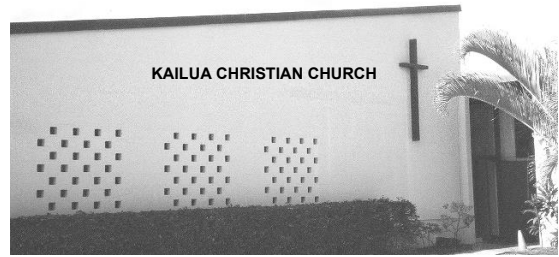


# Waves of Faith

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*Dear family and friends of Kailua Christian Church,*

*I am very grateful and happy to be back with you. I have come to a good deal of peace on this journey of grieving Bev's passing in early April and my Dad's recent passing of July 1 as well. Thank you for sharing in this journey with my family and me.*

*I am realizing that when Jesus says in John 14:27, "My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled, nor let it be fearful." Jesus is giving more of an assurance of His influence than a requirement on our part. He also is speaking into the very real challenges of life that we live in and are finding our way through with His help.*

*The peace of Christ has in its history meant personal calm and confidence in the experiences we face. Yet it is also an ongoing process that is tied to the peace of those around us.*

*The peace of Christ is what Christ promises to give to us and also leads us to share and encourage those around us.*

*As I met with a family to prepare for memorial service for their loved one, there was a deeper sense of compassion and a desire to listen and be with them in calm care in way that was more than I had known before. What I had received of Christ's peace in my grieving has comforted me and given me more care for others.*

*It is a fine line so as not to live our lives only by the problems, troubles of others. Yet to see we*

*have a part in sharing the peace of Christ and encouraging others to welcome Christ gift with calm compassion.*

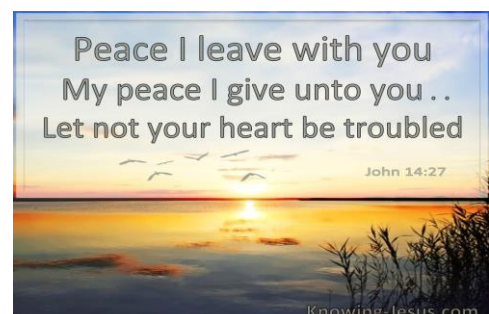
*It is a process I am learning more and more about in my own life. As I grow in being more open to Christ peace at work in the things that disturb me, creates anxiousness and fear, I am more able to come along others with more of a non-anxious presence in their challenges that Christ cares about.*

*My prayer for our Kailua Christian Ohana is that we may continue to grow in welcoming the peace of Christ as He promises. I pray that Christ's peace will mount up in our hearts in the face of these many uncertainties of the ongoing challenges of Covid, the concerns for our loved ones and our own wellbeing, and the state of difficulties many are facing in work, home life and our communities. Our world we live in is desperate for real peace.*

*Christ's peace begins in our hearts opened to Him and begins to flow forth as we humbly follow Christ's heart for all people.*

*I thank God to be growing in Christ's peace with you,*

*Pastor Dale*



**MODERATOR'S MESSAGE**

Jimmy Carter wrote a book in 2005 which is entitled "Our Endangered Values, America's Moral Crisis" wherein he offers a passionate defense of the separation of church and state and warns that fundamentalists are deliberately blurring the lines between politics and religion. In the Introduction he writes about our country as follows:

With the most diverse and innovative population on earth, we have learned the value of providing our citizens with accurate information, treating dissenting voices and beliefs with respect, and accommodating free and open debate on controversial issues. Most of our political leaders have extolled state and local autonomy, attempted to control deficit spending, avoided foreign adventurism, minimized long-term peacekeeping commitments, preserved the separation of church and state, and protected civil liberties and personal privacy.

All of these historic commitments are now being challenged.

How prophetic.

He was once asked to express his definition of success in life in fifty words or less. This is his definition.

I believe that anyone can be successful in life, regardless of natural talent or the environment within which we live. This is not by measuring success by human competitiveness for wealth, possessions, influence and fame, but adhering to God's standards of truth, justice, humility, service, compassion, forgiveness and love.

Jimmy Carter goes on to explain that there he had observed a disturbing worldwide trend towards fundamentalism among political leaders and within major religious groups and they have become increasingly intertwined and prone to conflict. The three words that characterize this fundamentalism are: Rigidity, Dominance and

Exclusion. Again, these observations were and are very prophetic.

He says that "Those Christians who resist this inclination towards fundamentalism and who truly follow the nature, actions, and words of Jesus Christ should encompass people who are different from us with our care, generosity, forgiveness, compassion, and unselfish love."

Jimmy Carter is a wise and eloquent writer about how his Christian faith has shaped his moral vision. In my opinion, he is one of our finest human beings and a good example of a follower and servant of Jesus Christ. If you get the chance to read any of his books you will learn something and be inspired. I encourage you to do so.

Aloha & Agape,  
Paul Grable, KCC Moderator

**DEACON'S MESSAGE****I LOVE TO BE IN CHURCH**

Grace for today: *God has given us the gift of each other.*



Last week as I walked through Pearlridge Shopping Center, I window shopped at the store by the name of Book Off USA Inc. As I glanced through the window I noticed that the shop had many things on sale, all second hand items, DVDs, CDs, Percussion equipment, cameras, toys, adult and children books, and knick knacks.

I proceeded into the store as my curiosity got a hold of me. As I walked pass the book section, there was a large sign indicting RELIGION BOOKS, not a large section, approximately four shelves about 3 feet long. Most of the books were black, silver, and gray. One book stood out because of its color—light brown and orange. It kind of caught my eye: *Daily Grace, devotional reflections to nourish your Soul, insights from many authors.*

Rich Mullins was a beloved artist and songwriter in the world of Christian music, and before he was tragically killed in a jeep accident on September 19, 1997, he had written many beautiful praise songs that had touched the hearts of numerous people. Erick Hauck, a close friend of Rich, recalled being with him in a worship service just a few days before he died. Some friends just wanted to gather together and praise God, and everyone had brought instruments to play together. The music sounded awful—even the leaders were singing out of tune.

Rich later went up to the microphone and said, “I love to be in church. I love to listen to people sing and play from their heart. In my profession, we worry about being in tune and sounding good, but this music tonight is the most pleasing to God, because it is so real, and it comes from the hearts of the children of God.” That was the last time Eric ever saw Rich Mullins cry.

Today Rich Mullins is worshipping God in Heaven, but while he was on the earth he loved to be in church and worship with his fellow Christians. One of his band members once said, “for Rich, even an hour in a bad church was better than not going at all.”

God desires that His children be in fellowship with each other. We need other believers around us to encourage our faith—and to help us worship God with our whole hearts. Don’t “give up meeting together” with other believers—it will bless you more than you can imagine.

Let us not give up meeting together,,,but let us encourage one another. Hebrews 10:25.

From: Daily Grace

Author: Unknown

Together in His Love,

Winchell Lee, Deacon

## **PRAYERS & PRAISES**



Please keep in your prayers  
 ~ Lily Lee and family on the loss of her sister.  
 ~ Warren & Lynne Nakano  
 ~ Dean’s Friend, Tony Lee  
 ~ Myra’s sister, Sylvia Shiraishi  
 ~ Sharon Nishihira & Steve Hammond  
 ~ Sheila’s friend, Jody  
 ~ Pastor Guy K. from God Squad Church  
 ~ Larry & Sandra Siu  
 ~ Bret Black ~ Bret’s mother-in-law, Rose  
 ~ Dennis & Maureen Nakashima  
 ~ Diane & John Mendenhall  
 ~ Pastor Dale Vallejo-Sanderson & Family  
 ~ John Sakamoto’s Family  
 ~ Aaron Pono Ouye  
 ~ Pastor Damien Wong  
 ~ Rev. Bob Nakata  
 ~ Pastor Mark Obatake’s mom  
 ~ Dot Suzuki, Jiggs Tamashiro, Hazel Chow, Lowell & Myrtle Terada, Walter Yeda, Alice Esaki, Brian Nakashima, Harry Imai, Hazel Masuda, Carl Nemoto, Jean Kanazawa, Ada Kaneoka, Natsuko Matsushima, Hideko Mumaw, Akito & Annie Sagawa, and Ruth Lum and families dealing with high risk factors along with our entire church family dealing with this challenging time.  
 ~ Zoom Worship Team  
 ~ The safe reopening of churches, businesses, and educational institutions.  
 ~ For positive distribution of the vaccine.  
 ~ Hazel Chow on relocating efforts.

## **SINCERE CONDOLENCES TO LINDA AND PASTOR ALAN MAENO AND FAMILY**

A heartfelt condolence goes out to Linda and her family on the loss of her mother, Thelma and father, Henry Kam who passed away only four months apart earlier this year. Funeral services were held this past Friday for the couple. Please keep the entire family in your prayers for peace and comfort. Mahalo.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

Mel Tom  
Howard O. Yoshida  
Mary Ann Nemoto  
Grace Glenn  
Gail Yoneshige  
Aliana Ramos  
Cassie Grable  
Susan White  
Malia Hagmann  
Kale Peters  
Jenai Umetsu-  
Nakasone



Jane Tengan  
Mahealani Oleole  
David Yoneshige  
Michelle Pangilinan  
Kanani Todd  
Jordan Chang

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY**

Ken & Chris Nakamatsu  
Eric & Mary Ann Nemoto  
Mel & June Tom  
Vernon & Jennifer Pang  
Aaron & Colette Tanaka



**NA ANELA I KA HANA A KE  
AKUA (Angels in the Works for God)**

Continue your health and wellness journey from the comfort of your home! Enjoy August classes from both, St. Francis Healthcare System of Hawaii and American Association of Retired Persons (AARP)/Windward Community College (WCC).

St. Francis Healthcare System of Hawaii's Caregiver Education and Wellness Series. Sign up for individual classes via <https://mailchi.mp/stfrancishawaii/august-2021-calendar>. Click on the registration button for each chosen class. Once enrolled in a class, you will be sent a reminder the week of class and future monthly schedules from Maylynn Wong (808-547-8138; [mwong@stfrancishawaii.org](mailto:mwong@stfrancishawaii.org)).

Aug 02-23: Mon; 8-9 am; Big Moves! Monday

Aug 02 & Aug 16: 1:30-3:30 pm; Make It Happen Mondays (in-person) w/Myra Shindo (paper crafting); Senior Community Center at the St. Francis Kupuna Village in Liliha

Aug 03: Tue; 5-7 pm; New! Kidney Options for Patient Empowerment (K.O.P.E.)

Aug 03-31: Tue & Fri; 6-6:30 pm; Boxing Fundamentals (standing or seated)

Aug 04 & 18: Wed; 11 am -12 pm; Positive Synergy for Mind and Movement

Aug 07-28: Sat; 8-9 am; Livestream Zumba Gold Classes

Aug 07: Sat; 9-11 am; Mobility Training for Caregivers

Aug 11: Wed; 5-6:30 pm; New! Memory Loss and When to be Concerned

Aug 13: Fri; 5-7 pm; Resolving Conflict Without Blame

Aug 14: Sat; 9-11 am; Home Modifications that Promote Aging in Place

Aug 17: Tue; 5-7 pm; Trust, Wills, POA & Medical Decision Making

Aug 18: Wed; 5-6:30 pm; Chronic Headache and New Migraine Treatments

Aug 21: Sat; 9-11 am; Parkinson's Up Close and Personal

Aug 27/30/31 & Sep 07: Fri; 5 pm start time; Eating Smart for your Kidneys (5 sessions/5th session date/time to be determined by individual). Register by calling 808-589-5905 (National Kidney Foundation of HI) or email [programs@kidneyhi.org](mailto:programs@kidneyhi.org).

Aug 28: Sat; 9-11 am; DeClutter & Downsize with Compassion

AARP/WCC's Fast, Healthy and Ono Cooking Series.

Sign up for Chef Daniel Swift's August Summer Zoom cooking classes from WCC's Uala Leaf Café via <https://aarp.cvent.com/HIcooking>.

Aug 05: 5-5:45 pm; Sushi Hand Rolls

Aug 12: 5-5:45 pm; Maki and Nigiri Sushi

Aug 19: 5-5:45 pm; "Air Fryer" Chicken Karaage



Aug 26: 5-5:45 pm; Okonomiyaki (savory Japanese pancakes)

Please save two 2021 dates for Sep's and Nov's Na Anela bi-monthly support group meetings at KCC:

Sep 25: 9:30 meeting, followed by 10-11 am presentation by Ms. Joanne Hayashi, Breast Cancer Hawaii.

Joanne will provide info on their mission, latest program/services, CARE Closet and clinical cancer trials in Hawaii.

Nov 20: 9:30 meeting, followed by 10-1130 am presentation by Queen's Health Center Senior Pharmacist, Mrs. Miki Morita, on Medications for Seniors. Detailed information will be provided for each presentation in the Sep and Nov KCC newsletters.

Please contact me at yamadamyra@hawaii.rr.com or call (808) 348-2297 if you have questions. Please stay safe, be healthy and invest your time and energy in any one of these free classes.

Mahalo and God Bless!

Myra



## “NAME THAT AUTHOR”

Here are the answers to July's quotations for *Name That Author*, plus two new quotations for July. For those who cannot wait a month for the author's name, contact Steff at 218-3324 or at [bonsaocats1@gmail.com](mailto:bonsaocats1@gmail.com). If members wish to submit a quotation, submit to Steff who will relay it to Kammy by the 20th of each month.



## July's Authors

## July's Quotations contributed by Florence M.

#1 – “I sought the Lord, and He answered me; He delivered me from all my fears.”

**Psalm 34:4**

#2 – “The Lord makes firm the steps of the one who delights in Him; though he may stumble, he will not fall, for the Lord upholds him with his hand.” **Psalm 37:23-24**

## August Quotations

#1 May the Lord answer you when you are in distress; (A) may the name of the God of Jacob (B) protect you. (C) May he send you help (D) from the sanctuary (E) and grant you support (F) from Zion. (G)

#2 Through patience a ruler can be persuaded, and a gentle tongue can break a bone.

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## TRUSTEES NOTES

Our July 25 in-person church service did not happen as the covid numbers accelerated.

We decided to follow the Lieutenant Governor's advice for everyone's safety. Even though it was disappointing not to have our in-person church service, it was awesome to have Pastor Dale with us again!

As technology rapidly changes, we will be purchasing new computers. These computers will be used for the Zoom service as well as our in-house services. Hopefully with updated equipment, it will be less challenging and certainly less stressful for the worship team.

Thankfully we were gifted with a generous donation from which we will be using for payment. We thank you for continuing to send in your tithing during our closure. We are most grateful as bills never stop coming in even if we have no Sunday services.

Blessings to all of you. We go through each day not knowing what tomorrow brings but always hold tight to great faith and peace through Jesus. We wish you peace and calmness as from Pastor Dale's sermon. (cont. page 6)

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**(continuing Trustees news from page 5)**

If you missed Pastor Dale's sermon and would like to watch it or listen to it again, please give our church a call as it is always recorded.

"So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in Him, rooted and built up in Him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness." Colossians 2:6-7

"On a very sad note, Kailua Christian Church lost one of our members and a fellow trustee, Susan Shiroma, to lung cancer. We will sorely miss her and will continue to pray for Nick and Lauren."

God Bless,  
Susan Morita

**MAHALO!**

*Kailua Christian Ohana,  
On behalf of Jiggs Tamashiro we, the family  
want to express our heartfelt gratitude for your  
beautiful flowers, card and generous gift. Scrip-  
tures sent with your card were well received.  
Thank you, Myra Yamada, Vernon Pang, Lily  
and Winchell Lee and Kammy Grable. We are  
confident that KCC is in good hands.*

*God bless,  
Daniel Tamashiro*

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**A REASON TO CELEBRATE!**



Charter member, Jiggs Tamashiro celebrated his 100<sup>th</sup> birthday in July. Our deacons, Myra Yamada and Vernon Pang and church secretary, Kammy Grable had the privilege to visit with Jiggs Tamashiro and his family and bring a warm greeting of aloha from his KCC ohana. It was a joy to spend some special time with the family and enjoy a yummy bento that they provided for us to take with us since the facilities he lived in was closed to visitors entering the building. Jiggs and his family sent a warm mahalo and a thank you card with a note – see left column for note....

**HAPPY BELATED BIRTHDAY JIGGS!**