



NCC News

March 23, 2014



A Weekly Newsletter of Nu'uanu Congregational Church

Youth on a Mission

Our youth will be returning Tuesday afternoon from their mission trip to Kauai. Join us next Sunday, **March 30**, to hear about their experiences on Kauai.

Nursery Room Change

The nursery has been relocated to **room102** (room with the yellow doors next to the church office), instead of Hale Ohana.

All-Church Spring Clean Up - April 12 - 8:30 a.m.

The Board of Trustees has scheduled church spring cleaning for Saturday, **April 12, 2014**, from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. in preparation for Easter. Bring rags, buckets, and other cleaning tools, and lots of energy. A light lunch will be served. "Many hands make light work!"



"We Are One" - One Great Hour of Sharing, March 30

For nearly seven decades, One Great Hour of Sharing has made a difference in the lives of people and communities around the world by pooling resources, leveraging funds and serving through partnerships with other organizations. This year's theme is "We Are One." Through various programs, people across different borders and countries are helped, by learning trades, education, health care, and shelter after devastating storms. Offerings will be collected **next Sunday, March 30**. Checks may be written to Nu'uanu Congregational Church with OGHS noted on the memo line. An envelope has been provided for your convenience. Please give generously.

Lenten Study - "Writing Through Grief and Loss"

Grief is a natural response to the loss of someone or something meaningful - a person, a relationship, a job, health, a pet, independence, the loss of a deeply held belief or anything else that is emotionally valued. **Pastor Mary** will be leading five sessions on **Wednesday March 12, 19, and April 2 and 9** at 6:00 p.m.. A light meal will be served at 5:30 p.m. before each session. Please join us for this special study.

Board of Christian Nurture

Holy Week Services

April 13 - Palm Sunday Service, 9 a.m. The Chancel Choir will be offering "We Have Seen the Lord" by Marty R. Parks.

April 17 - Maundy Thursday Service, 6 p.m. in Kosasa Hall. A light meal of Portuguese bean soup will be served at 5:15 p.m.

April 18 - Good Friday Tenebrae Services, noon and 6 p.m.

April 20 - Easter Sunrise Service, 6 a.m., Halona Blow Hole. This is a joint service with Hawaii Kai UCC.

April 20 - Easter Resurrection Service, 9 a.m., NCC. Special music by *A Touch of Brass*.



Green Day - April 26

In celebration of Earth Day, the Missions Committee will host a "Green Day" on Saturday, **April 26, 2014** from 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. at Nuʻuanu Congregational Church, Kosasa Hall. Pacific Corporate Solutions will be on campus recycling eWaste. See eWaste flyer on what items can be recycled. We will have a variety of plants for sale - orchids, herbs, vegetables, and flowering plants. In addition to beautiful plants, hydroponic kits and worm condos will be for sale.



Other items for sale include greeting cards made by the youth that feature the beauty of the islands, furushikis sewn by the Sew Fun ladies, and snack foods - hot dog, spam musubi, chips, and water. Come and join the celebration for a greener Earth!

William and Jean Wood Scholarship

Applications for the William and Jean Wood Scholarship are being accepted for those who will be attending a university, college, and/or institution of higher learning. Applicants must be a member, relative, or friend of a member of Nuʻuanu Congregational Church. Applications and all supporting documents (references, transcripts, etc.) must be received by **April 30, 2014** as specified in the instructions. Incomplete applications received will be returned.

Applications may be obtained from the Nuʻuanu Congregational Church web site (www.nuuanu.org) or office (ph. 595-3935 or email nccadmin@hawaiiantel.net).

George Honjiyo

Scrabble Queen

A fun time was had by the more than 40 people who attended Family Game Night last Sunday evening at 15 Craigside. People played mahjong, jenga, pool, ping pong, cards and even scrabble. And speaking of scrabble, congratulations to **Aunty Chic Yamashiro**, who at 96 years of age, blew away the other players and won by more than 20 points! Pretty impressive, huh? Mahalo to **Kristen Young, Lori Yamashiro, and George and Marge Honjiyo** for coordinating this fun-filled event.

Mahalo for Supporting Family Promise

Thank you to all who helped out in our first quarter rotation. Because of you, four couples, five children and two infants enjoyed delicious meals, slept in warm, safe beds, and had the knowledge that people cared about them.

For preparing & serving meals: **Avery Serna, Trevor Serna, Susan Iha, Garret Iha, Preston Iha, Kristen Young, Lori Yamashiro, Mary Paik, Kym Kanenaka, Becky Kanenaka, Brandon Hayashida, Matt Chun, Eileen Chun, Dot Hosoda, Lani Hirohata, Barbara Mau, Joyce Uyehara, Mary Ann Saito, Bow Chu Goto, Marge Honjiyo, Sets Takahashi, Sybil Seto. Judy Keith, Wayne Kobayashi, Darrel Itano. George Honjiyo, Clifford Lum, Helen Pierce, Mabel; Suzuki, Ginny Takara, & Ethel Yamaguchi** and our friends from the Unitarian Church.

For over night hosting: **Cliff Lum, George Honjiyo, Darrel Itano, Lisa Wong-Jacobs, & Judy Keith.**

For assisting the Unitarians: **Mae Au, George Honjiyo, & Wayne Kobayahi.**

For coordinating meals, servers, & hosts: **Vanessa Ito & George Honjiyo.**

For donating face cloths: **Mary Oshiro**

For doing laundry: **Jean Paik, Linda Kim, Joyce Uyehara, Helen Pierce, Wayne Kobayashi, Marilyn Naka, & Judy Keith** (and whichever menehunes took laundry, but didn't sign in!)

For FAXing paperwork to Family Promise: **Sybil Seto.**

Our next rotation will be the week of **May 18-25.**

Access Statement

As stated in our Vision Statement, “Nu‘uanu Congregational Church is a diverse, open congregation of faithful Christians who seek to affirm all persons as children of God.” Furthermore, our Policy on Non-discrimination clearly states that “we do not discriminate against any person, group or organization in hiring, promotion, membership, appointment, use of facility, provision of services on the basis of race, ethnicity, skin color, gender, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, faith, nationality, marital status, or disability.”

As a part of living out our vision and commitment to an inclusive and diverse community, following accommodations are in place for worship:

- To provide communication access to worship, large print worship bulletins and other alternate format of orders of worship are available.
- Assistive listening devices are available from the ushers.
- In addition to Japanese Bibles, resource pages in Japanese are available with today’s scripture and Japanese lyric to today’s hymns whenever possible.
- Those wishing to have Japanese interpretation are asked to give their request to the Church Office at least one-week in advance so that they might be accommodated.
- Members needing transportation to worship are invited to contact Ohana Ministry for access to taxi service.
- Those traveling by Handivan are requested to let the Church Office know at least 2 days in advance so that members of the Diaconate might meet the van on Sunday mornings.

Due to the age and construction of the buildings, not all areas are easily accessible to persons with mobility issues. Nu‘uanu Congregational Church will provide reasonable accommodations to qualified individuals with disabilities within these limitations.

For requesting other accommodations, please contact the Church Office.



"Green Day" FREE Unlimited eWaste Recycling Event



Saturday, April 26, 2014
9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Nu'uauu Congregational Church
2651 Pali Highway
Honolulu, HI 96817

Materials Accepted:

Desktop and laptop computers, CPUs, CRT and LCD monitors, printers, fax machines, keyboards, mice, scanner, servers, routers, telecom equipment, DVD players, VCRs, MP3 players, speakers, telephones, cellular phones, stereo equipment, digital and video cameras, calculators, electronic boards and cords/cables.

(Sorry - No Appliances, TVs and Alkaline Batteries)



Celebrating Earth Day 2014, Pacific Corporate Solutions, "Hawaii's E-Waste Expert" 99-1305 Koaha Place, Aiea, HI 96701, phone (808)488-8870, is participating in Nu'uauu Congregational Church "Green Day" Event, Saturday, April 26, 2014 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

This is a one-day only event, and items will not be accepted at Nu'uauu Congregational Church beyond this date. If you are not able to make it, please call (808) 488-8871 for additional electronic waste disposal options.

eWaste is the fastest growing waste stream in the world today with over 2 million tons ending up in landfills.

It is estimated that eWaste comprises about 2% of the municipal solid waste stream. That 2% also represents 70% of the overall toxic waste that you currently find in landfills today.