Mililani Baptist Church Messenger

PASTORS CORNER...

NOVEMBER 2021

Aloha MBC 'Ohana,

We are already a week into November, and I cannot believe how quickly time is moving. Despite the rapid changing of calendar pages, plenty of things point us to easily see the goodness of God throughout the church and His ministries. God has been kind to us, as we have been able to plan and carry out ministries such as a Sunday school outreach where many heard the Gospel and one received Christ! Another ministry was the Fall Festival. Holding the festival during COVID is a feat all on its own, but seeing such a significant change to the event by transitioning away from carnival games to allow for a "trunkor-treat" was a genuinely God-sized plan that came to fruition! Scripture reminds us that our God is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all we can ask or think. Sunday, October 31, 2021, will go down as an exceedingly abundant answer to prayer. Nearly 600 people (that registered) came to our church for a safe alternative to Halloween. They left with a taste of candy, sure, but more importantly with the truth of God's love and the good news of a Savior who is calling them to Himself. Pray with us for the families that attended, that God would draw them in and that we would be able to continue watering the seeds planted at the fall festival. Pray with us that God would bring a harvest and that He would glorify Himself in the fruit to come. I want to say a special thank you to Corrina Farrar for her tireless work to make the festival a success! I know that it takes a village to accomplish such big things, but at the head of that village was Corrina, with excellent leadership, and God blessed the event through her faithfulness. As you see her, thank her for her fantastic work. I also want to thank all the volunteers! We simply couldn't have done it without you! God is pleased when His children work together to build His Kingdom, which indeed happened at the fall festival.

As we continue into November, there are many additional opportunities to see God move in our church. The Volunteer Appreciation Dinner is coming on Saturday, the 13th. We look forward to celebrating all that God has done through your hard work this past year. Thanksgiving is also coming, and with it is an opportunity to prepare a meal and fellowship with those who don't have a family with whom to spend the day. We will have signup sheets for those who want to attend or drop off food, so stay tuned for more details. Our staff will serve the meal, and we're looking forward to a great time of fellowship. Following Thanksgiving, there will be an opportunity for folks to help us decorate the church for the Christmas season, and work on the Cantata continues. Yes! There is a lot to look forward to in the coming weeks, and it's all thanks to the goodness of God. During this busy time, please know that you are often prayed for and well-loved. In this month of thankfulness, I want you to know that the honor of serving as your pastor is right at the top of my list. God has blessed me with a great family, an unbelievable place to call home, and a church that I love with all my heart. Thank you for allowing my family to serve you. May God bless you!

Thankfully serving with you,

Dennis Andrews



Aloha church family!

I want to personally thank you all for supporting our teens during the 30 Hour Famine last month. Our goal was to raise \$2,880 which is enough to feed and care for six children for a year. We were able to raise \$2,840! We appreciate everyone who donated and those of you who prayed for us during that experience.

Now that we've entered into November, we'll be shifting our focus over to Thanksgiving and Christmas. We have so much to be thankful for. The most important thing is to give thanks to our Lord. He has brought us through many challenges these past few years and He continues to be with us through everything. God is so good. Let us always remember that.

On Wednesday nights throughout this month we will be preparing for our role in this year's Christmas Cantata which will be held on Sunday December 12. We will still have our regularly scheduled AWANA time on Wednesdays; this will just be incorporated. The time is still from 6:30pm to 8pm. If any teens are interested in being a part of this, please attend on Wednesday nights!

Continue to stay safe during this holiday season!

Mahalo Ke Akua (thanks be to God), Kassey Green 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!



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

Happy Fall Everyone!

We are happy to report that Mililani Baptist Preschool is doing fantastic! We are glad to announce that our pumpkin "picking" day went extremely well! All of our students were so excited to pick out their pumpkins to take home and carve with their families. While it was not the same as we have done in the past we are very fortunate to be able to still host events like this one. We also had our spirit week, where the kids came to school dressed up according to each day's theme.

November will be a busy month for all of us in the preschool! Since the Thanksgiving celebration is approaching, our school will be having a Brown Bag Luncheon on the 24th of this month. We normally invite our student's parents to come on this particular day of the year to join us at chapel time then eat together as a family in the classroom but because of the Covid-19 restrictions, it will only be the students and teachers this time. However, our staff are at hard work in making this event extra special for our students. Praise Jesus!

Our off/onsite field trips with the Honolulu Police Department and Mililani Mauka Fire Station were supposed to take place this month to supplement our lesson about community helpers and to see and personally thank them for their hard work to make our community safe to live in. So, if you're one of them, we wholeheartedly thank the Lord for your service!

The preschool will be closed on the 11th in observance of Veteran's Day, and on the 25th and 26th in celebration of our yearly Thanksgiving. Once again, a special "Thank You" to all of the men and women of our Armed Forces for their sacrifice and service. Thank you for the freedom and safety we enjoy inour country and most importantly to Jesus who have given us eternal salvation and freedom to be with Him one day!

Happy Thanksgiving in advance and God bless you all!

Sincerely, Ivy Capinpin

MBC Preschool Office Admin.





Children's Ministry

Hey Y'all!

October has been such a blast! I hope y'all enjoyed our Trunk or Treat as much as I did. We were able to reach over 230 children at least with the gospel as we passed out candy. We look forward to November and all that It has to offer. We are starting out November with a Family Movie Night on November 5th starting at 6pm.

Also, keep an eye out for signups for our next upcoming event! December 3rd, we are hosting our last Parent's Night out of the year. We hope that parents can use this time for last minute Christmas shopping, or much needed alone time between the Holidays.

The children's ministry is still looking for volunteers in different areas. If you are interested or just want more information please feel free to reach out to me at julie@mbaptist.org. We are also looking for anyone interested in taking over the role as children's ministry director for 2022. I hope you all have a great Thanksgiving and remember to spend time with your loved ones and enjoy lots of food and laughs.

Children's Ministry Direct

- Julie Brennan
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AWANA Clubs October Calendar!

November 7th: Torch Night

November 14th: Veterans Day

November 21: Thanks Night

November 28th: Black Friday (Awana Store)

Awana Store!

Seeking for lightly used or new toys, games, gifts that the children can purchase with their

Awana Bucks. Our Awana Store is open twice a year.

Our first Awana store will be open right before Christmas time, where some Awana Children and Teens purchase gifts not only for themselves but for their parents and siblings. If you need more information or have questions, please contact Shereen at Neerehs769@hawaii.rr.com.



Fall Festival & Trunk-or-Treat!

Fall Festival & Trunk-or-Treat 2021 was more than one could expect especially during this time of uncertainties and restrictions but God was faithful and He was definitely present! Thank you to all of the volunteers of Mililani Baptist & Fil-Am! Thank you for serving, for your support, donations, and most importantly, prayers! It was a HUGE success! The Mililani community showed up and, we were ready!

Praise God!



Thanksgiving Day Fellowship Meal

Aloha Church Family!

With the holidays upon us, most folks are busy decorating, sending out cards, stocking up for holiday meals, shopping for gifts, and preparing to spend time with loved ones. And while all the hustle and bustle can be fun, let's remember to embrace this Thanksgiving holiday with gratitude, giving thanks to God for His faithfulness and for His continuous covering. Please join us on Thursday, Nov. 25 at 1:00pm as we gather for a potluck lunch and spend sometime in great fellowship. Hope you can join us!

Flower, Calendar, Reminder: Julie Kazama	November 7th	Lord's Supper		
	November 14th	Roy & Michi Ogasawara IHO Reese's Birthday		
	November 21st	Stanton & Sheri Nishihira IHO Micah/ Miya/ Stanton's Birthdays		
	November 28th	Ron & Barbara Okada IMO Bob & Michiko Okada		

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 6pm Prayer Meeting 7pm Deacons Meeting	2 Election Day	3 6:30pm Youth Bible Study 7:00pm Family Choir Practice 8:30pm Praise Team Practice	4 9am Ladies Bible Study 6:30pm Ladies Bible Study 6:30pm Men's Bible Study	5 6pm Family Movie Night	6 8:30am Moms in Prayer
7 6:30 am Deacons Prayer Lord's Supper 8am Worship Service 9:30am Sunday School 11am Worship Service 4:30pm AWANA 6:15pm Evening Service	8 6pm Prayer Meeting 7pm Church Council Meeting	9 2pm Sunday School Meeting	10 6:30pm Youth Bible Study 7:00pm Family Choir Practice 8:30pm Praise Team Practice	11 Veterans Day 9am Ladies Bible Study 6:30pm Ladies Bible Study 6:30pm Men's Bible Study	12	13 8:30am Moms in Prayer 6:00pm MBC Appreciation Dinner
14 6:30 am Deacons Prayer 8am Worship Service 9:30am Sunday School 11am Worship Service 4:30pm AWANA 6:15pm Business Meeting	15 6pm Prayer Meeting	16	17 6:30pm Youth Bible Study 7:00pm Family Choir Practice 8:30pm Praise Team Practice	18 9am Ladies Bible Study 6:30pm Ladies Bible Study 6:30pm Men's Bible Study	19	20 8:30am Moms in Prayer 9:30am New Members Class
21 6:30 am Deacons Prayer 8am Worship Service 9:30am Sunday School 11am Worship Service 4:30pm AWANA 6:15pm Evening Service	22 6pm Prayer Meeting	23	24 6:30pm Combined Thanksgiving Eve. Service & Pie Night	25 Happy Thanksgiving Church Office Closed 1:00pm Thanksgiving Day Fellowship & Potluck	26 Church Office Closed	27 8:30am Moms in Prayer 9:30am Feed Homeless
28 6:30 am Deacons Prayer 8am Worship Service 9:30am Sunday School 11am Worship Service 4:30pm AWANA 6:15pm Evening Service	29 6pm Prayer Meeting	30				



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