



Mililani Baptist Church Messenger

PASTORS CORNER... DENNIS ANDREWS

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Aloha MBC 'Ohana,

As I write this month's Pastor's Corner article, I am grieved over the reports of the Russian invasion of Ukraine. On the one hand, we know that due to the state of man's depraved hearts, wars and rumors of wars will continue until Christ returns and ends all war once and for all. On the other hand, we are shocked and saddened by the brazen attacks and senseless violence taking place before our eyes. As all of this takes place, I am encouraged by a quote I read from Paul Chitwood, President of the IMB. He posted the following in a statement today:

"In times of uncertainty, crisis, and disaster, we see the Lord actively at work drawing people to Himself. Many people are more open to spiritual conversations and ask questions about the truth and peace that is found in Christ alone when they face uncertain situations. Pray with us that Jesus Christ would be glorified through today's global crises, particularly the crisis in Eastern Europe, and that Southern Baptists would remain vigilant in meeting the physical, emotional and spiritual needs of all peoples."

My dear church family, I ask you to commit yourself to prayer. Pray with me that God's will would be done, that the believers there would be protected and emboldened to share their faith, and that those who do not know Christ would come to know Him. As believers, we know that our help comes from God and that no one can do anything that God has not allowed, as we believe that He is totally sovereign and always has a plan to work His will and His way to completion. The IMB has put out the following prayer guide to help us be focused in our prayers. I encourage you to pray through this list:

1. *The people of Ukraine as tension builds on the Ukraine-Russia border. Pray for strength, courage and perseverance as their home is threatened by imminent conflict.*
2. *Safe passages out of conflict zones for displaced populations.*
3. *Government officials to lead with wisdom in this tense time.*
4. *The estimated 4 million displaced people who will be forcibly removed from their homes. Pray that in the face of conflict, they will find psychological, emotional and spiritual healing from this trauma.*
5. *Soldiers on both sides of this conflict to be safe from harm.*
6. *Local churches, relief workers and humanitarian aid organizations to care for what could be a massive wave of displaced peoples in Ukraine.*
7. *Disciples Church in L'viv, Ukraine, and its church plant in Bryukhovychi. Many of the people there are displaced from the East. Pray for peace for these believers as they had hoped this conflict from eight years ago was over and now, they are facing it again.*
8. *The Ukrainian Baptist Theological Seminary as it wrestles with how to assist its students in this time of crisis.*
9. *Ukrainian believers as they seek to be a light in the darkness.*
10. *Ukrainians who have never heard the gospel to have an opportunity to experience the hope of Jesus.*

As we pray, we see the hand of God move. May you be encouraged in your prayer time, and may our faith be strengthened as God works out His will in the world we are called to preach the gospel to. May God bless you as you enter into a new month of life and ministry here at MBC.

Firmly in His grip, Dennis Andrews



Aloha church family!

Spring is officially here! We have a few things going on this month that you don't want to miss out on!

First, there will be an Easter Extravaganza meeting on Saturday March 5 from 11am to 2pm. We need volunteers to make this happen! We need you! If you have any questions regarding that meeting, please reach out to Rachel Andrews.

Second, the third phase of the Sunday School outreach is starting back up this month and will take place every Tuesday. I encourage you all to attend when you can. But specifically for our youth group Sunday School class, our designated day will be Tuesday March 15 at 6:30pm because it aligns with mostly everyone's spring break. This is a great time to step out of our comfort zones and talk to others about Christ, along with inviting them to our upcoming Easter festivities.

Lastly, on Saturday March 26 we will be going to Glow Golf at Pearlridge. We will be meeting each other at the mall. If you will be needing a ride, please let me know ASAP. All youth and their families are welcome! The cost for this event is \$10 per person. Per the Glow Golf COVID policy, masks are required at all times and all participants 12 years and older will have to show proof of vaccination or a negative COVID test taken within 48 hours of our play time. They do accept at-home tests, and those are to be taken on site in front of an employee (the test takes about 10 minutes to yield a result).

If you have any questions about anything written here, please feel free to contact me!

I'm excited to see how God will move in our group and throughout the church as we approach the Easter season. He has got big things planned! Let us allow Him to use us for His glory!

Mahalo Ke Akua,
Kassey Green
Youth Ministry Director

UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS

Easter Extravaganza Meeting
Saturday March 5 from 11am to 2pm

Sunday School Outreach
Tuesday March 15 at 6:30pm
Meet at church and we will go out together

Glow Golf
Saturday March 26 at 1pm
Meet at Pearlridge
Cost: \$10 per person
Requirements: mask, vaccine card/negative test result
Please let me know if you need a ride and who will be attending

Mililani Baptist Preschool Update!



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

Aloha Church Family!

March is upon us! In February MBP had a busy month as we celebrated the Chinese New Year and Valentine's Day! Our keiki had a blast learning about the different traditions that are celebrated during Chinese New Year.

We are also getting ready for our annual Scholastic Book Fair! This year we are excited to announce that we will be having an in-person Book Fair this year. Our Book Fair will be held from March 15th through March 17th. As usual, it will be held in our sanctuary. We want to invite our church members to join us and purchase books to help support our school, if you would like to attend our in-person Scholastic Book Fair please contact, morgan@mbaptist.org, to schedule a time to shop. There is also the option to shop online: <https://www.scholastic.com/bf/mbpreschool>. If you have any questions, feel free to contact the preschool or church office.

We know that reading is important; especially with young learning children and we're excited to be continuing the celebration in March. We will start out the month with "Read Across America Day". The Cat in the Hat will be visiting us and reading a story. Our students will also be doing various Dr. Seuss activities in their classrooms. The theme for March is "Experiencing Spring" and "Planets". We are excited for our students to learn about the different elements of the spring time as well as the planets and stars that fill our night time sky! We will also be learning about the "Miracles of Jesus".

In past years we have had an annual Preschool Beautification Day during the month of March, however this year we have decided to turn that into a Beautification month! There are several small projects we will be working on this month to "beautify" our school. If you are interested in volunteering for our Beautification month, just let us know! We are also accepting donations for any cleaning supplies!

Due to COVID-19, we will not be able to go on our annual field trip to the Bishop Museum. We also will not be able to invite Mililani Lion's Club Vision Screening to our school.

Please continue to pray for the staff, children, and families of MBP that wonderful relationships would be built and that God would be glorified!

Mahalo!
From, MBP Office



Contact the preschool office at (808) 625-7499 if you are interested in volunteering in the preschool! Thank you!

MILILANI BAPTIST CHURCH

EASTER CANDY DONATIONS!

We are in need of candy donations for the Easter Extravaganza! A collection box can be found in the back of the sanctuary.

Contact the church office for more info!



AWANA Clubs March Calendar!

March 6th:
Copycat Night

March 13th:
Two Cents Night

March 20th:
Messy Night

March 27th:
Mustache Night

Sunday School Outreach Phase 3

The Sunday School will be commencing Phase III of Mililani Community Outreach campaign for six (6) weeks on Tuesday evenings at 6 - 7:30 pm beginning on 3/1/22 (Tues). Weekly outreach is open to anyone interested during the 6-week campaign. However, to encourage and increase participation among Sunday School classes, specific classes have been assigned to participate at least one (1) week of the 6 week campaign. Assignments were made based on the survey results obtained in mid-January. We are hoping to have at least a few, willing and interested attendees from the SS classes to participate at assigned weeks. Basic instructions and necessary materials (maps, MBC brochure, Bibles, event flyers, etc.) will be provided.

Flower Calendar

Reminder: Iris Okimoto

March 6th	Lord's Supper
March 13th	Wayne & Sharon Kawata imo their parents
March 20th	Michi Ogasawara iho Roy's & Joshua's Birthdays
March 27th	Bob & Kiyomi Kato iho Haru's Birthday

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Feb. 27	Feb. 28	March 1 6:00pm Sunday School Community Outreach Phase	2 6:30pm Youth Bible Study 7:00pm Family Choir Practice 8:30pm Praise Team Practice	3 9am Ladies Bible Study 6:30pm Ladies Bible Study 6:30pm Men's Bible Study	4	5 8:30am Moms in Prayer 11:00am Easter Extravaganza Planning Meeting
6 6:30 am Deacons Prayer 8am Worship Service (Lord's Supper) 9:30am Sunday School 11am Worship Service (Lord's Supper) 4:30pm AWANA 6:15pm Evening Service	7 6pm Prayer Meeting 7pm Deacons	8 2pm Sunday School Meeting 6:00pm Sunday School Community Outreach Phase	9 6:30pm Youth Bible Study 7:00pm Family Choir Practice 8:30pm Praise Team Practice	10 9am Ladies Bible Study 6:30pm Ladies Bible Study 6:30pm Men's Bible Study	11	12 8:30am Moms in Prayer
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