

**Prayers for Strategic Planning
195th 'Aha Pae'aina June 2017**

'Aha Pae'Aina Prayer

Prayer by delegates to the 195th 'Aha Pae'aina
Music by Ken Makuakane

Bind us together our God
Sharing our love in your infinite ways
Breathe your aloha in us
Walk closely beside us through all of our days

CHORUS:

Ke Akua Mana Loa
O God, hear our prayer.

God of grace, God of mercy
We are created to be just like you
God of love, God of peace
Forgive us, receive us, we call out to you

CHORUS

Open our hearts and our minds
Discerning your spirit, we welcome you in
Joy overflowing our hearts
Show us your vision so we can begin

CHORUS

Small Group Prayers

Loving & Caring Father,
We thank you for Ohana, the HCUCC Conference uniting us spiritually through this conference.
We seek your guidance pathway harmoniously in our journey. Open our hearts to whatever your calling is. Help us focus on our strength in working together. Help us to listen to your quiet focus.
Turn our eyes upon Jesus and His cross.
God of grace, God of mercy,
Ke Akua Mana Loa
Oh God, hear our prayer.

Ke Akua,
Let your awesomeness spill over upon us and to our family, friends, and neighbors. May our spirits overflow with joy as we see you revealed in our midst. Continue to breathe your aloha upon all our churches.
As you are infinite and all powerful, replenish our souls with peace and comfort that we may walk in your ways of love and unity.
We can glorify God even in our disabilities.
God of grace, God of mercy,
Ke Akua Mana Loa
Oh God, hear our prayer.

Le Atuae, Ke Akua, Yokwe, Kami-sama,
O God, help us to find purpose and meaning. Open our hearts to one another. Heal us from divisions and wounded hearts, for otherwise we would not be in this open space. Thank you for the past and the present. Guide us; give us wisdom; give us compassion. May each voice be heard.
God of grace, God of mercy,
Ke Akua Mana Loa
Oh God, hear our prayer.

God of the past and of the future,
We thank you for the opportunity to gather for this event, sharing our love and experiences. You know us intimately and love us fiercely. We wish to honor those who have come before us and those who will come after us, asking for your guidance with youth and bringing the ages together for a common purpose. We have no vision unless we find your vision.
We call on you to call us out.
When we perpetuate the evil of silencing others
When we are not true to ourselves
When we live in negativity rather than hope
God of grace, God of mercy,
Ke Akua Mana Loa

Oh God, hear our prayer.

Ke Akua,

We ask for your continued guidance, love and strength in giving unity to our home and sister churches. Bless everyone present here today as well as their ohana. Please give us grace, peace, hope, and love. Let us be obedient to you always. We love you, Lord!

God of grace, God of mercy,

Ke Akua Mana Loa

Oh God, hear our prayer.

Prue Lun Luem

Papa tumasr inkusrao

Elos oal paye

Tokosra lalos tuku

Orekma nu falu

Kiteh kut len se inge

Ma kut mongo misenge

A nunak munas nu sesr

Ke ma koluk

Oana kut nunak munas

Nu sin mwet su

Orekma koluk nu sesr

A tia kol kut in mwel

Ah eis kut lac liki

Ma koluk lasr

Tuh tokosra lalos

A ku

A wolana ma patpat

God kulang, God pakoten

God of grace, God of mercy

Loving and Gracious God,

We give you thanks for all your creation and the peace and joy it brings

Open our hearts and minds to further possibilities

Strengthen our relationships, one with another

Help us keep our senses of humor

We are many parts; make us one in the body of Christ.

God of grace, God of mercy,

Ke Akua Mana Loa

Oh God, hear our prayer.

Lead Holy Spirit
Unite us, faithful healer
In your faith-filled peace.
God of grace, God of mercy,
Ke Akua Mana Loa
Oh God, hear our prayer.

Lord,
We ask you to heal anyone who is not feeling well in our church that they may be ready for the work ahead.
O God, guide our feeble steps along the journey.
Please provide pastors for the many churches that need them, and help them move their churches forward. Also help the people to find worship facilities.
O God, in your quiet approach, let us see and hear and understand the unexpected within each other to see our strengths and envision a future of a united church.
We lay before you our agenda and take up your purpose and plans for this part of your vineyard to accomplish your heart's desire.
God of grace, God of mercy,
Ke Akua Mana Loa
Oh God, hear our prayer.

Holy Spirit,
Open our hearts and ears to listen to your message.
Bring previous strategic planning results into this process for insight, wisdom and guidance.
Blow through us, displacing, dislodging fear and hesitation; rather, make the advantageous and bold to walk in your ways of love and peace.
We pray for hearts and minds, for healing grace and reassurance for a transformation to nurture and sustain a loving future.
We give thanks, O God, that you go before us to show us the ways to your future for us.
God of grace, God of mercy,
Ke Akua Mana Loa
Oh God, hear our prayer.

Magnificent and Heavenly Father,
We pray for your intervention through your Holy Spirit
Thank you, Father, for your unfailing love
God give us the understanding in what to support and what not to support and the wisdom to know the difference.
That we all begin with love and end with love in all that we do.
Remove our addictions
Take us on a journey

In your holy name
God of grace, God of mercy,
Ke Akua Mana Loa
Oh God, hear our prayer.

Generous God,
As we begin to move forward, guide our hearts and minds to be the church that you would have us be.
Help us serve in love and respect and hold us to appreciate the diversity among us.
Guide us on this journey to be stewards to all.
Please open every door that no one can open, and close those that need to be closed so we can move on.
God of grace, God of mercy,
Ke Akua Mana Loa
Oh God, hear our prayer.

Most gracious and loving God,
Bind us together especially at this gathering.
Guide us in our activities
Lead us to unite our thoughts as we plan.
Help us as a conference to forgive one another, learn from one another, listen to one another and work together.
Open our hearts and minds to discern your Holy Spirit.
Let us be welcoming as you are.
Let the impossible become possible.
Oh God, help us to accept one another as you accept us.
Be patient to forgive us being sinners.
Reveal to us your ways as we make our diversity into an open opportunity.
God of grace, God of mercy,
Ke Akua Mana Loa
Oh God, hear our prayer.

Living and gracious God,
Ke Akua Mana Loa,
In your divine genius, you created us to be different, to be diverse.
Help us to be a church where all voices are heard, where all views are respected, and all people are welcome and are safe to be open and true.
In your wisdom, set us ablaze with your Spirit, and inspire us that the plan we create reflects your character.
Unite us in your Spirit, inspired by your grace that we may welcome all, love all, and seek justice for all.

God of grace, God of mercy,
Ke Akua Mana Loa
Oh God, hear our prayer.

God, forgive us our sins
That we might come before you,
Cleansed in your righteousness.
Please guide us to understand your purpose
On our journey into the future.
Help us to overcome our divisions
And unify us.
In the ever-widening expanse of our lives,
May our hopes and dreams
Shine like stars before life's journey.
God of grace, God of mercy,
Ke Akua Mana Loa
Oh God, hear our prayer.

E kane I ka wai ola
Holo I ka lewa lani, kau ka eo ka ua I ka makahi
Our loving and gracious Lord,
You knew our needs before we did
You are so big and great
We honor and worship you
We ask your wisdom, presence and guidance
E Ke Akua, he oia i'o
God of grace, God of mercy,
Ke Akua Mana Loa
Oh God, hear our prayer.

God of all times and places;
God of all ages and races,
We thank you that even now,
You are in the midst of our planning.
We are faced with the awesome task of discerning the future of our Conference.
We are grateful for the power of your peaceful presence, and that as we listen in quietude, ideas
and visions will bring us to a place of Imua—forward and victory in the cross for our Conference.
We lift up our Hawai'i Conference in the name of Jesus,
God of grace, God of mercy,
Ke Akua Mana Loa
Oh God, hear our prayer.

E Ke Akua mani lani
Mahalo nui loa ia kakou
We thank you for this day, that we can come to you
For your blessing and Aloha
Trust in faith for your guidance for our prayers and continued teaching for us to love one another.
We thank you for your son, Jesus, and the gift of salvation. We thank you for your peace that surpasses all understanding.
Thank you, Heavenly Father, for your love and for giving us clarity of your vision for us.
Lead us with grace as we seek to find the path that leads us to the future, honoring all our days.
God of grace, God of mercy,
Ke Akua Mana Loa
Oh God, hear our prayer.

God of love and mercy,
Creator and sustainer of heaven and earth,
We praise your Holy name.
Thank you for being my God and for loving me.
Thank you for always providing for all my everyday needs and for your healing power in my life every day.
God of grace, God of mercy,
Ke Akua Mana Loa
Oh God, hear our prayer.

God of joy,
You call us out of our joylessness and solemnity.
Beyond differences, divisions and desires, reconnect us and all your children in listening to you and one another.
Give us the strength to listen with patience and love.
God, please grant us clear communication.
Expand our vision beyond the limitations of the present that we might imagine the future you call us to.
God, who calls to us from the future waiting for us to make up our minds, inviting us to ignore a competing call from suspect isolation, from somewhere we don't know, but we do.
May we move beyond hard of hearing to sing a call of wild abandon to do what we say.
God may we be receptive to new ideas and concerns of others.
God of grace, God of mercy,
Ke Akua Mana Loa
Oh God, hear our prayer.