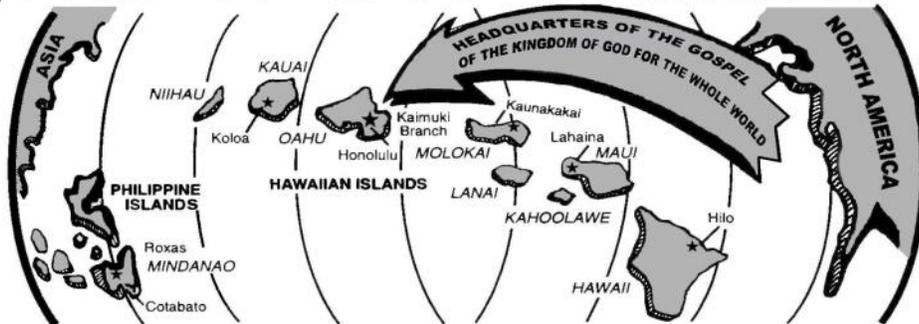


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## Hawaii Island Branch Church Celebration

# Fifty-Seven Years of Good News

By Sis. Lorelei Pang



L TO R: Hawaii Branch Pastor Walter Tin Loy, Head Pastor William Han, Jr., Molokai Branch Pastor Reginald Castanares, Sr. and Kauai Branch Pastor Leonard Asano, Sr.

*“This is the day which the LORD hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.” Psalms 118:24*

This scripture manifested itself at the 57th Anniversary of our Hawai’i Island Branch Church! Saints came from near and far, traveling across the waters to join in celebration of this wondrous occasion!

We were blessed with the band, choir, and orchestra of our Honolulu Church taking hold of the song service. The saints rejoiced in the beautiful songs and blended voices of the choir as they gave glory to Jesus!

Head Pastor Billy Han Jr., recollected the humble beginnings of the Hawai’i Island Branch as it came into fruition. The revival services began in 1969 and in 1976, the Lord proclaimed He would raise up a church in Hilo. In 1977, a property was purchased, a church built, and a pastor was raised.

To date, that very same pastor, Walter I Tin Loy continues to preach the wonderful *Word of God* and minister to the saints in Hilo.

Being Valentine’s Day, Head Pastor Billy Han Jr., preached how Jesus loves all of us and reminded us of *I John 4:19*, we love Jesus because He first loved us! All the saints rejoiced over the Word and all present were fed richly on the *Word of God!*

The Hawai’i Island saints are still rejoicing over the fellowship with the visiting saints and pastors who made their way to join us on this special day! We look forward to the Lord’s soon coming when we will rejoice with Jesus face to face with all His saints! Amen and Amen!



The Apostolic Faith Church Band under the leadership of Head Pastor Billy Han, Jr. and the Church Choir under the leadership of Sis. Emilia Han, praising and thanking our Lord and Saviour for a wonderful 57th Hilo Anniversary Service.



# Time Marches On

By Molokai Pastor Reginald Castanares, Sr.



Time measured in seconds, minutes, hours, days, weeks, months, years, decades, centuries all have one thing in common. It keeps moving on seconds to minutes, to hours, to days, weeks, months, decades, years, always evolving, waiting for no one and nothing. Time is to be cherished, and of necessity, to be used to the utmost benefit of every living human being.

*Ecclesiastes 3:1* tells us: "To everything, there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven." Verses 2 - 8 tells us there is a time to be born; to die; to plant; to pluck up that which is planted; to kill; to heal; to break down; to build up; to weep; to laugh; to mourn; to dance; to cast away stones; to gather stones together; to embrace; to refrain from embracing; to get; to lose; to keep; to cast away; to rend; to sew; to keep silence; to speak; to love; to hate; of war; and a time of peace. Every aspect of life fits in a category of time, for surely, there is a time to every purpose under the heaven.

Consider God's work of creation. *Genesis 1:1* "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. *Genesis 1:2-31, 2:1-3*. The work of creation proceeded meticulously: On day one: light and darkness (night); day 2: firmament (heaven); dividing the waters above and below; morning and evening; day 3: dry land; Seas; day 4: lights for signs, seasons, days, sun, moon, stars; day 5: creatures of the seas; fowls of the air; day 6: living creature after his kind, cattle and creeping thing, beast of the earth and God created man, in the image of God, created he them, male and female. God saw everything that he had made and it was very good. On the seventh day, he rested. God's plan and timing was immaculate.

**BUT WHAT LAY AHEAD?** God had created man to live forever; to "have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth;" to be blessed and "to be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth and subdue it" (*Genesis 1:26-28*). However, there was one distinct limitation: "But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die" (*Genesis 2:16-17*). The decision by Eve to disobey God's instruction, when tempted by the serpent, and to choose to eat of the forbidden fruit of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, with Adam concurring, resulted in sin, the consequence of disobedience, entering the world (*Genesis 3:6*). Man would no longer live forever; disobedience and sin had altered God's plan.

When Adam and Eve sinned in the Garden of Eden, prophecy foretold the coming of the promised Messiah (*Genesis 3:15*). The birth of the Lord, foretold by the angel to Joseph: Fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost. And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins (*Matthew 1:20-23*). He would be called Emmanuel, which interpreted is God with us. Our Lord Jesus Christ, Who is the Almighty God, would leave the

splendors of heaven to bring salvation to mankind. He would die on the Cross of Calvary for the sins of the whole world (*Isaiah 53:4-8*).

He would bring salvation through the preaching of the Gospel of the Kingdom of God: JESUS SAVES, JESUS HEALS, JESUS BAPTIZES WITH THE HOLY GHOST AND WITH FIRE, AND JESUS IS COMING SOON. Jesus saves souls from sin, hell and the grave. All He requires is a believing heart. "He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned" (*Mark 16:16*). Repentance follows: "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost" (*Acts 2:38*). Action is essential and must follow (*James 2:14, 17, 20, 26*). Water baptism, by immersion, in the name of Jesus Christ is the key, signifying the death, burial and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. "Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved" (*Acts 4:12*). The baptism of the Holy Ghost is subsequent to Water Baptism. Just as the disciples were commanded to "not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father" (*Acts 1:4*), we too, must tarry until God fills us with His Holy Spirit just as He filled the 120 on the Day of Pentecost (*Acts 2:1-4*). Jesus had gone around all Galilee teaching and preaching the gospel of the kingdom and healing all manner of sickness and disease among the people (*Matthew 4:23-24*) and "called his twelve disciples together, and gave them power and authority over all devils, and to cure diseases. And he sent them to preach the kingdom of God, and to heal the sick" (*Luke 9:1-2*). Today, the Servants of God of the Apostolic Faith Church are endued with that power. The sick and afflicted are instructed to "...call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord: And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him..." (*James 5:13-16*).

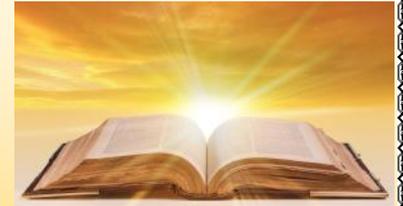
"We then, as workers with him, beseech you also that ye receive not the grace of God in vain. (For he saith, I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of salvation have I succored thee: behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.)" (*II Corinthians 6:1-2*). This is the Gospel preached by our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and it stands today; for *Hebrews 13:8* tells us "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever." Remember, TODAY is the day of salvation, for time waits for no man and no man has the promise of tomorrow as TIME MARCHES ON!

## Monthly Update of Souls Saved

From January 19, to March 8, 2026, there were nine souls baptized in the name of Jesus Christ.

# Peace In the Valley

By Head Pastor William M. Han, Jr.



Have you ever been on a mountain top? If you have, I think you may agree with me that soon, one comes to the realization that one cannot stay on the mountain top forever. The view is spectacular; the aroma of the air is sweet and clean, and there is a deep settled peace that can draw one closer to God. But all too soon one must

make a descent into the valley below where the clamor of life goes on.

When one is riding high, there's nothing but peace, joy, and happiness. When one is down, there's nothing but sorrow and trouble, and for some, there's no end to the dark tunnel one is traveling through. One's happiness and mountain top experiences may be broken by the cares of this world and troubles of this life, but it is possible to have peace in the valley, if Jesus is there with you.

Jesus promised His disciples before ascending to heaven, that He would always be there with them (*Matthew 28:20*). He promises us and all those, who believe on Him, the same! Before they crossed the Jordan, God assured the children of Israel that He would never leave them nor forsake them (*Deuteronomy 31:3-6*). David left us his words, saying, "...though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me..." (*Psalms 23:4*).

After the attack on Pearl Harbor, history records President Roosevelt as saying, "The American people must prepare for dark days ahead. The casualty lists will grow and sorrow will come to many homes."

We all need to get ready and prepare for the dark days and the valleys that lie ahead. Are you ready for unseen tragedy or the unexpected test or trial to come? Will you be able to turn to Jesus? Can you lean on Jesus? Do you have a Comforter like Jesus? If the answer is "yes," then you can truly have peace in the valley.

Before going thru one of the three tunnels, that we have here on the island of Oahu, we are warned to turn our car lights on before entering. Now, one may think, "Why turn on one's lights, the tunnel is lit?" Well, the lights in the tunnel may very well go out, and what do you think would be the outcome of your lovely, cushy ride? Will you be able to turn on your lights fast enough to recover from the sudden change of light to complete darkness or will you just panic and crash? The thing to do is turn on your lights! Be prepared for the unexpected. So, too, it is with our lives. We must prepare. Jesus said, "...I am the light of the world..." (*John 8:12*). We must have God's light within us so that we may go through our periods in the valleys in peace, joy, and happiness in the Holy Ghost.

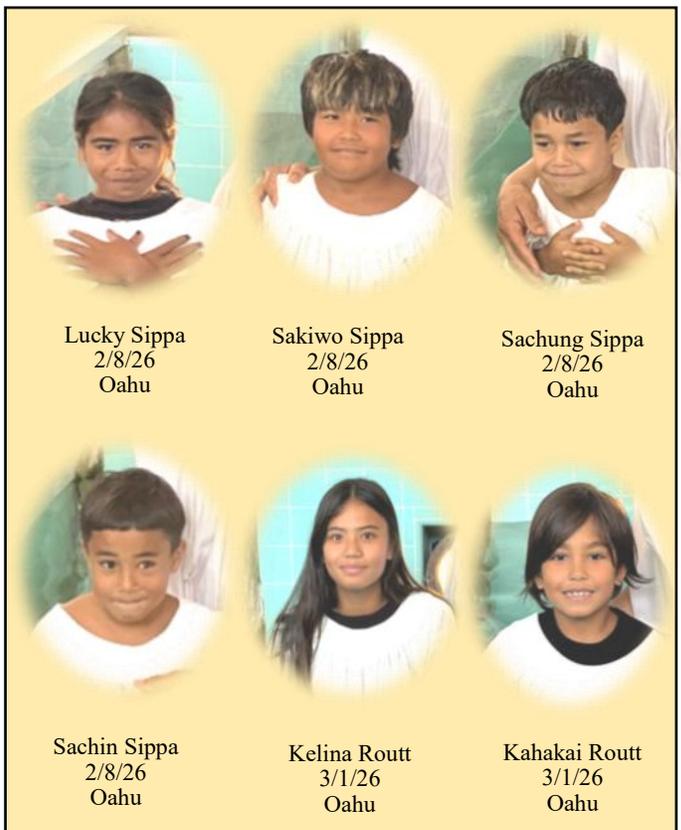
The Apostle Paul went down into many dark valleys after his conversion. He lost friends, positions, and so on. He

suffered much (*II Corinthians 11:23-30*), yet, he was able to say that all that he had, all that he was supposed to be, he counted as loss, that he may win Christ (*Philippians 3:7-9*).

Jesus told Paul that His (Jesus') grace was sufficient for Paul (*II Corinthians 12:8-10*). Jesus gives us His grace to bear all that may come our way. God's grace has and always has been sufficient for the saving of the soul and for the forgiving of sins. His grace is sufficient in the hour of sorrow and death, and God's grace is sufficient in our tests, trials and persecutions. Knowing that we may all have peace when we're down in the valley no matter how deep and dark it may be. We need to have the light of Jesus, shining before and within us now, so that when our lives become bleak and dark, we may have hope. When trouble comes and it gets dark and dreary, don't go to pieces, go to Jesus! It is only by having Jesus at one's side that one can truly have peace in the valley.

## Souls Baptized in Jesus' Name

according to Acts 2:38, John 3:5 & Acts 4:12



Lucky Sippa  
2/8/26  
Oahu

Sakiwo Sippa  
2/8/26  
Oahu

Sachung Sippa  
2/8/26  
Oahu

Sachin Sippa  
2/8/26  
Oahu

Kelina Routt  
3/1/26  
Oahu

Kahakai Routt  
3/1/26  
Oahu

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Honolulu Church Orchestra under the leadership of Trustee/Associate Pastor Edwin Sproat, Sr.



L-R: Head Pastor Billy Han, Jr., Bro. Isaac and Sis. Kristie Han. Sis. Robyn Tampos and Sis. Jessie Ann Castanares.



L-R: Head Pastor Billy Han, Jr., Hawaii Island Pastor Walter I. Tin Loy, and a vocal duet by Associate Pastor Timothy and Sis. Emilia Han, Sr.



L-R: Sis. Mercy and Trustee Edwin H. Sproat, Sr.; Kauai Pastor Leonard K. Y. Asano, Sr., Hawaii Island Pastor Walter I. Tin Loy and Molokai Pastor Reginald V. Castanares, Sr.



Choir Members with Head Pastor William M. Han, Jr., Hawaii Island Pastor Walter I. Tin Loy, Molokai Pastor Reginald V. Castanares, Sr. and Kauai Pastor Leonard K.Y. Asano, Sr.



L-R: Sis. Lorelei Pang & Bro. Kamuela and Sis. Juvette; Associate Pastor Robert and Sis. Patsy Carvalho and granddaughter.



Head Pastor Billy Han, Jr. with his handmaiden, Sis. Roslyn L. Han; Hawaii Island Pastor Walter Tin Loy with daughters, Kimberly Gomes and Shanna Nahoopii.



L-R: Sis. Desiree Poa & Bro. Kaleb; Sisters: Danielle Santos, Pearl Kawahara and Cyndi Desamparado.



Kauai Pastor Leonard K. Y. Asano, Sr. with grandchildren.



L-R: Bro. Christian, & Sis. Kaitlyn Lee, Sis. Juvette and Bro. Kamanawa; Sis. Abbie, Sis. Cyndi and Bro. Edgar Desamparado.

*Maui Saints*  
**In Memoriam**  
*By Sis. Misty Griffiths*

*“We Shall Meet On That Beautiful Shore”*



Family, saints, and friends attended the funeral services on February 26, 2026, for our sister in Christ, **SIS. AILONA MELE “FELIX” STUCCHI**, age 72, who went home to be with the Lord on January 17, 2026.

The service was conducted by Head Pastor William M. Han, Jr. at Ballard Family Mortuary on Maui, with burial at the Veterans Cemetery on Maui.

Sis. Ailona is survived by her loving husband, Bro. Paul Stucchi. She had been living in DeLand, Florida, and was planning to move back to Hawaii. She peacefully passed away in her sleep while visiting her home island of Maui.

Sister Ailona was raised in the Lord in Honolulu, Hawaii. She always gratefully acknowledged her grandparents, the late Bro. and Sis. Manuel Silva, who lovingly raised her and her eight siblings and made sure they were brought up in the Lord.

Sis. Ailona was a wonderful prayer warrior, praying without ceasing.

She is survived by her sisters: Sis. Denise Bradbury and Sis. Misty Griffiths; her brothers: Bro. Terry Felix, Dennis Manning, and David Manning; and is preceded in death by her sisters Lorna (Pierson) Webster and Laura (Pierson) Tinsley, and her brother Mark Manning. *“Strength and honour are her clothing; and she shall rejoice in time to come” (Proverbs 31:25).*

*“In The Sweet By & By”*



A large gathering of family, saints, and friends attended the funeral service on February 28, 2026, for our dear Sister in Christ, **SIS. MARYALICE PINHEIRO MASUDA**, age 57, who went home to be with the Lord on January 14, 2026.

Sis. Maryalice was the beloved wife of the late Bro. Sheldon Masuda, who passed away in December 2024. Together they now rest in the Lord, awaiting the glorious day when our Lord and Saviour returns.

She is survived by her son, Jake Masuda, and her adopted nieces, Xena Pinheiro and Xeana Pinheiro.

Funeral services were conducted by Head Pastor William M. Han, Jr. at Ballard Family Mortuary. The Church Choir sang “How Great Thou Art” & “When the Roll is Called up Yonder” a vocal duet “Wonderful Merciful Savior” and a special Trumpet Solo by her son Jake of her favorite hymn “Sweet By & By” there was not a dry eye at the service!

Sis. Maryalice was a beloved Sister in Christ at the Maui Branch Church. She faithfully labored in the Lord’s vineyard for over 30 years. After taking on the Name of Jesus in water baptism and receiving the gift of the Holy Spirit, she devoted her life to serving the Lord.

She was a wonderful



vessel in the Lord-serving as a regular vocalist, member of the choir and orchestra. She diligently searched the Scriptures daily and was known as a devoted and faithful prayer warrior, a wonderful Mother, Aunt and Sister.

Her life was a testimony of faith, service, and love for the Lord. She will be dearly missed by her church family, friends, and loved ones. *“Many daughters have done virtuously, but thou excellest them all” (Proverbs 31:29).*

**In Memoriam**

*By Trustee/Associate Pastor Edwin H. Sproat, Sr.*

*“When We All Get To Heaven”*



A gathering of Saints, family, and friends attended the funeral service in loving memory to honor the blessed life of **SIS. SHIRLEY MARIA ALVERIO FERREIRA**, age 81, held on Friday, February 27, 2026, and conducted by Associate Pastor Edwin H. Sproat, Sr., at the Mililani Mortuary, in Mililani, Hawaii.

Associate Pastor Edwin H. Sproat, Sr., opened the service at 10:30 AM with the Lord’s Prayer, which was followed by an anthem by members of The Apostolic Faith Church Choir who sang the familiar selection entitled, “This World Is Not My Home.” A wonderful Eulogy was presented by her nephew Bro. Jesse Alverio, who highlighted her love for the Lord Jesus Christ, her wonderful personality and multiple talents, along with many life experiences and happy times shared during her life upon this earth.

The Spirit-filled reading of God’s Word by Associate Pastor Edwin H. Sproat, Sr., highlighted the Gospel of the Kingdom of God to the many souls in attendance, alerting them to regard the importance for the salvation of their souls, and noting the many biblical promises given by Jesus Christ to every Child of God who dies in the Lord. He also advised those in attendance that Sis. Shirley was merely asleep, and that the Lord Jesus Christ could awake His sleeping Saints at any moment. The Apostolic Faith Church Choir then rendered their second Anthem entitled, “Safe in the arms of Jesus,” which was followed by the Closing Prayer and Benediction. Everyone was then invited to partake in a delicious luncheon, which was followed by the burial Service held at 1:00 PM, at the Mililani Cemetery.

Sis. Shirley was born on December 6, 1944, and passed away on her birthday on December 6, 2026. She is survived by her loving Husband Bro. Gary Ferreira, her Son Jason (Mara) Ferreira, her Grandchildren Jordan Hensley, and Jasmyn (Zachary) Resch, and two Brothers, Bro. Kenneth (Dolly) Alverio, and Bro. Larry Alverio. Sis. Shirley was baptized at age 7 and filled with the Holy Ghost in The Apostolic Faith Church where her late parents Bro. Jesus and Sis. Emma Alverio, and their six children were faithful members, always attending the services regularly. Sis. Shirley loved the Lord Jesus Christ and frequently attended the Gospel Services even during the closing days of her life. The family also extends a warm thank you to her Niece, Sis. Ramona Winters, for her help in preparing the funeral arrangements. We send our love, and prayers out to Sis. Shirley’s family, and we look forward to seeing them all again in Church, as we await the soon coming return of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ Who will call up His dearly beloved Saints of God saying, “Come Up Hither.”

## Babies/Childrens Blessed



**SHYANN OLSEN SIPPA**, was born at Kapiolani Hospital on April 3, 2022 and her mom is Mrs. Ashley Olsen.

She was blessed on Sunday, February 8, 2026 by Head Pastor Billy Han, Jr. in the Temple.

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**KAWENA ROUTT**, was born on December 05, 2022, at Kapiolani Hospital. Her parents are Mr. & Mrs. Roycen Roult and Lahela Naki. Her paternal grandparents are Mr. & Mrs. Roy and Bernadette Roult and her maternal grandparents are Mr. & Mrs.

Paul Naki & Susan Akau-Naki. She was blessed on Sunday, March 1, 2026 by Associate Pastor Melvin Honda in the Temple.

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**KHIER ANDREI S. MOSQUERA**, was born on March 2, 2025 at Rural Health Unit, Pigcawayan, Cotabato. He weighed 5.95 lbs. and was 21 inches in length. His joyful parents are Mr. & Sis. Khier Hyler (Niviene Joy) Mosquera and his paternal grandparents are: Mr. & Mrs. Carlito (Mirafior) Mosquera

and his maternal grandparent is Sis. Alicia Sumanting. Khier was blessed by Pastor Hanibal Aspera on Sunday, March 1, 2026 at the Balogo Branch Church on the Island of Mindanao, Philippines.

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**ZACHARY MARC B. INGAN-ENG** was born on February 10, 2026 at MDMC Hospital. He weighed 5.3 lbs and was 20 inches in length. His happy parents are Bro. & Sis. Marco (Ferlin Louis) Ingan-eng. His paternal grandparents are Mr. & Mrs. Carlos (Marilou)

Ingan-eng and maternal grandparents are Bro. & Sis. Fernando, Jr. (Erlinda) Booc.

Baby Zachary was blessed by Pastor Hanibal Aspera on Sunday, March 8, 2026 at the Balogo Branch Church on the island of Mindanao, Philippines.

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Mara M. Sague  
2-27-2026  
Balogo

Colin Allison B.  
Ingan-eng  
3-8-2026  
Balogo

Michael Ligsay  
03-08-2026  
Oahu

## Upcoming Events:

*Good Friday  
Prayer Service*

*April 3, 2026*

*10:00 a.m. thru 12 noon*

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*Easter Sunday School  
Children's Program*

*Sunday, April 5, 2026*

*10:00 a.m.*

