



Spotlight

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Aloha,

I enjoy the opportunity to catch you up on some of the great things that God has going on at Lahaina Baptist Church each month and this month is no exception! The ministries have been growing and are being blessed by God's continued providence as we are moving forward in His paths.

The Super Sunday Season Opener is coming this month to promote our Sunday morning Bible Study classes. The past two years have shown increases in our Sunday School enrollment after the SSSO and we are expecting another positive response this year. Mahalo to Anna and our teachers for committing to bring clear, practical teaching to our classes because God is using the Bible Study on Sunday morning to help many of us grow in our walk with Him. Keep being involved in the Sunday School ministry – we are on the way to becoming more of what God desires for us to be!

This past month, we also had a fantastic response to our Membership/101 class in that we have had 8 more to join the membership of LBC! This is a tremendous response to the overall effectiveness of the entire ministry at LBC and we are blessed to have these individuals join in to grow and serve with us. Look for their information later in the newsletter and let them know that you are glad to have them serve alongside us as we strive to reach our world for Christ.

We also shared baptism at Wahikuli Beach Park in July and had a great time of worship, celebration and eating! The pictures are also later in the newsletter – Mahalo to Steven, Melanie, Tyra, Dinah, Katrinah, K.D., Chaslyn and Sierra for sharing their testimony of salvation through believer's baptism! Praise the Lord!

Finally, we wish a warm aloha to Corey Perkins, our NAMB semester missionary from Arkansas. We have been blessed to have Corey with us last summer and from January to August this year. He has led our youth ministry into a deeper walk and a more faithful dedication to the Lord. We pray that he will return to us soon and for God to bless him as he continues to pursue his education at Ouachita Baptist University. Mahalo Corey for your hard work and a hui hou!

Have an awesome August for Jesus! Continue to pray for God to guide us in His mighty plans for LBC!

Until next month,

Aloha in Christ,

Pastor Chris

He's cool and a good influence.

Corey is a guy who knows how to cheer people up when they are down. He also has brought up a good point to our group at church camp '09 like he said if God has been telling you something to join Him in His works, then you ask one of your leaders and pray with them. Because he said something like there are fake Christians. That just woke me up and the next day at camp, the night of worship, I went to a leader and she prayed with me to ask God into my life. And thanks to Corey for giving me that motivation to reach out to God.
Katrinah

In the short time that I have know Corey, he has been a funny and entertaining leader. I will be sad to see him go.



August Birthdays:

- 1. **Joey Kekumu**
- 3. **Hannah Brock**
- 8. **Margie Knight**
Joshua Taylor
- 13. **Jesse Kekumu**
- 19. **Lehua Hough**
- 20. **Christine Bautista**
- 22. **Joshua Ancheta**
- 30. **Corey Perkins**

August Anniversaries:

- 10. **Pastor Richard & Betsy Murray**
- 16. **Pastor Craig & Barbara Webb**
- 21. **Jim & Nancy Killett**

Please call the church office if we have missed your special day, so we can update our records.

Student Ministry Update

August finds us in a time of transition, such as the beginning of new school year. As August rolls around I also find myself in a time of transition as I leave to go back home on August 2nd. I would like to take a minute to express my gratitude for allowing me the opportunity to serve here at Lahaina Baptist. The phrase thank you just doesn't seem to accurately express how grateful I am for all that you have done for me in my time here. You have truly become my new family and Maui has become my home away from home. I hope to see all of you soon. To the youth, thank you for being who you are. You are indeed a dynamic group of students who will do amazing things for Christ. Just remember that God has made each one of you unique and has a purpose for each one of you. Remain faithful to what He gives you to do and always boldly proclaim the name of Christ in that task. So for now I say a huge mahalo and bid aloha until we meet again.

In Christ,
Corey

God's Will

It is easy to get God's will mixed up with our own desires. We can easily convince ourselves that what we want is what God wants, too. After all, He loves us, doesn't He? We may even say, "Yes, I've prayed about it and I know that's what God wants." We may be surprised or upset when things don't work out the way we want.

How can we know for certain what God's will is? Are there things we need to do before we can know His will? How does God reveal His will to His people today? How can we determine what God's will is for our lives? Answers to questions like these concern all of us. Join us for Bible Study every Sunday at 9 a.m. in August as we study the Bible and learn how to find and follow God's will.

Scripture for the month of August: **Romans 12:2 (New International Version)**

Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—His good, pleasing and perfect will.

Super Sunday Season Opener!

Get set for our Super Sunday Season Opener! Join us as we provide an opportunity to learn about our Sunday morning Bible Study program with an Open House. We will have a light lunch, watch a slide show, and hear testimonies from our classes. It all happens after church on Sunday, August 2. Join us!



Please join us on Friday, August 14th, at 6:30 pm, for a "popcorn & movie" night sponsored by "Da Soul Sistas" Women's Ministry, Bring the kids, we will have a special movie for them, also.

Thank you! to our church family,

Thank you for your prayers, cards, support, encouragement, and offers of help, during Don's surgery and recuperation. Knowing that we were bathed in prayer was such a blessing and added to our peace and confidence in God's provisions.

God did go before us and laid out the path for us to follow. His presence and power were evident. God's peace was profound as we kept our eyes focused on Him. We truly have a loving, heavenly Father. Praise His Holy Name!

We thank Him for you-our church family. You have ministered to our hearts. We are so grateful. We love you. God bless you.

*Your brother and sister in Christ,
Don and Anna Sprinkle*

Aloha & Welcome to our new members!!

Larry & Eva Crouthamel

Steve & Melanie Gaspar

Daphne Kegel

Tyra Kinnan

Tina Sewell

Evangeline Yacuk

Steven, Melanie, Tyra, Dinah, Katrinah, K.D., Chaslyn and Sierra were baptized on Sunday, July 26, 2009



Wahikuli Beach Park

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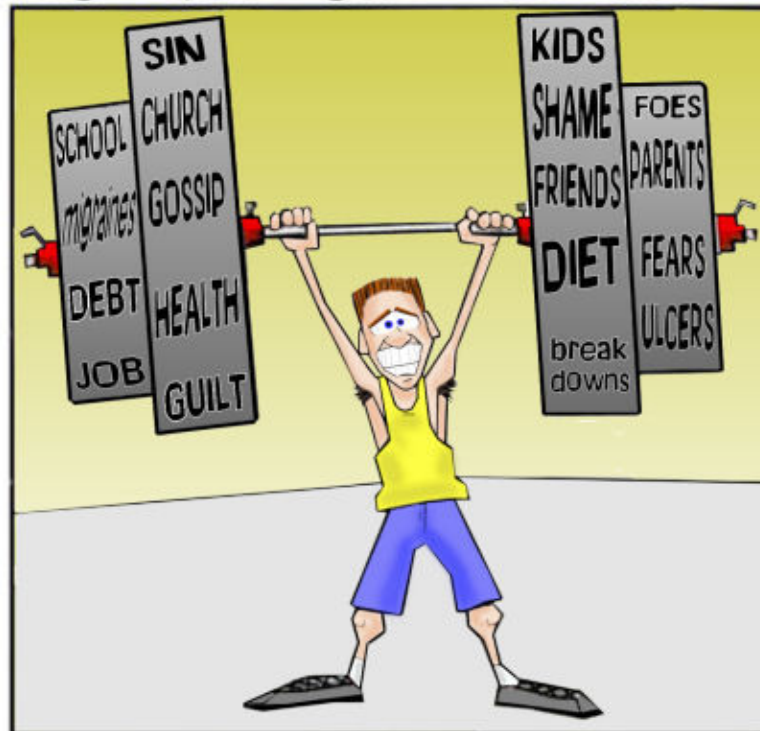
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LBC Schedule:
8:00 am Morning Worship
9:00 a.m. Bible Study
10:15 a.m. Mid-Morning Worship

Wednesday Night Live!
5:30 p.m. Dinner
6:00 p.m. Praise & Worship
6:30 p.m. Youth Fellowship
6:30 p.m. Bible Study

The Back Pew – Jeff Larson



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When you are weak my power is made perfect
in you. **2 Cor 12:7-10**