



NCC News

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A Weekly Newsletter of Nu'uanu Congregational Church

Neighbors in Need Offering

Neighbors in Need (NIN) is a special mission offering of the UCC that supports ministries of justice and compassion throughout the United States. NIN grants are awarded to churches and organizations doing justice work in their communities. These grants fund projects whose work ranges from direct service to community organizing and advocacy to address systemic injustice. Funding is provided through donations to the Neighbors in Need offering.

The 2014 theme for NIN is “Imagining Another World Where Literacy is No Longer a Concern” and connects to the “Reading Changes Lives” justice advocacy initiative of the UCC. We will be receiving this offering today in our morning service. Checks may be written to Nu'uanu Congregational Church with NIN on the memo. An envelope may be found in the pew racks for your convenience.

Give Aloha

Thank you for supporting Foodland's Give Aloha Program! All contributions and grant monies will be given to the church mid-October. If you made a contribution to NCC, don't forget to turn in a duplicate receipt with your name on it by **October 15**. Also, let us know if this contribution is your pledge or a special gift, so we may credit your giving account properly.



Hui Hoahola Event for October 9, 2014

Join us on a tour of the **Plaza at Moanalua**. We will be provided with an informational briefing and tour of the facility. This is an excellent opportunity to learn about what the Plaza at Moanalua has to offer. After the tour, we will have lunch at the former “99 Ranch” in Mapunapuna.

We will car pool from NCC at 9:25 a.m. and must be at the Plaza no later than 9:50 a.m. Please sign-up for this event after the Sunday service. You will be asked if you need a ride, or able to provide transportation, or driving on your own. **Everyone must sign up to take the tour!!!!** Planners are: Kimie Fujioka, Carol Hamada, Nancy Nakao, and Marge and George Honjiyo.

College Care Packages

It's that time again when our college students have gone back to school! We want to let them know that we are thinking about them and wishing the best for them in their studies and time away from home. We have a list of 15 students. If we have left anyone out, please let us know. Notes and goodies will be packed **today**, and we plan to mail the boxes tomorrow. **Carol Hamada** has notecards available after service, if you would like to use them for your messages. Let's share our love and blessings.

Board of Christian Nurture

Nu'uano Congregational Church List of College Students:

Kimo Akinaka - Haverford College

Mindy Bullock - Merced College

Kyle Cegler - New York University

Micah Goshi - University of the Pacific

Robyn Ishida - Bentley University

Kym Kanenaka - Loyola Marymount University

Jennifer Lum - St. Mary's College

Andres Montiel - UC Santa Barbara

Henry Montiel - Madera Community College

Makaiwa Tong - Mills College

Welina Tong - Midland University

Rebecca Weible - Flinders University of South Australia

Rachel Wong - Ithaca College

Lia Yamashiro - University of Hawaii Hilo

Kristen Young - University of Hawaii Manoa

“Soul Training”

We welcome you to journey with us as we discuss the first book of Dr. James Bryan Smith's series, The Good and Beautiful God. If you would like to participate in the Wednesday night Bible study, email **Carol Hamada** at chamada28@gmail.com or **Becky Kanenaka** at ken214@hawaii.rr.com. Previous session notes will be posted on the NCC website. Review the website and come to the next Bible study session. You will not miss a beat. The Bible study will start with a light meal at 5:30 p.m. The study will run through **November 19, 2014**.

Come and learn how you can be transformed as we learn how to love, think, eat, laugh, and pray. Becky Kanenaka, Christian Nurture Board

Chutney, Jam, and Biscotti Sale - Nov. 9

The holidays are right around the corner, so come and stock up on **Don and June Ikeda's** fabulous chutney and jams. They will also have a new item on sale.....chocolate almond biscotti and cranberry walnut biscotti! The biscotti is so onolicious! All proceeds will go toward the College Summer Internship Program. Thank you, Don and June for your generous support!

Access Statement

(Revised 8/2/14 by the Diaconate Board)

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, assistive listening devices, Japanese Bibles and Japanese hymnals are available from the ushers.
- 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.