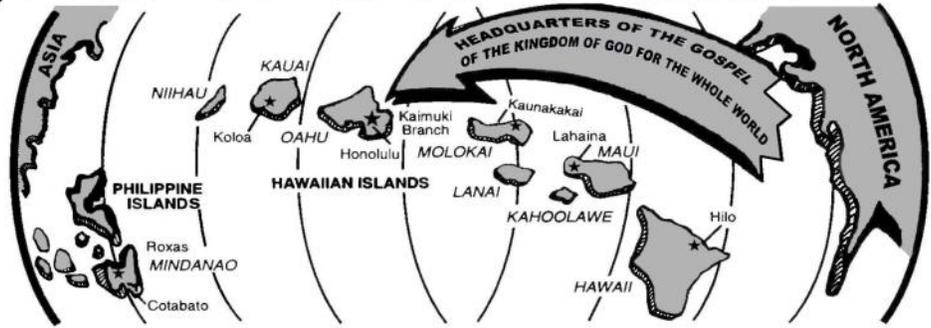


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New Year's Prophecy for 2026

"A Year of Peace, Joy and Happiness"

*By the power of His Holy Spirit,
and through His "chosen vessel," Head Pastor William M. Han, Jr.,
the Lord spoke:*

Surely, I am the Lord of Glory, I come to speak from the power of My Holy Spirit to say it is well done, well done, for surely your prayers and songs have come unto me as a sweet-smelling incense. Well done my Servant, well done my Five, well done My Sons, well done my people. Yes, for surely My Spirit dwells here.

Yes, my people surely this is a night of victory. Surely, I have come unto thee. Yes, I have touched thee, I have rolled thy burdens away. Yes, my people, surely this is a night of victory.

Yes, I give you a Year of Peace, Joy, and Happiness. Peace, Joy, and Happiness. In this world of tribulations, lean upon My arms, follow Me, walk with Me, talk with Me, and I shall grant you peace in your heart. Yes, through all the trials and tribulations upon this Earth, yes fear ye not. Peace, Joy. Yes, Joy, though we walk in this sin curse world, with many tests and trials, surely walk with Me, talk with Me, I shall put Joy within your hearts. Through all these tribulations, tests, and trials, I shall lift thee up. Yes, Peace, Joy, and Happiness for surely happy is the people that walk in the Lord. Yes, My people for surely this is the night of victory. Surely, I heard your cries, I heard your prayers. All your songs have come unto me as a sweet-smelling incense. Yes, my people, surely touch the hem of my garment for surely, I pass by thy way this night. Surely as I give thee a Year of Peace, Joy, and Happiness, touch the hem of my garment. Claim the victory, claim the victory, claim the victory.



Gospel Message

For the Time Is At Hand

By Associate Pastor Edwin H. Sprout, Sr.



God's Word, the Holy Bible, gives all mankind this beatitude of biblical study in *Revelation 1:3*, "Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein: for the time is at hand." The beginning of the Church on the Day of Pentecost began the movement of the Lord Jesus Christ's gospel ministry upon the earth, and in heaven. And through the power of His Holy Spirit, He worked through His Apostles and old time Saints, and works with us today as His Church, and faithful Body of Believers. The Gospel, therefore, is the Good News that, "Jesus Saves, Jesus Heals, Jesus Baptizes with the Holy Ghost and with Fire, and Jesus is Coming Soon."

The Lord Jesus Christ proclaimed to Peter in *Matthew 16:18-19*, "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. And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." The Rock is Jesus Christ, and the Church of God is built upon Jesus Christ, God Himself. Then Peter on the Day of Pentecost, preached his first sermon to the Jews in Jerusalem using His God-given keys, to unlock mankind's personal plan of salvation in *Acts 2:38, 41, and 4:12*, "Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remissions of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls. Neither is their salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved."

The Apostle Paul writes to the Corinthian Church in *II Corinthians 6:1-2*, "We then as workers together with him, beseech you also that ye receive not the grace of God in vain. (For he saith, I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of salvation have I succoured thee: behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.)" As we look at our clocks, whatever time it is right now is the time for every man, woman, and child to accept the Lord Jesus Christ as their personal Savior. Someone might ask, "Can't I accept Jesus Christ tomorrow?" Probably, but we have no promise of tomorrow. The important thing is that Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior says, the accepted time is right now; for the time is at hand!

Hence, *God's Word* warns mankind of the second coming of Jesus Christ for His Church, the Bride of Christ, in *I Thessalonians 4:13-18*, "But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope."

For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him. For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep. For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. Wherefore comfort one another with these words."

God's Word gives mankind this final warning to prepare ourselves, and to be ready for Jesus Christ's return to rapture His waiting Bride, the Church, in *Revelation 4:1*, "After this I looked, and, behold, a door was opened in heaven: and the first voice which I heard was as it were of a trumpet talking with me; which said, Come up hither, and I will shew thee things which must be hereafter." We then, as His Church, will be, "caught up, raptured, or snatched up," to meet Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior, in clouds of glory to receive His faithful promise of everlasting life, in heaven above forever, and ever. Amen!

Baptism in Jesus' Name



Rhize Lindsey
12-28-25
Oahu



Derek Watanabe
12-28-25
Oahu

"Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost."
Acts 2:38



Liam Nelson
01-11-26
Oahu



Izaiah Kaipana
Kaulana Keliikuli
Mawae-Keaulana
01-04-26
Molokai



Kathleen Kuailani
01-18-26
Oahu



A New Year, A New Beginning

Head Pastor William M. Han, Jr.



Another year is upon us, and we often resolve to do better than the previous year. We vow to do this and that and before we can even get started, we falter or fail. The preacher tells us in *Ecclesiastes 5:4-6*, “When thou vowest a vow unto God, defer not to pay it; for he hath no pleasure in fools: pay that which thou hast vowed. Better is it that thou shouldst not vow, than that thou shouldst vow and not pay. Suffer not thy mouth to cause thy flesh to sin; neither say thou before the angel, that it was an error: wherefore should God be angry at thy voice, and destroy the work of thine hands?”

We are to be ever careful and remindful of what we promise and to whom we make promises or vows, especially to God. We need to mean what we say and say what we mean. The better alternative to making a vow, whether to God or your fellow man, is to ask the Lord to help you undertake whatever task that is upon your hearts. With God in the equation, this alternative, I’m sure, will produce positive results.

One thing that we can all ask the Lord to help us with, is giving us the strength to serve Him all the days of our lives. David in his resolve, pours out his heart before the Lord saying, “One thing have I desired of the LORD, that will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the LORD, and to enquire in his temple” (*Psalm 27:4*).

In the book of *Luke*, the 4th chapter, recorded is Jesus’ return to His hometown of Nazareth, where He was known as the carpenter’s son. “And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up: and, as his custom was, he went into the synagogue on the sabbath day, and stood up for to read” (*Luke 4:16*).

The point I would like us to consider is that “His custom was” to go to church on the Sabbath day. From His early childhood years and throughout His adult life Jesus adhered to this custom or practice.

Attending church or religious services regularly is a good habit to form. Paul encouraged the Hebrews, as we are encouraged by saying, “Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching” (*Hebrews 10:25*).

However, even good habits, with good intentions can go bad. We do things out of habit and which becomes second nature. We soon, without ever knowing at times, simply find ourselves just going thru the motions. Sad to say, worshipping the Lord degenerates into an empty form and becomes meaningless.

Jesus went to the synagogue with a goal in mind. Jesus took the opportunity to teach and reach others in need thru the *Word of God*. He let all know that the Spirit of the Lord was upon Him, that He was anointed to preach

“The Gospel,” that He came to heal the broken hearted, and preach deliverance to the captives, as well as open the eyes of the blind, and set at liberty those who were bruised.

Jesus went to the synagogue faithfully, and he went with a purpose! We must not allow ourselves to fall into meaningless worship, but have the resolve, likened to David, to behold the beauty of the Lord. The Lord has given all a new year and a new beginning. We must resolve to come to the house of the Lord with regularity and purpose. We must resolve to feed upon the pure *Word of God*. We must resolve to lift one another in prayer. We must resolve to pray for this lost and dying world, that all may come to know our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ and be saved. We must resolve to stay on the course throughout the year, fighting the good fight of faith, “Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ” (*Titus 2:13*).

Yearly Update of Souls Saved and Filled With His Holy Spirit January 2025 to December 2025

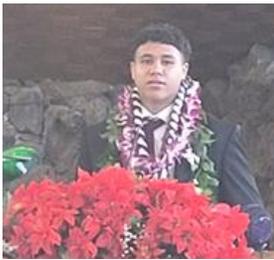
Oahu:	Baptized - 15 souls
Molokai:	Baptized - 1 souls
Maui:	Baptized - 2 souls
Hawaii Island:	Baptized - 6 souls
Kauai:	Baptized - none
Balogo:	Baptized - 9 souls
Pres Roxas:	Baptized - 2 souls
California:	Baptized - 1 souls

SOULS SAVED TOTAL: 36
SOULS FILLED: 1

“Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.” (John 3:5)

Monthly Update of Souls Saved

From December 22, 2025, to January 18, 2026, there were 5 souls baptized in the name of Jesus Christ.



Bro. Isaac
Christmas Announcer

Children's Christmas Program
Rejoice, Jesus is Born!
By Sis. Martha Richards



L-R: Brothers Riley Okahashi, Kingston Bell & Hunter Touli-Fortin (wisemen)



L-R: Sis. Kristie Han, Sis. Roslyn L. Han, Back row: Announcer Bro. Isaac & Head Pastor Billy Han, Jr.

“Rejoice, Jesus Christ Is Born!” was the joyful theme for the Mother Church of The Apostolic Faith Church Children’s Program in Honolulu which occurred on Sunday, December 21, 2025.

The joy began with a Christmas Prelude of an instrumental medley of Christmas songs by the Band Combo under the direction of Sis. Kristie Han. The talented ensemble consisted of Sis. Cherise Spotkoeff (violin), Sis. Hannah Asano (cello), Sis. Shayla Spotkoeff (trumpet) and Bro. Isaac (baritone).

Upon completion of the Christmas Prelude, Head Pastor William “Billy” M. Han, Jr., Bro. Isaac and the Youth Choir marched in to the sounds of “Joy to the World.” Pastor Billy led the congregation in the “Lord’s Prayer.” Bro. Isaac, assisted by Sis. Cherlyn Abing, served as the announcer and narrator for the morning. The congregation sang the opening song, “Joy to the World” followed by the Youth Choir’s rendition of “O, Happy Day.” The church pianists Sis. Pohaku Carter, Sis. Edith Matsuki, Sis. Kristie Han and Associate Pastor Makana Asano, Sr. provided musical accompaniment, as well as Sis. Sierra-Lynn and Associate Pastor Timothy C.L Han, Sr. who also served as the overall Christmas program director.

All the Sunday School children learn about the Gospel of the Kingdom of God and our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and His teachings. They learn that Jesus saves, Jesus heals, Jesus baptizes with the Holy Ghost and with fire and (the promise of) Jesus is Coming Soon! It was evident in the children’s songs and skits presented set among the back drop settings of Bethlehem, the shepherds field, and the manger which spanned across the stage. Under the direction of Sis. Punahale Kapuni, the adorable little lambs of the Beginner and Primary classes rendered the song, “Hush! There’s a Baby.”

The Gospel skit directed by Associate Pastor Dean Carrillo, entitled, “The Street Preacher,” portrayed by Bro. Isaac opened with the Preacher attempting to preach about baptism. Henry and Charlie played by Bro. Jake Riemer and Bro. Isaiah Asano respectively, set the preacher straight by sharing the right path to salvation by being baptized by complete immersion in Jesus’ Name. Only then can you receive the promise of eternal life through Christ Jesus. Henry and Charlie enlightened the

Preacher about God’s gift of His son our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. They set forth the steps to salvation. The first is having faith and belief in Jesus (*John 3:5-7*), repenting of your sins (*Luke 24:47*) and the third is demonstration faith through the action of baptism in “Jesus Name” by immersion (*John 3:5, Acts 2:38, Acts 4:12, I John 3:5-7*). They shared that being reborn spiritually through baptism and being filled with the Holy Ghost only then can one hope to have the promise of Eternal life. This skit sets the stage for the children to present the second skit after the little lambs of Sis. Paula Koko’s class sang, “Happy Birthday Jesus.” The Sunday School Students directed by Sis. Sierra-Lynn Han sang joyfully, “Rejoice, You’re A Child Of The King.”

The Christmas skit, “Rejoice Jesus Christ Is Born” written and directed by Sis. Kristie Han began with the Sunday School Students singing, “Rejoice, You’re A Child Of The King” led by Sis. Sierra-Lynn Han. Under the direction of Sis. Tiare Somer, the Youth Choir rendered “Let My Soul Proclaim.” As the narrator, Bro. Isaac focused on the significance and importance of Jesus’ birth and life that promised all mankind the hope of eternal life in Christ Jesus. The skit consisted of seven well executed scenes: 1 The Annunciation & Visitation (Sis. Tiare Somer Skit Director), 2. Journey to Bethlehem & No Room (Associate Pastor Timothy Han Sr., Skit Director), 3. The Birth of Jesus (Sis. Emilia Han, Skit Director & Assistant Sunday School Superintendent), 4. The Angels & Shepherds, 5. The Presentation At The Temple (Sis. Tiare Somer, Director), 6. The Wise men, and 7. Young Jesus (6 & 7, Sis. Emilia Han, Skit Director). The entire program demonstrated the dedication and love of the Sunday School, superintendent (Sis. Roslyn Han), Teachers staff, program writers, directors, parents and students to present their program. The Sunday School students and Youth Choir participated in portraying each scene along with vocals and a variety of musical selections emulating the true meaning of Christmas, Jesus’s birth and God’s gift for all man kind. Little Bro. Cody Okahashi in his golden star outfit served as the bright guide to Jesus. The entire program was a wonderful coordination of students, teachers and staff along with instrumentalists and pianists (Sis. Edith Matsuki, Sis. Pohaku Carter, Sis. Kristie Han, Sis. Tiare Somer, Bro. Timothy Han, Sr. and Bro. Makana Asano, Sr.). The program concluded with, The Sunday School singing, “Jesus Christ Is Born,” the service closing song was “Angels We Have Heard On High” leaving all with a wonderful uplifting spirit. Bro. Isaac expressed much thanks to all involved and for the prayers of everyone.

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The Apostolic Faith Church Youth Choir sang, "Let My Soul Proclaim."



The Beginner Class with Sis. Senneca-Rose Kalilikane who held her precious baby Arabella-Rose.



L-R: Sis. Elora Asano (Mary), Bro. Jake Riemer (Joseph), & Sis. Sally Spotkoeff with the Nursery Class in animal costumes.



Sis. Sally Spotkoeff with the Nursery Class sang, "Happy Birthday, Jesus."



The Beginner & Primary Classes: Angels & Shepherds directed by Sis. Punahale Kapuni sang, "Let's Go, Let's Go" (Shepherd Song).



The Apostolic Faith Church Sunday School Department opened the Program with a song entitled, "Rejoiced, You're A Child of the King."



Sis. Elora Asano rode a donkey and headed toward the manger.



A Gospel Skit directed by Associate Pastor Dean Carillo entitled, "The Street Preacher" consisted of Bro. Isaac (The Street Preacher), Bro Jake Riemer (Henry), & Bro. Noah Riemer (Charlie).



The Apostolic Faith Church Sunday School Department sang it's closing number entitled, "Jesus Christ Is Born" directed by Sis. Sierra-Lynn Han.

Honolulu Christmas Evening Service

By Sis. Martha Richards

Like a tasty appetizer, the Church Band presented a prelude of Christmas song favorites. The evening service opened with The Lord's Prayer led by Head Pastor William "Billy" Han, Jr. followed by the musical portion and first course of the evening the congregational opening song, "O Come, All Ye Faithful" followed by an orchestra rendition of "Go, Tell It On The Mountain" under the direction of Associate Pastor and Trustee Edwin Sproat, Sr. The telecast choir led by choral director Sis. Emilia Han presented "His Name Shall Be Called Wonderful." The trumpets (Sis. Dionne Carillo, Sis. Kristie Han, Sis. Azhia White and Sis. Shayla Spokaeff) presented "Little Child, Little One." Sis. Sierra-Lynn Han presented her clear and beautiful rendition of, "Mary Did You Know" along with the congregation participating with a traditional favorite, "Angels We Have Heard On High." "Emmanuel" was an inspirational band selection led by Head Pastor Billy Han, Jr. The uplifting choir presentation of, "Christmas Is A Time For Singing" completed the musical portion of the program.

The main course and most important portion of the evening program was the preaching of *God's Word*. Head Pastor Billy prepared an inspirational sermon entitled, "Christmas Presence" to have the Lord's spirit within us; "Is to be in His presence" is the best present everyone could have. Christmas is everyday to Christ's believers. To have His spirit is to lead and guide us daily. We can carry His gift within us, the ultimate Gift of achieving "His Presence." During the Christmas season and throughout our lives, Pastor Bill reminded us as stated in *Psalms 95:2*, "Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving, and make a joyful noise unto him with psalms." As in the powerful lyrics conveyed in a recently shared song by the choir, "From This Day On," we must seek to serve him (with His presence within us).



The Church Orchestra under the direction of Associate Pastor Edwin Sproat, Sr. played a song entitled, "Go, Tell It On The Mountain."



The Church Band under the skillful hands of Head Pastor Billy Han, Jr. played a most befitting number entitled, "Emmanuel."



The instrumental selection done by the trumpet section played a beautiful number entitled, "Little Child, Little One."



The Church Choir under the leadership of Sis. Emilia Han sang a wonderful hymn entitled, "His Name Shall Be Called Wonderful" & "Christmas is a Time for Singing."



Sis. Sierra-Lynn Han sang a beautiful song, "Mary Did You Know."



Honolulu New Year's Eve Service

Conducted by Associate Pastor Seth Asano, Sr., with helpmeet
Sis. Rhonelyn Asano



Praise Jesus for another year that has gone by so quickly. Saints gathered together with great smiles & warm handshakes, greetings of best wishes as we ended the year of 2025 with our last regular Wednesday, evening service.

Master of Ceremonies, Associate Pastor Seth Asano, Sr. started the New Year's Eve Service with the Lord's Prayer, followed by the Church band playing an uplifting number and singing by all the Saints of God.

The excitement of the saints singing out the "OLD YEAR" and praying in the "NEW YEAR" in one HEART, one MIND and one ACCORD in sweet fellowship, giving our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ all the praises, glory and thanksgiving, lifting up their voices with songs and with musical instruments, "Let every thing that hath breath praise the Lord. Praise ye the Lord." Psalm 150:6.



The Apostolic Faith Church Band opened with the number "Dry Bones," accompanied by Head Pastor Billy Han, Jr. on the piano.



The Apostolic Faith Church Prayer Band Warriors



The families of Carters, Han, Alverio & Bro. Derek Watanabe.



Head Pastor Billy & Sis. Roslyn L. Han, Jr. & family



The families of Walton, Asano, Spotkaeff, Miraflor



The Apostolic Faith Church Tuesday night preachers



Falaniko & Somer family



The Apostolic Faith Church Sunday School Department



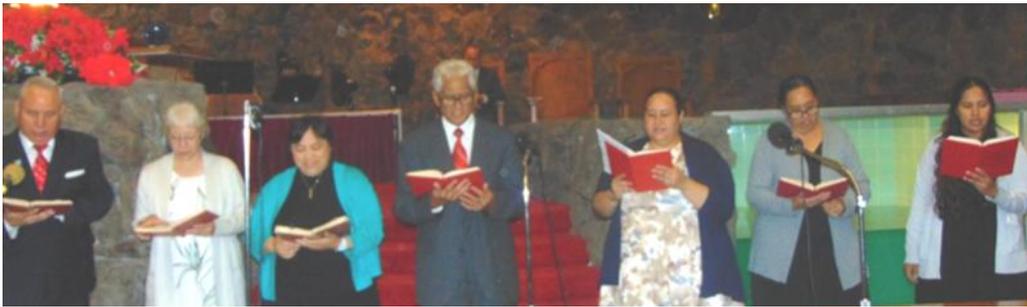
Men Crusaders L-R: Associate Pastor Edwin Sproat, Sr., Head Pastor Billy Han, Jr., Associate Pastor Timothy Han, Sr. & Associate Pastor Dean Carillo, Sr.



Associate Pastor Marvin & Sis. Cherlyn Abing



Alto duet—L-R: Sis. Bobbi Lynn Eugenio & Sis. Donna Lou Carter



Centered: Music Department Chairman Head Pastor Billy Han, Jr. & Leaders



Sis. Pohaku Carter



The Apostolic Faith Church Orchestra



Bro. Bryant Boloson



The Apostolic Faith Church String section



Bro. Kenneth Alverio



Sis. Pu'uwai Asano



Sis. Dionne Carillo



Sis. Kristie Han



Sis. Abigayle Asano



Sis. Sally Spotkaeff

Kauai Branch Church
Christmas Program
 By Pastor Leonard K.Y. Asano, Sr.



L-R: Sis. Renee Otsuka, Sis Ramona Conol (Virginia), Sis. Anna Malia (Arizona), Sis Cindy Desamparado, Bro. Lyle Otsuka, Bro. Hoku Asano, Bro. Edgar Desamparado, Sis. Danielle Santos, Bro. Theodore Williams, Jr. Front row: Kepola Asano, Sis. Kya Asano & Kahoku Asano (missing from photo Akoni Asano)

The Kauai saints rejoice in the Joy & Hope Jesus brings to the world. The Joy of the Lord is their strength. Everyday they share that Joy with the Body of Christ (missing from photo is Sis. Patti Huff & Akoni Asano)



Kepola Asano & Kahoku Asano Future Kauai Branch youth orchestra



Kauai Pastor Leonard K.Y. Asano, Sr. with Kauai Sunday School: Kahoku Asano & Kepola Asano (missing from photo is Akoni Asano)

Kauai Branch Church
New Year's Eve Service
 By Pastor Leonard K.Y. Asano, Sr.



Church orchestra featuring cousins Kepola & Kahoku Asano



Bro. & Sis. Kona & Tiare Asano with Kahoku & Akoni



Bro. & Sis. Kristin Kawamura & Kolu Asano with Kepola



Sis. Imipono & Bro Hilina'i Santos & Bro. Sama Ka'imina'auao-Eteuai



Bro. & Sis. Leonard & Luana Asano & family



Sis. Imipono Santos reading & experiencing the power of Psalm 27. Bro. & Sis. Christopher & Crystal Asano & family



Instrumental: Sis. Julia Camara accompanied by the orchestra



Sis. Julia & Lionel Camara & Sama Ka'imina'auao-Eteuai



"My Savior First of All" granddaughters render a dedication to the late Sis. Deborah Asano

Molokai Branch Church

Jesus, The Reason For The Season

By Sis. Jessie Ann Castanares



It was simply a celebration with the congregation rejoicing in sweet harmony as we honored our Lord Jesus Christ in our program titled, "Jesus, The Reason For The Season." The program commenced with the Lord's Prayer led by Pastor Castanares, followed with a rousing rendition of, "Joy To The World." Program Announcer Florence Bush welcomed the congregation and the Sunday School staff pealed out the anthem, "This Little Light of Mine." Selections by the Orchestra, "Angels From The Realms of Glory" and "Angels We Have Heard on High" told

Molokai Pastor Reginald V. Castanares, Sr. & Sis. Florence Bush

of the rejoicing in the heavens. Included in the program were an instrumental selection by Terilyn Poaha of "Away In A Manger" and a beautiful vocal selection by Mapuana Aquino of, "Silent Night."

The essence of our program was fulfilled with the telling of our beautiful Christmas story, "Jesus, The Reason for the Season," which incorporated the singing of beautiful Christmas carols by the congregation accompanied by Brenda Aea. The Gospel of the Kingdom of God was fully expounded by Terilyn Poaha. With a rousing rendition of "Hark The Herald Angels Sing," and a benediction by Pastor Reginald Castanares, our program concluded. Thank You, Jesus for the efforts of our Sunday School staff and the congregation in making our program a wonderful and joyous success. Thank You, Jesus!



Sis. Jessie Ann Castanares



Sis. Mapuana Aquino



Sis. Terilyn Poaha



Molokai Branch Church Orchestra

Molokai Branch Church

New Year's Eve Service

By Sis. Jessie Ann Castanares



Molokai Pastor Reginald V. Castanares, Sr. & Sis. Jessie Ann Castanares

It was a beautiful night of rejoicing as the Saints of God gathered in sweet unity to sing out the old year and to pray in the New Year. Favorite hymns and instrumental selections permeated the air. Sweet fellowship as songs of praise, thanksgiving, instruction, reflection and promise by the Prayer Band, Choir, Orchestra, Sunday School Staff, "Brothers" and "Sisters" and families stirred the hearts. Then, it was time to pray in the New Year. Members of the Aea, Aquino, Asuncion,

Bush, Castanares, Poaha, and Rodrigues, united in singing "He's Coming Soon" and waited upon the Lord, Who came down through the power of the Holy Spirit to say: "I am the Lord thy God and I come down this night through the power of my Holy Spirit. I am here, my Spirit is here, my power is here, and my glory fills the house of God. I am the God of Abraham, Isaac, & Jacob. I am your God, besides me there is no other God. My name is Jesus. My glory fill the House of God. Ah, Well done my people, well done, I say. You worship a true and a living God. I sleepeth not, neither do I grow weary. I know what thou hast asked of me. I know, and I have called thee for a holy calling, My saints. Continue in well doing, continue watching and praying. Come my people, come when you're up and come when you're down. Come with your burdens. Come with your cares. Come and draw closer unto the precious wounded side of the Lord; closer, even closer still. Ah my people, I am here, my Spirit is here. My glory fills the House of God. Well done, I say, for thou hast put me first. Rejoice, Rejoice my people, I say, for thou art mine, I say. I am passing thy way, Touch the hem of my garment and Take Ye the victory, Take Ye the Victory, Take Ye the Victory, Take Ye the Victory! Amen! Hallelujah!



Bro. & Sis. Asuncion & Bro. & Sis. Aquino families



Sis. Terilyn Poaha & Sis. Elsie Rodrigues

Hawaii Island Branch Church

New Year's Eve Service

By Sis. Lorilei Pang



Hawaii Island Pastor Walter I. Tin Loy & Bro. Jarritt Pang



Bro. Christian Lee on the piano

The Hawai'i Island Branch's New Year's Eve Service brings excitement to all the Saints! It's the one night that showcases the talents of all the Saints both young and old! It's a night when we come together and are called upon to sing as a family, play an instrumental, or sing as a soloist. Imagine Karaoke-Night at church with fellow saints singing and praising the Lord!

Bro. Jarritt Pang preached a powerful sermon during our Wednesday Night Service, full of the Spirit! The Lord strengthened all in His House, uplifting and encouraging us all to go forward with Jesus!

The night was one of the quietest (fireworks-noise and displays) that this writer had ever experienced on a New Year's Eve night! There was no smoke in the House of God, we were blessed by hearing everyone clearly, and our potluck fellowship that is usually noisy and smokey, was pleasantly a clear, cool evening, making it wonderful to sit down and relax with saints!

As we gathered together to sing the old year out and the new year in, the Lord encouraged us to stay the course and He is Coming soon! Amen!



Associate Pastors Robert Carvalho, Jarritt Pang, & Hawaii Branch Church Pastor Walter I. Tin Loy



Hawaii Island Branch Church Sunday School Department



Families Gomes, Kapahu & Bathe



Pang, Carvalho & Kawahara families



Bro. & Sis. Nahoopii & Hawaii Island Pastor Walter I. Tin Loy



Bro. David Sato on the ukulele



Hawaii Island Branch Church Choir



Hawaii Island Pastor Walter I. Tin Loy with saints singing "He's Coming Soon"

Balogo Branch Church
Children's Christmas Program

Gloria In Excelsis Deo

By Sis. Deborah Aspera



Nursery Class



Beginner Class



Primary I & II



Primary III & IV



Junior & Hi-Teen Class



Balogo Branch Church Sunday School Department



L-R: Bro. Kenneth James S. Aventura (MC) & Pastor Hanibal Aspera.

Athalia Baylen soloist

Our much awaited Balogo Children Christmas Program began at 10:00 a.m. on December 21, 2025. Bro. Kenth James S. Aventura was the Master of Ceremonies for the morning activities. He's the eldest son of Bro. and Sis. Kenneth (Jemarie) Aventura, and also great grandson of the late founder Bro. Urbano Aventura.

First up was the Nursery Class in a recitation "ANGELS" and followed by an action song, "Silent Night." The Beginners did great in their recitation "WE WELCOME HIM, JESUS" and a song "Go Tell It on the Mountain." "BETHLEHEM" Primary I-II & "WE BRING TO JESUS" Primary III-IV recitations, and they combined in a pantomime song "O Holy Night." A beautiful vocal solo was rendered to us by Athalia Keisha Baylen entitled, "Oh, What A Wonderful Day."

The Junior and Hi-Teen Class showcase their talents in acting as they performed very well their respective parts. The manger and animals props (made by Pastor Hanibal Aspera) and their beautiful and colorful costumes added to make the skit interesting. Last was the Sunday School Department group song entitled, "The Glory of Christmas."

Thank You, Jesus, for the successful program presented by all the faithful and wonderful Children of God. We thank the Lord for all those who made this Christmas program a success.



Manger scene: Ivan Penaranda (Joseph), baby Jesus (doll), Shane Lara Ynion (Mary), Kitt & Kian Reyes (cute cows)

President Roxas Branch Church
Children's Christmas Program

The Birth of Christ

By Sis. Maribel Aspera



L-R: Pastor Vesper T. Aspera, Sis. Francheska Cordero (Christmas Announcer) & Sis. Maribel Aspera

Hallelujah! Praise be to the Almighty God! On December 21, 2025, the saints of the President Roxas Branch Church in Cotabato, Mindanao, Philippines joyfully gathered to celebrate the Children's Christmas Program in honor of the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

The program officially began with an opening prayer, followed by an uplifting opening song, "Angels We Have Heard On High" that filled the church with joy and thanksgiving. The event was smoothly and cheerfully guided by the Program Announcer, Sis. Francheska Cordero, the beloved daughter of Mr. Glyn and Sis. Lilibeth Cordero, who confidently led the flow of the program from start to finish.

The Children's Christmas Program showcased the talents and dedication of the Sunday School children from different classes. The Nursery, Beginner, Primary, and Hi-Teen classes presented inspiring recitations, heartfelt songs, action songs, orchestra numbers, and scripture readings that truly reflected the meaning of Christmas. Each presentation reminded everyone that Christmas is about Jesus and His great love for mankind.

The children performed with joy and confidence, showing that even at a young age, they can praise and glorify the Lord. The Sunday School teachers worked hand in hand to guide and prepare the children, which greatly contributed to the success of the program. The parents' support and encouragement were also evident as they faithfully brought their children to Sunday School.

The program concluded with a joyful closing number performed by all Sunday School members, followed by the return of the program to Pastor Vesper Aspera, who gave closing words of encouragement and thanksgiving.

Indeed, the Children's Christmas Program was a meaningful and blessed event. It reminded everyone that children are precious gifts from God and that teaching them the ways of the Lord is a great joy and responsibility. Above all, we thank our Lord Jesus Christ for His love and for being the greatest gift of all.



President Roxas Branch Church Sunday School Department



Solo: Sis. Margaux Phoebe Cantomayer "O Holy Night"



L-R: Sis. Margaux Phoebe Cantomayer & Bro. Harry John Ingatan "A Gift To You"



Acrostic no. Nursery Class "Joy" L-R: Sis. Kairah Tomaring, Bro. Ziekell Japh Fortin & Sis. Zoie Ingatan



Group action song: "Gift To You"



"Christmas Is Jesus"



"Christmas Sunbeam"

The Year 2025, In Retrospect

By Sis. Wilma Spotkaeff

At the beginning of 2025, on January 1st, our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, spoke by the power of His Holy Spirit and through His chosen vessel, Head Pastor Billy Han, Jr., to “STAND FAST AND PRAY.”

His message was one of great importance and instruction to Stand Fast and Pray. To pray for His Servants, His Five, His Sons and one another. He reminded us that prayer is the strength of the gospel, that would go on to greater Victory. He also said to fear not, and to pray for this sin-cursed world for much destruction will come. He warned us of the wars and rumors of wars, pestilences, of nations against nations, famines, and false teachings, which will deceive many. But again, He comforted us by saying, to fear not, for we have the truth and the living God, to standfast on the rock Jesus Christ and we shall not be moved. Our Lord Jesus Christ compelled us to also pray for the weak, the fallen, the lukewarm, and the backsliders, for He is returning soon. He went on to say that He is the Mighty Counselor and He would restore His people. He said to pray that all return to Him and that He would restore them back into the faith. Our Lord Jesus Christ also warned us to be aware of false teachings upon this Earth, for they will deceive many and many shall wax cold. He told us to stand fast for the truth and surely the Victory shall be thine. He said, “I am a Victorious God, and I shall have a victorious people.”

Every day, members of the church (the Prayer Band) which was formed in 1941, by our Founders, Pastor and Sis. Charles & Ada B. Lochbaum, following the bombing of Pearl Harbor, gathered in the Old Church to pray, up until January 26, 1974, when the Prayer Tower was dedicated, and used exclusively for prayer. On January 26, 2025, the 51st Anniversary of the Prayer Tower was celebrated, where prayers still continue unceasingly.

There is a prayer, in our Prayer Book, for the current President of the United States, that reads, “Moreover thou shalt provide out of all the people able men, such as fear God, men of truth, hating covetousness...” Let us pray the Lord lead and guide President Trump and all our leaders in America’s crisis, daily.” President Donald J. Trump was elected the 47th President of the United States of America and began his duties, at the start of 2025.

The Apostolic Faith Church (*Jesus Coming Soon*), Headquarters, gloriously celebrated their 102nd Anniversary in Honolulu. The Kaimuki Branch Church (95 years) Hawaii Island Branch Church (56 years), Maui Branch Church (72 years), Kauai Branch Church (45 years), Molokai Branch Church (81 years), Balogo Branch Church (51 years), and the President Roxas Branch Church (30 years). Also celebrated were Honolulu’s 119th and 120th Youth Service, Balogo Branch 86th and 87th Youth Service and President Roxas 52nd and 53rd Youth Service. Other celebrations such as the Building Complex Headquarters

52nd Anniversary and the Kingdom of God Crusade Telecast 45th Anniversary.

We also celebrated our High School and College Graduates who finished their courses and continue to put their trust in our Lord Jesus Christ, to lead them on to victory. Our High School graduates are Bro. Joseph Santos of Ka’paa High School (Kauai), Alexa-Jade Ku’uipo Nelson of Maile Bible School (Honolulu, Oahu), Zezalynn Makua of Kalaheo High School (Kailua, Oahu), and Mycah Tin Loy of Roosevelt High School (Honolulu, Oahu).

Our College Graduates are Seth Kamakanaokeao Samuru Asano, Jr., University of Hawaii (Hilo): Bachelor in Science in Agriculture; Shayla Nalei Spotkaeff, University of Hawaii (Manoa): Bachelor of Business Administration, a Certificate of Recognition, and a plaque, as the 2025 recipient of the Student Employee of the Year Award; Dionne Carillo, Kapiolani Community College (Honolulu): Associate in Accounting; Jazlen Lucas, Honolulu Community College: Associate in Arts; and Caleb K. Bettencourt, University of Hawaii, Hawaii Community College: Associate Certificate in Liberal Arts.

The Apostolic Faith Church (*Jesus Coming Soon*) announced four appointments for our Sunday School Department, on August 3, 2025. They were Sis. Sally Spotkaeff-Permanent Nursery II Teacher, Sis. Rhonelyn Asano-Permanent Primary II Teacher, and Sis. Kristie Han and Sis. Dionne Carillo-Substitute Sunday School Teachers.

There were two retirements from our Honolulu Sunday School Department. After 42 years of teaching God’s little lambs, Sis. Marvalee Gormley announced her retirement on July 13, 2025. After 19 years with the Sunday School Department, Sis. Shannon Han announced her retirement on July 27, 2025. We praise and Thank our Lord Jesus, for their love and dedication in all their years of service.

On August 16, 2025, a beautiful wedding took place in Honolulu. Sis. Crystal Leinohea Keoho and Shane Caberto were united in Holy Matrimony, by Associate Pastor Melvin Honda, who officiated this wonderful event. Congratulations and may the Lord Jesus Christ, bless this holy reunion.

It was picnic time and all the Saints here in Honolulu, and our Branch Churches were eager and ready for fun in the sun, sumptuous snacks and meals, games and prizes, but most of all, the gathering together in Jesus’ Name to enjoy the day and each other’s company. Thus, on May 17, the Honolulu picnic was held at Kaiona Beach Park, the Molokai picnic was enjoyed at One Alii Park in Kawela, and the Hawaii Island Church picnic took place at Onekahakaha Beach Park. And of course, Balogo & President Roxas was overjoyed for their Combined Church Picnic at The Serenity Beach Resort after 25 years, on May 31, 2025. Thank you Jesus!

The Daniel K. Akaka State Veteran’s Home was dedicated on March 26, 2025. This Veterans Home located in Kapolei, was the brainchild of the late Associate Pastor/Trustee Ronald Pa’aluhi Han, Jr., in his capacity as the Director of the office for Veteran’s Services in the

State of Hawaii. To build a place where Veterans could heal in a peaceful, beautiful surrounding. A multipurpose room was named, "The Ron Han, Jr. Room." Governor Josh Green, gave a heartfelt speech and presented a Proclamation to the late Associate Pastor/Trustee Ronald Han, Jr. and proclaimed, on March 26, 2025, as "Ronald P. Han, Jr. Day." Head Pastor William M. Han, Jr. had the joy and privilege of blessing the multipurpose room named after his cousin, Associate Pastor/Trustee Ronald P. Han, Jr.

We also bid farewell to our brothers and sisters in Christ, who went home to be with Jesus. They were Bro. Chez Dunston on April 18, Sis. Edna Wright on May 1st, Bro. Victor Lanakila Chong, Sr. on July 12, Bro. John "Joby" Walker Neal, Jr. on Aug. 24, Bro. Sipiliano "Speedy" Touli on Oct. 13, and Bro. Jack Keaweaweulaokalani Hutchison Wright, Sr. on Oct. 19. We shall surely miss them, but we know in our hearts and according to God's Word of His promise in *I Corinthians 15:52*, "In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory. O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?"

Sis. Evangeline Leimomi Senecca Han, who was the handmaiden to Chief Pastor William M. Han, Sr., also went home with Jesus, on Thursday, May 8, 2025, at the age of 93. She was a loving and dedicated wife, who stood beside him, Chief Pastor William M. Han, Sr., in every aspect of the Gospel work. She was the Secretary of the Board of Trustees, Assistant Producer/Director of the Kingdom of God Crusade Telecast and Department Head of the Church Office. She directed and supervised the custodial and maintenance workings and managed the plants and foliage for the Temple and Telecasts. She kept tabs on the Sunday School Departments in Cotobato and President Roxas.

She was a member of the Church Choir, Jubilees, served in the Kingdom of God Crusader Staff and prayed faithfully with the Chief Pastor at their prayer hour and at Prayer Services. She accompanied the Chief Pastor on his administrative visits to the Branch Churches and when he was called upon to pray for the sick and afflicted in the homes and hospitals. Truly, she was a wonderful "helpmeet" for the Chief Servant of God. Sis. Han was laid to rest next to her beloved husband, the Late Chief Pastor William Mokihana Han, Sr., at the Hawaii State Veteran's Cemetery, where they both await the call, "Come up Hither," from the Lord Jesus Christ to receive their eternal reward.

The one top priority that was set upon all The Apostolic Faith Churches (*Jesus Coming Soon*), was to save souls. We were instructed to preach the Lord's Gospel, so that others may be able to receive the Keys to Heaven. It was the Lord Jesus Christ who chose us, and who chose our founders Pastor & Sis. Charles and Ada B.

Lochbaum to bring His Gospel here, to the Hawaiian Islands. We continue to preach God's heavenly message throughout all of Branch Churches, here, across the waters and in the Philippines. And yes, souls heard His Word and they came. They believed, according to *John 3:5*, and was baptized according to *Acts 2:38*, and in His Name Jesus, according to *Acts 4:12*. On Oahu there were (15), Molokai (1), Maui (2), Hawaii Island (6), Kauai (0), Balogo (9), President Roxas (2), and in California there was (1) soul who was baptized in the Name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. We praise and give God all the glory for the 36 souls, that were baptized. On Oahu, there was also (1) soul filled with God's Holy Spirit.

Yes, 2025 was the year to Stand Fast and Pray. He said, "I am a Victorious God, and I shall have a victorious people."

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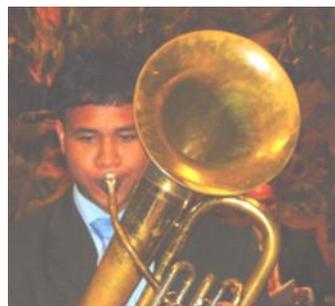
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Sis. Shayla Spotkaeff

Babies Blessed



AKONI LA'IKUKAMAEHU-MAIKALANI SEIKICHI ASANO was born on October 17, 2025 at Kauai Veterans Memorial Hospital, Waimea, Kauai. Parents are Bro. & Sis. Kona (Keana Tiare) Asano. Paternal grandparents are Bro. & Sis. Hoku (Kya) Asano, great grandparents Kauai Pastor Leonard K.Y. Asano, Sr. & the late Sis. Deborah R. Asano. Blessed on December 31, 2025 by Kauai Pastor Leonard K.Y. Asano, Sr. at the Kauai Branch Church.

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ISAAC IMUA PANAWAI TEA-HUPO'O MAWAE-KEAULANA was born on May 16, 2025 at Molokai General Hospital, He weighted 6 lbs 9 oz and was 21 inches in length. Parents are Imua & Kahiwa Mawae. Paternal grandparents are James & Glenda Mawae. Maternal grandparents are Moses & Nevia Keaulana. Blessed on January 4, 2026 by Molokai Branch Church Pastor Reginald V. Castanares, Sr.

In Memoriam

By Sis. Bobbi Lynn Eugenio



Our heartfelt condolences are extended to the families of the late **SIS. TRACIENE "TRACY" KALEOHONEOKEKAI YAMASHITA**, who was born on July 27, 1980 and passed away on November 11, 2025, she was 45 years old. Tracy was the daughter of Bro. Michael and Sis. Cindy Lauri Yamashita.

Her brothers are Winfred and Chaves Yamashita and sisters Kimberly Yamashita; the late Kapua (Robert) Lindsey; and Whitney Yamashita, along with many nieces and nephews. She was baptized in Jesus' Name at the age of 7. While growing up "Tracy" was remembered as a big teddy bear with a loyal heart, a big sister to her siblings and a special auntie to her nieces and nephews, she always made sure everyone was taken care of and fed. She will be missed by her aunties, uncles, cousins and dear friends but not forgotten.

The funeral service was conducted by The Apostolic Faith Church and was officiated by Associate Pastor Seth "Makana" Asano, Sr., on Monday, December 29, 2025 at Valley of the Temple in Kaneohe and burial followed at the Hawaiian Memorial Park Cemetery in Kaneohe. May the Lord continue to comfort the hearts of the family and friends.

Honolulu 121st Youth Service
Sunday, February 1, 2026

Hawaii Island Branch Church 57th Anniversary Service
Saturday, February 14, 2026



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