## Our Whole Lives Curriculum (Workshop) — Frequently Asked Questions

**How much does it cost?** Great question! Unfortunately, there is not an easy answer. To effectively run the OWL program you need:

- 1. **Trained Facilitators**: You can send folks from your church to be trained (*recommended*). Trainings happen at various times (*you can find a <u>list here</u>*) and the cost of the training varies somewhat. There is a hope to have a training in Honolulu this May of 2017. You can also ask folks who are already trained to lead the program. Often trainers are given some sort of thank you (*not always monetary*) for the vast amount of time invested.
- 2. **Curriculum**: You can purchase curriculum (*see here*) or borrow the books from others.
- 3. **Teaching Supplies** (and most likely pupus): Each curriculum has different requirements for supplies. Again you can purchase your own or borrow or both.

Overall, I would say the cost is more significant in terms of time than it is in terms of dollars. And I would say that it is completely, 100% worth it!

**How long is the Program?** It depends! The grade 7-9 curriculum is the longest and can take 25 sessions. The grades K-1 curriculum though only has 8 sessions. Often the curriculum is run with one session per week. Sometimes sessions can be group together in a weekend retreat.

**How do I get the curriculum?** You can order you own here or you can borrow mine.

What is the differentiation of content for each age? I recommend checking out this webpage to learn more about each level. You can also borrow the curriculum from me to inspect (*I have K-1, 7-9, 10-12, & 18-35*). I've also attached "OWL at a Glance" to this email which may be helpful for you.

**How do we get started?** Contact me! Let me know what you're thinking and what questions you have. I'm happy to come speak with members/leaders/youth of your church. Also we have a Facilitator Training in the works for the grades 7-9 and 10-12 curriculum. We are hoping to run the training in May.

How does the curriculum intermingle into existing culture? Great question! All packaged curriculum has to be massaged and modified to some degree to fit its particular context. However, it is important that any group seeking to run OWL shares the same core values as the curriculum (see attached Core Values and UCC OWL Principles).