



THE APOSTOLIC FAITH CHURCH

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95th Anniversary Headquarters

GOD'S CHURCH

SCRIPTURAL LESSON: *Matthew 16:13-20*

GOSPEL TRUTH:

Today we celebrate the 95th Anniversary of God's Church, The Apostolic Faith Church, here in Honolulu, Hawaii. God's Church is built upon the Rock Christ Jesus, and He is the Solid Foundation, *"For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ" (I Corinthians 3:11)*. God's Church or Bride of Christ (body of spiritual believers in Christ Jesus), was formed on the Day of Pentecost when God's Holy Spirit was outpoured upon the 120 disciples in Jerusalem (*Acts 2:1-4; Romans 12:5; II Corinthians 11:2; Revelation 4:1*).

GOLDEN SCRIPTURE:

And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it (Matthew 16:18).

THE APOSTOLIC FAITH CHURCH DOCTRINES:

1. Jesus asked His disciples, *"Whom do men say that I the Son of man am?"* Today, He asks the same question to all man kind (*Psalm 100:3; Matthew 16:13-14*).
2. Jesus Christ asked the apostles, *"But whom say ye that I am?"* (*Matthew 16:15; John 13:13-17*)
3. Jesus Christ is the Son of the living God (*Matthew 16:16-17; Luke 4:16-20; John 6:67-69*).
4. Upon this Rock (Christ Jesus, Himself), I will build my church (*Matthew 16:17-18; I Corinthians 3:11; I Peter 2:4-8*).
5. On the Day of Pentecost, Peter unlocked God's plan of salvation for all (*Matthew 16:19-20; Mark 16:15-18; John 3:5-7; Acts 2:36-38, 4:12*).

BACKGROUND SETTING:

The Lord Jesus Christ has commissioned The Apostolic Faith Churches in Hawaii, and Philippine Islands to lift up His name, Jesus, as portrayed by the familiar rooftop sign, "Jesus Coming Soon" and to spread the Gospel of the Kingdom of God. The Gospel of good news we preach is, Jesus saves, Jesus heals, Jesus baptizes with the Holy Ghost and with fire, and Jesus is coming soon. Our Kingdom of God Crusade TV telecast, presented weekly for the past 38 years, is available to everyone via the internet. Hence, we faithfully serve as current-day disciples in daily prayer, and faithful obedience to spread the Gospel of the Kingdom of God until He returns in clouds of glory to rapture His waiting Bride, the Church (*Revelation 4:1*).

LESSON SUMMARY:

At this momentous 95th celebration, we honor the founders of The Apostolic Faith Church, Pastors Charles and Ada B. Lochbaum, who heeded the divine call on March 5, 1923, to forsake all, and move to the Hawaiian Islands. They arrived on August 4, 1923, and immediately began the Lord's gospel work, from a tent to the beautiful Temple at 1043 Middle Street, here in Honolulu. We also lift our voices in praise, and thanksgiving to the Lord Jesus Christ for our late Chief Pastor William M. and Sis. Evangeline L. Han who progressed the Gospel work forward establishing additional branch churches in Hawaii, the Philippine Islands, a prayer tower, radio and TV ministry, as well as the website: Jesuscomingsoon.org. Today, Head Pastor, and Chairman of the Board of Trustees, William M. Han, Jr., is leading God's Church, The Apostolic Faith Church, Headquarters for the Kingdom of God for the whole world, to the Promised Land. Led by God's Holy Spirit, we follow Paul's instructions in *Philippians 3:14*, *"I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."* Happy 95th Anniversary, ye dearly beloved Saints of God!

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