

Report of the Conference Minister 195th `Aha Pae`aina

Although the assessment process this last year was a major topic in the life of the Hawai`i Conference, the ministry and mission of the Hawai`i Conference continued unabated. The reports of this `Aha Handbook recount many of the ways in which we accomplished God's work together and in partnership. Unmentioned—and equally important—are the many more ways they happen through the quiet and loving labor of each of our churches and individual members.

In this report, I share these highlights and areas of note.

Mission Support

Support from churches and individuals to the ministries of the Hawai`i Conference and the United Church of Christ was extremely strong in 2016.

Our Church's Wider Mission (OCWM), representing church giving, stood at about \$288,000. This was just under the previous year's total, and most notable was the large increase in numbers of Hawaiian churches giving to OCWM and the increase in total giving by Hawaiian churches.

The year-end invitation to give to Friends of the Conference, which is support received from individuals, resulted in a record high of just over \$19,000, which is an over 45% increase above the previous year. We are grateful to these Friends of the Conference whose total giving has increased consistently every year since 2011.

There are many beneficiaries of our solid support, locally and world-wide. A new OCWM brochure/poster helps to explain in pictures and words the impact of our giving. If you need copies, please contact the Conference Office.

Mission Partnerships

The Hawai`i Conference is in a formal mission partnership with two church bodies.

Our long-standing partnership with the Micronesian Council United Church of Christ (MCUCC) continues the connection first made when missionaries from Hawai`i were sent to Kosrae beginning in 1852. Through this partnership, we participate directly in mission efforts (in cooperation with Wider Church Ministries of the UCC), and we are kept informed of needs of Marshallese and Micronesian churches that are established in Hawai`i and on the U.S. continent. I attend MCUCC meetings annually, including the last, which took place in Kosrae last month.

A more recent partnership is the one established at last year's `Aha Pae`aina with the South Seoul Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church in the Republic of Korea. In April, the Rev. Curtis Kekuna and I were invited to Seoul to attend the formal recognition on the Korean side by the Presbytery and to lay the groundwork for local church-to-local church partnerships. We are hoping that delegations from local churches in Hawai`i will visit the South Seoul Presbytery this coming fall.

UCC Participation

Numerous persons from Hawai`i serve on boards, committees and ministries of the wider United Church of Christ. This involvement not only strengthens the denomination, but also keeps us connected in covenant. We give thanks to these persons for their service to the bodies listed after their names:

- *Caroline Belsom* (Waiola), UCC Board, Cornerstone Fund Board
- *Frances Wong* (Church of the Crossroads), UCC Board
- *Eleanore Chong* (Central Union), Habakkuk Group (revising the Manual on Ministry)

- *Frank Jahrling* (Kaumakapili), Retirement Housing Foundation Board of Directors
- *Norma DeSaegher* (Waialua UCC), Retirement Housing Foundation Board of Directors
- *Kekapa Lee* (First Chinese), Habakkuk Group Reader
- *Kenneth Makuakane*, Authorizing Ministry 21 Planning Group
- *Sherman Hee*, Church Building and Loan Fund Loan Committee
- *Charles Buck*, Council on Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations, United Church Funds Board of Directors, Chalice Press Board of Directors, Council of Conference Ministers

Ministerial Transitions

A number of ministerial transitions have occurred since the last `Aha Pae`aina. Ministers who are new to Hawai`i are:

- *Bill Hawk* (from Montana, called to Hokuhoa UCC as interim pastor)
- *Dennis Alger* (from Oregon, called to Waiola Church as interim pastor)\
- *Malcolm Carr* (from Pennsylvania, called and installed as Pastor of Lihue Christian Church)
- *Charles Poole* (from California, called to churches of Topside Moloka`i as interim pastor)
- *Florentino Cordova* (from California, called as Pastor of Iao UCC).

Licensed ministers newly recognized are:

- *David Blevins* (Imiola Congregational Church)
- *Lani Kapuni`ai* (Ola`a Hawaiian Church)

Ministers who have died and whose service we will honor at this `Aha Pae`aina are *Lloyd Young, Armin Kroehler, Dana Ka`ohelauli`i, Lon Rycraft, and Margery Terpstra.*

Conference Staff

The staff of the Hawai`i Conference is a hard-working, variously skilled group of individuals who share a dedication to the mission. Like any family or church, it is constantly changing. This last year, we bid farewell to two very faithful colleagues.

- *Lee Henry-Chang*, who was my executive assistant, resigned at the end of April to accept an invitation to work with Kupu, a local, non-profit that provides training programs in conservation for youth.
- *Sarah Jones*, who served as a part-time associate conference minister while pastor of Lana`i Union Church, resigned at the end of May from both positions to become a Pacific Health Ministry chaplain at Wilcox Memorial Hospital on Kaua`i.

Closing Remarks

On a personal note, my last day in the Conference Office will be Friday, June 23. After that time, I will be with our Hawai`i Conference delegation at General Synod in Baltimore until the close on July 4, at which time I will formally end my service as Conference Minister.

In the April 2017 issue of *The Friend*, I expressed my feelings about having served in this position. In summary, I have been impressed and inspired by the example of faith and service that so many of you are living out in your churches and in your personal lives and vocations. Thank you for the privilege of allowing me to walk beside you these last thirteen years.

Me ke aloha pumehana,
Charles Buck
Conference Minister
Hawai`i Conference of the United Church of Christ

**Report of the Conference Council
July 2016 to June 2017**

The Conference Council acts for the `Aha Pae`aina in between the annual meetings and also functions as the board of directors for the Hawai`i Conference (Hawai`i Conference Bylaws, Article VII, Section 1).

Following is a summary of actions taken by the Council this last fiscal year:

- Elected Alan Akana as Chair of the Administration Missional Team to fill the remainder of the term vacated by Rod Chamberlain (who relocated to North Carolina).
- Elected Alan Akana as Class A Trustee (two-year term, Class of 2018) and Monty Richards as Class C Trustee (four-year term, Class of 2020) of the Hawai`i Conference Foundation.
- Called Richard Kamanu, Sarah Jones and Kenneth Makuakane as Associate Conference Ministers.
- Engaged KMH LLP as independent auditor for the Hawai`i Conference UCC for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016.
- Set the dates of June 14-17, 2017, for the 195th `Aha Pae`aina, to be held at Kamehameha Schools, Maui Campus.
- Appointed Edwin Fong and Janet Fujioka to the Audit Committee, and Gwendolyn Hill to the Personnel Committee.
- Conveyed a reversionary interest to Pearl City Community Church.
- Approved a contract with Northern California Nevada Conference for the provision of bookkeeping services.
- Approved a draw of \$100,000 from investments to cover expenses related to assessment and strategic planning.
- Engaged Alan Oliver as consultant for an assessment study of the Hawai`i Conference.
- Approved the contribution of \$25,000 to the United Church of Christ's "Shaping our Future" campaign benefiting the Office of General Ministries.
- Recommended to the 195th `Aha Pae`aina approval of the resolution, "In Support of a Names Memorial at Kalaupapa."
- Established the Katherine and Clay Wery Trust for Hawaiian Churches with funding by a bequest from the Katherine Wery Estate and the balance of monies in the West O`ahu New Church Fund, and to be administered by the State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches.
- Appointed Aletha Kaohi to a three-year term on the Committee on Beneficiaries of the G.N. Wilcox Trust and the Distribution Committee of the Elsie H. Wilcox Foundation.
- Received the audited consolidated financial statements for the Hawai`i Conference UCC and Hawai`i Conference Foundation for June 30, 2016 and 2015.
- Engaged Wikoff Combs & Co., LLC, as independent auditor for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017.

- Received Conference Minister Charles Buck's letter of intent to resign and set his final date for June 4, 2017 (which was later reconsidered and amended to July 4, 2017).
- Received the assessment report from consultant Alan Oliver.
- Created an intentional interim conference minister search committee, whose members would be named by the presidents of the five associations and State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches. (Later, an additional seat was created for one Foundation trustee).
- Appointed David Iha as chair of the intentional interim conference minister search committee.
- Approved a draw of \$130,000 from investments to cover expenses related to the cost of a consultant for strategic planning.
- Hired Cynthia Scherr as consultant for a strategic planning process.
- Approved the Minutes of the 194th 'Aha Pae'aina.
- Recommended to the 195th 'Aha Pae'aina approval of the Rules of Procedures.
- Recommended to the 195th 'Aha Pae'aina approval of the resolution, "Encouraging Immigrant Welcoming Congregations."
- Recommended to the 195th 'Aha Pae'aina approval of the budget for fiscal year 2017-18 of the Hawai'i Conference United Church of Christ.

Mahalo for the honor of serving.
Ma le Faaaloalo e tatau ai.

Respectfully submitted,

Iese M. Tuuao
Chair, Conference Council

ASSOCIATE CONFERENCE MINISTER'S REPORT

Rev. Richard K. Kamanu

May 19, 2017

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ!

The Aha Pae'aina held in June of 2016 revealed concern and frustration by a few clergy and lay delegates concerning the leadership, mission and ministry of the Conference and Foundation. The Conference Council, hearing the concerns of the delegates, launched a Conference-wide assessment study. After holding interviews with several focus groups and individuals from December 2016 to January 2017, the Rev. Al Oliver handed over a 120-page document, *A Special Assessment Study and Report of Findings for the Hawai'i Conference United Church of Christ*, in March of this year.

The Rev. Al Oliver wrote, *"It has been both a great pleasure and an extreme challenge to conduct this assessment for the Hawai'i Conference United Church of Christ. . . . The challenge has come because the Hawai'i Conference is without a doubt the most complex organization for which I have ever conducted a study."*

As a staff member I have the privilege of working with and alongside the Board of Directors of the Conference and Associations, as well as being the staff person assigned to the Church and Ministry Committees for Oahu and Kauai. I've participated in and worked with the Committees in setting up installation services, ecclesiastical councils, ordinations, and worked with exploring congregations seeking membership and standing in the United Church of Christ.

I've been invited as a guest preacher at several of our churches throughout the islands. I've especially valued these times because it allowed me the opportunity to share with the members the work of the Conference and Association. Many of the folk in the pews are unaware of the relationship that their local churches have with the larger church. I explain how their mission support of OCWM extends to programs and ministries of the Conference and the national church.

As the staff person for the Search and Call I work with local church pastoral search committees through the process of seeking a newly called pastor. Along with our Conference Minister and Associate Conference Ministers, we work with local church search committees on our assigned Associations. There are a number of churches in our conference that are presently, or will soon be, seeking a called pastor.

The professional and support staff of the Conference also lend support to missional teams by following through with the planning and implementation of programs created and developed by each of the teams: Administration, Stewardship, Formation, and Justice & Witness.

I would like to thank the Rev. Charles Buck for his leadership and guidance in the last year and a half that I've served as ACM. I thank him for his friendship and his wise counsel. I wish him blessings as he discerns God's next called service.

Sincerely,
Kahu Richard Kamanu
Associate Conference Minister

PAPA MAKUA
2017 'Aha Pae'āina Annual Report

Aloha nui kākou,

As Papa Makua, I am called by Ke Akua to do the work of ministry among you, empowered by ka 'Uthane Hemolele and equipped with the armor of God. My call is to the pastoral kuleana and the life of each Kahu and each Kalawina church in our beloved Association of Hawaiian Evangelical Churches as well as all the other Kalawina churches in the Hawai'i Conference United Church of Christ.

Ecclesiastes 4:9-12: Two are better off than one, because together they can work more effectively. If one of them falls down, the other can help him up.

Teamwork is all around us in life. We see it in marriages, businesses, neighborhoods, churches, etc. God loves to see Christians working together submitting to God's will. Think of Christianity as the old Kress Store or Woolworths. It is one store, but there are many different departments within that store. One department can do things another cannot, but they still have the same goal.

In churches we have different duties. Some are deacons, some are Sunday school teachers, while others are greeters. But we are all part of this store, this ministry, this church, this body of God.

May we continue to do the work of Ke Akua with much thanksgiving and joy in our hearts, minds and soul.

Ke Akua Pū,



Kenneth Makuakāne
Papa Makua

Church Visits

- Keolahou Congregational Church, Ka'ahumanu Church, Kaulanapueo Congregational Church, Lāhuiokalani Kā'anapali Congregational Church, Pā'ia Hawaiian Protestant Church, Waiola Church, Keawala'i Church, Olowalu Lanakila Hawaiian Church, Kalua'aha Congregational Church, Ho'olehua Congregational Church, Kala'iakamanu Hou Church, Waialua Congregational Church, Koolauhuiia Protestant Church, Kapa'a First Hawaiian Church, Hanapēpē First Hawaiian Church, 'Opihikao Congregational Church, 'Ōla'a First Hawaiian Church, Lanakila Congregational Church, Kauahā'ao Congregational Church, Kalapana Maunakea Congregational Church, Henry Opukaha'ia/Hōkūloa Chapel, Puka'ana Congregational Church, Kahikolu Church, Helani Church, Haili Congregational Church, Lili'uokalani Protestant Church, Kawaihae'o Church, Kaumakapili Church, Kahikuonālani UCC, Ka Hana O Ke Akua Church, Hau'ula Congregational Church

Church Changes

- *Waiola Church:* Jeff Crews resigned as pastor. Dennis Alger called as Interim Minister on July 2016.
- *Lili'uokalani:* Sharon Inake finished her call as Interim Minister December 2016.

- *Koolauhuiia Protestant Church*: Kahu Rennie Mau ended his call on January 31, 2017.
- *Ka Hana O Ke Akua Church*: Kahu Wendi Gordon ended her call April 23, 2017.
- *‘Ōla’a First Hawaiian Church*: Lani Kapuniai is called as pastor. Recognition service held March 11, 2017.
- *Bishop Memorial Church*: Kahu Kordell Kekoa ended his chaplaincy May 21, 2017.
- *Kahikuonālani UCC*: Dedication of new church building August 28, 2017.
- *Kaumakapili Church*: David Hirano ended his call as Interim Minister on January 31, 2017. No Interim Minister called. Church will be handled by Interim Team. Search committee in session to find next settled minister.
- *Kawaiaha’o Church*: Curt Kekuna ends his call in August 2017. A search process is presently in place.
- *Haili Congregational Church*: Associate Minister Gaymond Apaka passed away.
- *Kamehameha Schools Hawai’i Campus*: Middle School Religious Education Instructor Gaymond Apaka passed away.

AHEC Churches without Kahu (15)

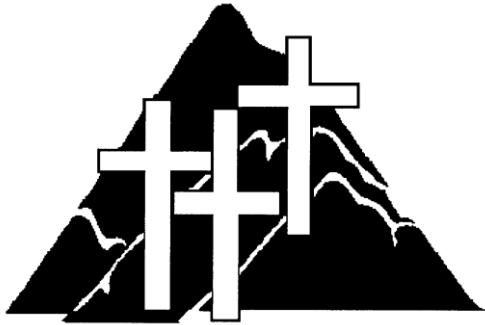
- Hau’ula Congregational Church, Kah Hana O Ke Akua Church, Kaumakapili Church, Lili’uokalani Protestant Church, Henry Opukaha’ia/Hōkūoa Chapel, Laupāhoehoe Congregational Church, Puka’ana Congregational Church, Helani Church, Kalanikahua Hou Church, Kaulanapueo Congregational Church, Keolahou Congregational Church, Lāhuiokalani Kā’anapali Congregational Church, Olowalu Lanakila Hawaiian Church, Waihe’e Protestant Church, Kalua’aha Congregational Church, Koolauhuiia Protestant Church

Association Meetings

- Board meetings were held on August 6, 2016, December 10, 2016, March 18, 2017, and May 6, 2017.
- 2016 Fall ‘Aha Hālāwai was held at Lanakila Congregational Church on October 14-15, 2016.
- 2017 Spring ‘Aha Hālāwai was held at Kahikuonālani UCC on February 17-18, 2017.

Special Events

- Nā Hīmeni Workshop at Olowalu Lanakila Church with Maile Baird
- Affirmation of Installation Service at Central Union Church for UCC General Minister and President John Dorhauer
- Clergy Retreat at Ala Moana Hotel with Rev. John Dorhauer
- 2016 Fall Youth Camp at Camp Mokulē’ia
- ‘Aha O Nā Kahu Retreat October 12-13, 2016, with Rev. Two Bulls in Hilo and Kona
- State Council Retreat October 28-29, 2016, in West Hawai’i
- West Hawai’i Council Hō’ike at Kauahā’ao Congregational Church November 5, 2016
- ‘Opihikao Church Hō’ike November 12, 2016
- Kalapana Maunakea Church Community Thanksgiving at Pāhoa Community Center November 19, 2016
- Kala’iakamanu Hou 150th Anniversary November 26, 2016
- AM21 Conference in San Antonio, Texas, November 28-December 3, 2016
- Kawaiaha’o Church Hebedoma Week January 2-7, 2017
- Pū’ā Foundation Conference, Mana Wahine, at ‘Aulani Hotel January 12-15, 2017
- PJRC Ho’oku’ikahi Remembrance Service for Lili’uokalani at Kaumakapili Church January 17, 2017
- Church & Ministry Committees Workshop January 18-21, 2017
- Special MESA meeting with AHEC Church & Ministry January 21, 2017
- Church Leaders Event at Central Union Church February 25, 2017
- Clergy Retreat in Kona March 6-8, 2017, on Multiple Religious Belonging
- United Church Funds Endowment Workshop March 24, 2017
- Nā Hīmeni concert at Hanapēpē First Hawaiian Church May 13, 2017



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ADMINISTRATION LINKING

As an Association, the ‘Aha O Nā Mokupuni ‘O Maui, Moloka‘i a me Lāna‘i, (Tri-Isle Association) has tried to act as a ‘community of communities’ to address the ministry needs of our churches. We expanded our Executive Committee to include persons who serve on Conference Instrumentalities. We wanted to give those who serve on the Conference level a local entity to help them follow through with their conference responsibilities. This ‘link’ with the Conference helps to shape our TIA lives together, in the service of God. We have at present the following members of the TIA Exec who have Conference responsibilities: Diane Meyer from the Stewardship Missional Teams and Dennis Barger from the Justice and Witness Missional Team. We added Kalani Wong of the Formation Missional Team and we were resourced from the Conference with ACM Sarah Rentzel-Jones. We currently don’t have anyone from the TIA on the Administration Missional Team. We have also added Wayne Higa to the Exec who is serving on the Conference’s Nominating Committee as well as the TIA Nominations Committee.

HCUCC ASSESMENT

In response to a request at last year’s Aha Pae’aina, the HCUCC engaged in an assessment of ourselves. We used our Winter Aha Makua to host a focus group with the consultant Al Oliver who conducted interviews with individuals within our Mokupuni. A copy of the assessment report can be found at <http://tinyurl.com/hcucc-report>

CELEBRATION

This year we celebrated the 150th anniversary of Wailuku Union Church, Kalaiakamanu Hou Congregational Church and the Palapala Ho’omau Church. Maui Evangelical celebrated their 50th anniversary. And the UCC Pohnpei Maui, recognized their standing in the UCC with a recognition service hosted by their church in Haiku.

STANDING

The Church and Ministry Committee of the Tri-Isle Association recommended continuing education and boundary training requirements for our Authorized Ministers. This was approved at our Winter Mokupuni Meeting. As of this writing we are proposing a name change for the Church and Ministry Committee to become the Committee on Ministry (COM), as so named in our Conference and other UCC entities.

MEMBERS IN DISCERNMENT

This year we have received four members in discernment: Pualani Akana from Hoolehua, Tim Greathpouse from Iao UCC, Jimmy Aarona who will be recognized as an Authorized Licensed Minister serving Nahiku Congregational Church as well as a supply minister for Kalanikahua Hou and Kaulanapueo, and Jonathan Stockton from Wananalua. Dorothy Lester is in process of

renewing her Licensed Minister standing as she goes to serve Lanai Union as Sarah Rentzel-Jones leaves.

EXPLORING CONGREGATION

On January 11, 2017 we recognized the UCC Pohnpei Ministry as an “Exploring Congregation” seeking standing in TIA. Their Pastor is Golten Charley.

JUSTICE AND WITNESS

At our Fall Mokupuni, besides having a presentation from the youth who attended the National Youth Event, we also gathered around round tables to discuss the “Black Lives Matter” issue.

FORMATION

We sent youth from Iao UCC, Paia Hawaiian, Lanaʻi Union and Topside Molokaʻi to the National Youth Event in Orlando Florida.

January 19, 2017 Elizabeth Dilley, “UCC Ministerial Excellence, Support and Authorization”

Equipping Tomorrow’s Church Leaders (ETCL)

- June 17-18 Jack Belsom, “Facing Decline, Finding Hope”, “Weird Church”, Waiola
- July 22 Dr. Allan Boesak, “Dietrich Bonhoeffer and Prophetic Preaching”, Keawalaʻi
- October 21-22, 28-29 Sally O’Brien, “Recasting Your Church’s Assets”, WUC:
- March 16 &17, Tyler Connolly, “The Bible and Homosexuality”, Iao UCC

Thank you for allowing me to serve the wider church in this way. God has great opportunities for us as we listen, love, forgive and be the church God wants us to be. Thank you to all who have been a part of the ministry of the TIA this year, and especially to Sarah Rentzel-Jones who pastored Lanai Union and was our Associate Conference Minister at the same time. God’s blessing be upon you as you embark upon this new ministry of healing and comfort on Kauai.

In Christ’s Aloha,

The Rev. Robb Y. Kojima



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June 15, 2017

AHEC Luna Ho'omalua Report

"The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it" (Psalm 24:1).

Aloha Mai Kākou,

It is hard to believe that a year has passed since being elected as the Luna Ho'omalua of the Association of Hawaiian Evangelical Churches. In that time I have been privileged to work with so many wonderful and caring disciples of Christ, all desiring to do their best to honor God and build His holy church here in Hawai'i through the Association and the Hawai'i Conference. As the psalmist wrote in Chapter 24:1, "The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it." Thanks be to God for His blessings through this past year.

It has been, and continues to be, my desire to go out and meet with as many member churches and other Hawaiian Churches as possible. The reward is knowing first hand how our churches are doing in this time when so many churches are facing insurmountable changes. Sometimes the mere presence of someone from the Conference or Association is assurance enough for our members to know there is genuine aloha and support for their churches. In every opportunity, I've tried to avail myself to listen and hear their mana'o and concerns of our Hawaiian churches as well as to seize the opportunity to celebrate with them on their accomplishments.

The Association continues to make strides in improving and enhancing our services to our Hawaiian churches through our work in visioning with the Hawai'i Conference in the recent assessment studies and by re-visiting our own governing documents and procedures. We are currently engaged in an internal audit of our accounts, and seeking innovative ways of being better stewards in managing and increasing our investment opportunities. We are also re-examining our purposes and procedures in various existing committees and our bylaws.

While we are very appreciative of the support given by the Hawai'i Conference in providing the salary and benefits package for the Papa Makua as an Associate Conference Minister, AHEC has also decided to find a way to provide a discretionary account to aid the Papa Makua in his work with expenses not covered by the Conference but generally expected as he travels from island to island and even as a representative from Hawai'i to National UCC events.

All these things could not be possible without the continued flow of blessings from Ke Akua and the many dedicated volunteers on the Board of Directors, as well as the chairpeople and committee members who serve willingly in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. "To God be the glory for things He has done." We look forward to another great year with the Lord.

E ho'opomaka'i kākou,

Hawaii Island Association United Church of Christ

The association held its Fall `Aha Mokupuni meeting on November 19, 2016, at Imiola Congregational Church in Waimea.

We opened with the celebration of worship and communion and message from Imiola's new kahu, David Blevins.

After hearing reports, most of our time was spent with the consultant, Alan Oliver, in the conference assessment process. We had good attendance from church delegates representing both East and West sides of the mokupuni.

Our Spring `Aha Mokupuni was held on May 20, 2017, at Church of the Holy Cross in Hilo.

Although ten churches were present, our attendance was low because a memorial service was held at the same time for Satsuki Unoki at Hilo Coast United Church of Christ in Honomu. Satsuki was a beloved and respected educator, and a long-time UCC member who was active in the association, conference, Woman's Board, and United Church of Christ. We will miss her very much.

After worship that was led by two of our kahu, Mahina Kaupiko (Hau`oli Kamana`o in Miloli`i) and Dianne Hultmann (Pu`ula in Nanawale), we heard reports of what was happening in the association.

The delegates approved stipends for our two delegates to General Synod in 2017: Rev. Linda Petrucelli (Hilo Coast UCC) and Mrs. Suzanne Smith (Church of the Holy Cross).

We also approved a proposal to have the Hawai`i Conference Office provide administrative and bookkeeping services for the association.

The Church and Ministry Committee will be planning a boundary training for our ministers sometime in the fall of 2017. They will also plan the annual Conference Clergy Retreat for the spring of 2018.

Our election was mostly re-election of our current officers, except that we have a new president: Kahu Brian Welsh of Haili Church. The other officers are Kahu Dianne Hultmann, vice-president; Kahu Michael Warren, treasurer; Ms. Suzanne Smith, secretary; the Rev. Linda Petrucelli, chair, Church and Ministry Committee; Kapi`olani Sibayton, East Hawai`i representative; and Kahu Charles Mahina Kaupiko, West Hawai`i representative.

At the end of our time, we gave thanks and appreciation to Conference Minister Charles Buck for his 13 years working with our association and leading the conference, and we wished him well in his future endeavors.

*Harry Kawai, President
Hawai`i Island Association*

Report from the President
Kauai Association
Annual Report – April 2017

The Spring 2016 Mokupuni theme was *Ko KaKou Ho’oilina*, “Our Legacy,” as reflected in the Scripture lesson, II Kings 2:13-14. This theme calls us to ponder what will be our legacy as Christians. Many times during this presidency I pondered, “Is this what God is calling me to do?” This year with help from God, we were able to present and support workshops which provided a springboard to creating Our Legacy.

In September 2016, we hosted a workshop on Disaster Preparedness. Guest speakers from the County of Kauai Civil Defense Department and the Rev. Glenn Frazier provided great information on how our churches can prepare for disasters.

The Fall Mokupuni held in November 2016 at Lihue Christian Church (LCC) overflowed with the abundance of Association members and the extravagant hospitality of LCC. The theme was *Looking Back, Moving Forward* based on the Scripture lesson, Philippians 3:12-14. Small group discussions were held and the Youth and Young Adults led a joyous worship.

The Woman’s Board of Missions for the Pacific Islands (WBMPI) presented a series of three events, titled “Jesus and Those Bodacious Women.” There were heartfelt discussions and hearts ignited for the love of Christ and to do God’s work. There will be a fourth event planned in May 2017 to continue the journey of the “Bodacious Women.” Collaborating with WBMPI were ReSource for Christian Spirituality, Hanapepe Hawaiian Congregational church and Kauai Association United Church of Christ to make these events happen.

The Youth and Young Adult committee agreed on the following visions, goals and areas of focus:

- “We want to find ways to help each young person connect with God.”
- “We want each young person to feel supported and loved by their own church, as well as the island-wide UCC Christian community.”
- “We want to publicize information and encourage attendance at Association, Conference, Western Region and national activities and opportunities available to our youth and young adults.”
- “We want to sponsor at least 6 events during the year, depending on the schedules of youth, young adults, and their families, committee members and churches.”

The Youth and Young Adult committee executed the following events since last summer:

- September: Fall Kick-off party for youth and their families

- October: The movie “Screenagers” was shown and Kahu Alan and Justyce Enrique of Kapa’a First Hawaiian participated in the panel discussion. Youth and young adults from KAUCC attended this event.
- October: HCUCC Fall Camp on Oahu—11 youth and 3 chaperones attended. Each youth received a \$100 Scholarship from the KAUCC.
- October: Spaghetti Dinner/Movie/Sleepover at Kapa’a First Hawaiian Church
- November: Youth organized and led the Fall Mokupuni worship, and children met for music, fun, games, stories, and sang a song at Mokupuni.
- March: Youth attended the Spring Retreat at Waineke led by Pastor Olaf and Clint Snyder.
- Upcoming events are a beach clean-up day and picnic and a June Kick-off event.

In March 2017, Kauai Association, Bonnie Shimatsu and the Hanapepe Hawaiian Church hosted a presentation by Ellen Godbey Carson about what it means to be Justice LED (Leaders Engaging and Developing), defined Charity and Justice, and how to do Justice. Ms. Carson provided great activities to do in our churches to discover where our passions lie for doing Justice.

The theme of the Spring Mokupuni 2017 is “Justice = Just Us” and follows the path created by our workshops and our theme to seek Our Legacy and move forward by discerning God’s calling.

In addition, the Waineke Lodge committee, the Rev. Glen Frazier (Chair), and the members & volunteers have done an excellent stewardship job of maintaining and upgrading the cabins in Kokee. The cabins offer a place of calm and spiritual retreat. Contact Andrea at wainekecabins@gmail.com or call 808-335-3505 to reserve a space.

Thank you to the Church & Ministry (CM) committee members for their dedicated service in addressing essential clergy and ecclesiastical matters of the Association. Church of the Pacific called Clyde Fujikawa as their part-time licensed pastor. Pastor Tevita “Leni” Namoa, member of Lihue United Church, is in the process of seeking ordination in the UCC. On May 21, 2017, the Rev. Malcolm Carr will be installed at Lihue Christian Church. Aloha and farewell to the Rev. Gwendolyn “Nani” Hill who moved to Arizona in April 2017.

Mahalo Nui Loa to the Hawaii Conference staff, Association Council members, committee chairs, members, pastors, and laity for your commitment and work for God’s purpose. God bless you all!

Respectfully submitted,
Naomi Hamamura, President
Kauai Association United Church of Christ

Annual Report of the President of the O'ahu Association

Nothing paralyzes our lives like the attitude that things can never change. We need to remind ourselves that God can change things. Outlook determines outcome. If we see only the problems, we will be defeated; but if we see the possibilities in the problems, we can have victory.

Warren Wiersbe

GENERAL OVERVIEW

I am blessed with having a dedicated Board of Directors at the O'ahu Association. Having the opportunity to interact with Conference staff also is essential in meeting our mutual goals and objectives. I am especially proud of the Board of Directors of the O'ahu Association who foster an open and transparent collegial atmosphere where all views are acknowledged, heard and considered in making Association decisions. We consider each other in furthering the goals and objectives of the O'ahu Association. This is especially enhanced by the tone set by our Associate Conference Minister, Kahu Richard Kamanu, and Lori Yamashiro. As we enter a transition time in the life of the Hawaii Conference, let us pray and plan how to strengthen our bonds with our Associations and Conference.

FALL 2016 AHA MOKUPUNI

There is yet and still more light and truth to break forth from God's Holy Word.

(John Robinson to parishioners boarding the Mayflower)

The 'Aha Mokupuni was held at Makiki Christian Church on October 15, 2016. Our focus was on how churches deal with the challenges of our day: declining congregations, church closures, and questions of church vitality and viability. The film, *When God Left the Building*, was viewed to launch a discussion on how the film's content can be applied to the needs of our individual changing church landscapes. We then moved on to pray for guidance and spent time in small group discussions in discerning our next steps. We agreed that we are living in changing times and that our best days as a Church are yet to come. Little did we know to the extent change would become central to the Hawai'i Conference in the coming months.

SPRING 2017 AHA MOKUPUNI

God wants to bless us in many ways that requires faith.

We must trust that He is answering our prayers even when we cannot see it.

Stormie Omartain

Since this is being written before the event, it may be said that my comments are in anticipation of outcome. I would like to comment on bylaws. It was suggested at our immediate past Hawai'i Conference Church Leaders Event that we should all look at our bylaws at least every two years. This is primarily to assure that they are in accordance with the State statutes that govern not-for-profit organizations.

During the Spring Mokupuni, we will be offering a general overview of our recent Conference Assessment with time being set aside in our afternoon session for our members and friends to offer their comments on the assessment to the O'ahu Board of Directors.

A session will be offered by Rev. Wayne Ibara on Appreciative Inquiry. This is a technique that, in short, focuses on the positives, acknowledges any negatives that may exist, and most

importantly focuses on the positives in moving forward. This presentation will be followed by breakout sessions where the following will be placed on the table: **Our dreams for the O’ahu Association.**

SPECIAL SERVICES

Date	Service	Honoree	Location
July 17, 2016	Ecclesiastical Council	Terry Yasuko Ogawa	Community Church of Honolulu
August 28, 2016	Dedication and Blessing	Congregation	Kahikuonalani Church
September 4, 2016	Installation	Pastor Alan Patadles	Honolulu Cosmopolitan Church
September 25, 2016	Affirmation Service	Rev. John Dorhauer President, UCC	Central Union Church
November 6, 2016	Installation	Rev. Gloria Imamura	Makiki Christian Church
January 22, 2017	Ecclesiastical Council	Scott Furukawa	Manoa Valley Church

More in-depth information relating to the O’ahu Association can be found in *The Coconut Wireless* and *The Friend*. Both publications are essential to keep you current on events and factors affecting our Associations and Conference. I highly recommend that you become part of both mailing lists in the event that you have not already done so.

Respectfully submitted,
 John J Stepulis
 President, O’ahu Association HCUCC

Administration Missional Team of the Hawai'i Conference

Report to `Aha Pae`āina 2017

The Administration Missional Team is one of four missional teams working closely with the Conference Council to carry out the mission of the church and to oversee policy, management and staff when the 'Aha Pae`āina (annual Conference meeting) is not in session. The Team met in July 2016 and then regularly throughout the rest of the year and 2017 to plan Council meetings; review staffing, financial, communications and legal issues; and also plan for the 2017 `Aha Pae`āina on Maui. In March 2017, the resignation of Charles Buck as Conference Minister, effective July 4, 2017, caused the Team to shift some of its focus to a smooth transition of leadership and effective communication during the transition.

Some of the more important matters to which the Team attended during the past year are:

1. `Aha Pae`āina 2016 Follow-Up
 - A. Evaluation Summary—Overall, the `Aha went well and received positive remarks, including worship, keynoters, workshop and the local church host (Central Union). However, the `Aha did not end in a way that was satisfying, due to the “Resolution: Assessment and Strategic Plan for the Hawai'i Conference, United Church of Christ,” that was brought forward and the inability of the delegates to vote on it because of parliamentary issues.
 - B. Budget—Some people expressed interest in receiving more detailed information about the budget; others expressed that they were satisfied with the format as presented.
2. The Team recommended that the Conference Council consider the following ways to move forward after discussion regarding `Aha Pae`āina:
 - A. Create a timeline in which the items of the Resolution will be conducted in a timely and realistic manner, consisting of three phases.
 1. Phase #1: Assessment, to begin ASAP and finish in late February.
 2. Phase #2: Strategic Planning, to begin as soon as Phase 1 is completed.
 3. Phase #3: Implementation, to begin as soon as Phase 2 is completed.
 - B. Enlist a paid professional who has successful experience in the phase in which they are assisting. The Team should consider consultants from Hawai'i and the mainland with the intention of recommending to the Council the person who will do the best job.

RESULTS:

- The Council contracted with the Rev. Al Oliver to conduct a Conference-wide assessment through interviews and focus groups conducted from November 2016 through January 2017.
- An Assessment Report was completed the end of February, presented to the Council on March 4, and emailed to clergy and congregations the following week.
- The Team immediately began compiling a list of names to be considered for consulting for Phase 2, and on April 1 recommended Ms. Cynthia Scherr to be our plenary presenter at `Aha Pae`āina in June 2017 and begin guiding the Council in creating a strategic plan for the Conference. A contract has been signed and Ms. Scherr will begin working as our consultant.
- Due to the findings in the Assessment Report and the resignation of Charles Buck as Conference Minister, the Team and Council decided to seek guidance from Ms. Scherr as to the plenary sessions at the 2017 `Aha Pae`āina, in which she will present,

and begin creating the Strategic Plan after an Intentional Interim Conference Minister arrives.

- The Team recommends that more information about the budget be given at `Aha Pae`āina in 2017, as well as more explanation of how the Foundation budget ties in to the Conference budget (even though the `Aha does not vote on the Foundation budget).
3. Plans were made for the 2017 `Aha Pae`āina to begin with a time of listening to one another, and the bulk of the rest of the time to be spent in worship, study, prayer, discussion and discernment pertaining to our mission as a Conference and the Assessment Report.
 4. A Joint Budget Committee drafted budgets for the Conference and Foundation.
 5. The Personnel Committee plans to complete a revised evaluation process for the Conference Minister.

Some of the pending issues (at the time this report was submitted) which are recommended by the Team for follow-up and completion are:

1. Complete a Strategic Plan in the fall of 2017 (Phase 2).
2. Hire a consultant/coach to implement the Strategic Plan as soon as it is adopted (Phase 3).
3. Create an ad hoc committee to review bylaws and rules of procedure (last amended in 2006). One recommendation was received from the parliamentarian at the 2016 `Aha, who suggested that instead of voting each year to give the Council the authority to approve the minutes of the `Aha, we include it in the Rules of Procedure.
4. Draft, review, oversee, and, as needed, revise a Conference Communications Plan in order to assure that pertinent and appropriate information from all parties (including Council, Foundation, Associations, Missional Teams, Committees, and Staff) is shared in a timely manner.
5. Later in 2017, evaluate bookkeeping support for the Northern California Nevada Conference, which started January 1, 2017, as to its effectiveness and cost.
6. Hire an Intentional Interim Conference Minister during the summer of 2017. The term is typically about 18 months long. The Council approves the candidate. The role of the Interim is to provide a “smooth landing strip” for the settled conference minister and will be expected to help discern a Strategic Plan.
7. Create a Search Committee for a permanent Conference Minister at the appropriate time and determine a salary range. In the event an Interim is not on board by July 4, the Conference Council can designate a person to serve as Acting Conference Minister on a month to month basis.

Submitted by Rev. Dr. Alan Akana, Administration Missional Team Chair

Formation Missional Team Report

April 29, 2017

The Formation Missional Team has attentively met throughout 2016-2017 to plan the following events:

1. Formation of the Conference

- A. ‘Aha Pae‘aina 2017 will be held at the Kamehameha Schools Maui Campus.
 - 1. Aha Iki will be taking place on June 14-15, 2017.
The facilities, food and program are already planned for this event.
 - 2. Aha Makua—June 16-17, 2017
The results of the Conference assessment and next steps will be the primary focus.
 - a. Scripture: Proverbs 3:6-7
 - b. Theme: United in Spirit and Inspired by God’s Grace, we welcome all, love all and seek justice for all (newly adopted UCC Mission Statement).
 - c. Hawaiian sub-theme: “Holomua Me Ke Ala Pono”
- B. Oahu Church & Ministry is offering a three-session history and polity class the day before the ‘Aha.

2. Formation of the Youth

- A. ‘Aha Youth Event—informal; to be held on Maui.
- B. Fall Youth Camp will not be happening this year.
- C. Western Regional Youth Event in 2018—Brandon Duran has agreed to be the overall coordinator of a planning team consisting of representatives from each of the eight participating Conferences.

3. Formation of the Congregation

- A. Church Leaders Event: Held on February 25, 2017, at Central Union Church and was a huge success. The classes offered were very helpful and informative for the churches that were present.
- B. *Our Whole Lives* Curriculum—Brandon Duran is tentatively planning a “Train the Trainer” event in September.

4. Formation of the Clergy

- A. Communities of Practice:
Eric Anderson will facilitate a Hawaii Island clergy group.
Bob Smith started the group on Kauai and already had their first meeting.
Richard is looking for a facilitator on Oahu.

The ACMs are part of nationwide Communities of Practice groups.

- B. Clergy Retreat: Was held on March 6-8, 2017, at King Kamehameha Hotel in Kailua-Kona. Topic was multiple religious identity and belonging, with Karen Georgia Thompson as the keynoter.

- C. Boundary Training: Elizabeth Dilley held a boundary training on Oahu on January 18, 2017, at the Conference Office. Gary Augustin is willing to do boundary training on neighbor islands. Richard Kamanu will coordinate possible dates for the neighbor island clergy.

Our next meeting will be held on August 11, 2017.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kalei Tong, Chair
Formational Missional Team

Justice and Witness Missional Team 2016-2017 Report

Micah 6:8: “And what does the LORD require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.”

Justice and Witness (J & W) team members: Kenneth Makuakane, Dennis Barger, Bonnie Shimatsu, Linda Rich, Keoki Kiwaha, Suzanne Smith (Team Chair).

One of the first items we tackled was the need for an organized communications strategy to distribute and share materials and information to the Conference. The team developed the following strategy based on the timeliness of the information to be disseminated:

- For reporting on big topics and big events: The Friend - mailed 6X yearly.
- Timely information: Coconut Wireless (inputs from team on local and national J & W)
- Immediate distribution:
 - Facebook—broader base
 - Twitter—breaking news and leads to other communities in the Conference and the UCC. Material is available to be tweeted to a broader audience.
 - YouTube—to share activities, music, presentations, etc.
 - HCUCC and UCC J & W web sites

Our other focus item was getting more people, associations, and congregations involved in J & W activities. To do this the team adopted a change to our approach. We will now have a core team whose function is to look at the big picture in the Conference and nationally for justice issues, and J & W missionaries to the island Associations, AHEC, SCHCC and churches.

Justice missionaries will be a point of contact for obtaining J & W materials, speakers and other information, in addition to the core team. They are the liaisons for providing speakers or the program for Association meetings. We hope that the missionaries can become an integral part of their Associations. Working at the association level they can develop contacts in churches that are doing Justice work or want to get involved with Justice issues. As the relationships grow J & W missionaries can help Associations share their Justice activities by highlighting the work of the churches via one of the methods above. J & W missionaries will assist the core team in providing relevant information from HCUCC and UCC justice activities. Our hope is that some of the missionaries may be young adults who could assist their Associations and churches with locating and distributing online material and information.

A prototype for developing a justice focus was completed on Kauai. An LED* workshop was held for churches on the island. The workshop leader was trained in leading groups to find their justice passion. Out of the meeting came focus areas for congregations and for the island Associations. There is a J & W missionary working with them to continue the work that was started. As we progress we will follow the structure of this prototype. First, have a group participate in an LED workshop (4 hours). This is something that can be done as the program for Association meetings or after church. A J & W missionary will work with churches to follow up on the topics and activities selected. We hope to recruit some young adults to teach churches how to locate information or make web information available to the churches. It is our hope that the J & W missionaries can become part of the Association meetings and give feedback on programs, materials and justice issues that were chosen. They can also share the larger picture of Justice activities from the UCC and HCUCC.

The core J & W team will continue to work on conference-wide, association and national issues. One of their goals will be to keep a J & W electronic presence on Facebook via the HCUCC J & W page, with the HCUCC Justice Twitter feed, as well as in the Coconut Wireless and other publications of the Conference. The core team will be mentors for the J & W missionaries. The core team will provide timely new J & W information from the national J & W Team and the Conference J & W team. By working together with the J & W missionaries, local justice issues may be raised to a Conference level.

With this two-pronged approach we can address local justice and witness issues and continue to keep a focus on the larger issues that can have an impact on all.

Peace be with you,

Suzanne Smith

Justice and Witness Focus Areas

- Malama ka 'aina
- Mass incarcerations
- Interpersonal violence
- Housing and Homelessness

* LED is Justice Leaders Engaging and Developing (Justice LED) sessions run by individuals trained to assist churches, associations, etc. These leaders help church communities share, develop and achieve their justice vision. Their goal is to help all organizations move toward the vision of Justice & Witness Ministries of a more just, peaceful and compassionate world that honors all of God's creation.

Hawai'i Conference of the United Church of Christ
Stewardship Missional Team Report for the 195th Aha Pae'āina

Members of the Stewardship Missional Team:

Woody Kita (Hawai'i, Chair), Richard Young (O'ahu), Rev. Jayne Ryan Kuroiwa (O'ahu),
Diane Meyer (Tri-Isle), Rev. Sarah Jones (Tri-Isle)

HCUCC Staff: Rev. Charles Buck, Rev. Richard Kamanu, Papa Makua Kenneth Makuakane,
Lori Yamashiro

Hawai'i Conference Foundation: Sherman Hee

Christian Investment Grant Awards:

- Church of the Crossroads awarded \$850.00 to host an island-wide showing of the UCC Webinar series on ONA (Open and Affirming) issues.
- Pending is an award of \$3,000.00 to support a HCUCC/Unitarian Universalist Church of America collaboration on Training the Trainers for the "*Our Whole Lives*" curriculum. Training will be held in September on Oahu and the award will provide support to help defer some training costs for UCC clergy and members taking the training.

Henry Opukaha'ia Scholarship Awards:

- Rev. Dean Fujii, \$100.00 for continuing education for the 2016 Clergy Retreat.
- Rev. Iese Opetaiia, \$322.00 for continuing education for the 2017 Clergy Retreat and \$500.00 for an online UCC Polity class.
- Rev. Wayne Higa, \$500.00 for continuing education for the 2017 Clergy Retreat.

Planned Giving:

- Friends of the Conference (FOC) giving for 2016 totaled \$19,480.00: The average donation was \$114, there was an increase in the number of \$1,000+ gifts and \$500-\$1,000 range. 100% of Conference Staff gave to FOC.

OCWM (Our Church's Wider Mission) Initiative:

- Total 2016 OCWM contributions received was \$287,666.03, a slight decrease of \$3,023.60 over 2015. There is a sustained effort by Associate Conference Ministers to educate churches and clergy about OCWM and its impact in enabling conference programs that support churches, clergy and youth.
- A new Hawaii OCWM brochure was published and shared displaying in pictures and words how OCWM is used in Hawaii, nationally and in the world.
- At the February 25, 2017, Church Leaders Event, OCWM was prominently displayed in banners, a PowerPoint of participating churches and shared information on how churches' giving benefits churches and individuals locally.

In our Christian life we believe everything is created and belongs to God (Psalm 24:1); it is God who provides and owns. As Christian stewards we have responsibility to use and manage God's gifts. We are accountable for our decisions and actions as stewards. The Stewardship Missional Team's emphasis on support of Our Church's Wider Mission (Five for Five includes OCWM basic support and the 4 special offerings: Strengthen the Church, One Great Hour of Sharing, Neighbors in Need, and Christmas Fund) is the step for our churches' stewardship to keep their covenant with the United Church of Christ to serve God's people here in Hawaii and throughout the world.



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2017 Aha Makua of the 195th Aha Pae'aina
Kamehameha Schools – Maui

Hawaii Conference of the United Church of Christ
Annual Meeting
June 16-17, 2017

Aloha Kakou,

In October 2016, the State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches (SCHCC) held a two(2)-day Board of Director's Meeting in West Hawaii, hosted by the West Hawaii Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches. We had the opportunity to visit and talk story with representatives of Helani, Lanakila, Kahikolu, Pukaana, Hauoli Kamanao, and Kauahaa, member Churches of the West Hawaii Council.

In particular, the history of Henry Opukahaia as shared by Gordon Leslie, at Kahikolu in Napoopoo, and Kahu Pono Debbie Wong Yuen, at the Henry Opukahaia Chapel in Punaluu, was very educational for us. Mahalo to Gordon and Debbie for the valuable information.

The Bicentennial Anniversary of the arrival of the first missionaries will be celebrated in 2020, and we are happy to share that Aunty Aletha Kaohi has been appointed, by the SCHCC Board, to represent the SCHCC on the planning committee. On another "planning" note, the SCHCC will take the lead with the planning of the 2018 Aha Iki for the 196th Aha Pae'aina.

Since the Aha Makua of the 194th Aha Pae'aina, we have come through a season of hate, anger, un-forgiveness and love which was triggered by complaints and concerns raised by a group who were dissatisfied with the Hawaii Conference United Church of Christ (HCUCC). To address the group's concern, a Consultant was hired to conduct interviews with individuals and focus groups, which resulted in an assessment summarized by that Consultant. The Assessment has been made available on-line by the HCUCC.

The Conference Council of the HCUCC, recently approved the appointment of the SCHCC as Custodians of the Katherine and Clay Wery Fund. The SCHCC has begun discussion on the purpose and use of the funds.

The Repair & Maintenance Fund, a line item in the Hawaii Conference Foundation budget, remains at \$40,000.00, after efforts by the SCHCC (as Custodians) to increase that allocation failed.

On a bittersweet note, Kahu Charles Buck has announced his resignation as Conference Minister. On a happier note, his resignation stems from a job promotion offered to his wife Susan, which she accepted. Our best wishes and blessings on a new chapter of their journey.

With the recent notice of Kahu Buck's resignation, an Intentional Interim Search Committee has been formed and Kahu Kealahou Alika will represent the SCHCC on that Committee.

As FY 2016–2017 comes to a close, the State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches continues advocating on behalf of our Hawaiian Churches of the Hawaii Conference.

In His Service,

Boyd Matsuyama

Boyd Matsuyama
SCHCC President

HAWAII CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
Balance Sheet
March 31, 2017

	<u>June 30, 2016</u>	<u>March 31, 2017</u>	<u>YTD Increase (Decrease)</u>
Asset			
Current Assets			
Cash	\$ 206,828	\$ 21,786	\$ (185,042)
Investments - Restricted Funds	1,377,987	1,505,403	127,416
Receivables- Foundation	16,782	99,930	83,148
Receivables - Church Health Premiums	36,377	49,655	13,278
Receivables - Associations	6,356	2,319	(4,037)
Receivables - Other	5,000	6,500	1,500
Prepaid Expenses	12,481	16,963	4,482
Total Current Assets	<u>1,661,812</u>	<u>1,702,556</u>	<u>40,744</u>
Non Current Assets			
Land	1,100	1,100	-
Total Non Current Assets	<u>1,100</u>	<u>1,100</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$ 1,662,912</u>	<u>\$ 1,703,656</u>	<u>\$ 40,744</u>
Liabilities and Net Assets			
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Accounts Payable	\$ 66,387	\$ 57,528	\$ (8,859)
Accrued Liabilities	73,561	73,342	(219)
Church Health Premiums Payable	38,033	51,096	13,063
Total Current Liabilities	<u>177,981</u>	<u>181,966</u>	<u>3,985</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>177,981</u>	<u>181,966</u>	<u>3,985</u>
Net Assets	1,484,931	1,521,690	36,759
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	<u>\$ 1,662,912</u>	<u>\$ 1,703,656</u>	<u>\$ 40,744</u>

HAWAII CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
Statement Of Revenues and Expenditures
For The One and Nine Months Ended March 31, 2017

	Month To Date			Year To Date			FY 17	Budget
	Actual	Budget	Variance	Actual	Budget	Variance	Budget	Remaining
Revenues	\$ 118,459	\$ 143,005	\$ (24,546)	\$ 996,178	\$ 1,072,041	\$ (75,863)	\$ 1,459,054	\$ 462,876
Expenditures								
Administration								
Administration - General And Administrative	6,851	7,125	(274)	74,361	89,125	(14,764)	110,500	36,139
Administration - Staff Salary, Taxes & Benefits	62,905	63,498	(593)	570,778	571,481	(703)	761,970	191,192
Administration - Mission Coordination	5,851	3,078	2,773	26,328	18,898	7,430	47,904	21,576
Administration - Conference Minister Discretionary	397	250	147	1,125	2,250	(1,125)	3,000	1,875
Administration - Partnerships	31,263	25,792	5,471	33,599	32,125	1,474	35,500	1,901
Administration - Staff Travel	3,726	3,030	696	37,972	27,270	10,702	36,360	(1,612)
Administration - Church And Ministry	133	308	(175)	745	2,768	(2,023)	3,690	2,945
Administration - Emergency Response Teams	-	208	(208)	4	1,875	(1,871)	2,500	2,496
Administration - Missional Team	268	112	156	1,053	1,005	48	1,340	287
Total Administration	111,394	103,400	7,994	745,965	746,797	(832)	1,002,764	256,799
Stewardship								
Stewardship - OCWM Recognition	-	42	(42)	-	375	(375)	500	500
Stewardship - Christian Investment Grants	850	417	433	850	3,750	(2,900)	5,000	4,150
Stewardship - Investment In Ministers	332	417	(85)	332	3,750	(3,418)	5,000	4,668
Stewardship - Communications	310	2,233	(1,923)	18,656	20,100	(1,444)	26,800	8,144
Stewardship - Missional Team	45	140	(95)	481	1,260	(779)	1,680	1,199
Total Stewardship	1,537	3,248	(1,711)	20,318	29,236	(8,918)	38,980	18,662
Formation								
Formation - Pastoral Leadership: Ministerial Supplement	1,458	1,875	(417)	13,122	16,875	(3,753)	22,500	9,378
Formation - Church Life And Leadership	2,945	858	2,087	33,192	7,725	25,467	10,300	(22,892)
Formation - Henry Opukahaia Center	33	754	(721)	3,637	6,788	(3,151)	9,050	5,413
Formation - Youth Ministry	-	1,250	(1,250)	13,560	11,250	2,310	15,000	1,440
Formation - Missional Team	15	173	(158)	1,473	1,560	(87)	2,080	607
Total Formation	4,451	4,911	(460)	64,985	44,198	20,787	58,930	(6,055)
Justice & Witness								
Witness - Hansen's Disease Relief	-	167	(167)	2,822	1,500	1,322	2,000	(822)
Witness - Reconciliation	-	167	(167)	-	1,500	(1,500)	2,000	2,000
Witness - Missional Team	23	198	(175)	379	1,785	(1,406)	2,380	2,001
Total Justice & Witness	23	532	(509)	3,200	4,785	(1,585)	6,380	3,180
Strategic Planning								
Strategic Planning - Assessment	13,732	7,500	6,232	70,080	52,500	17,580	75,000	4,920
Total Strategic Planning	13,732	7,500	6,232	70,080	52,500	17,580	75,000	4,920
Contribution Pass Throughs								
Contribution Pass Throughs	927	-	927	3,524	-	3,524	-	(3,524)
OCWM Basic Support	10,387	12,917	(2,530)	103,161	116,250	(13,089)	155,000	51,839
OCWM Special Support	3,075	10,167	(7,092)	83,937	91,500	(7,563)	122,000	38,063
Total Contribution Pass Throughs	14,389	23,084	(8,695)	190,622	207,750	(17,128)	277,000	86,378
Total Expenditures	145,526	142,674	2,852	1,095,170	1,085,269	9,901	1,459,054	363,884
Excess (Deficit) of Revenues Over Expenditures	\$ (27,067)	\$ 331	\$ (27,398)	\$ (98,992)	\$ (13,228)	\$ (85,764)	\$ -	\$ (98,992)

HAWAII CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
Statement Of Revenues and Expenditures
For The Nine Months Ended March 31, 2017

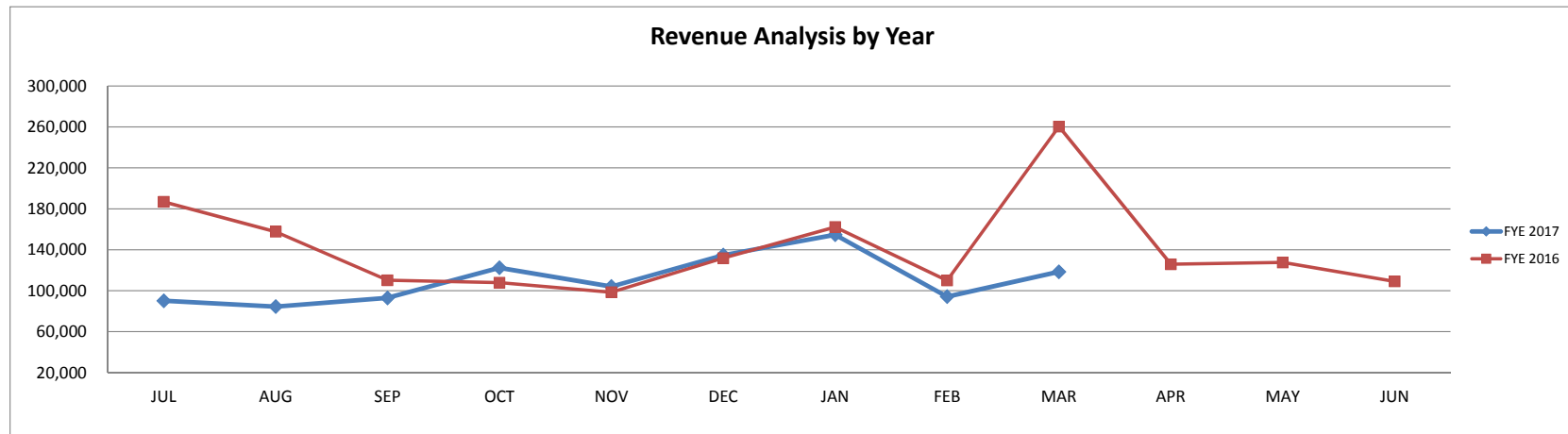
	<u>JUL</u>	<u>AUG</u>	<u>SEP</u>	<u>OCT</u>	<u>NOV</u>	<u>DEC</u>	<u>JAN</u>	<u>FEB</u>	<u>MAR</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Revenues	\$90,157	\$ 84,481	\$ 92,980	\$ 122,374	\$ 104,057	\$ 134,772	\$ 154,700	\$ 94,197	\$ 118,459	\$996,178
Expenditures										
Administration										
Administration - General And Administrative	5,612	7,042	7,133	5,498	4,908	25,794	3,053	8,470	6,851	74,362
Administration - Staff Salary, Taxes & Benefits	68,952	62,824	61,732	63,195	61,358	65,020	61,399	63,393	62,905	570,778
Administration - Mission Coordination	16,320	3,770	5,954	(7,927)	88	238	389	1,644	5,851	26,328
Administration - Partnerships	292	292	292	292	292	292	292	292	31,263	33,599
Administration - Staff Travel	3,439	3,677	7,532	8,776	1,645	3,266	3,395	2,514	3,726	37,971
Administration - Missional Team	194	-	208	74	-	-	308	-	268	1,052
Total Administration	<u>94,809</u>	<u>77,605</u>	<u>83,354</u>	<u>69,408</u>	<u>68,291</u>	<u>94,791</u>	<u>69,448</u>	<u>76,861</u>	<u>111,394</u>	<u>745,964</u>
Stewardship										
Stewardship - Christian Investment Grants	-	-	-	-	-	1,200	-	(1,200)	850	850
Stewardship - Investment In Ministers	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	332	332
Stewardship - Communications	2,230	648	664	2,179	8,420	312	513	3,379	310	18,655
Stewardship - Missional Team	81	47	17	-	105	126	-	60	45	481
Total Stewardship	<u>2,311</u>	<u>695</u>	<u>681</u>	<u>2,179</u>	<u>8,525</u>	<u>1,638</u>	<u>513</u>	<u>2,240</u>	<u>1,537</u>	<u>20,319</u>
Formation										
Formation - Pastoral Leadership: Ministerial Supplement	1,458	1,458	1,458	1,458	1,458	1,458	1,458	1,458	1,458	13,122
Formation - Church Life And Leadership	(706)	(3,323)	9,794	(163)	1,000	126	949	22,380	2,945	33,002
Formation - Henry Opukahaia Center	304	-	310	35	77	2,330	739	-	33	3,828
Formation - Youth Ministry	59	(2,000)	10,707	3,179	-	100	-	1,514	-	13,559
Formation - Missional Team	71	-	574	-	388	-	425	-	15	1,473
Total Formation	<u>1,186</u>	<u>(3,865)</u>	<u>22,843</u>	<u>4,509</u>	<u>2,923</u>	<u>4,014</u>	<u>3,571</u>	<u>25,352</u>	<u>4,451</u>	<u>64,984</u>
Justice & Witness										
Witness - Hansen's Disease Relief	1,553	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,269	-	2,822
Witness - Missional Team	238	-	65	-	-	14	-	39	23	379
Total Justice & Witness	<u>1,791</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,308</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>3,201</u>
Strategic Planning										
Strategic Planning - Assessment	-	-	7,661	6,052	8,300	16,869	6,331	11,133	13,732	70,078
Total Strategic Planning	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,661</u>	<u>6,052</u>	<u>8,300</u>	<u>16,869</u>	<u>6,331</u>	<u>11,133</u>	<u>13,732</u>	<u>70,078</u>
Contribution Pass Throughs										
Contribution Pass Throughs	1,286	(543)	1,854	-	-	-	-	-	927	3,524
OCWM Basic Support	11,591	7,332	9,069	14,446	4,986	21,920	17,953	5,477	10,387	103,160
OCWM Special Support	2,569	5,268	3,169	5,498	16,122	6,898	34,896	6,443	3,075	83,937
Total Contribution Pass Throughs	<u>15,446</u>	<u>12,057</u>	<u>14,092</u>	<u>19,944</u>	<u>21,108</u>	<u>28,818</u>	<u>52,849</u>	<u>11,920</u>	<u>14,389</u>	<u>190,622</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>115,545</u>	<u>86,494</u>	<u>128,696</u>	<u>102,090</u>	<u>109,147</u>	<u>146,144</u>	<u>132,711</u>	<u>128,814</u>	<u>145,526</u>	<u>1,095,170</u>
Excess (Deficit) of Revenues Over Expenditures	<u>\$ (25,388)</u>	<u>\$ (2,013)</u>	<u>\$ (35,718)</u>	<u>\$ 20,284</u>	<u>\$ (5,090)</u>	<u>\$ (11,372)</u>	<u>\$ 21,989</u>	<u>\$ (34,618)</u>	<u>\$ (27,067)</u>	<u>\$ (98,992)</u>

HAWAII CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
Revenue Analysis
For The One and Nine Months Ended March 31, 2017

	Month To Date			Year to Date			FY 17 Budget	Budget Remaining
	Actual	Budget	Variance	Actual	Budget	Variance		
Revenue								
Income from Funds	\$ 1,667	\$ 4,375	\$ (2,708)	\$ 16,422	\$ 39,375	\$ (22,953)	\$ 52,500	\$ 36,078
Events	1,712	5,333	(3,621)	26,364	48,000	(21,636)	97,000	70,636
Friends of the Conference	945	2,500	(1,555)	25,700	22,500	3,200	30,000	4,300
HCF Distribution	82,546	82,546	-	527,916	527,916	-	700,554	172,638
Medical Premium & Service Fees	1,500	834	666	8,806	11,250	(2,444)	10,000	1,194
Our Church Wider Mission	20,773	25,833	(5,060)	206,322	232,500	(26,178)	310,000	103,678
Special Offering	2,619	12,167	(9,548)	97,718	109,500	(11,782)	146,000	48,282
Mission Memorial Fund	6,667	6,667	-	60,000	60,000	-	80,000	20,000
Grants	-	2,083	(2,083)	20,000	15,000	5,000	25,000	5,000
Miscellaneous	30	667	(637)	6,930	6,000	930	8,000	1,070
Total Revenue	\$ 118,459	\$ 143,005	\$ (24,546)	\$ 996,178	\$ 1,072,041	\$ (75,863)	\$ 1,459,054	\$ 462,875

HAWAII CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
Revenue Analysis by Year

	<u>JUL</u>	<u>AUG</u>	<u>SEP</u>	<u>OCT</u>	<u>NOV</u>	<u>DEC</u>	<u>JAN</u>	<u>FEB</u>	<u>MAR</u>	<u>APR</u>	<u>MAY</u>	<u>JUN</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Fiscal 2017	90,157	84,481	92,980	122,374	104,057	134,772	154,700	94,197	118,459				996,178
Fiscal 2016	186,854	157,607	110,241	107,878	98,504	131,766	162,186	109,955	260,328	125,860	127,575	109,082	1,597,684





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The Hawai'i Conference United Church of Christ and Hawai'i Conference Foundation were audited by independent Certified Public Accountants, KMH LLP, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016. The auditors issued an unmodified opinion on the financial statements of the Hawai'i Conference United Church of Christ and Hawai'i Conference Foundation.

Copies of the financial statements and auditor's report are available upon written request.

ANNUAL REPORT
195th ‘Aha Pae‘aina
June 2017

Introduction

The Hawai‘i Conference Foundation (“HCF”) holds title to and manages the assets for the Hawai‘i Conference. It also holds title to several church sites. The Members (owners) of the HCF are the 11 members of the Board of Trustees together with all the members of the Conference Council of the Hawai‘i Conference United Church of Christ (several of whom are also members of the Board of Trustees).

As of June 30, 2016, the HCF managed financial assets totaling \$52,889,676. These assets consist of cash, receivables, non-real estate investments, some property, and equipment.

Asset Management

As of June 30, 2016, the investment portfolio totaled \$38,824,936, and was comprised of cash, money market funds, government and corporate bonds, structured notes, and common and preferred stocks. Nearly \$11.2 million of this investment portfolio represent funds belonging to and managed in custodial accounts for churches and associations and is not the property of the HCF.

Real Estate

The HCF holds title to 43 fee simple units at the Craigsides Condominium, Tower III, as well as the leased fee interest in 19 units in Towers I and II. This property is what remains of the Mission Memorial assets. The leased fee interests are in negotiation with the lessees for a new lease rent.

Partnerships

The Palapala Ho‘omau Preservation Society and Huialoha Preservation Ahahui partnerships are going well. The Palapala Ho‘omau Preservation Society completed its restoration and held a rededication service. The Huialoha Preservation Ahahui has completed the church repairs which include a new roof and flooring. Both these partnerships are reaching out to the community for support, freeing the HCF to use its resources for other missions.

The Kahikuonalani UCC partnership with a preschool operator moved forward with a new sanctuary, meeting hall, and kitchen facilities. Construction is done. The facility is cleared for occupancy.

The Kauhikoa Road property in Haiku, Maui is in the hands of a daycare provider on the makai half and UCC Pohnpei Maui on the mauka half. The daycare provider completed its property improvements at an estimated cost of over \$75,000. UCC Pohnpei Maui is reorganizing itself after half the congregation left and found a new church.

The Coan Trust is seeking court guidance on declaring a beneficiary for the trust and we are seeking partners to use the millions of gallons of water flowing into Hilo Bay every day.

Audit

The HCF received an unmodified (the new term for what was a “clean” or “unqualified”) audit opinion from KMH LLP for its financial statements for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016.

Hawai‘i Conference Foundation’s Endowment

A majority of the funds managed by the HCF are *endowed* funds. Endowments are *restricted* or *unrestricted*, determining how the income from the funds may be used. Restricted funds can only be used for the purposes stated in the fund directives.

The HCF Endowment Fund comes from gifts and bequests to the Hawai‘i Conference. Such endowment gifts have been made to the Hawai‘i Conference since 1883.

The Hawai‘i Conference draws money from its unrestricted endowment to fund that portion of its budget that is unmet from the giving of local churches and other revenue sources.

Of the \$38,824,936 market value of the HCF’s total investment portfolio as of June 30, 2016, only about 31%, or \$11.9 million, of this money is unrestricted and available to use for general Hawai‘i Conference and HCF purposes. Another 28.5%, or \$11.2 million, belongs to local churches and associations in the Hawai‘i Conference. The remainder of approximately 40.5% of the investment portfolio is restricted in its use.

The Richards Friend Peace Scholarship Endowment

The Richards Friend Peace Scholarship Fund, established in 1911 by Theodore and Mary Atherton Richards, has over \$1.8 million in its permanent corpus. The funds are managed by the HCF.

Scholarship applicants are drawn from Pacific nations coming to study in America and its possessions or from America and its possessions to the Pacific. Students from the following countries are eligible to apply for scholarships: American Samoa, China, Federated States of Micronesia, Fiji, Japan, Korea, Marshall Islands, Palau, Philippines, Taiwan, Western Samoa, and the U.S.

Awards are made on the basis of ability, need, and character. Persons with Christian connections and experience with the United Church of Christ or its affiliated churches have priority. Applications are available online at the Hawai‘i Conference website (www.hcucc.org).

Investment Management

UBS Financial Services Inc. serves as a third-party investment management monitor, for a fee, assisting with the selection and supervision of the investment management firms that manage the HCF securities. UBS Financial Services Inc. monitors the performance of the investment managers and provides the Trustees of the HCF quarterly evaluation reviews of the performance of the managers in relation to published indexes of comparable investment portfolios.

The investment managers are given full discretion to make all investment decisions for the assets placed under their control while observing and operating within the constraints and philosophies outlined in the Statement of Investment Policy.

About 51% of the HCF's funds are invested with the United Church Funds, the national equivalent of the HCF.

The managers' portfolio allocations as of March 31, 2017, were as follows:

Name	% Portfolio
TOTAL FUND	100.0%
International Equity	10.3%
UCF International Equity Fund	10.3%
Domestic Equity	65.2%
Eagle Asset Management	10.6%
UCF Domestic Core Equity Fund	36.9%
UCF Beyond Fossil Fuels Fund	4.2%
FHB - Structured Notes Capped Return	13.6%
Fixed Income	24.1%
FHB - Structured Notes Fixed Coupon	20.1%
Calvert Short Duration Income	3.8%
Cornerstone Fund	0.2%
Cash & Equivalents	0.4%
Cash	0.4%

The asset allocation of the investments as of March 31, 2017, was as follows:

- International Equity 10.3%
- Domestic Equity 51.6%
- Structured Notes 33.7%
- Domestic Fixed Income 4.4%

The structured notes seem to violate the HCF's Statement of Investment Policy but UBS Financial Services Inc. assures us it is a proper investment.

First Hawaiian Bank is the custodian of these funds and charges the HCF a custodial fee.

Operating Revenues

In fiscal year 2016, total revenue was \$1,246,873. This included market losses of \$313,084 on investments.

Operating expenses for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, were \$1,558,704. These expenses consist of salaries and benefits, travel for meetings, professional and consulting fees, materials and supplies, equipment leases, and support to the mission of the HCF and the Hawai'i Conference. Also included in the administrative budget of the HCF are the property expenses that support the Conference, the associations and their respective churches. The property related expenses include insurance, repairs and maintenance, and real property taxes that are not reimbursed.

Service to Local Churches and Associations

During the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, \$314,576 was spent on financial support services for member churches and associations.

The HCF provides in-kind direct services to churches and associations of the Hawai'i Conference United Church of Christ. These include facilitating insurance coverage for church properties, advising on matters related to non-profit issues, providing investment assistance through custodial accounts along with administration of those accounts for local church and association endowment funds, correcting outstanding legal issues to bring a property into conformance with existing rules and regulations, providing help and guidance in acquiring or disposing of assets, and presenting education programs related to church operations and management.

The HCF manages the investment funds for over fifty churches and associations. An administrative charge (0.10% or 10 basis points) is assessed to these funds. This charge covers only a fraction of the total costs of the service and is about 10% of costs for comparable services charged by outside service providers, who charge from 1-2%. The HCF provides safekeeping for securities, collects all dividend and interest payments, keeps all the records, and makes and accounts for church withdrawals and deposits. The HCF also provides custodial account holders with quarterly statements.

Management of 21 Craigside Apartments

The HCF owns 43 apartment units at 21 Craigside Place, of which 16% are leased to United Church of Christ related tenants at a discounted price depending on the tenant's ability to pay. These Craigside "Kokua" grants, the difference between the rent paid and the market rent, totaled about \$44,536 this year. The building is currently fully leased.

Administration and Management

The Charter of Incorporation reads that the direction and management of the affairs of the HCF and the control and distribution of its property are vested in the 11 members of the Board of Trustees.

There are four categories of Trustees:

- (a) Three are Conference Council members elected to the Board of Trustees for a two-year term by the Conference Council.
- (b) Two members are the Conference Minister and the Conference Council Chairperson who serve by virtue of the office they hold.
- (c) Four are nominated by the Board of Trustees and elected to up to two four-year terms by the Conference Council.
- (d) Two are nominated by the Conference Council and elected by the members of the Conference at the Conference's annual meeting for a four-year term.

The Chairperson and Vice Chairperson must come from categories C or D of Trustees.

Those serving as your Trustees this past year and their categories are:

- Rev. Dr. Alan Akana (a)

- Rev. Kealahou Alika (d)
- Rev. Dr. Charles Buck (b)
- Ms. Joyclynn Costa (d)
- Ms. Linn Garcia (a)
- Ms. Roberta Jahrling (c)
- Ms. Aletha Kaohi (c)
- Mr. Elwood Kita (a)
- Ms. Gloria Kobayashi (c)
- Mr. Herbert M. Richards, Jr. (c)
- Rev. Dr. Iese Tuuao (b)

Sherman S. Hee is Executive Director. Lorene Arata assists him. For more information or questions on specific situations, contact Sherman by mail at HCF, 1848 Nu‘uanu Avenue, Honolulu, Hawai‘i 96817; by phone at 808-791-5638, from neighbor islands, 800-734-7610, extension 638; or by e-mail at shee@hcucc.org.

Thanks for your continued support and confidence. God bless this mission. Good health to all.

**HAWAII CONFERENCE FOUNDATION
OPERATING BUDGET
FYE 6/30/17 and FYE 6/30/18**

*Four Draft
Draft Date 03/22/17*

	<u>BUDGET FYE 6/30/17</u>	<u>BUDGET FYE 6/30/18</u>	<u>INCREASE (DECREASE)</u>
REVENUES			
Draw from Investments	\$ 337,812	\$ 362,140	\$ 24,328
Rent - Craigsides III Apartments	82,947	311,940	228,993
Craigsides I & II Lease Rent	79,800	-	-
Rent - Others	62,070	60,220	(1,850)
Interest Income	71,253	71,309	56
Investment Fee	41,200	41,000	(200)
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>675,082</u>	<u>846,609</u>	<u>171,527</u>
EXPENSES:			
Service Fees	1,400	1,723	323
Professional & Consulting Fees	93,670	62,543	(31,127)
Salaries	222,737	220,314	(2,423)
Benefits	96,940	100,030	3,090
Payroll Taxes	18,277	18,094	(183)
Travel - Staff	17,800	17,610	(190)
Travel - Trustees & Committee	10,000	10,011	11
Material and Supplies	12,360	13,829	1,469
Utilities	18,818	9,123	(9,695)
Insurance	74,366	70,506	(3,860)
Repairs and Maintenance	4,841	4,971	130
General Excise Tax	5,000	5,133	133
Real Property Tax	39,478	40,795	1,317
Equipment Lease Expense	500	300	(200)
Miscellaneous	2,500	2,620	120
Mission Expenses	210,457	151,085	(59,372)
1848 Nuuanu	51,187	33,556	(17,631)
Loan Payment -1848 Nuuanu Renovation	-	84,366	84,366
TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>880,332</u>	<u>846,609</u>	<u>(33,723)</u>
EXCESS (DEFICIT)	<u>(205,249)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>205,249</u>
FUND TRANSFERS			
Capital Fund - CIII Depreciation	223,049	-	(223,049)
Capital Fund - 1848 Nuuanu Depreciation	62,000	-	(62,000)
Mission Memorial Fund Transfer	(79,800)	-	79,800
TOTAL FUND TRANSFERS	<u>205,249</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(205,249)</u>
OPERATING BUDGET, EXCESS (DEFICIT)	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>

REPORT OF THE REGISTRAR
Churches Authorized with Standing in the Hawai'i Conference
United Church of Christ
May 1, 2017

ASSOCIATION OF HAWAIIAN EVANGELICAL CHURCHES

<u>Hawai'i Island</u>	<u>CHURCH</u>	<u>PASTORS SERVING CHURCHES</u>	<u>POSITION</u>
Kainaliu:	LANAKILA CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH	TAKETA, Charlene	Lic
Kealia:	PUKA'ANA CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH		
Kurtistown:	'OLA'A FIRST HAWAIIAN CHURCH	KAPUNIAI, Agnes Lani	Lic
Nanawale:	KALAPANA MAUNAKEA FIRST HAWAIIAN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH UCC	WARREN, Michael	Lic
'Opihikao:	'OPIHIKAO CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH	DAOG, Harriet	Lic
Punalu'u:	HOKULOA/HENRY 'OPUKAHA'IA CHAPEL		
Waiohinu:	KAUAHA'AO CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH	WONG YUEN, Debbie	Lic

Kaua'i

Anahola:	KO'OLAU HUI'IA PROTESTANT CHURCH		
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Maui

Ha'iku:	KALANIKAHUA HOU CHURCH		
Honokowai:	LAHUIOKALANI (KA'ANAPALI) CONG'L CHURCH		
Huelo:	KAULANAPUEO CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH	AARONA, James	Lic
Kihei:	KEOLAHOU CONGREGATIONAL HAWAIIAN CHURCH		
Lahaina:	WAIOLA CHURCH	ALGER, C. Dennis	IN
		ROSA, 'Anela	Lic
Olowalu:	OLOWALU LANAKILA HAWAIIAN CHURCH		
Pa'ia:	PA'IA HAWAIIAN PROTESTANT CHURCH		
Waihe'e:	WAIHE'E PROTESTANT CHURCH		
Wailuku:	KA'AHUMANU CONGREGATIONAL	HIGA, Wayne	Lic

Moloka'i

Puko'o:	KALUA'AHA CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH	POOLE, Charles	IN
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O'ahu

Hale'iwa:	LILI'UOKALANI PROTESTANT CHURCH		
Hauula:	HAU'ULA CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, UCC		
Honolulu:	BISHOP MEMORIAL CHURCH	KEKOA, Kordell	Ch
	KALIHI AND MOANALUA CHURCH		
	KAUMAKAPILI CHURCH		
	KAWAIAHA'O CHURCH	KEKUNA, Curtis	P
Pearl City:	KAHIKUONALANI UCC	HIRAKAWA, Rick	Lic
Wai'anae:	KA HANA O KE AKUA CHURCH		

CONGREGATIONAL CHRISTIAN CHURCHES

Hilo:	HAILI CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH	WELSH, Brian	P
Holualoa:	HELANI CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH		
Laupahoehoe:	LAUPAHOEHOE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH		

HAWAI'I ISLAND ASSOCIATION

	<u>CHURCH</u>	<u>PASTORS SERVING CHURCHES</u>	<u>POSITION</u>
Captain Cook:	HO'OLOKAHI CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH		
Hilo:	CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH		
	CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS	ANDERSON, Eric	P
	FIRST UNITED PROTESTANT CHURCH	KENT, Ron	IN
	HILO MARSHALLESE MINISTRY	JOEL, Roney	OD
	UNITED COMMUNITY CHURCH		
Honoka'a:	KALEMELA-EAST HAMAKUA PROTESTANT		
Honolulu:	HILO COAST UCC	PETRUCELLI, Linda	P
Kailua-Kona:	LIVING STONES	BARLEY, William	P
	MOKUAUKAUA CHURCH	DECARVALHO, David	P
		BOSHARD, Jo-Anna P.	CM
Kamuela:	IMIOLA CONGREGATIONAL UCC	BLEVINS, David	Lic
Kapaau:	KALAHIKOLA CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH	FERNANDEZ, Tom	Lic
Napo'opo'o:	KAHIKOLU CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH	ANDRADE, Naleen	Lic
Ninole:	POHAKUPUKA CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH		
Oceanview:	KAHUKU CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH		
Pahoa:	PU'ULA UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST	HULTMAN, Diane	Lic
Puako:	HOKULOA CONGREGATIONAL UCC	HAWK, William	IN
		HOOVER, John	PE
<u>CONGREGATIONAL CHRISTIAN CHURCHES</u>			
Miloli'i:	HAU'OLI KAMANA'O CHURCH	KAUPIKO, C. Mahina	Lic
		KAUPIKO, Melveen	Lic

KAUA'I ASSOCIATION

	<u>CHURCH</u>	<u>PASTORS SERVING CHURCHES</u>	<u>POSITION</u>
Hanalei:	WAI'OLI HUI'IA CHURCH	GOTO, Alpha	P
Hanapepe:	HANAPEPE HAWAIIAN CONG'L CHURCH		
	HANAPEPE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST	CHRISTENSEN, Michael	P
	KAUAI MARSHALLESE MINISTRY	KORN, Shem	RPM
Kapa'a:	KAPA'A FIRST HAWAIIAN CHURCH	MICK, Barry	P
		CHUN, Richard	PE
	KAPA'A UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST	THOMPSON, Jeannie	P
Koloa:	KOLOA UNION CHURCH	AKANA, Alan	P
Lihu'e:	LIHU'E CHRISTIAN CHURCH	CARR, Malcolm	P
	LIHU'E UNITED CHURCH	MEIGHAN, Phyllis	IN
Princeville:	CHURCH OF THE PACIFIC UCC	FUJIKAWA, Clyde	Lic
		FRAZIER, Glenn	PE
Waimea:	FIRST MARSHALLESE UCC		
	'OHANA NI'IIHAU 'O WAIMEA		
	WAIMEA UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST	HOECKMANN-PERCIVAL, Olaf	P

O'AHU ASSOCIATION

	<u>CHURCH</u>	<u>PASTORS SERVING CHURCHES</u>	<u>POSITION</u>
Aiea:	AMATAGA FOU	VAIFALE, Samalaeulu	P
'Ewa Beach:	'EWA COMMUNITY CHURCH	REYNOSO, Randy	P
	SAVALI OLE FILEMU (MESSAGE OF PEACE) CHURCH	AMOS, Tuli	OD
Honolulu:	ANAPOUWOU CHURCH OF HONOLULU	MAILLO, Steve	OD
	BREAD OF LIFE, CCCAS/UCC	FAGALEA, Tua	OD
	CENTRAL UNION CHURCH	RIVERS, David	P
		DURAN, Brandon	AP
		ROBINSON, Edward	PE
	CHURCH OF THE CROSSROADS	KIEFFER, David	IN
	CHURCH OF THE NEW TESTAMENT		
	COMMUNITY CHURCH OF HONOLULU	WILLIAMS, Ronald	P
	CUP OF FREEDOM UCC	FALE, Iopu	P
	EPENESA FOU CONGREGATIONAL CHRISTIAN SAMOAN CHURCH	OPETAIA, Iese	OD
	FIRST CHINESE CHURCH OF CHRIST	LEE, Kekapa	P
		TSEN, Thomas	OD
		BRENNAN, Paul	PE
		TERPSTRA, Margery W.	PE
	HAWAI'I KAI UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST	OGOSHI, Janice M.	P
	HONOLULU COSMOPOLITAN CHURCH, UCC	PATADLAS, Alan	P
	KOSRAE HONOLULU CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH		
	MAKIKI CHRISTIAN CHURCH	IBARA, Wayne	P
		GUSHIKEN, Kiyoshi	P
		IMAMURA, Gloria	AP
		YOSHIDA, Howard	AP
	MALAMALAMA OLE ALOFA TUNOA	AFUOLA, Kalasa	P
	MANOA VALLEY CHURCH	ZELLE, Trina	IN
	MOANALUA COMMUNITY CHURCH	WAYMAN, Lawrence	P
	NU'UANU CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH	MacPHERSON, Neal	IN
	SAMOAN CCC OF HONOLULU	FUIAVA, Tafale	OD
	TUVALU FOU CHURCH OF HAWAII	KILISOME, Iosefa	OD
	UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST	GALINDO, Darren	P
		HERBIG, Mary	AP
		JOW, Harold	PE
	WAIIOKEOLA CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH	PAK, Jonathan	P
Kailua:	CHUUKESSE CONGREGATIONAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH	SALLE, Jonathan	Lic
	KAILUA CHRISTIAN CHURCH	BELSOM, Jack	IN
	VAI OLE OLA O KAILUA		
	WINDWARD UCC	RYAN KUROIWA, Jayne	P
Kaneohe:	KOKOKAHI UCC		
Nanakuli:	FIRST SAMOAN CONGREGATIONAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF HAKIMO	SAPOLU, Mila	P
	HONOLULU MARSHALLESE MINISTRY	SAM, Harry	OD
	SAMOAN CHURCH OF HAWAII, LMS	TUUAO, Iese	P
Pearl City:	NU'U LOTU	PAOGOFIE, To'o'olefua	P
	PEARL CITY COMMUNITY CHURCH	RELLER, Philip	P
Wahiawa:	WAHIAWA UCC	SHON, David	OD
Waialua:	WAIALUA UCC	DESAEGHER, Norma	IN
Waianae:	WAIANAE SAMOAN CHURCH OF HAWAII	PAPU, Falani	OD
Waimanalo:	WINDWARD SAMOAN CCC	SOA, Jr., Fuamaila	P
Waipahu:	BETHEL of AMAZING GRACE	TIMOTEO, Sugalu	P
	CRYSTAL OF SALVATION	VAILU'U, Lu'uga	P
	FILIPINO UCC	LAGON, Filemon	P
	KANANA FOU	LAFITAGA, Falelua	P
	WAIPAHU UCC	ROLLER, Lawrence	IN

'AHA O NA MOKUPUNI 'O MAUI, MOLOKA'I, A ME LANA'I (TRI-ISLE)

	<u>CHURCH</u>	<u>PASTORS SERVING CHURCHES</u>	<u>POSITION</u>
Haiku, Maui:	UCC POHNPEI MAUI	RAMON, Oarson	RPM
Hana, Maui:	WANANALUA CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH		
Ho'olehua, Moloka'i:	HO'OLEHUA CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH	POOLE, Charles	IN
Kahakuloa, Maui:	KAHAKULOA HAWAIIAN CONG'L CHURCH		
Kahului, Maui:	KAHULUI UNION CHURCH	TANAKA, Kenneth	AP
	MAUI EVANGELICAL CHURCH	MORALES, Miguel	Lic
	MAUI MARSHALLESE MINISTRY, UCC	LOKBOJ, Jori	RPM
Kalama'ula, Moloka'i:	KALAIKAMANU-HOU CONG'L CHURCH	POOLE, Charles	IN
Kalaupapa:	KANA'ANA HOU-SILOAMA UCC	MILLER, Richard	Lic
Kaupo, Maui:	HUIALOA CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH		
Keanae, Maui:	KEANAE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH		
Kipahulu, Maui:	PALAPALA HO'OMAU CONGREGATIONAL		
Lana'i City, Lana'i:	LANA'I UNION CHURCH	JONES, Sarah	P
Makawao, Maui:	PO'OKELA CHURCH	FONG, Kimberly	P
Makena, Maui:	KEAWALA'I CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH	ALIKA, Kealahou C.	P
Nahiku, Maui:	NAHIKU HAWAIIAN CHURCH	AARONA, James	Lic
Waialua, Moloka'i:	WAIALUA CONG'L CHURCH	POOLE, Charles	IN
Wailuku, Maui:	IAO UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST	CORDOVA, Florentino	P
	WAILUKU UNION CHURCH	KOJIMA, Robb	P
		MAO, Faanu	AP
<u>CONGREGATIONAL CHRISTIAN CHURCHES</u>			
Pa'ia, Maui:	MAKAWAO UNION CHURCH	SCHLICHER, David	P

CHURCHES IN COVENANT EXPLORATION/DEVELOPMENT

	<u>CHURCH</u>	<u>CONTACT</u>
O'ahu:	POHNPEIAN FELLOWSHIP MINISTRY SHECHEM CHURCH	DAVID, Justin KOMET, Robert
Maui:	MAUI SAMOAN CONGREGATION UCC UCC POHNPEI MINISTRY	MAO, Faanu CHARLEY, Golten

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST MINISTERS IN FULL STANDING

'AHA O NA MOKUPUNI 'O MAUI, MOLOKA'I, A ME LANA'I (TRI-ISLE)

Alika, Kealahou C.	P	McShane-Burke, Judith	RT
Ayap, Fe`	RT	Schlicher, David	P
Belsom, Jack E.	RT	Tanaka, Kenneth	AP
Jones, Sarah	P	Teruya, Dexter	LA
Kojima, Robb Y.	P	Troy, Anne	RT
Kong, Danette	CH	Wong, Henry Kalani	CH
Ma'o, Fa'anua	AP		

ASSOCIATION OF HAWAIIAN EVANGELICAL CHURCHES

Alger, Richard	RT	Makuakane, Violet	RT
Davis, Wendell	CH	Malani, Clement	RT
Fujii, Dean	RT	Mau, Rennie	P
Ha'alilio, Nancietta K.L.	RT	Merseberg, James	RT
Kaina, William H.	RT	Twigg, David	RT
Kaupu, David K.	RT	Welsh, Brian	P
Kekuna, Curtis	P		

HAWAII ISLAND ASSOCIATION

Anderson, Eric	P	Kent, Ronald G.	RT
Barley, William	P	McComber, Donald	RT
Baybrook, George W.	RT	McComber, Meilani	RT
Boshard, Brian L.	CH	Olcott, Thomas	RT
Boshard, Henry K.	RT	Petrucelli, Linda	P
Buck, Elden	RT	Walter, Lawrence	RT
De Carvalho, David	P	Yamane, Susumu	PE
Hoover, John P.	PE		

KAUA'I ASSOCIATION

Akana, Alan	P	Hill, Gwendolyn K.	RT
Carr, Malcolm	P	Hoeckmann-Percival, Olaf	P
Christensen, Michael	P	Meighen, Phyllis	RT
Chun, Richard C.P.	PE	Mick, Barry	P
Frazier, Glenn	PE	Miura, Caroline K.	CH
Fung, James	RT	Page, Kevin C.	RT
Hankins, N. Stanley	MY	Thompson, Jeannie	P

O'AHU ASSOCIATION

Alo, Nofotolu	RT	Lockwood, Nancy	RT
Asman, Donald R.	RT	Lovett, Kyle Ann	LA
Au, Cindy	CH	MacPherson, D. Neal	RT
Ball, Deborah	CH	Mark, Philip H.W.	RT
Brennan, Paul	PE	Miguel, Paul H.	EW
Buck, Charles C.	CW	Milotta, David S.	RT
Ching, Ronald F.K.	RT	Misa-Lau, Pearl	CH
Corbett, Lawrence	RT	Nagata, William M.	RT
DeSaegher, John	RT	Ogoshi, Janice M.	P
DeSaegher, Norma	RT	Pak, Jonathan	P
Duran, Brandon	AP	Paogofie, To'o'olefua	P
Eng, Christopher K.	RT	Reller, Phillip	P
Fale, Iopu	P	Reynoso, Randy	P
Findlay-Chamberlain, Anne	P	Rivers, David	P
Fisher, Allan R.	RT	Robinson, Edward M.	PE
Fujita, Tom	RT	Rouser, Leticia	CH
Fukunaga, Wallace	RT	Ryan Kuroiwa, Wallace	RT
Garcia, Dominador	RT	Sapolu, Jr., Mila	P
Hanashiro, Stephen K.	RT	Schmidt, Donald	PD
Hayashi, Joshua	CH	Scott, George W.	CH
Heidel, John R.	RT	Sevilleja, Bienvenida	RT
Herbig, Mary	AP	Sevilleja, Elias	RT
Hirano, David	RT	Smith, Bradstreet W.	RT
Hirano, Scott	LA	Smith, Emerson	RT
Ibara, Wayne S.	P	Taripe, Felizardo	LA
Imamura, Gloria	AP	Terpstra, Margery W.	PE
Inake, Sharon	RT	Tsutsui, Hidemi	RT
Jackson, Faith F.	RT	Turner, David B.	EW
Jackson, Norman W.	RT	Tuuao, Iese	P
Jow, Harold	PE	Vaifale, Samalaeulu	P
Kamanu, Richard	CW	Vailu'u, Lu'uga	P
Kawata, Teruo	CME	Wayman, Lawrence	P
Koyama, James	LA	Williams, Ronald	P
Lee, Allan W.H.	RT	Yeow, Choo Lak	RT
Lee, Grant S.C.	RT	Yoshida, Howard M.	RT
Lee, Kekapa P.K.	P		

ORDAINED MINISTERIAL PARTNER STANDING

O'ahu Buck-Medeiros, Lauren
 Galindo, Darren
 Ryan Kuroiwa, Jayne

MINISTERS WITH DUAL STANDING

AHEC Kekoa, Kordell

Kaua'i Goto, Alpha

O'ahu Afuola, Kalasa Lagon, Filemon, Jr.
 Augustin, Gary Patadlas, Alan
 Gushiken, Kiyoshi Soa, Fuamaila Jr.
 Lafitaga, Falelua Timoteo, Sugalu

Tri-Isle Fong, Kimberly

CONGREGATIONAL CHRISTIAN MINISTERS

O'ahu Kalili, John L.

RECOGNIZED PARTNER MINISTERS

Kaua'i Korn, Shem

Tri-Isle Lokboj, Jori Ramon, Oarson

COMMISSIONED MINISTERS

AHEC Makuakane, Kenneth

Hawai'i Boshard, Jo-Anna P.

LICENSED MINISTERS

AHEC

Daog, Harriet	Rosa, 'Anela
Higa, Wayne	Taketa, Charlene
Hirakawa, Rick	Warren, Michael
Kapuniai, Agnes Lani	Wong Yuen, Debbie
Makuakane, Kenneth	

Hawai'i

Andrade, Naleen	Hultman, Diane
Blevins, David	Kaupiko, C. Mahina
Fernandez, Tom	Kaupiko, Melveen

Kaua'i

Fujikawa, Clyde

O'ahu

Komet, Robert	Salle, Jonathan
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Tri-Isle

Miller, Richard	Morales, Miguel
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MEMBERS IN DISCERNMENT

AHEC

Davey, Lane (Lili'uokalani Protestant)
Johnson, Kermit (Opihikao Congregational Church)
Makuakane, Kenneth (Ola'a)
Warren, Michael (Kalapana Maunakea)

Hawai'i

Andrade, Naleen (Kahikolu)
Jack, Nixon (First United Protestant)

Kaua'i

Namoa, Tevita "Leni" (Lihue United)

O'ahu

Furukawa, Scott (Central Union)
Kirby, Russ (Central Union)
Harding, Ken (Central Union)
Mann, Kona (Central Union)
Milotta, Makana (Waialua UCC)
Ogawa, Terry (Church of the Crossroads)
Silander, Kachusy (Shechem Church)
Wong, Frances (Church of the Crossroads)

Tri-Isle

Aarona, James (Keawala'i Church)
Akaka, Pualani (Ho'olehua Church)

MINISTERS OF OTHER DENOMINATIONS SERVING OUR CHURCHES

(Without standing in the Hawai'i Conference)

O'ahu

Amosa, Tuli	Opetaiia, Iese
Charley, Golten	Papu, Falani
Fagalea, Tua	Roller, Lawrence
Fuiava, Tafale	Sam, Harry
Hawk, Bill	Shon, David
Kilisome, Iosefa	Tsen, Thomas
Mailo, Steve	Zelle, Trina

Hawai'i

Joel, Roney

NECROLOGY

April 7, 2016	Young, Lloyd (O'ahu)
July 31, 2016	Kroehler, Armin (Pacific NW Conference)
September 10, 2016	Ka'ohelaui'i, Dana (Kaua'i)

LEGEND:

AP	Associate Pastor
CH	Chaplain
CM	Commissioned Minister
CME	Conference Minister Emeritus
CP	Co-Pastor
CW	Conference Work
D	Dual Standing
DW	Denominational Work (UCC covenanted, affiliated or associated ministries)
EW	Ecumenical Work
ED	Educational Work
HW	Health and Welfare work in UCC institutions
IN	Interim Minister
IS	Intentional Interim Ministry Specialist
LA	Leave of Absence
Lic	Licensed Minister
MD	Member in Discernment
MY	Missionary (Global Ministries or other)
OD	Ordained Minister of another denomination serving a UCC church
OL	Other Local Church Position
OMP	Ordained Ministerial Partner
OP	Other Profession
OR	Other religious work (Bible Society, YM/YWCA, etc.)
P	Pastor
PC	Pastoral Counseling
PD	UCC Ordained Minister serving another denomination
PE	Pastor Emeritus
RPM	Recognized Partner Minister
RT	Retired
SU	Supply Pastor
UC	Unclassified
Y	Youth Ministry

United Church of Christ Transition House Annual Report 2016-2017

The United Church of Christ Transition House (UCCTH) provides a safe haven, counseling and basic support for women and their children who are survivors of domestic violence. Over the years, most of these families served by UCCTH have successfully transitioned from the program to independent living.

The UCCTH reflects a multi-faceted ministry in its organizational framework. The major components are included in the following report that reflects an activity summary for the year.

Organizational/Board Responsibilities

The Board is adjusting to the “retirement” of our previous co-chair Rev. Grant Lee who served on the Board for over 12 years. Recruitment of Board members with backgrounds in fundraising, accounting, grant writing and a clergy replacement continues to be a priority. A major accomplishment has been a five year lease agreement between the UCC Transition House and the Church of the Crossroads with an option of an additional five years. This formalized relationship made in May, 2016 enabled UCCTH to successfully apply for grants that support capital improvement. The Transition House Board now assumes responsibility for all upkeep and improvements to the property and communicates with progress reports to Church of the Crossroads. The newest Board member Valerie Wayne, also a member of Church of the Crossroads, is UCCTH Board co-chair and is the liaison contact with the church.

The UCCTH Board of Directors is a working board that manages the business of the organization which includes providing support to the staff, overseeing facility maintenance and fiscal management, fundraising and maintaining liaison with UCC Churches. The Board meets monthly and consists of eleven members of which eight are representatives of UCC churches. Staff includes the UCCTH Director, Ms. Geraldine Kundis and Resident Night Manager Ms. Diana Kimbro. During this year, Ms. Kundis was on leave for six weeks as she was the sole caregiver for her late father, but coverage was provided by Board members and Ms. Kimbro.

The UCCTH is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization with membership in the UCC Council for Health and Human Service Ministries (CHHSM) which provides non-financial resources and support.

Facilities and Program Services

Facilities: We received grants from the Atherton Family Foundation (\$22,000) and the First Hawaiian Bank Foundation (\$10,000) which provided funds for much needed major renovations, including total roof replacement and electrical work. Thanks to Beverly Rexrode and Annette McClendon, these two major projects were coordinated and completed in 2016 by qualified contractors from Western Pacific. Another company Johnson Control donated their services and volunteered to work on multiple projects around the house including repairs and painting in addition to generous donations of supplies, books, toys and money. A major concern with rat infestation resulting from the adjacent property owned by Church of the Crossroads was immediately resolved with pest control measures.

Program Services: This year, the UCCTH served five women and eleven children. The women participate in counseling, practicing fiscal and financial responsibility (i.e. establishing a savings account for future living arrangement needs) and transitioning to long term housing arrangements. It is always a joy to hear from our residents who have affirmed the House as a place where they feel safe and where healing is facilitated. Many of the “graduates” from the House return to “give back” to the place they call home. They often return to assist in volunteering and sharing their stories with current residents.

Presentations to thank and update UCC churches and to share stories from the residents, were made by the Church Liaison members. This helps to increase the awareness and support of the UCCTH ministry.

Fiscal/Fundraising Concerns

Our Fifth Annual Fundraiser, “*Beside Still Waters*” was held on November 10, 2016 at the Central Union Church. This was also a celebration of the 25th Anniversary for the Transition House! Our inaugural logo designed by Richard Young, UCC Judd St. was featured. Our theme song “*Because of You*” composed and arranged by Kenneth Makuakane was highlighted, which gleams stories of women and their children who shared their experiences of pain, fear and doubt which were transformed into new beginnings, hope and healing. An anonymous surprise donor has been matching a “15 Minute Challenge” up to \$1,000 for the past two years which has been tremendous in raising an additional three to four thousand dollars. This fundraiser helps a great deal in providing for ever increasing operational expenses.

We are especially thankful to God for skilled and gifted Board members who have volunteered hours of work submitting grant proposals to fund ongoing capital improvement projects to maintain and sustain the house. Churches, individuals and community organizations continue to be generous and supportive contributors. Donations including our grant funds, fundraising event and campaigns below yielded a total of \$105,515 in 2016; these provided much needed additional income for operational expenses and capital improvement during the past year.

Three important fundraising opportunities continue to be lifted up:

1. The *Give Aloha* Campaign sponsored by the Foodland Stores during the month of September, yielded a total of \$1,880
2. The Hawaii Pacific Area *Combined Federal Campaign* (CFC) contributions were renewed for 2016 with approximately \$325.
3. In our 2nd year as a member, the *Aloha United Way* has contributed donations of approximately \$1,700.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, the Staff, and the UCCTH Committees, we offer you our sincere gratitude! For your authentic interest, your commitment to the common good and generous contributions to a ministry of compassion we say “*mahalo nui loa!*”

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Breakey, & Valerie Wayne, Co-chairs