



# *NCC News*

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*A Weekly Newsletter of Nu‘uanu Congregational Church*

### **Aloha and Mahalo to Our College Summer Interns**

**Next Sunday, August 2**, is the last day for our College Summer Interns. They had a summer immersed in the various ministries here at NCC - Christian Nurture, worship, Hui Malama, Sew Fun, Ohana Ministry, Family Camp, the Lana‘i Mission Trip, and more! Let us thank them for their hard-work and willingness to serving God here at NCC. They will also be sharing their reflections during the morning worship service, so come and hear them preach. Their youthful energy and cheerful personalities will definitely be missed!

### **Forum on Hospice Care**

On **Sunday, August 16**, the **Reverend Dr. JP Sabbithi** will present an adult forum on Hospice Care. Rev. Sabbithi is Director of Patient and Family Support Services at Hospice Hawaii. Previously, he served as a chaplain for nine years at Kaiser Permanente’s Moanalua campus. Please come and join us in the sanctuary after refreshments at 10:30 a.m.

### **Malawi Project**

"Your prescription is ready." We hear that reminder and we go to the pharmacy and pick up our prescription. Our life-saving medication is handed to us in a clean, sturdy plastic container. In Malawi, Africa, hundreds of patients are handed their medicine in pieces of scratch paper - unsafe from bugs and children and unsanitary. There are over 700 medical facilities with an inadequate supply of prescription bottles, according to an article on the Malawi Project site.

We have many containers in our homes stuck in drawers, bags, and boxes because "they are too good to throw away and someday I'll find a way to use them." The time has come to put them to good use. Bring them to church and drop them in the box on the Friendship Lanai, and the Nichigobu Congregation will mail them to The Malawi Project, 3314 Van Tassel Drive, Indianapolis, IN 46240. Please ask your family and friends for their empty containers with lids and don't forget to remove the labels. Thank you for helping.

—Bow Chu Goto

## **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.