



# Mililani Baptist Church Messenger

PASTORS CORNER...

JUNE 2021

Aloha Church Family!

It is incredible to me that we are already entering the summer season. We are truly blessed to be able to enter this time of year largely back to normal. Bringing each ministry back has been done with much prayer and discussion. This time of year is a beautiful time to come together as families for many different events. Growing up, this was the time of year family visited, and we went on trips ourselves. Not only is it a time for trips, but more importantly, it is a time to come together to abide in each other as individual families and as the broader church 'ohana.

The summer is an excellent opportunity for family time as students are mainly out of school. Not only that, but the weather is perfect for spending time in God's creation. Spending time as a family is an essential aspect of bonding together and making us more able to serve as a unit. In Scripture, we see the first center of worship was within the family. Today, as we look back to those times of worship of Abraham, we should be inspired to continue discipleship within the family and worship. When we worship together within our families, we teach and form each other in a way that we are commanded to do in Scripture. This family time, both in and out of worship, can do amazing things to shape our families to be more like Christ.

In the writings of the Apostle John, we see the importance of abiding in Christ. We abide in him, and he in us. We are indwelt by God. We abide in him as he abides in the Father. In the same way, we ought to abide in our family. We have been given this central unit for comfort and growth. While this is not always the case, we should see this unit to be a part of. Within the family unit, children can be formed in this relationship. They can understand the comfort that comes from trusting and abiding in God. When we model this relationship, as the Trinity displays in perfection, we glorify God and reflect his truth as we disciple those around us.

These times that we come together, we can disciple the next generation. In this, we not only share facts but display the truth and act of what God has commanded. All through Scripture, we see that within our family, immediate and extended, are the best place to teach this next generation of leaders about God and what he has done for us. As we enter this summer, we will have many opportunities to share in this family time with our earthly family and the broader family that we have entered into through our common faith.

This summer, many events are going on around the church. In all of these activities, we have many opportunities to glorify our God. We have AWANA continuing through the month as well as Vacation Bible School the week of the 21<sup>st</sup>. Not only will we have these opportunities to tell the children of our church and community more about God, but we will (LORD willing) have various times that we can go out into our community to show the lost the love of God and share his truth with them.

Now, as our ministries are beginning to look like they did before having to shut down, I am so excited to see what God is going to do in Mililani through each family that makes up our church 'ohana. This summer, we have many events coming up that we will have the opportunity to serve in worship, in discipling, and through witnessing to the lost in our community.

Soli Deo Gloria,

Kaleb A. Barrett



Aloha church family!

It's so hard to believe that we're already almost halfway through 2021! Time surely does fly. First off, we would like to announce that our very own Kouhei has graduated from Mililani High School! Congratulations, Kouhei, on this amazing accomplishment. We are excited to see how God will continue to work in this next season of your life.

We've got a busy summer ahead of us! Below you will find dates and activities that will be held in the upcoming months. One of the major things is Vacation Bible School. VBS will run from Monday June 21 to Friday June 25. We are in need of volunteers! If you are interested please let me know and I can get you plugged in! Then in July we'll be having a week-long service week. More details regarding that will be announced as we near the end of June.

Another major announcement is that we will be switching our method of text updates. Currently we have been using the app Remind, but have encountered technical problems with it. So, we are switching to GroupMe! GroupMe is a great app for group chats and for us to stay connected and up to date on upcoming events and Bible studies. Information on how to join will be on this page.

Mahalo, church, for all of your continued support and prayers for our group. We pray that God will use each and every one of us this summer to build stronger relationships with each other and to share the gospel.

In Christ,  
Kassey  
Youth Ministry Director

### MBC Tribe Parents



### **GroupMe App**

If you would like to receive text updates about upcoming youth events and Bible studies, please download the GroupMe app. After downloading the app and setting up your account, please scan one of the QR codes. One QR code is for the teens, and the other is for parents (the codes are labeled). Once scanned you'll automatically be added to the group!

### MBC Tribe Youth



# Mililani Baptist Preschool Update!

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Wow, we can't believe that it is officially summer time! Where did the school year go?! We ended our preschool year with an event every week!

We ended the school year with our annual MBP Carnival! Due to COVID-19 this year it looked a little bit different. This year we weren't able to invite families to join us, however we still had a ton of fun. Our keiki really enjoyed playing all of our different games and activities that we had planned. Thank you to all of our teachers for all that you do! We also want to say a huge thank you to everyone who helped out with our graduation! And congratulations to our graduates. We are so proud of you! Like last year we had another drive-thru event. We had so many families show up to celebrate all of their keiki's hard work! We hope that next school year our graduates can celebrate all together in our sanctuary. All of these events helped us to celebrate all the accomplishments of our students over the course of the school year. Mahalo nui loa to all the volunteers that helped make these events happen!

Our theme for this month is "Experiencing Summer" through fun activities, books, and the blending together of summer fruit as we learn about "Fruit of the Spirit." We love learning through play and what better place to have fun while growing and learning than in a Christian environment! We have 50 students enrolled for the summer and we are looking forward to meeting some new students and families as well as enjoying these last couple of months with our graduates. MBP will be closed from May 24th-31st and from July 19th-30th for teacher prep and we will officially begin our summer session on Tuesday, June 1st.

We wish everyone a fun and safe summer, and to our graduating students and families, we will miss you! Please come back and visit us! To our church families and partners in this vital ministry please continue to pray for our students, families, and staff!

Love,  
MBP Office



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



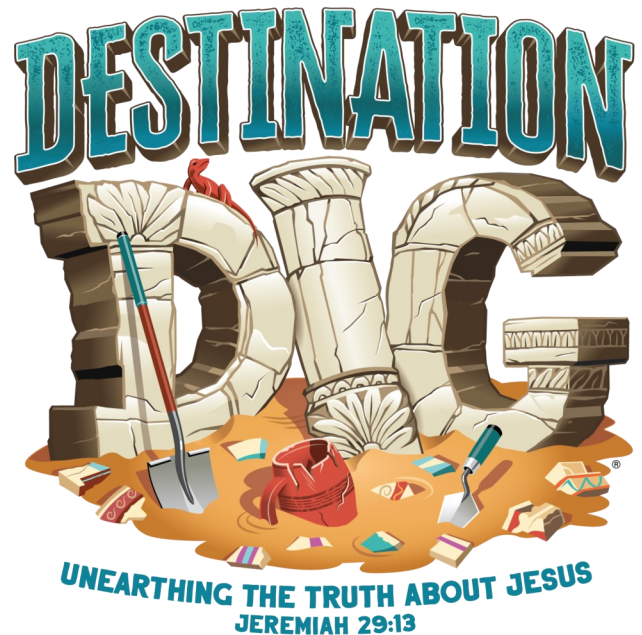
# Children's Ministry

Hello All,

It's finally here! Summertime has finally arrived and kids are out of school. What better way to occupy your children's time than to send them to Vacation Bible School. From June 21st-25th we will be traveling to modern day Israel where we dig up the truth about Jesus. It will be held from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. We ask that parents try to drop off their children at 5:45pm. We are in need of many volunteers to make this happen; you can contact the office or myself for any information.

As we move into summer, I do want to make sure everyone is aware of our need in the children's ministry. We have a need for teachers in children's church and other capacities. If you are interested in serving in our children's ministry please feel free to reach out. I also want to take a moment to thank those who already serve and stepped up to fill a need. Y'all are important to making the children's ministry as great as it is. Please let me know if there are any concerns or if you would like to serve in some capacity. Thank you for all the support given to our children and all the prayers for the ministry!

-Julie Brennan  
Children's Ministry Director



## Children's and Nursery Volunteers

We are in need of volunteers for the children's ministry and for the nursery! If you are interested in serving in these ministries please contact the corresponding ministry heads.

### Nursery Ministry

Yadi Magallanes  
Yadira@MBaptist.org

### Children's Ministry

Julie Brennan  
Julie@MBaptist.org



## Upcoming Youth Events

### Youth Game Night

Wednesday June 9th at 6:30pm

This will take the place of our regular Bible study. We will be having a short devotional and play games with the mission team from Georgia that will be staying at our church.

### Vacation Bible School

June 21st-25th from 6-8pm

Please contact Julie Brennan if you would like to volunteer!

### Youth Hike

Saturday July 3rd

Hike and time is TBD. Stay tuned for more information!

## Ladies Fellowship!

Please join us and bring a friend!

Saturday, June 5th at 9:30am in  
Room 209

Our own Jennifer Mercier will be  
sharing her incredible testimony  
with us



## Flower Calendar

Reminder: Melinda &  
Kassey Green

June 6	Fred & MiCha Boll IHO Joseph's Birthday
June 13	Melanie Arakawa
June 20	Sally Takemori IMO Ronald
June 27	Alan Terasako IMO Elsie & Shigeru

# JUNE 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
May 30 <b>6:30 am</b> Deacons Prayer <b>8am</b> Worship Service <b>9:30am</b> Sunday School <b>11am</b> Worship Service <b>6:15pm</b> Evening Service (Prayer Service)	May 31	June 1 <b>8:30am</b> Japanese Prayer Meeting	2 <b>8:30am</b> Military Wives Bible Study <b>6:30pm</b> Youth Bible Study <b>7:00pm</b> Family Choir Practice <b>8:30pm</b> Praise Team Practice	3 <b>9am</b> Ladies Bible Study <b>7pm</b> Ladies Bible Study <b>7pm</b> Men's Bible Study	4	5 <b>8:30am</b> Moms in Prayer <b>9:30am</b> Ladies Fellowship
6 <b>6:30 am</b> Deacons Prayer <b>8am</b> Worship Service <b>9:30am</b> Sunday School <b>11am</b> Worship Service <b>5:15 pm</b> Awanas <b>6:15pm</b> Evening Service (Lord's Supper)	7 <b>7pm</b> Deacons Meeting	8 <b>8:30am</b> Japanese Prayer Meeting <b>2:00 pm</b> Sunday School Meeting	9 <b>8:30am</b> Military Wives Bible Study <b>6:30pm</b> Youth Bible Study <b>7:00pm</b> Family Choir Practice <b>8:30pm</b> Praise Team Practice	10 <b>9am</b> Ladies Bible Study <b>7pm</b> Ladies Bible Study <b>7pm</b> Men's Bible Study	11	12 <b>8:30am</b> Moms in Prayer
13 <b>6:30 am</b> Deacons Prayer <b>8am</b> Worship Service <b>9:30am</b> Sunday School <b>11am</b> Worship Service <b>5:15 pm</b> Awanas <b>6:15pm</b> Evening Service	14 <b>6:30pm</b> Equipping Committee Meeting <b>7pm</b> Church Council	15 <b>8:30am</b> Japanese Prayer Meeting	16 <b>8:30am</b> Military Wives Bible Study <b>6:30pm</b> Youth Bible Study <b>7:00pm</b> Family Choir Practice <b>8:30pm</b> Praise Team Practice	17 <b>9am</b> Ladies Bible Study <b>7pm</b> Finance Committee Meeting <b>7pm</b> Ladies Bible Study <b>7pm</b> Men's Bible Study	18	19 <b>8:30am</b> Moms in Prayer
20 <b>6:30 am</b> Deacons Prayer <b>8am</b> Worship Service <b>9:30am</b> Sunday School <b>11am</b> Worship Service <b>5:15 pm</b> Awanas <b>6:15pm</b> Evening Service	21	22 <b>8:30am</b> Japanese Prayer Meeting	23 <b>8:30am</b> Military Wives Bible Study <b>6:30pm</b> Youth Bible Study <b>7:00pm</b> Family Choir Practice <b>8:30pm</b> Praise Team Practice	24 <b>9am</b> Ladies Bible Study <b>1pm</b> Missions Committee Meeting <b>7pm</b> Ladies Bible Study <b>7pm</b> Men's Bible Study	25	26 <b>8:30am</b> Moms in Prayer Sunday School Quarterly Training
Vacation Bible School 6pm-8pm						
27 <b>6:30 am</b> Deacons Prayer <b>8am</b> Worship Service <b>9:30am</b> Sunday School <b>11am</b> Worship Service <b>5:15 pm</b> Awanas <b>6:15pm</b> Evening Service	28	29 <b>8:30am</b> Japanese Prayer Meeting	30 <b>8:30am</b> Military Wives Bible Study <b>6:30pm</b> Youth Bible Study <b>7:00pm</b> Family Choir Practice <b>8:30pm</b> Praise Team Practice	July 1 <b>9am</b> Ladies Bible Study <b>7pm</b> Ladies Bible Study <b>7pm</b> Men's Bible Study	July 2	July 3 <b>8:30am</b> Moms in Prayer



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