



Mililani Baptist Church Messenger

PASTORS CORNER...

MAY 2021

Aloha MBC 'ohana,

Can you believe that it is already May of 2021? I am amazed at how fast time goes by. As I think about how quickly the dates on the calendar changed, I remember, specifically as a parent, that time truly is short. It was only 9 Mother's Days ago that Rachel and I spent our first together in anticipation of our son's birth later that year. That particular Mother's Day was set apart from the many before it that came, not as a celebratory day but rather as a difficult one.

For many couples, especially those with a longing to parent a child or who have lost a child, Mother's Day is a terribly hard day, to say the least. For many who may not have a strong relationship with their mother or have lost their mom in recent years, it can be a day, inevitably, full of sad memories. As we move forward into another May, taking time to celebrate Moms and all they mean to us, let us not forget those who struggle on that day. The pain is real and only truly known to those who have walked through it before.

With that being said, however, it is a precious time for the multitude who are able to celebrate the moms in their life. The writer of Proverbs gave us these words in chapter 23 and verse 25: "Let your father and mother be glad; let her who bore you rejoice." Honoring your *mother* and your father is a big theme in Scripture. As a concept, it shows up multiple times, and it serves as the first command with a promise. So simply put, live your life in such a way that your mom will be proud of the child she raised. Let her know, often, how much she means to you. While we take time to recognize mothers, one day out of the year, please don't make the mistake of only thanking her on May 9th this year. We ought to be thankful for all that our moms sacrifice, and Lord willing, we are growing into individuals who will cause them to rejoice.

Hau'oli lā Makuahine MBC!

Dennis Andrews
Pastor

Annie Armstrong Easter Offering Church Goal!

This year our goal is to raise \$5,000 for the Annie Armstrong Easter offering. One hundred percent of gifts given to AAEO are used to support Southern Baptist missionaries serving across the United States and Canada.

As of April 24th we have collected a total of \$6,624.

Thank you to everyone who gave money for the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering!



Aloha church family!

With the school year coming to an end and summer break beginning we're hoping to bring back more activities and spend more time with each other!

We still meet on Wednesday nights from 6:30pm to 8:00pm. For the past month, we've been learning about the doctrine of the Bible. Being able to understand the different components of the Bible, the different genres within it, and the importance of context has helped us become more familiar with the Word and more confident in using it.

Coming up on Friday May 7 at 6:00pm we'll be having a youth movie night in the sanctuary! We will be picking the movie together as a group, so stay tuned for that! The teens are more than welcome to invite a friend!

Just a heads up, sometime this summer we are planning to do a week-long service project with a few other youth groups! More information regarding that will be released as things are finalized.

We pray that you, our church family, are doing well and staying healthy. We look forward to seeing how God will use all of us during this season.

In Christ,
Kassey Green
Youth Ministry Director

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Mililani Baptist Preschool Update!

Aloha Church Family!

The time has flown by this year and we are entering the final month of our regular school year. Around this time of year we would normally be celebrating May Day, however this year due to Covid-19 we had to cancel our May Day celebrations. We plan to celebrate May Day next school year.

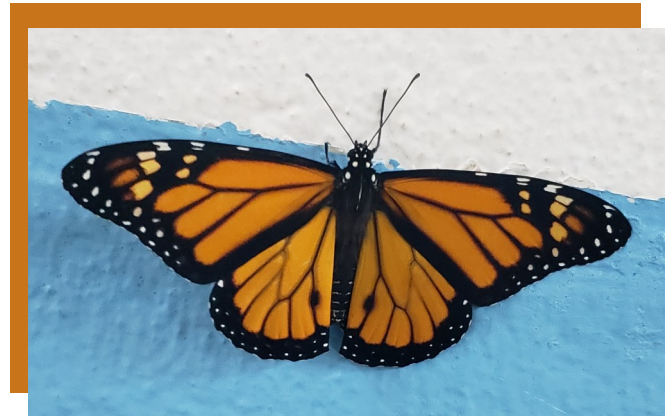


"I am wonderfully made" (Psalm 139:14).

In April, the students had so much learning all about butterflies. Our keiki were so excited to watch our caterpillars form into a chrysalis then change into butterflies! We are beginning this month by celebrating our wonderful MBP Teachers during Teacher Appreciation Week. We are grateful for all that our staff does to help our students grow and develop throughout the year! This ministry would not be possible without them. If you see any of our staff around our school, feel free to show your appreciation!



This month will be busy as we prepare for our annual Carnival day as well as for our Graduation program. The MBP Carnival will look a little different this year. We will be celebrating during our classes outside play time on Friday, May 14th and we are excited about all the activities we have planned!



Finally, we will have to say a tearful good-bye to some of our students and families as they will be leaving us. Our Graduation Program to honor our graduating students will be held on May 21st at 1:00 pm. It is our hope and prayer that students will leave our preschool with a foundation for Christ-centered living, wherever they may go. We will miss them dearly! MBP will be closed from May 24- 31st for teacher prep work and we will begin our summer session on Tuesday, June 1st. Happy End of the School Year!

Mahalo and God Bless!

MBP Office

Ladies Thursday Night Bible Study

The Ladies Bible Study meets on Thursdays at 9 am and at 7 pm. For more information about the Ladies Bible Study contact the church office!

The Thursday Night Men's Bible Study has restarted! We meet at 7pm in Room 209. For more information contact John Dionisio, Logan Pooler, or Pastor Kaleb.

MEN'S THURSDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

AWANA Clubs May Calendar!

May 2nd: Honor Your Father and Mother Night - Get points if you can come dressed as one of your parents, bring or make a card to thank your parents for being awesome, or anything else that will encourage and honor them!

May 9th: No Clubs! (Mothers Day)

May 16th: Missions Night - We will have a guest speaker for a large group presentation. Receive points if you bring or make cards to let the missionary know you'll be praying for them.

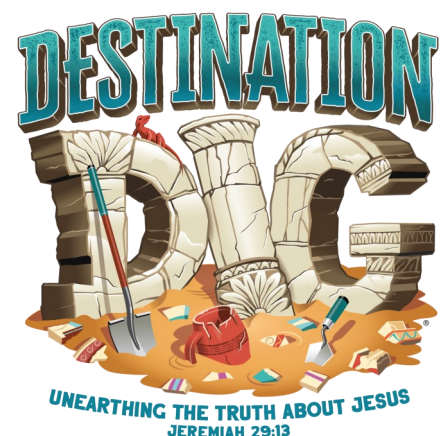
May 23rd: Nickels and Dimes Night - Get points for bringing nickels and dimes! All money brought in will go into the general church offering .

May 30th: No Clubs! (Memorial Day Weekend)

It's
Almost
Time
For
VBS
At
MBC!

Monday, June 21st – Friday, 25th
6:00 pm – 8:30pm

If you are interested in signing up for vacation bible school please contact the church office
Mahalo!



Flower Calendar

Reminder: Sharon Kawata

May 2nd	Lord's Supper
May 9th	The Merciers IHO their time in Hawaii and Mother's Day
May 16th	June Ocreto IMO Leslie's Birthday
May 23rd	Ray & Lynette Gwin IHO their 4th Anniversary
May 30th	Roy & Michi Ogasawara IHO Tate's Birthday

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Apr. 25 6:30 am Deacons Prayer 8am Worship Service 9:30am Sunday School 11am Worship Service 5:15 pm Awanas 6:15pm Evening Service	Apr. 26	Apr. 27 8:30am Japanese Prayer Meeting	Apr. 28 8:30am Military Wives Bible Study 6:30pm Youth Bible Study 7:30pm Family Choir Practice 8:30pm Praise Team Practice	Apr. 29 9am Ladies Bible Study 7pm Ladies Bible Study 7pm Men's Bible Study	Apr. 30	May 1 8:30am Moms in Prayer
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16 6:30 am Deacons Prayer 8am Worship Service 9:30am Sunday School 11am Worship Service 5:15 pm Awanas 6:15pm Business Meeting	17	18 8:30am Japanese Prayer Meeting	19 8:30am Military Wives Bible Study 6:30pm Youth Bible Study 7:30pm Family Choir Practice 8:30pm Praise Team Practice	20 9am Ladies Bible Study 7pm Finance Committee Meeting 7pm Ladies Bible Study 7pm Men's Bible Study	21	22 8:30am Moms in Prayer
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