



# KA LEO O KEALOHA

(The Voice of Love)

*“Nō laila hōi, o ka mea lohe i kēia mau ʻōlelo ʻau, a mala hōi ia, E hōhālike iā ia me ke kanaka náauao, nana i kūkulu 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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## Kahu Doug Wooten

Aloha and Greeting to all!!!

As we are in the midst of our season of Epiphany and approaching the season of Lent, I pray you have experienced many moments of Epiphany in your spiritual lives. Epiphany means “to show” or “to make known” the day Christ was first made known to those outside of the bounds of Judaism. I believe this is our church’s mission, To make Christ known to those outside the bounds of the church. This means that we believe we have received the good news of Christ’s great love for us. We have also received the commission to bring those, like the wise men, who are not a part of the family of Christ to worship the king. Let us make use of the practices and skills encouraged in the above.

As we approach Lent let us understand, Lent is that period of penance and recollection that leads us to the most important feast day in the Church year, Easter, on which we celebrate the triumph over death by our Lord through His resurrection after His sacrificial death on the cross. During Lent, our souls have the opportunity to be spiritually cleaned. So let us take this time to remove all of those barriers that are hindering us from the work that God has called us to.

Also during this season, I am asking each of you to make a sacrifice and fast for forty days during the Lent season. During this season pray that we decrease so that God may increase in every area of our lives.

Mahalo

Kahu Doug Wooten



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## Hebedoma Week

By Kahu Doug Wooten

We thank God for the great studies we had during the week of Hebedoma. Our studies consisted of; "Hearing God's voice in the wilderness". We approached this study by taking time to "Stop, Look, Listen, Write. Here are a few written prayers that we offered up during our last day of worship. We pray they will enrich your life. help to lead us to a place where we have greater trust and faith in you. May you deliver us from evil. Help us to focus more on you than earthly matters. For thine is the Kingdom, the power, and the glory for ever and ever. Amen!

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE FROM HEBEDOMA JANUARY 2019

Psalm 46:10

Be still and know that I am God

Psalm 46: 1

God is our refuge and strength,  
A very present help in trouble

Matt 6:9

Our Father who art in heaven,  
Humbly we come before you, seeking  
your guidance for our church leaders  
and congregation, also leaders of our  
country. Let your will be done as we seek  
to serve you. Feel our hearts, mind and  
spirit that we may move forward with you  
and with your direction. Amen.

STOP

Our Father we acknowledge you as  
Our Lord and Savior. Forgive us for being  
caught up in this fast pace life and roaring  
past you. Thank you for your prophet  
and the lessons they bring to us. Help us to  
have the patience of Habakkuk to Stop and  
await your direction. Help us to be silent so  
we (can) prepare ourselves for leading. Answer  
our prayer O Lord. We love you and commit to  
your ways. Amen.

STOP

O Lord, our God, we await your message  
for our church. We put our trust in you, for you know  
who we are and what we need to do. You  
have a plan for us, and you have delivered a minister  
here at Kaumakapili Church that will world. Hear our  
prayers of the world. Hear our prayers and help us to  
listen to the prayers of others.

LISTEN

Almighty and ever-present God, your voice resounds  
through the ages. You bless us with all that is around  
us because you are always there to listen to our prayers.  
Give us ears to hear, open our hearts to your still small  
voice. Help us to listen to the voices of the prophets  
of old who speak your Word to us. Direct us to you so  
that we may glorify and rejoice your Holy name.

LOOK

Father we thank you for your blessings, our aina, our  
ohana. We pray for your continued presence in our  
lives, your daily bread, your continued guidance and  
protection. We praise you Father and worship you  
now and forever.

LOOK

God of all things great and small thank you for your  
Grace, Love & Mercy. Let us always look to you for  
our strength and guidance in our lives. Help us to take  
all of our concerns to you as we lay them at the feet of  
the cross and look for your answers to our prayers. Be  
with us always as we look to your Word for the guid-  
ance in our lives.

STOP

O God, our Father in heaven. Hallowed be thy name.  
Standing still to hear your voice and you came in the  
form of a homeless person who needed to hear you.  
So I spoke to him about love, hope and peace just as  
I have heard or read it in the Bible where You said to  
help all people and I had to smoothe his ways to listen  
and love you through Christ our Lord. Our Father,  
thank you that I could help as you told us to do. Glo-  
ry, praises, be to you O God for helping us to STOP,  
LOOK and LISTEN. I pray all this through your lov-  
ing son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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**LOOK**

Lord, allow me to be silent so I can be intentional in seeing you. The all wise and Holy God we honor you this day for our life, health and strength. We come to you humbly looking for your guidance. We give you all the honor and glory forever. Amen

Seek him always. (Amern)

**LISTEN**

Our most gracious and heavenly God we thank you for all that you do for us here on earth. We want to continue to listen for your voice to carry us through our daily lives. Learning from your scriptures and praying for each other in forgiveness and love. Keeping us focused on you Lord. Amen

**HO'OLOHE (LISTEN)**

Listen to kupuna and others every day to help. We need to listen all around us because He is our Lord:

- L Where can (you) help
- I I will do as you say
- S Silence when you feel the need of help
- T Talk to God with an open heart
- E Early prayers are always helpful
- N Never forget your grace of thanking God in whatever or whenever its over.

**LOOK**

Heavenly Father, thank you for the many blessings you have given me and for showing me signs of what's in store for me. Continue to teach and lead me on the righteous path. Amen

**LISTEN**

Our Father in Heaven: We know you are forever listening and hearing the prayers of the

**STOP**

Allow me to be still and KNOW your almighty presence and know you are supreme. Calm my heart, mind and spirit to recognize your voice, grace, blessing and love for me. I give thee thanks for never failing to love me. May I never cease from coming to you with joy and thanksgiving. I always want to acknowledge you with joy and thanksgiving. All praise, glory to you. Amen

**STOP**

E KeAkuaMana Loa  
( Almighty God)  
Keho'onani a Mililani akuneimakouiaoe  
(We glorify and exalt thee)  
E huikalamaiiamakouna ka pupuahulu ma ko makou ma ko ola. Ke mihi neimakou I ko makoumauhewa me ko makouhulikuaanaiaoe.

E haliumai 'oe I keia ko makou pule e ho'omaika'Iiaoe no naponono me napomaika'I a pau.

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**Council Meeting Highlights**

By Lorna Motas

**KAHU'S REPORT-**

\*Kahu suggests hosting "Town hall" meeting as a means to gather and discuss upcoming events, activities, share critiques and ideas as we move forward in bringing our Visioning 2021 to life.

\*Wendy Garcia has volunteered to kokua in the office while we seek a new Office Manager. We are most appreciative of her commitment to serve.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT-**

\*Letter announcing the Annual Congregational Meeting will go out shortly. Please submit your ministry reports ASAP.

**FOUNDATION REPORT-**

\*Shingles are in and work on the steeple has begun with tearing down old shingles. Wedding schedule should be considered for end of February or even mid March.

**DEACONS REPORT-**

\*A question was raised at Deacon's meeting, "How can we make the Baibala Hemolele available for church service?" They are seeking suggestions from the church council and there was discussion.

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT-**

\*Pledges are down this year with only 32% commitment from our membership. Andy Poepoe suggested having articles in the monthly newsletters would help inform members of our monthly giving, income and expense status. Visual graphs or charts will make the information more impactful. Online giving is an option that was suggested and will be investigated.



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## Continuation of Council Meeting Highlights:

### CHRISTIAN EDUCATION REPORT-

\*A Youth Night for teens youth from Kaumakapili Church, Kawaihae Church and Kalilhi and Moanalua Church is being planned for later this season. Off island trips for are also being looked at.

### OUTREACH MINISTRY REPORT-

\*HCUCC is offering a Leadership event on Feb. 26 at Nu'uaniu Congregational Church from 8:30am to 4:30pm. A non-profit organization, Touch of Heart is requesting to use our kitchen as a culinary learning center for men and women in transition. Their request for use this year came in too late.

### NOMINATIONS MINISTRY REPORT-

\*The Nominations ministry submitted the nomination slate for 2019-2020 and asked for a motion to accept the slate. Council approved.

### BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS MINISTRY-

\*A report was submitted by Frank Jahrling with costs and projects completed from end of September 2018 to January 2019. A second report listed job descriptions for pending and future projects. Suggestions to; install fire alarms, replace broken window in Hale Kamika stairwell and purchase paint for graffiti were also discussed. Hale Kamika is being outfitted with LED lighting to reduce electrically cost. Phase 1 involving exterior lights was completed in December and work on the second and first floors is planned for end of January to end of February. 4 more security cameras were installed on the exterior of Hale Kamika. In the past 4 months over 30 arrests have been made.

### CHURCH DEELGATE REPORT-

\*The Spring OSSA Ho'ike will be hosted at Kahi-kuonalani Church on February 17 from 2-4 pm. The Spring 2019 'Aha Halawai is scheduled for February 8-9 at the Kalapana Maunakea Church on the Big Island.

### OLD BUSINESS-

\*The new Facility Short Term Rental Fee for 2019 was reviewed and approved with one change. Long term rental agreements are being finalized.

\*Personnel is interviewing applicants for the Office Mgr. position

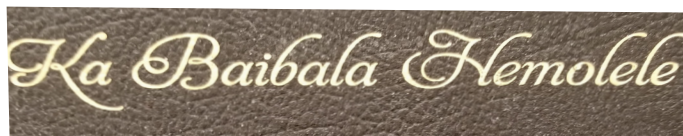
\*HCUCC request for Kaumakapili to host the 2019 'Aha Pae'Aina was resubmitted. After much discussion church council approved to host the 4 day event.

\*Newsletter is temporarily being done by an outside source. Please submit articles to Lorna until Office Manager is in place.

\*Luau Chairs are being sought. There was a suggestion to hold a separate takeout luau event to be held the July 20 and a sit down event on September 21, Saturday.

\*Bylaws are in the final phase. Brian Ezuka submitted at final draft which the bylaws committee reviewed and is forwarding to council for approval. Brian will host a one hour Q&A on February 16 at 12 noon. A Special Congregational meeting is being held to approve the Bylaws on March 10, Sunday's following church service.

\*The Organist/Accompanist position will be posted on Coconut wireless.



## February Scriptures

### February 3

Jer 1:4-10

Ps 71:1-6

I Cor 13:1-13

Luke 4:21-30

### February 10

Isa 6:1-8, (9-13)

Ps 128

I Cor 15:1-11

Luke 5:1-11

### February 17

Jer 17:5-10

Ps 1

I Cor 15:12-20

Luke 6:17-26

### February 24

Gen 45:3-11,15

Ps 37:1-11,39-50

I Cor 15:35-38, 42-50

Luke 6:27-38

## Christian Education Classes

**Pōki'i Class (ages 0 – 12)**

**Youth Class (ages 13 – 18)**

Join our Pōki'i and Youth classes *Sundays at 9AM*,  
as we **DIG IN** to our curriculum, The Bible in One Year!

See Manu Nae'ole or Chelsea Fernandez for more  
information, or email us: [kaumakapilice@gmail.com](mailto:kaumakapilice@gmail.com).

### **Adult Bible Studies Classes**

Join our Adult Bible Studies Classes on  
*Sundays at 9AM* as the class concludes the study of Revelation  
or *Tuesdays at 5PM* as the class continues the study of the Trinity.

See Helen Kaupu Kaowili for more information  
or simply join us on Sundays or Tuesdays.

*All days and times are subject to changes.*



### **Sunday School Teachers!**

The teachers are geared up and ready to excite and  
motivate our children of God, but we could always use  
more help! We are in search of energetic, fun-loving  
Sunday School teachers to assist with our Pōki'i Class.

See Manu or Chelsea, if you're interested  
in joining our team of Teachers!

**Let us Learn and Grow Together with Jesus!**

### **Youth Event**

**Youth Fellowship** Join us for an evening of sustenance,  
silliness, and scripture

**Kūkulu**

6th-12th graders only  
RSVP by Feb. 10th, 2019  
Contact: Manu Naeole  
Ph: 808-728-3762  
E-mail: [Kaumakapilice@gmail.com](mailto:Kaumakapilice@gmail.com)

Saturday February 16th, 2019  
Kawaiahao Gym 6 pm- 8pm

### **Hō'ike**

**Oahu Sunday School  
Association (OSSA) Hō'ike**

Sunday, February 17, 2019  
2:00pm – 4:00pm

Kahikuonalani Church  
757 Hoomalu Street  
Pearl City

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## Stewardship Ministry

By Myrtle Stewart-Vetekina

Members: Amanda Allison, Chairman; Myrtle Stewart-Vetekina, Rec. Sect’y; V. Luana Jardine, Vice-Chairman; Iris Derego and after the Annual Mtg. Vivian Maunakea & Melvin Spencer

### Mana’o No’eau

Christmas was all about JESUS. When you get right down to it He’s the one who really matters! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with you. I Cor. 16:23 NIV

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As we reflect on the Hebedoma Week of Prayer, Kahu Wooten’s uplifting sermons, and our own ‘Olelo Baibala, Bible reading times, may we direct our lives as Jesus would have us do and remember to never lose HOPE in Iesu Kristo and all He has meant to us and our ‘ohana. His LOVE never faileth.

Our team prepares now to honor one of the first Native Hawaiian Christians, Henry ‘Opukahaia whose legacy gave us a chance to know the Lord and the rewards of following Christ’s path to living pono, righteously and the assurance of life everlasting.

On February 10 you will hear about his early life and how he bravely left his one hanau, birth sands ending finally on the shores of New England where he learned about Jesus and why Akua sent Him to Earth that we might be saved.

The recognition culminates with the receiving of lulu, offering, on Feb. 17, to supply scholarships to seminarians aspiring to be ministerial candidates who wish to serve God and others in His name.

“Nu oli, Nu oli he nu kamaha’o”, Happy wonderful news! On Sunday, January 20, we got word that we received more pledges raising our total from \$48,210 to \$75,410. This is bringing our total closer to last year’s amount in pledging. We send mahalo nui loa to our main caretaker, our heavenly Father who never lets us down and to you for your faithful prayers.

We examined the next steps in our journey to success for ourselves and all of us at our halepule. Within the kokua ministry we have witnessed confidence and growth in heluhelu ‘olelo makua-hine, reading in our mother tongue or announcements. Burdens have been reduced on committees or ministries with volunteer members helping alongside the regulars. Perhaps the youth could kokua by lighting candles, setting up the altar table and with the elements (pouring the grape juice and cutting the bread) before Communion time. We will ask the Deacons what they think.

On February 25 we prepare for One Great Hour of Sharing, the first of the “5 for 5” mission offerings. Together with the OCWM, Our Churches Wider Mission, it was a tremendous help during disasters and the long term recovery following the flooding on Kaua’I and Hawai’I island, Kilauea’s eruption and hurricanes, earthquakes and tsunamis in SE Asia. The OGH offering this year will be on March 10, 2019 and we hope together we can again make a difference for our brothers and sisters in peril across the globe. As always you can drop your donation in the lulu plate any Sunday or mail it to the Church office.

Thank you Lord for saving our souls, Thank you Lord for making me whole, Thank you Lord for giving to me, Thy sweet salvation so rich and free. Me kona na’au ha’aha’a, Myrtle Stewart-Vetekina





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## Moving Home Celebrating 180 years - Ninth Article in a Series

By Sybil Schoenstien

“Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you” Matthew 6:33 Scripture text for the Sanctuary Restoration Project.

This house of God at 766 North King Street in the ‘ili of Keonuela has seen 93 years of worshippers go in and out of its doors. Within those years, there has been little if at all major repairs and maintenance, yet it has survived through it all. In 2001, members felt it was time to restore the sanctuary to its original beauty in 1911. Remaining always focused on Biblical scripture, the people moved forward with the major restoration of this “queen of Hawaiian churches”. It began with capital campaign drives for 2001 to 2003. April 23, 2003, the church doors were closed. Congregants continued worship in the adjacent hall Hale Kamika for nearly a year. During that time, it was exciting to watch the transformation of the sanctuary to its original beauty.

On January 25, 2004, Sunday service began in Hale Kamika and the congregation walked over to the sanctuary led by Rev. David Kaupu for the opening of Ka Hale Pule for the first time after the renovation. A Dedicatory Blessing was delivered by Kahu Kaupu followed by a chant by Hau‘oli Akaka. “Uncle Henry Aarona Sr. [age 91] and Aunt Martha Poepoe Hohu [age 97] were able to be with us to open the maile lei and to lead us into the sanctuary. Having our kupuna to put closure on one year and open up a new one was inspiring and God supported. We were well blessed to be able to have two of our oldest living members with us for this special day.”<sup>1</sup>

Following the untying of the maile, all who entered were in such reverent awe at the beauty to the eyes, the sparkling gold-leaf on the organ pipes, the restoration of the Good Shepherd Window, the new stained-glass windows and pews, some dedicated to late members of the church by their progeny. Most of all, beyond words is what and how each person felt the “Presence of the Lord Is In This Place”.

The service concluded in the sanctuary with a Ho‘okupu Aloha Me Mahalo after which the choir sang the Dedicatory anthem “E Imi E, based on the Matthew 6:33 scripture and composed by Choir Director Kahaunani Schoenstien, especially for this occasion.

Later, on April 3, 2004, as part of the celebration of 166 years of its existence from 1838 to 2004, the church held an Open House to share this place of worship with the community.

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<sup>1</sup> Sanctuary Restoration Committee Report by Henry Maunakea, Kaunakapili Church 2004 Annual Report

