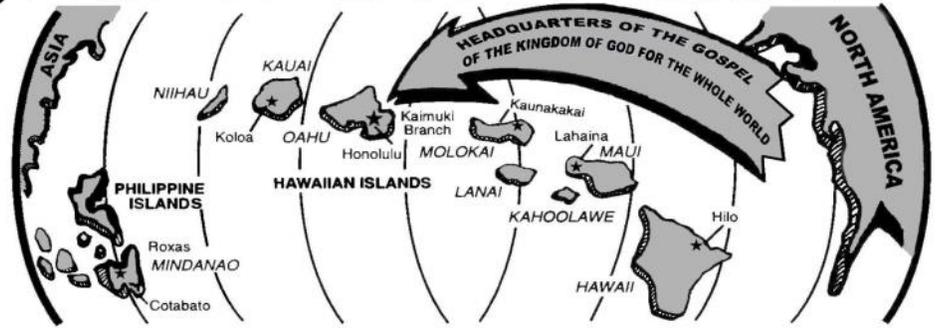


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New Year's Prophecy for 2024



A Year of Prayer



*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 down to speak to thee thru the power of my Holy Spirit to say it is well done, my little flock, well done, well done. For surely thy songs of praise have come up to me as a sweet-smelling incense and I find thee in unity of my Holy Spirit. Yes, my people, surely be ye lifted up this night and rejoice, rejoice, rejoice for I the Lord is your joy, and strength. Yes, my people, surely lift up my Servants in prayer, lift up my Five in prayer, lift up my sons in prayer, lift up one another in prayer. For surely prayer is the strength of my gospel work and the gospel work shall increase and go forward to greater Victory. Yes, my people, surely fear ye not, for much destruction come upon this Earth. Yes, much destruction come upon this ungodly world. Yes, nation against nation, wars, kingdom against kingdom, yes, pestilences. Yes, my people, surely fear ye not, for surely my time is coming short. I'm coming soon, I'm coming soon. Be ye ready, be ye ready. And, pray, pray, pray, pray for this lost and dying world. Pray for my Servants, pray for my Five, pray for my sons, pray for one another, for prayer is the strength of this gospel work. And, as you pray, pray faithfully, pray effectually, pray fervently. Yes, pray without ceasing! For surely as I hear thy prayers I shall answer. Ask of me and it shall be given. Seek of me and ye shall find. Knock and it shall be opened. Yes, my people pray, pray. I give you a year of PRAYER! For surely this is an ungodly world ye live in, and surely I come soon, I come soon. The love of many shall wax cold but, surely, those who endure to the end shall be saved. So, stand-fast! Be anchored to the Rock. Be anchored to the Rock, Christ Jesus, and thou shalt not be moved. And, pray, pray, pray, mightily, fervently, effectually, for the effectual prayer availeth much. Yes, my people, pray morning, noon, and night, and surely I shall hear thy prayers and I shall answer thee. Yes, my people, surely the Victory is thine this night! I give ye a year of PRAYER! Pray in faith believing and I shall answer. Yes, my people, surely the Victory is ahead, the victory is ahead. I'm a victorious God, I shall have a victorious people. Yes, my people, lift your voices up in praises unto me; open your mouths wide and I will fill it; open your hearts unto me that I may come in and dwell. I'm knocking at the door of your heart this night, open, open, open. I pass by the way this night, touch the hem of my garment and claim the Victory, claim the Victory, claim the Victory!

Entering a New Year

By Associate Pastor Timothy C.L. Han, Sr.



As we enter a new year, people all over the world make new year's resolutions, a promise to do something differently in the new year. For instance, eat healthier, exercise regularly, lose weight, quit smoking, stop drinking, and more importantly, attend church more often. Out of all of these examples which one do you think would be the best resolution? If you chose

church, it is the best choice and one that everyone needs. Seeking God should be at the top of everyone's list of new resolutions. When you have Jesus in your life, He will take care of everything else. *"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). This world needs Jesus. He loves everyone but not the sin within.

There is a very good example in the *Bible* about a man named Saul. Saul was a Pharisee, who intensely persecuted followers of Jesus (Acts 23:6). Saul relentlessly went through Jerusalem entering house after house, dragging men and women to prison on suspicion of their belief in Jesus (Acts 8:3). On the road to Damascus, Jesus changed Saul's heart. A light came from heaven and the Lord said, ". . . Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me? And he said, Who art thou, Lord? And the Lord said, I am Jesus whom thou persecutest: it is hard for thee to kick against the pricks" (Acts 9:4-5). At this time Saul was made blind and was led to the city by his men to look for Ananias. The Lord sent Ananias to seek Saul. He was found praying but Ananias, who was afraid, told the Lord of this man Saul. And the Lord said, ". . . he is a chosen vessel unto me, to bear my name before the Gentiles, and kings, and the children of Israel: For I will shew him how great things he must suffer for my name's sake" (Acts 9:15-16). The Lord Jesus Christ gave us this unbelievable example of how someone who had hatred for God's people had a changed heart, whose eyes were opened to his past persecution, and was made a chosen vessel of the Lord. When Paul preached, Jesus' people were amazed because they knew of his past (Acts 9:1-16). Paul went on to write most of the books in the New Testament.

The Gospel that Paul preached is the same preached here at the Apostolic Faith Church: the Good News that Jesus saves, Jesus heals, Jesus baptizes with the Holy Ghost and fire and Jesus is coming soon. There was a man named Nicodemus who asked Jesus about entering

the Kingdom of God. 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). What does it mean to be born of the water? It means to be baptized in Jesus' name according to Acts 2:38, *"Then Peter said unto them, 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."* When baptizing individuals, we ask two questions: "Do you accept Jesus Christ as your personal savior?" "Do you believe that His blood cleanses you from all sins?" The person who accepts Jesus is then completely placed under water as we say these words, *"I baptize 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). To be born of the Spirit is to be filled with the Holy Ghost and the only *Bible* evidence of this is in Acts 2:1-4, when on the day of Pentecost the hundred and twenty were all filled with the Holy Ghost being born of the Spirit which means having Jesus in you.

There is no doubt that if everyone was to seek Jesus, this world would be a better place. Unfortunately, only 144,000 will be saved. Are you part of this number? The Lord's second coming is at hand. This world is not our home. Change your life by accepting Jesus and serving Him, for salvation is full and free. If you want to live a better life, make Jesus your new year's resolution and He will take care of you. Aloha 2024!

Baptism in Jesus' Name



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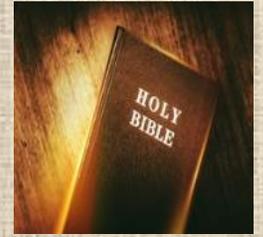
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John 3:5



A New Year, A New Beginning

By 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 shouldest not vow, than that*

thou shouldest 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 mindful of what we promise and to whom we make promise 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 our fellow man, is to ask the Lord to help us undertake whatever task that is upon our 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*” (*Psalms 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 through 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 through 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:

From January 1, to December 31, 2023

Oahu:	16 souls	Filled 2
Molokai:	3 souls	
Maui:	1 soul	
Hawaii Island:	2 souls	
Kauai:	none	
Balogo:	15 souls	Filled 1
Pres Roxas:	1 soul	

SOULS SAVED TOTAL: 38

SOULS FILLED: 3

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Mary, Joseph and the King

By Sis. Bobbi Lynn Eugenio



Jake Riemer
Youth Announcer



On this bright and glorious Christmas eve morning there was much excitement in the air as Saints, family and friends gathered together once again to witness the Apostolic Faith Church Sunday School Children's "2023" Christmas program directed by Associate Pastor Timothy C. L. Han, Sr. on Sunday, December 24, 2023.

The prelude was conducted by the members of the Apostolic Faith Church Band, under the leadership of Sis. Kristie Han on the piano. The group featured Sis. Sierra-Lynn (flute), Hannah Asano (cello), Cherise Spotkaeff (violin), Abigayle Asano (bass), Senneca-Rose Kalilikane (drums) and Associate Pastor Timothy Han, Sr. (bass guitar).

The Christmas Program opened with the Lord's Prayer by Head Pastor William M. Han, Jr. Our morning Youth Announcer was Bro. Jake Riemer who gave his welcome address and introduced the first song by the Nursery Class, "We Wish You a Merry Christmas," directed by Sis. Edith Matsuki, followed with an Euphonium instrumental selection by Bro. Isaac entitled, "Havana Nagila," directed by Associate Pastor Timothy Han, Sr. The Youth Choir under the direction of Sis. Tiare Somers sang a beautiful song entitled, "Baby Born in Bethlehem."

The Gospel Skit entitled, "The Gospel, the Good News," performed by Jake Riemer (Matthew), Isaac (Mark), Jayden Akui (Luke) and Solomon Young (John) was directed by Associate Pastor/Trustee Edwin H. Sproat, Sr.

The Christmas story was written and directed by Sis. DonnaLou Carter with an opening song by the Children's Sunday School Department entitled, "Mary, Joseph and the King," under the leadership of Assistant Superintendent Sis. Emilia Han.

Youth Announcer Bro. Jake Riemer opened the Christmas program with a narration to the congregation, "Christmas holds a special place in the hearts of every true born-again believer. An exciting time of the year, Christmas denotes the promise of new beginnings and life everlasting with our Saviour. The many scenes and musical selections portrayed the birth of Je-

sus Christ. The story opened with Scene I "The Angel Gabriel Visits Mary," Scene II "Mary and Elisabeth," Scene III "Joseph's Dream," Scene IV "Introduction of the Three Wise-men," joined in with the Youth Choir a song entitled, "The Prayer," Scene V "Tax Time," and Scene VI "Preparing the Manger," introducing the Nursery Classes who sang, "5 Little Fingers," Scene VII "Angel Calls the Shepherds," the Beginner Classes sang, "Away in a Manger," Scene VIII "He Is Here," sung by the Youth Choir, and Scene IX "The Wise Men-Time To Leave." The Sunday School Department sang the closing song, "Joy to the World."

Special acknowledgements, to Head Pastor William M. Han, Jr., Trustee/Sunday School Superintendent Sis. Roslyn L. Han; Assistant Sunday School Superintendent Sis. Emilia U. Han; Program Director Associate Pastor Timothy C.L. Han, Sr. (stage & crew helpers); In charge of Youth Announcer Sis. CherylN Abing; Pianists & Organs Sis. Edith Matsuki & crew; Rhythm Sis. Senneca-Rose Kalilikane & crew; Props Bro. Kahiwa Asano & crew; Audio Associate Pastor Dean Carillo & crew; Costumes Sis. Jamie-Lynn Nelson & crew; Theme poster Sis. Maile Kaonohi & crew; Program Sis. Wilma Spotkaeff and a special thank you to the Prayer Band for their unceasing prayers.

Our Christmas Evening Service started at 6:30pm with a musical prelude by the Church Band. The opening prayer was led by Head Pastor William M. Han, Jr. The congregation sang, "O Come, All Ye Faithful," and "The First Noel." The Orchestra played, "Christ Is Christmas." The Choir sang, "Sing, Mary Sing," and "Christmas is Coming." The Band played, "O Holy Night." An instrumental selection by the string section played the song entitled, "Christmas Lullaby." The Daughters of Judah sang a vocal selection entitled, "Noel." Head Pastor William M. Han, Jr. delivered an inspiring and spirit-filled sermon entitled, "O Holy Night." In closing, the congregation with uplifting praises of rejoicing sang with all their hearts to the song, "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing."



The Christmas Sunday School Children's Department sang with all their hearts in worship and praises as they blended their voices together in singing, "Mary, Joseph and The King" led by Sis. Emilia Han.



The Nursery Classes rendered a song entitled, "We Wish You A Merry Christmas."



The Youth Choir with their angelic voices sang a beautiful number entitled, "Baby Born In Bethlehem."



The Gospel Skit under the direction of Trustee/Associate Pastor Edwin H. Sproat, Sr. did a magnificent job of portraying, "The Gospel, the Good News."



An Euphonium instrumental selection was by Bro. Isaac who played the song, "Hava Nagila." The angel spoke to Mary and announced she would bring forth a King.



L-R: Anikah-Jem Nelson (Mary), Reign Rose Bowen (Elisabeth), and Aiko Rego (Angel).



The Three Wisemen: L-R: Solomon Young, Tristan Kahakelii-Ligsay and Bro. Isaac with Jake Riemer (Announcer).



Innkeepers L-R: Elora Asano, Maraea-Rose Nelson and Rayden Day-Bell.



Nursery Classes sang a song, "5 Little Fingers," with their Teacher, Sis. Maile Kaonohi



Shepherds L-R: JadeLynn Touli-Fortin, Jayden Akui, Faith Kealohanui and Riley Okahashi (Angel).



The Wise men and shepherds came to visit Mary, Joseph and Baby Jesus.



Beginner Classes sang a song entitled, "Away In The Manger."



Primary Class sang a rendition entitled, "We Three Kings" with a duet solo by Alize Makua and Rayden Day-Bell.



Left: A vocal by Abigal Asano. Right: Wise Men and Head Shepherd Jayden Akui joined the Youth Choir and sang, "He is Here."



Manger Scene: JadeLynn Touli-Fortin and Faith Kealohanui (Shepherds), Hunter Touli-Fortin (Joseph) and Anikah-Jem Nelson (Mary).



Sunday School Department closed with a song entitled, "Joy To The World."



Head Pastor William M. Han, Jr. introduced, The Daughters of Judah as they blended their sweet voices together unto the Lord and sang, "Noel."



The Church Orchestra under the leadership of Trustee/Associate Pastor Edwin H. Sproat, Sr. picked and strummed to the song, "Christ Is Christmas."



The Church Band under the skillful guidance of Head Pastor William M. Han, Jr. played, "O Holy Night."



The Church Choir under the direction of Sis. Emilia Han, blended their beautiful voices in harmony as they sang, "Christmas Is Coming."



Saints gathered together at our Christmas Evening Service.

December 31, 2023

Honolulu New Year's Eve Service



Associate Pastor Timothy Han, Sr. conducted the 2023 New Years Eve evening service. Little did we know what was ahead, but Jesus did. Who would have ever imagined that something like our entire Nation (and the world) would experienced a total shut down due to the pandemic? But, that didn't stop Head Pastor Billy Han, Jr. and his handmaiden Sis. Roslyn L. Han. With just the two of them, they continued the Lord's Gospel services by holding prayer service, too. In doing the Lord's work, they carried on the Gospel work. For we know that with prayer nothing is impossible and it is prayer that moves the Hand of God that moves the world. We were blessed and honored to have them both sing the song entitled, "I Need Thee Every Hour."



L-R: Sis. Pohaku Carter, Trustee Edwin Sproat, Sr. and Trustee Bobbi Lynn Eugenio each sang their own duet at the New Year's Eve service.



L-R: Sisters Liana, Oceana Falaniko and Tiare Somers L-R: Sisters Sierra-Lynn Han, Kristie Han and Senneca-Rose Kalilikane both groups sang sweetly unto the Lord.



The Apostolic Faith Church Prayer Band members who watch and pray without ceasing for the entire world.



Families of Kalilikane, Sanches, Tampos, Braswell, Place, and Koko, gathered together and sang praises and glory unto the Lord.



Faithful labourers and Saints in God's vineyard.



The Spotkaeff family mother and daughters (L-R) Cherise, Sally (mother), Shayla and Alicia blended their lovely voices as they sang from their hearts unto the Lord.



L-R: The Men Crusaders: Head Pastor Billy Han, Jr., Trustee Edwin Sproat, Sr., Associate Pastors Timothy Han, Sr. and Dean Carillo, Sr. The Church Orchestra and trumpet ensemble by the leadership of Sis. Kristie Han.

Molokai Branch Church Christmas Program

“It’s Christmas Time”

By Sis. Mapuana Aquino



Pastor Reginald V. Castanares, Sr. and Kairee Shei Fernandez, Youth Announcer.

“Not once a year, but while we live, our faith and love to our Lord we’ll give, and today’s song in our hearts will chime, “Till Another Christmas Time.” Our Children’s Christmas program commenced with The Lord’s Prayer led by Pastor Reginald V. Castanares, Sr. followed by a rousing rendition of “Joy To The World” by the congregation. Youth Announcer Kairee Shei Fernandez joyously introduced the children and led them in singing their “Welcome Song” and “This Little Light of Mine.” The program proceeded with selections by the Youth Orchestra of “Silent Night” and “Angels From The Realms of Glory” and an instrumental selection by Sis. Kairee played “Away In A Manger” accompanied by Sis. Aquino, Pastor Castanares and Bro. Valentine Kealaiki. A vocal trio comprised of Ezekial and Alexandrias Mawae and Kairee Fernandez sang, “It Came Upon A Midnight Clear” with vim, vigor and vitality followed by the congregation joining in singing, “O Little Town of Bethlehem.” The Christmas Story, by Alice Joyce Davidson, was narrated by Kairee Fernandez with scripture confirmation for every aspect of the story by Ezekial and Alexandrias Mawae. “Go Tell It On The Mountain” sung by the children gave sound encouragement to all. The Gospel, the very reason for the Savior’s birth, was presented by Sis. Jessie Ann Castanares. She encouraged the Saints to know the Gospel to its fullness and to share it with friends and family and above all to be prepared. The children concluded the program singing, “Till It’s Christmas Time Again” and “We Wish You a Merry Christmas.” The congregation joined in singing the closing song, “Hark The Herald Angels Sing” and Pastor Castanares closed the service with a benediction. It was indeed a blessed day! Thank You, Jesus! Thank You, Jesus!

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L: Welcome Song “This Little Light of Mine.” R: Vocal Trio Ezekial and Alexandrias Mawae and Kairee Fernandez.



The Church Orchestra.



Molokai Branch Church Sunday School Department.

Molokai Branch Church New Year’s Eve Service

By Sis. Jessie Ann Castanares



Bro. & Sis. Wickes with Pastor Reginald V. Castanares, Sr.

In one heart, one mind, and one accord, we sang out the old year and prayed in the new. An excellent way; the best place to be; Yes, Indeed! We gathered together in the House of God among Saints and the family of God singing and praising the Lord. Rejoicing, the service commenced with the singing of “A Glorious Church” followed with the orchestra playing “There Is Power In The Blood” and the Prayer Band singing, “I Am Praying For You.” The celebration was on!

Uninhibited by the sights and sounds around us, the Saints, families, groups and vocals sang and played their instruments in praises to the Lord. Members of the Aea, Aquino, Bush, Castanares, Fernandez, Kanemitsu, Kapuni, Kealaiki, Keoho, Poaha, Rodrigues, Stone and Wickes rejoiced to be in the House of God. There were selections of “Invitation:” “Shall We Gather At The River;” “Duty;” “Labor On;” “Scattering Precious Seeds;” “Praises”: “All that Thrills My Soul;” “He Keeps Me Singing;” “Sing His Praise;” “Peace”: “In the Garden;” “I Belong To The King;” “Honey In The Rock;” “Tell It To Jesus;” “Thanksgiving;” “Bought With A Price;” “Hide You In The Blood;” “Wounded For Me;” “The Old Rugged Cross;” “If That Isn’t Love;” “Warning;” “The Message of His Coming” and “Looking Ahead;” “Victory In Jesus;” “By and By;” “When We All Get To Heaven.”



Sisters Jessie Ann Castanares and Mapuana Aquino.

It was indeed a night for letting go of the old year and praying and looking forward to victory in Jesus in the New Year.



L-R: Bro. Val Kealiki, Sisters Florence Bush and Jessie Ann Castanares.

The Lord spoke through the power of His Holy Spirit through Pastor Reginald Castanares, Sr. to tell us that it was “well done” to “fear not” that He answered prayers and have gone before you. He encouraged us to “draw closer, even closer still” and to keep “feasting on my Word;” to “continue in well doing” for “I know thy works and see thy love” and to “Rejoice, Rejoice, Rejoice;” “My Power is here; my glory is here!

Touch the hem of my garment and Take Ye the Victory! Take Ye The Victory! Take Ye The Victory!” Thank You, Jesus!



Molokai Saints singing and rejoicing at the New Year Eve Service.

Hawaii Island Branch Church

Children’s Christmas Program

By Sis. Desiree Po’a

In spite of a few lite showers (of blessing) this was the day that God had blessed. As saints, family and friends gathered you could just taste that sweetness in the air. Psalm 34:8 tells us “O taste and see that the LORD is good: blessed is the man that trusteth in him.” Judging by the many smiling faces and the expressed praises, God’s presence was surely felt and exuberated throughout.

In Jesus our praises through songs resonated as our orchestra merrily rendered their talents to the songs of “Come Thou Fount Of Blessing” and “Abide In Me.” The choir yielded blended voices in songs befitting the occasion “The Christmas Story” and “A Beautiful Song.” Our young and talented instrumentalist, Christian Lee, got a fitting applause to his rendition of “Joy To The World.” And our vocalist, Bro. Jarritt Pang, wholeheartedly sang for us “Majesty.” Yes, worship His Majesty, unto Jesus be all glory, honor and praise.

The next order of worship brought us to the culmination of our service, the Word of God. There are several scriptures that foretell the Promise of a Savior in the Old Testament such as Genesis 3:15, Micah 5:2, Isaiah 7:14 and 9:6. Genesis 12:3 tells us that the Messiah will come from the line of Abraham and a descendant of King David. And these scriptures were faithfully fulfilled in the New Testament Books of Matthew and Luke.

Our sermon entitled, “The Birth Of The Savior” was preached by Pastor Walter I. Tin Loy. In the Book of Luke, chapter One tells of Zacharias who was praying at the temple and was troubled by seeing the Angel of the Lord. He was told by the Angel that his wife, Elisabeth, would bear a son named John. Mind you they are both well-stricken in age, but in Luke 1:37 clearly states, “For with God nothing shall be impossible.” John was well known for speaking openly and publicly on the soon arrival of the Messiah. The phenomenal conception of John compares to the similar arrival of Isaac in Genesis (Abraham and Sarah) and places emphasis on verse 37 that these events are nothing short of a miracle, as was the birth of Jesus.

In chapter two of Luke verses 8-21, the Bible describes the birth of Jesus Christ and the events surrounding this blessed occasion. The chapter begins with a decree from Caesar Augustus that all should be registered. The registration and census wasn’t for simple record-keeping or statistics. It was to efficiently and effectively tax everyone in the Roman Empire.

Joseph and Mary travelled from Nazareth to Bethlehem, some 80 miles, a significant undertaking especially with his betrothed who was with child. There Jesus is born in a manger, wrapped in swaddling cloths. Conceived and born by divine intervention this is the “greatest story” ever told!

Soon after, the Angel of the Lord appears to shepherds in the fields, announcing the birth of the Savior. “For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord” (Luke 2:11). “And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men” (Luke 2:13-14).

For us everyday is Christmas, we have been blessed abundantly with having Jesus in our lives and blessed with the knowledge that He will return for us soon.

Hawaii Island Branch Church

New Year’s Eve Service

By Sis. Lorelei Pang

“How quickly 2023 came and went!” This writer recollected as the saints quickly assembled in the House of the Lord to celebrate our New Year’s Eve service!

Our New Year’s Eve service is special as it is unlike any of our services throughout the year. It is a night when every member of the congregation can shine for Jesus, bringing forth their talents through songs and instrumental selections. We’ve witnessed such wonderful talents as Sis. Kaitlyn Lee blessed us with a beautiful rendition of “Amazing Grace” on her keyboard, and Bro. Kamanawa Kapahu graced us with the song, “I Am Thine, O Lord,” on his ukulele.

This writer was surely blessed to witness our congregation families as the Tin Loy family, Po’a family, Carvalhos, Bathes/Kapahu, as well as the Helfenbein/Yee families blessed us with their hymnal favorites!

We eagerly look forward to a new year in the Lord and are excited to be that much closer to His soon coming! Lord, come quickly!

Hawaii Island Branch Church

Photos



Pastor Walter I. Tin Loy and Bro. Jarritt Pang.



Our Instrumentalist is Christian Lee.



Kaleb Bettencourt and Desiree Poa.

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L-R: Bro. Kamu, Sis. Lorelei and Bro. Jarritt Pang.



A chorus by the Brothers.



L-R: Sisters Pearl Kawahara, Mercy Oliveria, Bro. & Sis. Robert (Patsy) Carvalho.



L-R: Sis. Shanna Nahoopii, Hawaii Island Branch Pastor Walter I Tin Loy, Bros. Blaine Tin Loy and Rondon Chad family.



The Church Choir.



L-R: Sis. Lorelei Pang, Pastor Walter I. Tin Loy, Bros. Robert Carvalho and Jarritt Pang and Sis. Desiree Poa.

Kauai Branch Church New Year's Eve Service ...All the Promises of God in Him are Yea and Amen (II Corinthians 1:20)

By Kauai Pastor Leonard K.Y. Asano, Sr.



The Kauai congregation assembled on Sunday, December 31, 2023 to sing out the year 2023, and to pray and receive the year 2024 at 12 AM, January 1, 2024. The essence of the born again Christians is that each day of every year fervent prayers are offered by prayerful saints for souls that have yet to find salvation through the Gospel of Jesus Christ. The year 2024 will be no different. Due diligence to the Word of God and His Righteousness will be required throughout the year. We will continue to sing because we are joyful Christians knowing that the joy of the Lord is our strength (*Nehemiah 8:10*). We will continue to pray fervently and unceasingly for souls because God has given a promise of eternal life in His Kingdom that is closer to being fulfilled than we may think. We will continue to rejoice in His Spirit, despite the perilous times, because Jesus is always nearby. The song, "A Glorious Church" began the service. Praises through voice and instrument were offered to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Personal Testimony praised God for His mercy and grace. The Word of God highlighted Matthew chapter 24, underscoring the perilous times, but reminding us that the current events are the beginning of sorrows and the end is not yet. The service was concluded at 12 AM, hand in hand singing "He's Coming Soon!" Through His Spirit we were encouraged to be steadfast and wait patiently in the promises of God! Yes, in Jesus everything is complete! "For of him, and through him, and to him, are all things: to whom be glory for ever. Amen." (*Romans 11:36*). "Surely, I come quickly. Even so, come, Lord Jesus." (*Revelation 22:20*)

UpComing Events

Honolulu 50th Anniversary Prayer Tower Sunday, January 21, 2024

Balogo Branch Church
Christmas Children's Program

“Why Do We Celebrate Christmas?”

By Sis. Deborah Aspera



Nursery and Beginners Classes



Primary I-IV Classes.



Junior & HI Teen Classes.



L-R: Vocal Solos: Athalia Keisha Baylen, “Whispering Hope” and Gian Carl Cepeda, “O Holy Night.”



Balogo Sunday School Department.



L-R: Sis. Deborah Aspera, Bro. Jayvee Ynion and Pastor Hanibal Aspera.

We celebrate the birth of Jesus who, out of love, left the splendor and glory of heaven to dwell in the form of simple man, that we might be saved and receive the promised gift of eternal life. The Balogo Branch Church located at Cotabato, Mindanao, Philippines celebrated the annual Children Christmas program on December 24, 2023. It began promptly at 10:00 a.m. The program opened with the “Lord’s Prayer” led by Pastor Hanibal Aspera. Bro. Jayvee Lawrence Ynion, a Hi Teen student officiated the Christmas Program and did an outstanding job as the Master of Ceremonies.

Every class within the Sunday School Department conducted their respective presentations wonderfully. The combined Nursery and Beginners Class always entertained the congregation with their talents, in memorizing their recitations and performing very energetically their song. The Primary I-IV class came up next with their recitation entitled “Heaven Star.”

The Junior and Hi Teen class also presented a story telling about “The Birth of Jesus” and “Why Do We Celebrate Christmas?”

The children of the Sunday School praised the Lord with their talents. There were Solos by Athalia Keisha Baylen, who sang, “Whispering Hope,” and Bro. Gian Carl Cepeda, who sang, “O Holy Night,” and an instrumental by Sis. Kezia Aspera.

Thanks goes to all the Sunday School Teachers, students, and parents and above all to our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, the only reason why we celebrate Christmas.

President Roxas Branch Church

Christmas Children's Program

By Sis. Maribel Aspera



L-R: Pastor Vesper T. Aspera, Announcer Sis. Alona Provideo and Sis. Maribel Aspera.

Hallelujah! All praise to the Almighty! On this precious December 24th, the saints of the President Roxas Branch Church in Cotabato, Mindanao, Philippines gathered to rejoice in the birth of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Pastor Vesper Aspera began the service with "The Lord's Prayer," followed by the opening song "Angels We Have Heard on High." As our program announcer, Sister Alona Provideo, the daughter of Brother Joseph and Sister Eunice Provideo, breezed through the program joyfully while keeping everything going at a steady speed. Everyone was ecstatic as each class performed special selections in recitations, melodious orchestral performances, acrostic numbers, booming songs, and vibrant action songs.



Recitation: "WELCOME"
Sis. Margaux Phoebe Cantomayor.

The Sunday School students and teachers collaborated closely, which contributed to the program's success. All of our children are a blessing from God. Behold the pleasure and beauty that these children exude as they are raised in the ways of the Lord. Small in stature, yet powerful in praise. We sincerely appreciate all parents for bringing their children to Sunday School. And above all, thank You, Lord Jesus, for gracing us as the most precious gift of all.



The Nursery Class sang, "JESUS."



Recitation: "FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT."



Recitation: Beginner Class "COME WITH JOY."



"CHRISTMAS."



President Roxas Sunday School Department members.

Promotions in the Lord's Gospel Work

"For promotion cometh neither from the east, nor from the west, nor from the south. But God is the judge: he putteth down one, and setteth up another. Psalm 75:6

By Associate Pastor/Trustee Edwin H. Sproat, Sr.



Sis. Bobbi Lynn Eugenio
Trustee

The Lord Jesus Christ led Head Pastor Billy Han, Jr., and the Trustees, to make the following promotions in the Lord's Gospel Work, as denoted in Psalm 75:6, *"For promotion cometh neither from the east, nor from the west, nor from the south. For God is the judge: he putteth down one, and setteth up another."*

The Apostolic Faith Church Trustee: **SIS. BOBBI LYNN KALANI EUGENIO**, was promoted from her position as Associate Trustee, to the permanent position of Trustee, for The Apostolic Faith Church, on Thursday, December 14, 2023, after much prayer and supplication, and with the approval of the Trustees. This Trustee position was previously held by our beloved Trustee/Associate Pastor Ronald P. Han, Jr., who passed away on August 20, 2023. The Lord Jesus Christ moved Pastor Charles Lochbaum on August 4, 1949, to make provision for the release and the transfer to the members of the church of all real and personal property of The Apostolic Faith Church, in Hawaii, and arranged that this property is to be held by five trustees as a perpetual trust to carry on the work that he and his wife began in Hawaii for the increase of the spiritual welfare of the people of Hawaii and the glory of the Kingdom of God in accordance with the doctrines they have taught. The present Trustees, each serving a life-tenure, are Head Pastor and Chairman of the Board William M. Han, Jr., Associate Pastor Edwin H. Sproat, Sr., Pastor Leonard K. Y. Asano, Sr., Sis. Roslyn L. Han, and Sis. Bobbi Lynn K. Eugenio. Sis. Bobbi Lynn was first promoted to Associate Trustee, and announced to the congregation on January 24, 2021, and Head Pastor Billy Han, Jr., made this special announcement of her promotion to permanent full-time Trustee, on Sunday, December 17, 2023. Sis. Bobbi Lynn's acceptance speech is as follows: *"I would like to praise and thank the Lord for the honor to be appointed as Trustee. Thank you, Jesus, for finding me worthy to serve Him. I praise and thank the Lord for Head Pastor Billy, and Sis. Roslyn Han, for their unceasing prayers, for the Trustees, the Servants, the Prayer Band Leaders and Prayer Band Warriors, the Associate Pastors, the Saints of God, and my family for all your prayers. But most of all, I would like to praise and thank the Lord for the late Trustee/Associate Pastor Ronald P. Han, Jr., for the many wonderful and joyful memories we had with him. May God bless him for his love and service for Jesus! So I praise and thank the Lord for all and everything in Jesus' Name!"*

Sis. Bobbi Lynn was baptized in the name Jesus Christ on October 2, 1980, and filled with the Lord's Holy Spirit on December 26, 1980. She is married to Bro. Narciso Eugenio, and they have two children, daughter Jamie (Edwin) Lucas, and son Christopher (Janell) and eight grandchildren. Her commitment, qualifications, and accomplishments in faithfully serving the Lord Jesus Christ are very well known to the Saints. In 1986, she was raised-up as Assistant Church Office Manager

and Coordinator, and in 1994, she became the full-time Church Office Manager and Coordinator. Sis. Bobbi finds it a joy, and blessing, to work with the many sisters, and office staff, in the Church Office. She is always ready to learn new tasks, and new equipment, used in the Church Office to print the many different Church programs, Sunday School lessons, monthly Crusader Newsletters, booklets, and other mailings. Sis. Bobbi Lynn was raised-up as a Prayer Band Leader in 1987, and daily holds an hour in the Prayer Tower.

Sis. Bobbi Lynn also sings in the alto section of the Church Choir and plays the ukulele in the Church Orchestra. In 1983 she was raised-up as a Sunday School Monitor, and in 1988 she became a Sunday School Substitute Teacher. She later became a permanent Teacher for the Primary III Class, and willingly writes many skits for the Children's Sunday School Easter, and Christmas programs. She regularly attends the gospel services, and we gratefully give the Lord Jesus Christ, all the praise and glory, for her loving acceptance of this blessed Trustee position, in the Lord's Gospel Work, helping to spread the Gospel throughout Hawaii, and even to the ends of the earth.



Bro. Alfred Carter, Sr.
Teen III

The Apostolic Faith Church Sunday School Teen III Teacher: **BRO. ALFRED CARTER, SR.**, was promoted to become the permanent Teen III Sunday School Teacher, on Thursday, December 14, 2023, after much prayer and supplication, and with the approval of the Trustees. This special announcement was also made to the congregation by Head Pastor Billy Han, Jr., on Sunday, December 17, 2023. Bro. Alfred was raised up as a Sunday School Substitute Teacher in 1988, and he has been filling-in as the Substitute

Teacher of the Teen III Class, in the absence of the late Trustee/Associate Pastor Ronald P. Han, Jr. He was baptized at age 7 and was later filled with God's Holy Spirit in 1980. He is married to Sis. DonnaLou Carter and they have been blessed with 5 children, and 21 grandchildren and great grandchildren. Bro. Alfred is also the Head Custodian for the Mother Church and assists with many other projects. Behind the scenes in the Honolulu Mother Church Facilities, you will find Bro. Alfred, being assisted by Sis. Donna Lou Carter, and many loving Saints of God putting their shoulders to the Gospel Wheel, helping with the many tasks in and around the House of God, and yard areas to maintain The Apostolic Faith Church facilities as a premier location of esthetic beauty to all who drive pass 1043 Middle Steet, each, and every day of the year. Therefore, it is a pleasure to give our hearty thanks to Bro. Alfred for accepting this important Sunday School Teen III Teacher position, and for helping to promote the Lord's Gospel Work both here in Hawaii, and throughout the whole world.

2023 Year in Retrospect

By Sis. Martha Richards

Using Head Pastor William M. Han Jr., the Lord Jesus Christ prophesied through the power of the Holy Ghost, "A Year of Peace, Joy and Happiness." The Lord spoke, "...Yes my people, surely, fear ye not...Fear ye not for all the destruction to come upon this Earth, wars and rumors of wars, earthquakes and pestilence. Surely my people, surely fear ye not for all the stress, distress yes I give you peace, joy and happiness in the Holy Spirit." The Lord warned us of the destruction to come but He told us not to fear or stress. The Lord fulfilled His promise of much peace, joy and happiness for the Saints of God and for the Lord's work. In John 14:27, the Lord gave a bequest of peace, "Peace I leave with you, ...Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid." He again fortified us with His promise of peace for 2023.

Yes, for the year 2023, much turmoil occurred daily in the world but the Lord's prediction came to pass with numerous earthquakes, much natural and man made destruction in many parts of the world with shootings, human trafficking, racism, wars, threats of wars, nuclear threats, terrorism (locally, nationally and the worldwide) and so on. Massive destruction took place with the invasion of Ukraine by Russian troops as well as the surprise terrorist attack on Israel by Hamas and Israel's response to the attack and ultimate entry into Gaza. The Lord commands us to "Pray for the Peace of Jerusalem." Since the onset of World War II and the attack on Pearl Harbor, Prayer has taken place daily. The prayer service was instituted by Pastor Charles and Sis. Ada Bea Lochbaum, Sr. when Pearl Harbor was attacked in 1941. Praying for souls, for the Lord's work and praying for the Peace of Jerusalem and the Jews so that they may come to the understanding that the Lord is the Messiah they have been praying for to set them free.

Closer to home, the Maui wildfires in Kula and Lahaina also created catastrophic devastation for the affected areas. Much prayer is still needed for Maui. Since the upland Kula fires and the obliteration of Lahaina town with many precious lives lost, the aftermath of the August fires brought the long range emotional, educational and economical recovery challenges for all of Maui. Thank You, Jesus, for providing a way of escape for Sis. Rosemarie Castillo to survive the fire. She had to enter the waterfront to survive and the Lord delivered her. Much prayer is needed for all of Maui, Saints of God, friends and family. Praise and thanks the Lord for His mercy and grace, the church remained untouched and intact as one of Lahaina's landmarks located near Mala Wharf in Lahaina. Satellite footage showed the church unscathed next to its bright green lawn.

In 2023 many milestones occurred. January celebrated the 43rd Anniversary of the Kingdom of God Crusader Telecast Ministries. There are still Covid variances as well as Respiratory Syncytial Virus going around but using wisdom in following the necessary guidelines and with the Lord's help, the Lord protected His people. Saints of God also celebrated the 49th Anniversary of the Prayer Tower.

The month of February highlighted the return of the Honolulu 115th Youth Service in the Temple along with other Youth Services happening on the outer islands. March brought forth the celebration of the 54th Anniversary of the Hilo Branch Church as well as the 79th Anniversary of preaching the Gospel at the Molokai Branch Church in Kaunakakai, Molokai. Sis. Fella Lokelani Jardine, daughter of Sis. Beatrice Jardine and niece of Sis. Millie Gibson, went home to be with Lord on March 3, 2023.

The children of the church presented Easter celebrating Jesus'

resurrection and ultimate sacrifice for all of us. Services took place in the Temple and on all islands and the Philippines, Balogo and President Roxas Branch Churches. On March 4th another milestone took place upon the return of the Music Department to KITV television telecast within KITV studio.

Also part of the 2023 New Year's Prophecy, Saints of God were mandated to "...Labor on, labor on.... Yes, my people surely labor on and stand fast where I have placed thee..." We must work for and stand fast. The month of May celebrated Mothers in the Lord and their role in teaching principles of faith, love and humility in building God's loving family of God. (*John 3:5; Acts 2:38, 4:12; John 1:12*)

In May, the Balogo Branch Church celebrated its 49th Anniversary and later in the month, the President Roxas Branch Church rejoiced at their 28th Anniversary on the island of Mindanao, Philippines. Pentecost was celebrated on Sunday, May 28th. High School and College Graduations for some Young Adults occurred in May and June and the Temple was the setting for the 116th Birthday-Annual Youth Program. Also occurring in May, the Mother Church held the Annual Church Picnic at Kaiona Beach in Waimānalo as well as other Branch churches.

On June 28th, our dear Sis. Daisy Mae Pakalana Clark (late Bro. Edgar Sr.) a beloved Sister in Christ passed. In July, Pastor & Sis. Leonard Asano and the Saints of the Kauai Branch Church hosted the 43rd Anniversary of the preaching the Gospel at Omao, Kauai. "*This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it*" (*Psalms 118:24*). July brought sadness and victory at the same time in the celebration of Sis. Daisy Mae Clark who had passed in late June. Sis. Daisy was a constant figure in church as she was a faithful Pianist, Organist, the first Youth Service Preacher, Choir Member, Sunday School Teacher and Sunday School Superintendent. Also passing was our faithful and beloved choir member Bro. Galu Falaniko, survived by Sis. Oceana, and daughters, Isa Falaniko, Sis. Tiare (George) and Liana Falaniko.

In preparation of the 100th Anniversary of the Mother Church, the parking lots were repaired and new carpeting was installed in the Sunday School Department and Temple. Sis. Roslyn Han spearheaded her team in removing furniture and overseeing the carpet installation. The Lord blesses His people and in turn He touches their hearts. Bro. Marvin and Sis. Cheryl Abing donated new carpeting to the Sunday School Department. The Temple also received a donation of new carpet.

On August 6, 2023 a major celebration of the year was the 100th Anniversary of the Church and the Gospel Work in the Hawaiian Islands. The Lord anchored His work and His Headquarters one hundred years ago when He brought Bro. & Sis. Charles Lochbaum and their son, Otto, to preach the Gospel and HIS message of salvation. The morning service began with a joyous musical portion and shared the history of the work from Tent to Temple, under the founding tutelage of the Lochbaums to the rising up and stewardship of Pastor William M. Han Sr. and Sis. Evangeline Han from 1958 to 2003. Pastoral duties were transferred in 2003 to Pastor William M. Han Jr., another milestone in God's Gospel and for Pastor Billy Han Jr. along with handmaiden Sis. Roslyn, for his and her dedication to the Lord's work and the overseeing twenty years in the Lord's work. Sis. Lochbaum as well as Sis. Evangeline Han set the standard for all the handmaidens in the Lord. It was a glorious day of celebration for all the Saints of God. On August 20, 2023 our beloved Trustee and Associate Pastor Ronald

Paaluhi Han Jr. went home to be with the Lord.

The Kaimuki Branch Church celebrated the 93rd Anniversary in October. Due to the wildfires in Lahaina, the November Maui Branch Anniversary Service could not be held at the church due to imposed road closures. The 70th Anniversary Maui Branch Service was held at Makawao Community Center. The return of holding services started on Sunday, January 14, 2024 located at 1211 Front Street, Lahaina, Maui. Due to Lahaina's water quality, Saints of God are asked to bring their own water. Much Prayer is still needed for Maui Saints and all of Maui.

On October 9, 2023, Sis. Dorothy Hiroko Ideoka age 90, went home to be with the Lord peacefully. She was born in Lahaina, Maui, and faithfully served the Lord as a wonderful Prayer Warrior and despite her age, she volunteered to help clean the church and the yard regularly.

On October 15th, the Lord called home our dear Sis. Deborah Ruth Asano of Kauai, precious Handmaiden and wife of Pastor Leonard Asano, twin brother of Bro. Theodore Williams Sr., beloved mother to Sis. Rebecca (Bro. Herman) Santos, Bro. Leonard (Sis. Luana) Asano, Bro. Christopher (Sis. Crystal) Asano, Bro. Lemuel (Sis. Kya) Asano, Bro. Seth (Sis. Rhone-lynn) Asano, 21 grandchildren, one great-granddaughter, and one great grandson.

November marked the passing of Bro. James Robert Holt of Ewa Beach. Services held for Trustee/Associate Pastor Ronald Han Jr. took place at Mililani Mortuary on Thursday, November 30, 2023. Bro. Ron was a beloved Brother in Christ and a shining example of a man of God who lived the Christian life in his truthful, authentic and sincere manner through his devotion to God, his wife, his family and to his country. He showed his light in all facets of his life. Bro. Ron served in the Air Force for 28 years as a Commander and Colonel in the Air National Guard and was responsible for a range of top secret projects, overseeing multibillion dollar weapons and had the responsibility of 800 men. He was highly a decorated Colonel and was well respected by his men and colleagues. He was honored with the attendance of many high ranking and retired Generals and Commanders. Upon his retirement he served three Hawaii Governors as a Liason, State of Hawaii Office of Veteran Services. He was blessed with a beautiful military service with Flags lining the entire Kaneohe Veterans Cemetery and a twenty one gun salute. Bro. Ron held all positions within his life seriously and committed himself to the Lord serving as an Usher, Sunday School Teacher for Young Adults and as Associate Pastor and Trustee.

December closed out the year with a Christmas Children's morning program and evening Christmas program celebrating the Birth of our Savior Jesus Christ. Jesus is the true meaning of Christmas and not a retail Holiday sale. The year ended with the joyous New Year's Eve Service spearheaded by energetic Associate Pastor Timothy Han Sr. with the Saints of God singing songs and praises into the new year. The Lord has guided us through another year amongst the turmoil of this world. HE is always there for us and directs our path. The Lord spoke in the early moments of 2024 and called for "A Year of Prayer" which is talking or having a personal conversation with the Lord. "Pray without ceasing" (1Thessalonians 5:17).

As we reflect on the year past, 2023, we praise and thank the Lord for His mercy, grace, protection and love for the Saints of God and for all who seek Him. We thank our Lord for His blessings and promise of eternal life. We thank the Lord for souls who gave their hearts to Him through the waters of baptism in Jesus' name.

There were 38 souls saved: Oahu (16), Molokai (3), Maui (1), Hilo (2), Kauai (0), Balogo (15), Roxas (1) and (3) souls were filled with the Holy Ghost (Honolulu (2), Balogo (1) and 12 babies were blessed.

Head Pastor Billy Han, Jr. & Sis. Roslyn at the reopening of the Maui Branch Church in Lahaina, Maui (January 14, 2024)



The Saints rejoiced at the monthly Maui Branch Church service.



Bro. & Sis. Lee Taylor played an instrumental selection, accompanied by Head Pastor Billy Han, Jr. at the piano.



Maui Branch Church Choir, with Bro. Lee Taylor on the piano.



Maui Branch Church Orchestra members.



Sis. Mary Alice Masuda sweetly sang her solo for Jesus.



Babies Blessed

AHONUI KAIMI'IKEKUPA'AIMUAOKEAKUA CARTER-CAMINOS



was born on December 14, 2019 at Kapiolani Hospital and at that time he weighed 7 lbs. 5 oz. and measured 21 inches in length. His parents are Sis. Aulani Carter and Maui Caminos. Paternal grandparents are Mr. Alfred Augustine and Mrs.

Sherry Caminos. Maternal grandparents are Pono and Sis. Kau'i Saloricman and great-grandparents are Bro. Alfred and Sis. DonnaLou Carter, Sr. Ahonui was blessed on Sunday, December 24, 2023 by Head Pastor Billy Han, Jr. at the Temple.



KIARA ALICENT S. MOSQUERA, was born on January 17, 2023 at Aleosan District Hospital. She weighed 5.7 lbs. and measured 19.5 inches in length. Her parents are Mr. and Sis. Khier Hyler (Niviene Joy) Mosquera. Maternal grandparents are Bro. & Sis. Genaro (Alicia) Sumanting. Paternal grand-

parent are Mr. and Mrs. Carlito (Mirah Flor) Mosquera. Precious Kiara was blessed on Sunday, January 14, 2024 by Balogo Pastor Hanibal Aspera at the Balogo Branch Church in Mindanao, Philippines.



In memoriam

By Associate Pastor Edwin H. Sproat, Sr.



Saints, family, and friends gathered in loving memory to attend the funeral service honoring the life of the late **SIS. MERLE KALEWAAKAMAKANI AKUI** age 83, which was held on Saturday, December 16, 2023, and conducted by Associate Pastor Edwin H. Sproat, Sr., at the Ballard Family Moanalua Mortuary, in Honolulu, Hawaii.

Associate Pastor Edwin H. Sproat, Sr., opened the memorial service with the Lord's Prayer, followed by a special Eulogy offered by her much-loved Grandson, Bro. Samisoni Latukefu, depicting her great love, and closeness, to her immediate family, the Saints of God, and her life time friends. Sis. Merle was born on July 24, 1940, and passed away on November 28, 2023. She is survived by her four Daughters, Sis. Oceana Falaniko, Sis. Anna Taipaleti, Sis. Waynette (Francis) Kuewa, Sis. Holly Suenaga, one Son Bro. Wayne (Perlita) Akui Jr., and three Hanai Children, Merle (Kalewa) Akui, Waynette (Sunshine) Nau, and Ioana (Bradda) Nau, and many grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Our love and prayers go out to her family, and we look forward to seeing them all in Church, as we await the soon coming return of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ Who will call-up His dearly beloved Saints saying, "Come up Hither."

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Events Continued
Honolulu Youth Service
Sunday, February 4, 2024

55th Anniversary
Hawaii Island Branch Church
Sunday, February 18, 2024



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