

2016 ‘Aha Iki Workshops

Pō‘ahā, June 9, 2016

Thursday, June 9, 2016

8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Mauka and Makai Hall

❖ Pacific Justice & Reconciliation Center

Makahiki-Native Hawaiian Religion Project

Supported by UCC churches and members since the 2004 Supreme Court decision, the Makahiki program in the Department of Public Safety here in Hawaii and in prisons abroad has grown and developed to include Baibala Hemolele Hawaiian Language Study programs. Kahu Umi Sexton, Kahu Kaleo Patterson, Dr. Haaheo Guanson and Bryan Nakamura will present the history and development of Makahiki with photos and videos of ceremonies from Waiawa and Halawa Correctional Facilities. See <http://pjrcpeace.org/> for more information on Native Hawaiian Church and Makahiki, or Native Hawaiian Church Facebook.

❖ Kamehameha Schools

Royal Mausoleum at Mauna ‘Ala (Limited Space)

Shuttle vans will take you to Mauna ‘Ala in Nu‘uanu where you will meet your host, Kahu Kordell Kekoa, Kamehameha School Chaplain. Space is limited and will be available on a first come, first serve basis.

Built in 1865, Royal Mausoleum at Mauna ‘Ala is the final resting place of Hawaii's two prominent royal families: Kamehameha Dynasty & Kalākaua Dynasty. The grounds of the mausoleum are surrounded by a black fence bearing the royal seal of the Kingdom of Hawai‘i at the gate. A small chapel is located near the center, immediately behind the tomb of Kalākaua and his family, and to the right of the Kamehameha tomb lie Bishop Monument and Wyllie tomb. The chapel, in the shape of a Latin cross, is one of the few examples of Gothic Revival architecture in the islands.

❖ Woman’s Board of Missions

Self or Guided Historical Tour of Central Union Church

Central Union Church embodies the Congregational Church's influence and impact on Hawaii, as it evolved from the missionary organizations which were instrumental to the culture, institutions and history of post-contact Hawaii. Central Union was formed in 1887 by the merger of Bethel Union Church (established as the Seamen's Bethel in 1833 by the first chaplain of the American Seamen's Friend Society) and the Fort Street Church, founded in 1851 as the First Foreign Church. Central Union Church celebrated its 175th anniversary in 1833.

❖ Hawai‘i Pacific Island Asian American Ministries (PAAM)

Global Warming

Global warming has been the talk of climate scientists, politicians, interest groups, and, above all, those directly affected by the rising sea levels. Experts in the field of climatology have projected that sea levels will continue rising for years. This is not good news for communities along shorelines or low-lying areas. We must educate our church members on the subject of the threat of rising sea levels. We need to encourage churches and public to engage in raising public awareness and participate with organizations that have the same goals and concerns and make a difference.