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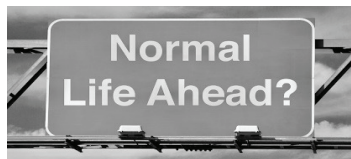
NEWSLETTER

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The Summer Break Is Here

Pastor Stephen Kaneshiro

For many, the Summer Break has just started and with more and more positive news on the COVID front being presented almost on a daily basis, it looks like this might be a very full and active summer. Many of us might be looking forward to concentrating on returning back to a normal life again.



In this article, I want to challenge you to consider radically committing yourself to a revolutionary concept.

Here is that revolutionary concept: To Commit Your Summer to Advancing the Cause of Jesus Christ!!! This commitment will advance the cause of Christ way above your cause and desires. However, I know that if you were to make that commitment, you will experience fulfillment and joy that will be unparalleled in maybe your whole life. The joy and fulfillment of being in the center of God's will and therefore being used to accomplish His will and desires will cause you to have joy beyond measure.



This revolutionary concept should have two elements that need to be entwined together. The first is the personal and the second is the cooperative. The personal has to do with you personally letting Jesus shine in your family, your neighborhood, at your place/s of work, at your places of recreation, and everywhere else that He may lead you. The second really has to do with the body of Christ and His church and advancing the cause of Christ through both of these perspectives.

Clarice and I are talking and thinking through what we can do personally in the circles that we move in. We, in the church, are also praying about what can we do to advance and not just to return to the regular ministries of Valley Isle Fellowship. We currently have one big event on our calendar that we really want to do, but are also waiting to see if state and county restrictions will allow it. This regards our Vacation Bible School scheduled for Monday through Friday, July 5-9. We had to cancel all of our plans

to have VBS last year and we want to do as big of a VBS as we are capable of this year. So, part of your advancing the cause of Christ through your cooperative concept can be doing all that you can to clear your calendar (as much as is possible) and to contact Steffen Yamada about volunteering to be a part of our VBS team.



We also want to see all of our small groups re-energized and re-vitalized as the restrictions are slowly being lifted. Some of our groups have gone exclusively to virtual meetings, but we are hoping that a modified approach can be moved into with the idea of having some opportunities to move to some, if not a lot of, in-person meetings. Our small groups have done an outstanding job during these days of lock-down and isolation. However, now is the time to start thinking of revitalizing our small group ministries.



On the personal aspect, we all need to pray and seek after the Lord's will about how He desires to use our personal time and contacts to bring glory and honor to Him. Some ideas that are flooding through my mind are things like:

- a. A weekly coffee (non-alcoholic drink) time with family, neighbors, and friends.
- b. A weekly time of prayer with family, neighbors, and friends.

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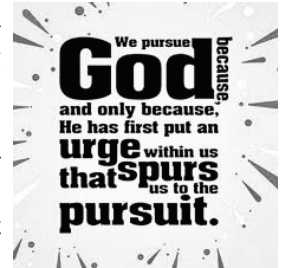
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c. A monthly time to view a Christian video with family, neighbors, and friends.

d. A weekly or monthly time of a Bible Club for children in your neighborhood.

These are only a few suggestions and maybe several of you could join together to conduct these weekly, monthly, and/or quarterly ministries. The whole idea of this personal concept is that we actively give our private and personal time and resources to the Lord for Him to use for His glory and honor. This is not being presented to you as a church program, but as a personal commitment to the Lord, not to VIF. However, VIF can and should try to encourage and resource you in whatever way that they can to see you succeed in taking your commitment to Jesus to new levels and new heights.

You can spend your efforts in trying to get back to normal as the restrictions lighten and maybe even are removed. But I want to encourage you to have a new perspective and to make a bold commitment to advance the cause of Christ with these great opportunities that are coming before us. Please pray about this encouragement and seek after the Lord for His guidance and leadership. God bless you richly as you pursue after Him!



Your Pastor Search Team is beginning to put together the Minimum Qualifications for the candidates VIF will be entertaining for the Senior Pastor replacing Pastor Steve upon his retirement.

By today, **May 30, 2021**, please submit any thoughts or ideas God has placed on your heart to Pam Edwards at:

pamela.edwards@hotmail.com

We want to hear from YOU!



Pray for Your Pastor Search Team

Jennifer Bagoyo
Chair

Don Booth
Vice Chair

Pam Edwards
Corresponding Secretary

Grace Motonaga
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Contact your team through
Jennifer Bagoyo (bagoyofam@hawaii.rr.com)
or Don Booth (dbooth2075@msn.com)

Announcements



ALOHA! TO ALL LADIES of VIF !!!!

*You are personally invited
to spend some time with us
on the patio enjoying
some coffee, tea, prayer,
discussions, scripture,
testimonies, support, or pastries*

Let's FELLOWSHIP with ONE ANOTHER!

Saturdays, June 5, 12, and 19

4 - 5 PM

at the

Maui Coffee Attic

59 Kanoa St., Wailuku HI 96793

*For more information contact
Pam Edwards (808)446-4009*

Childcare and Sunday School

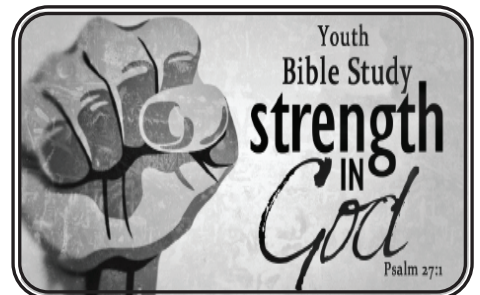
during our 10:30 service

Infant-2 years
Childcare Room

Age 3-5 years
Overflow Lanai

1st grade-5th grade
Fellowship Lanai

For more information:
Steffen (264-0397) or
Josie (264-8142)



Youth Weekly Bible Study (grades 6-12)

Wednesday nights
6:30 p.m.
on zoom.us

For more information contact
Wesley Kiaha (808) 281-4231
for more information



Monday nights 6:30 p.m.

For log-in information
contact

Pastor Stephen
(808)419-8100

MISSION NEWS

North American Missions Board (NAMB) Missionary Spotlight



MIKE AND AMY SMITH

Chaplain | Command Chaplain—Carrier Air Wing ONE (CVW-1)
NAS OCEANA
Oceana, VA

Pray

I will have the boldness to clearly share the gospel with the most junior sailors and Marines as well as the most senior officers in my circle of influence. Pray that I will do what is right and be professional as a military officer and a chaplain.

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
30	31	1	2	3	4	5

JUNE



so that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.
Isaiah 49:6

CHAPLAINCY

Pray for the more than 3,500 SBC-endorsed military, healthcare and public safety chaplains as they do the difficult work of pastoring in uniform and supporting and counseling people in times of crisis. - namb.net/chaplaincy



International Mission Board

Pray

<https://www.imb.org/prayer-list/?searchtype=all>

•**Quebec City, Quebec, Canada (kwi-BEK)** - Please pray for the members of Team Quebec City as they try to use many strategies to reach the Quebecois, including student ministry, sports outreach, humanitarian projects, and church planting. The team seeks to actively share the hope and love of Jesus Christ. This will only be possible by the power of the Holy Spirit, fueled by the prayers of believers whose hearts have been pierced with compassion for the Quebecois.

•**Malong of the Philippines (mah-LONG)** - For a young adult Filipino to enter a Malong community, it takes great faith and trust in the One who is able. For Yam* and Dez,* their strong call to bring the good news to the Malong far outweighs their small size that man would judge by. Weekly, they go and help a Malong community with obtaining clean water during the day, and in the evening, they gather the women for a study of the Word. Man could say that they are too small to be doing this, but God says that they are mighty in bringing the message. Pray for Yam and Dez to continue to be protected from the harms of the evil one as they faithfully go to places where many will not go. Ask that the nightly gatherings will be used to bring a harvest as well as strengthen those who have made a decision to follow the One who is able. (*names changed)

•**Central Asian Unengaged Peoples** - The Talysh are the largest minority people group living in Azerbaijan. Access to the Talysh has been challenging. Pray that God will open doors for Christians to be able to enter Talysh communities to share the good news. Pray that God will be at work, preparing people's hearts.

•**Nairobi, Kenya (ny-ROH-bee)** - "The Sub-Saharan African peoples affinity group has the vision to see 'African churches sending African missionaries to the ends of the earth.' Pray with our Nairobi City Team as we engage local churches and believers to equip, train, and empower them to go to the ends of the earth. Pray that, together, we will work in unity with local churches to help them catch the fire and vision to see the nations reached!"

•**Hakka People of East Asia (HAHK-uh)** - Pray for a new Hakka small group in Tanzi, a suburban district north of Taichung, Taiwan. Ask that they will reach out to the Hakka in that area, helping to proclaim the story of Jesus for the first time. Pray that they will begin to impact their families and friends. One member of the host family is a believer. Pray for the salvation of two sisters and two brothers in this host family, all of whom are leaders in their own communities.

52 Sundays

*Celebrating the global impact our church is making through
Cooperative Program supported missions*



J.D. & Andreina Fasolino
Toronto, Canada

Today in our prayer time we are going way up north, all the way to Canada, so we can pray for two of our North American missionaries our church supports through the Cooperative Program. They are J.D. and Andreina Fasolino.

J.D. and Andreina are originally from Venezuela. That's where J.D. got his seminary training — but he also has a degree in economics. Andreina is a computer systems engineer.

They are planting a new church for Hispanics in the Toronto area. More specifically, they are in Ajax, up the Lake Michigan shore line from the city center. The church is called Emmanuel Baptist Church East.

Nearly six and a half million people live in the Toronto area — and more than two million of those were born outside Canada. Many Hispanics live here. J.D. has met Spanish speakers from many nations within a few blocks of the church.

Let's pray for our missionaries, J.D. and Andreina, as they serve the Lord and grow that new church. Let's pray that many will be saved and that those will grow in the Lord.



May 30, 2021
Coordinates with Resources: 05E

Valley Isle Fellowship Calendar

May 2021

- 30 9:00 am 1st Worship Service
 10:30 am 2nd Worship Service
 Childcare/Sunday School
 5:00 pm Reservations *open*
 31 *Memorial Day - office closed*
 6:30 pm Prayer Meeting - *online*

June 2021

- 2 5:00 pm Reservations *close*
 6:30 pm Youth Bible Study - *online*
 5 4:00 pm Women's Ministry Coffee Hour @ *Coffee Attic*
 6 9:00 am 1st Worship Service - *ordinance of Lord's Supper*

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SUNDAY MORNING SERVICES

1st Worship Service - 9:00 am

2nd Worship Service - 10:30 am

*Childcare/Sunday School for
 infants to grade 5
 following 2nd service worship/praise time*

Senior Pastor

Stephen Kaneshiro

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Livestream: *Valley Isle Fellowship*



www.facebook.com/valleyislefellowship



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Believers Confronting a World of Sin

James 1:9-15

- I. _____ of the Lord. – *James 1:9-11*
- A. Does not favor the _____ over the _____.
 - B. All about God and not about what we _____ or _____.
 - C. _____ will be the common _____.
- II. _____ through testing. – *James 1:12*
- A. God _____ and _____ patient endurance.
 - B. _____, but God _____ the faithful.
 - C. Their _____ is _____ of this world.
- III. _____ of sin. – *James 1:13-15*
- A. Personal _____.
 - B. Shifting _____.
 - C. _____ of sin.

Notes: