

July 6, 2019

**Aloha** *Midwest Region*

**Record temperatures** in the mid-90's is heating summer along with sea levels rising. More hurricanes are called for this summer till November. Not to worry, God is in control of Maui.

**We** will attend General Conference Triennial July 22-24 coupled with the Missions Retreat in Findlay, OH. We hope to see you there.

**An MRI** revealed Kenda's left knee -a torn meniscus. She will see orthopedic Dr. Ayres at Maui Memorial Hospital August 13. Keep her in prayer. She's been experiencing pain since November 2018 and has been undergoing physical therapy.

**Hawai'i** will celebrate the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first wave of Missionary arrival dating March 30, 1820. They left Boston Harbor on October 23, 1819. A requirement for missionaries is they had to be married (no singles). Many were graduates of Andover Seminary in Newton, Mass. A total of twelve waves ushered missionaries from various trades (pastors, doctors, dentists, builders, printers, teachers, et al.). Two distinction of missionary work were in education and health care. They harbored the task of teaching Hawaiians "the Letters" as Hawaiians were transitioning from oral tradition to written language.

**Discipleship** follows the missionary tradition of education and teaching "the Letters." The first group from 2018 is on level three, while the second group is on level two (Love your Neighbor). Each level comprises of seven lessons. Level Three will focus on Salvation. Memorizing of Scripture from the Book of Romans is the heartbeat for this level. We are following what is known as the Roman Road -leading people to find Jesus Christ as Savior and LORD. We need Disciples to share the Gospel with lost people. It is our goal to bring people, when

the Holy Spirit convicts, to the saving grace of Christ. Discipleship will resume in later August or early September.

As mentioned, since the missionary movement gave us “the Letters” by teaching Hawaiians through the Bible, we are studying the Hawaiian language through Scripture -a reverse approach. We are not simply translating Hawaiian into English but breaking down the Hawaiian word to see the picture. For instance, when we greet one another in the morning we say, “Aloha ka-kahi-aka.” The English translation reads “Good morning.” But when you break the word down, it translates Ka -the, Kahi -first, Aka -shadow. It literally means, “the first shadow.” When the sun rises above the mountain creating the first shadow, it is morning. Everyone’s having fun.

We are vendors on Thursdays @Ka’anapali Shores. I make coconut baskets and Kenda sells her homemade jewelry. She’s always on “jewelry duty.”

**Kahana Door of Faith** is undergoing a new deck and leaky roof. Some of the structure began in 1966 -lots of termite eaten wood. Some construction has started but most will be completed by mid to latter August.

Mahalo nui loa for your prayers and support. Christ is till the LORD. Blessings. Give our aloha to everyone.

Pastor David and Kenda Kapaku

*Mahalo for everything - Blessings.*