful week planned, focusing on the story of Moses. It will be a wonderful time of serving God through sharing our gifts of music, story telling, recreation, drama, etc. to make the story of Moses come alive for these children, most of whom are from Kosrae, one of the states in the Federated States of Micronesia. Of course our beautiful Moses stole will travel with us!

The Team will be commissioned during worship next Sunday and leave immediately after worship. They return on the afternoon of Saturday, July 27. Please keep all members of the Team in your prayers.

Pastor Mary

Altar Flowers

August 4 remains open. If you would like to honor a loved one or celebrate a special occasion, please call the church office.



Office Help Needed

Paula will be accompanying the Youth Mission Team to Lana'i as their cook. Office coverage is needed **July 22-26**. If you are able to help out 8-12 or 12-4 p.m., please see Paula immediately. Your help is greatly appreciated!

Learn to Make Kimchee

On Wednesday, **July 17** at 1:30 p.m., Pastor Mary and the College Summer Interns will be making kimchee to take to Lana'i. You are invited to learn how to make kimchee along with the interns. All supplies will be provided, and at the end of the workshop, you will take home a quart of homemade kimchee. This workshop will take 2 hours, and the cost of the workshop is \$30 per person to cover the expenses. Any proceeds will go to support the Lana'i Mission Trip. If you are interested in learning how to make kimchee, please sign up by calling the church office at 595-3935 by **July 14**. Space in the kitchen is limited, so please sign up early.

Pastor Mary

Family Promise 5K Fun Run

Family Promise of Hawai'i is hosting a 5K Fun Run on Saturday, **August 17**. The run starts at Kailua District Park, registration is from 5:30 to 6:30 a.m. Registration is \$25 for adults and \$10 for keiki 12 and under. Support Family Promise by "running and walking to build our community, strengthen lives and end family homelessness." Fliers and registration forms are available in the office. Registration forms must be received by **August 3** to ensure receiving a T-shirt.



Judy Keith

Mahalo

“On behalf of the women and children who reside at the (Transition) House, please accept our most sincere mahalo for your gift of \$1,000....to support and nurture these families while they strengthen themselves to assimilate back into society without violence in their lives. Thank you for being a part of this very important ministry through your financial support and for recognizing the mission of the UCC Transition House.”

Rev. Grant Lee, Co-Chair UCC Transition House Board of Directors