



KA LEO O KEALOHA

(The Voice of Love)

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"Nōlaila ho'i, o ka mea lohe i kēia mau 'ōlelo a'u, a mala ho'i ia, E ho'ohālike iā ia me ke kanaka na'auao, nana i kākulu kona hale maluna o ka pōhaku." [Mataio 7:24]

"Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them to practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock." [Matthew 7:24]

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"Made Alive"

Last month we celebrated the events that led us to the glorious Resurrection of Christ! We celebrated through our Lenten bible study, the Journey Jesus took arriving to that great getting up morning! The resurrection was preceded by the humiliation of Christ, the way of the cross and the shameful death at Calvary. As we studied the path of humility, we saw and felt the power of God, knowing this was His will, that his only begotten son would suffer a shameful death. However it was through His covenant and the power of the cross His son was made alive! And through this covenant He has made us all alive today! On that day of resurrection, Jesus encountered women and the apostles as they were weeping over His death not knowing He had truly risen from the grave.

We too can encounter the Risen Christ today, by walking the path of humility and allowing the Holy Spirit to guide our steps on this path of life. If you are united to Christ by faith like the Apostle John











and if you weep sincerely over your sins and betrayals of Jesus like the Apostle Peter, you will encounter the Risen Jesus this Easter Season! If you are persevered in the faith and your repentance, you will certainly see Him not just for a while but for all eternity! Just think because of Easter our past is forgiven, our life is worth living and we have a future on earth and in heaven! Romans 3:22 says, *"We are made right in God's sight when we trust in Jesus Christ to take away our sins. And we all can be saved in this same way, no matter who we are or what we have done."* (NLT)

Amene,

Kahu Douglas Wooten



‘APELILA 2018 ACTIVITIES						
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Kaumakapili Extends Food Pantry over the Ko'olau Mountains

Sometimes ministry opportunities just fall into place when you least expect it. That's what happened to me at my husband's birthday dinner on February 16. My son-in-law works for Po'ailani, a dual diagnosis treatment center for people with mental illness and substance abuse. Po'ailani recently moved their outpatient operation down the street from my home, and I asked him how that was going. I learned that in their new location, the clients had lost the opportunity to get food at a local church. I asked our Outreach Committee if I could bring bags of food to Po'ailani on a regular basis, and the swift response was "Yes!". Once a month I now pick up 50 bags of food from Kaumakapili and store those in my carport to distribute every other week. The first distribution was February 26, 2018.

Each time I go, about 20 people who have transitioned from residential to outpatient treatment sign out a bag of canned food. They are often young adults with some older, sometimes living in sober houses with others, sometimes with family. They are very appreciative of this ministry, with smiles and mahalos at the sign-up desk, comments like "This really helps" and "The food was good." The proximity of the program makes all this easy for me to do. Can you think of any opportunities like this in your neighborhood? Our Foodbank account could be used for similar small scale efforts. Please let me or our Outreach Committee chair Wendy Garcia know if you have any ideas. We look forward to seeing you at any of our food bank prep and/or distribution days. Mahalo, Anne Leake

PALAPALA HEMOLELE

Kaumakapili Church was blessed with a gift of the Palapala Hemolele, dated 1837-1838. Randolph Wild is a descendant of Rev. Lowell and Abigail Smith, our founders. Randolph and his wife Jeannette met with Momi Maunakea and Sybil Schoenstein in the church sanctuary on March 6, 2018. They brought an old Palapala Hemolele that had been in their family for all these years. Randolph's parents, Walter Frear and Margaret Wild were long-time residents in Waimanalo. Prior to her recent passing, Margaret requested that it be given to Kaumakapili. It is believed that it may have been Rev. Smith's, but we do not have confirmed proof of that. Nevertheless, the fact that it remained in the Smith-Wild family for these 180 years and is being given to the church is a blessing and a treasure. Mahalo to the Wild 'ohana for remaining connected with Kaumakapili Church.

Upcoming Events

APRIL

Sun., April 1
Easter Sunrise Service, 6am
Easter Service, 10:30am
(*Blessing the Stained-Glass Window Booklets*)

MAY

Sun., May 13
Sun., May 20
Mon., May 28
Mother's Day
Pentecost Sunday
Office Closed-Memorial Day

Volunteer at the Food Bank!

Month	Date	Event	Time
April	3	Food Prep Day	7:30-9:00am
	4	Distribution	7:30-10:00am
	17	Food Prep Day	7:30-9:00am
	18	Distribution	7:30-10:00am
May	3	Food Prep Day	7:30-9:00am
	4	Distribution	7:30-10:00am
	17	Food Prep Day	7:30-9:00am
	18	Distribution	7:30-10:00am
June	12	Food Prep Day	7:30-9:00am
	13	Distribution	7:30-10:00am
	26	Food Prep Day	7:30-9:00am
	27	Distribution	7:30-10:00am



Kids singing with Kaumakapili Strummers "O 'Oe 'io"

Aloha e Kaumakapili Members and Friends,

"There is neither Jew nor Greek, slave or free, male nor female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus."

Galatians 3:28

On behalf of the Executive Committee, thank you for allowing us this privilege to serve you but most of all to serve God.

We are very excited and eager to work with all of you in leading our church. While we are all new in our roles one thing is certain, we will always seek God's discernment, guidance and insight. But more importantly, we will move according to his calling and his will.

There are many things that we can look forward to starting with the strategic visioning process we started in Dec. 2016. Your input in the 2018 planning calendar was important to you and we recognize that. We will do our best to the schedule the fellowship events, prayer retreats and key programs you listed.

One thing that will be so important to Kaumakapili Church is each person's participation. There is a saying that 20% of the church members do 80% of the church work. Let's not allow this to be a defining characteristic of Kaumakapili. We will need 100% of the members doing 100% of the work. If we are all in the canoe together and everyone's paddle is in the water moving forward for Jesus we will be able to accomplish more than we could ever imagine.

Every person's opinion will be valued no matter how young or veteran you are. We all can lead from every seat in this church. I personally had a humbling experience last year during luau prep when Ku'ulei and Kapua Rudolph, two young members showed me the most efficient way to prep the takeout cake boxes. They were so polite and respectful while being very exacting on the methodology. I invite you to come and be amazed.

If we can take the time to learn from each other and edify one another, we will be on our way to 100% members doing 100% of the work.

God is going to open up opportunities to bless us mightily and we need to be ready for his blessing. Starting very soon the city is planning to revitalize the Kalihi Palama neighborhood starting with Mayor Wright Housing. This low density 364 unit project will be transformed into towers that will have 2500 units. Simple math means 13,000+ people will be living next door to us. Currently there is about 2,500 residents living there.

So what will this mean for Kaumakapili? It means a perfect opportunity to evangelize, and bring more people to know Jesus Christ as their personal savior. It means fulfilling our mission as Christians here at Kaumakapili Church.

There will be more housing revitalizing projects at Kamehameha and Ka'ahumahu Housing across from

Farrington High School. A new senior citizen housing project is currently being planned behind Lanakila Elementary school. There will be another housing project planned with the relocation of the OCCC prison (on Pu'u hale Road and Dillingham Blvd). In addition, the rail transit line will be just blocks away from Kaumakapili Church. Within a 2 mile radius, we will be impacted with more people, businesses, schools, and transportation activity. In summary, close to 30,000 more people will be in our neighborhood providing greater opportunities to serve God.

Kaumakapili, will we be ready to welcome our new neighbors? How will we be relevant to their needs? Will we be obedient and ready to do God's work?

We are so blessed to have Kahu Doug Wooten provide Kaumakapili with spiritual guidance and leadership. Moreover, we are grateful for his faithfulness to serve God 6,000 miles away from his comfort zone in North Carolina. His presence has already been felt with spirit filled sermons, great deacon led Lenten services and increased Sunday service attendance. His presence is truly his personal testimony to us and God, and for this we are eternally grateful.

Pray that God will show each of you how and where he wants you to serve and may you be obedient to his calling. Thank you all for what you are doing, for what you will be doing and for your commitment to serve and make it all about Jesus Christ here at Kaumakapili Church.

Iesu pu,

Loma



Easter Sunrise Service



Celebrating 180 years

William Nehemiah Lono

On July 28, 1901, the members of Kaumakapili were presented with the names of two candidates to succeed the Rev. Timoteo. The vote was so close, 26 votes for one and 24 votes for the other, the members decided to call both men, the Rev. William N. Lono to serve as the senior pastor and Mr. Henry Poepoe to serve as the assistant pastor. Rev. Lono was installed October 3, 1901 as pastor of Kaumakapili Church.



William Nehemiah Lono was described as a notable Hawaiian minister, a graceful and eloquent speaker one of the choicest products of the Hawaiian pulpit. He was the preacher with the golden tongue. Born May 18, 1840 in the Ka'u district of Hawaii Island he was educated at the Hilo Boarding School, Lahainaluna and studied for the ministry at Wailuku. He and his wife, Julia, were sent as missionaries to the Gilbert Islands in 1871 where they served for 22 years before returning to Hawaii due to health concerns for Rev. Lono. On their return in 1894 Rev. Lono served as a supply pastor and was serving in Kekaha on Hawaii Island when he was called to Kaumakapili.

Honolulu at the turn of the century was growing by leaps and bounds. The twin steeped landmark Kaumakapili Church was sadly just a memory and the Trustees were twixt and tween as to where they would relocate. There was no doubt in anyone's mind that Kaumakapili would rise again, it was a matter of time, place and money. The congregation had moved out of Chinatown across the river to Kalihi which was fast becoming one of the places where homes, businesses and churches could co-exist in harmony.

On June 11, 1900 the new Kaumakapili Chapel was dedicated in Palama at King and Achi Lane behind the Palama Fire Station. It is very possible that funding for the chapel came from the sale of the bricks from the second church which sold at auction for \$2,725. The Trustees were depending on the fire insurance proceeds to fund the building of the third Church at its new location on King Street. In June 1903 Kaumakapili's fire claim of \$46,822.25 was paid. It would take another seven years before the first spade would be turned for the third Church.



May 7, 1910 marked the historic day when master Harold R. Erdman, great grandson of Lowell W. Smith would turn the first spade of earth for the third Kaumakapili Church. Rev. Lono and other dignitaries celebrated in a worship service that took place under the banyan tree that once stood on Banyan Mall now known as Kamalulaniokeoneula.



Here in this photo Rev. Lono is giving the pule after the turning of the first spade full of earth by Harold Erdman who is seen standing with his father.

Rev. Lono known for his eloquence in public speaking was well loved by the members of the church and the community at large. He served the Hawaiian Evangelical Association (HEA) as a Missionary, a preacher, a teacher and a translator, and found time to serve as the Chaplain in the House of Representatives. While the English language was quickly replacing Hawaiian in the Legislature and HEA meetings there was still a need for Hawaiian speakers and Rev. Lono was always available to speak or translate.

On September 18, 1911 Rev. Lono died at Keauhou, Kona; he was 70 years old. We don't know the details of his last illness but in his passing the Hawaiian community lost yet another of its great Hawaiian Christian leaders who straddled the fence of a multicultural society and an increasing loss of his native culture. His last words to the members of his church were, "Build yourselves into the Lord Jesus for all time." A pastor, and a shepherd to his people to the end, he encouraged his flock to always follow Jesus.

Surviving were two sons, Robert Lono and Lawrence K. Lono. Lawrence Lono whom some of our makua fondly remember as Uncle Lawrence served many years as a trustee and treasurer of Kaumakapili. Uncle Lawrence was a pillar of the church just like his father, the Rev. William Nehemiah Lono.

The Friend, August 1901, page 121

Ibid, October 1911, page 7

The Pacific Commercial Advertiser, Honolulu, December 6, 1901

Ibid, June 12, 1903

Ibid., Saturday, May 7, 1910

The Friend, October 1911, page 7

Na Kupunawahine (Appointed by Executive Committee to Co-Chair the 47th Annual Luau)

The Aunties, Zena Kaehu, Sybil Schoenstein and Roberta Jahrling, Na Kupunawahine, will be calling upon our Kaumakapili family and friends to help make this year's luau a success. Plans are to serve 2,750 onolicious meals: 2,500 take outs and 250 sit down. "We Can Do It! We Can Do It! With God to rely on, We Can Do It!, say Na Kupunawahine. Stay tuned for more announcements as plans move forward for "E Hilina'i I Ke Akua".



"A Journey to the Cross" – Our 2018 Lenten Bible Study

by Jo-An Goss, Chair of the Deacons' Ministry

Mahalo to the vision of our Kahu Mua Doug Wooten and his charge to our entire Deacons' Ministry! Over the course of six weeks, Vivian, Ahuena, Buddy, Trevor, Hau'oli, and I have diligently worked to provide information and insight about how Jesus spent his last days. Each week one of the deacons focused on verses from the four Gospels and related verses about how Jesus helped to prepare his disciples for what was to come. However, even his disciples could not fully grasp the significance and depth of what He was called to do and duties or what He was expected to fulfill.

Hau'oli's study began with the story entitled **Lazarus' Home** with Mary of Bethany's anointing of Jesus' feet with her hair filled with a costly perfume, viewed as an act of humility. Although Judas objected to the cost, Jesus felt blessed by Mary's sense of devotion and worship.

Hau'oli shared that "in addition to reading the text in Hawaiian and English, we were able to connect through our auditory, visual, and tactical senses through hīmeni, kūkākūkā, pictorial images, and also anointing one another with the sweet essence of spikenard oil as we prayed for one another at the conclusion of our gathering that night."

At our second study, **Triumphal Entry**, our group realized that it was hardly a triumphant event. Jo-An shared the story of Jesus and his disciples who gathered at the Mount of Olives. Jesus prepared them ahead of time by saying they should not exercise authority over the Gentiles. Instead, he stated: *"But it shall not be so among you; but whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of man also came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."* (Mark 10:43-45)

Jesus then asked two of his disciples to go to the village to find a colt tied and take it back to Him. When they returned, the disciples threw their garments on it. Jesus then entered Jerusalem as the people spread their garments and leafy branches on the road.

Vivian addressed our third study, **Money Changers**, that portrayed the scene of Jesus' overturning the tables of the money-changers and the seats of those who sold doves. Jesus and his disciples entered into the temple court and began to cast out those who were permitted to buy and sell dishonestly in the sacred area. Jesus exclaimed, *"My house shall be called a house of prayer for all the nations; but you have made it a den of robbers."* (Mark 11:17)

Our fourth Bible study, led by Buddy, focused on **Christ's Prayer**.

After reviewing the text from John 15: 1-27, he shared a very enlightening commentary on John 17: "Jesus Prayers for His Disciples." The article highlighted that John not only prayed for the disciples but for all believers: *"I do not pray for these only, but also for those who believe in me through*

their word, that they may all be one." (John 15:20-21)

The following week Jo-An and Hau'oli shared scriptures regarding the **Temple of His Body**. The Matthew, Mark, and Luke texts presented the Feast of the Unleavened Bread with His disciples as the Passover meal, the Paschal, of lamb sacrificed on the day of Passover with a great ceremony at the temple. However, John's story enlightened our group with the acknowledgement that the meal took place before the Passover, and Jesus, as the Paschal lamb, was actually crucified on the Passover!

Kahu Wooten then brilliantly brought our series to a close with the theme **Betrayal & Crucifixion**. Trevor helped in setting up a projection screen with pictures and comments of Jesus, his disciples, Pilate, and Herod so that our group was able to read and feel the depth of desertion during His last path toward the cross. It was hard to express words that I felt viscerally (ma ka na'au). He then alluded to how that sometimes we in churches today tend to focus more on the physical aspects of the church than the spiritual one.

Hau'oli expressed his "Mahalo to the vision of our Kahu Mua Doug Wooten and his charge to our entire Deacons' Ministry. With his guidance in organizing a theme and the weekly scriptural passages and topics, deacons were able to integrate their own styles as learners/teachers in preparing and facilitating their assigned one-hour lesson and group discussion."

Kahu and our deacons are very grateful for all those who attended our sessions! We were all enlightened by their conversations and Biblical knowledge!

Anne Leake shared:

"Any opportunity to study God's word with people of Kaumakapili is a blessing to me. I've learned a lot from the 3 sessions I've attended. For example, it was the gentile money lenders whose tables were overturned by Jesus at the temple and that at the last supper Jesus Himself was the sacrificial lamb of Passover. I enjoyed hearing different cultural perspectives, and I was in awe at how many Bible scholars we have in our midst."

Roberta Jarhling wrote:

"Walking with Jesus through the synoptic gospels was an edifying experience. The gospels, while similar in the telling of Jesus' walk to the cross, offered enough of a difference to afford some discussion. To me, meeting in the boardroom and sitting around the big conference table gave the intimacy one might desire to inspire good conversation. Mahalo to the Deacons' Ministry for taking us on the journey with Jesus to the cross."

Lorna Motas added:

"I've enjoyed the spirit-filled, song-filled sharing at each of the Lenten studies. The personal comments and impressions made the message of "Christ's Journey to the Cross" so much richer and more meaningful. I liked the partner sharing. Very intimate. Thanks to the deacons for their intense preparation and making this very special."



April 1, 2018

Acts 10:34-43
Isa 25:6-9
Ps 118:1-2, 14-24
Jn 20:1-18

April 8, 2018

Acts 4:32-35
Ps 133
1 Jn 1:1-2:2
Jn 20:19-31

April 15, 2018

Acts 3:12-19
Ps 4
1 Jn 3:1-7
Luke 24:36b-48

April 22, 2018

Acts 4:5-12
Ps 23
1 Jn 3:16-24
Jn 10:11-18

April 29, 2018

Acts 8:26-40
Ps 22:25-31
1 Jn 4:7-21
Jn 15:1-8

Birthdays

APRIL

April 1	Brian Muratsuka
April 4	Masami Takeuchi
April 6	Mark Patterson
April 9	Janice Vorfeld
April 12	Martha Lakalo
April 13	Kaiakahinali'i Kaopua-Canonigo
April 15	Francine Aarona
	Thurman Howard
April 18	Christina Rudolph
April 19	Lloyd Malani
April 20	Lilinoe Helsham
April 22	Swade Itula
April 23	Jadd Cortez
April 25	Kahealani Itula
April 26	Madison Maeshiro
April 26	Kamalulani Wong
April 27	Lucy Ann Kihewa
April 28	Jaya Poepoe
April 30	Peteru Green
	Ikaika Kihewa



If you do not see your birthday listed, it means the office does not have the information on file. Please contact the office with your information and we will update our

April Flowers

April 1:	Aloha Committee
April 8:	Available
April 15:	Henry & Mopsy Aarona
April 22:	Available
April 29:	In Memory of David Maunakea

The Kaumakapili Church Mission Statement

Kaumakapili Church, thankful for the gifts received from God, founded in 1838 for the maka'ainana, the common folk, rich in Hawai'ian tradition and diverse backgrounds, bounded in covenant with all in the United Church of Christ, led by the Spirit, declares its mission to glorify God by bearing the fruits of God's aloha and gifts, and so proving to be faithful disciples of Christ, who are equipped for the work of the ministry of proclaiming the good news for all people: by witnessing in word and deed, by serving those in need, by welcoming and receiving all people into the church fellowship, and by nurturing and equipping the church members for the growth of the Body of Christ.

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