



Honor Your Fathers

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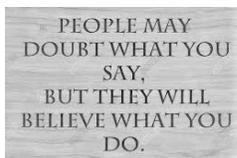
Today is Father's Day and Valley Isle Fellowship wishes we could honor all of you fathers in our more traditional manner. We traditionally give a small gift to all of you fathers and sometimes we have even had a lunch for all of us to continue the celebration. However, during this COVID-19 Pandemic, we are not allowed to do that. However, some have said that the thought is more important than the gift. If that is true, then please know that we want to honor all of you fathers with sincerity. You are so very important as you fulfill a very important role in God's Kingdom and plan.

Many social studies point out the importance of fathers by documenting the carnage that is left behind with "absentee fathers." It is not solidly confirmed, but many of these studies point strongly to the cause of many social ills to be rooted in fathers who are absent. Absent in providing that fatherly influence to their children. These children lose the financial support, emotional support, and just the presence of their fathers. Study after study show this to be a very significant loss.

A major Scriptural passage regarding the responsibilities of fathers is ***Ephesians 6:4 (NLT)*** *Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger by the way you treat them. Rather, bring them up with the discipline and instruction that comes from the Lord.* This passage urges all fathers to fulfill the call of the Lord to provide for their children. It starts by setting the ground rules. Fundamental to our relationship with our children is no provocative treatment. We are not to provoke our children to anger. But we are to bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord. We need to rise above the discipline that we are used to and to submit to disciplining in the manner and

character of the Lord. Many times we as fathers, may have the tendency to discipline in anger as we react to the challenges that our children may bring before us. However, instead of reacting, we should look at responding to our children in the way that the Lord would respond to us. We are His children and His desire is that we would respond to our children in the same way that He disciplines us. His discipline is loving and measured to the offense that we have committed.

He adds to His discipline to us, effective teaching. Effective teaching, is always followed by effective modeling. In other words, our words (our teaching) needs to be followed by consistent examples. We should never be hypocritical in how we teach. Telling or expecting your child to do as you say, but not as you do, will end poorly. Driving under the influence is a major problem in our community and



almost in every community in our nation. How can we tell our children not to drink and drive, when we may do it? The same standard of conduct that we want our children to abide by, is the standard that we need to abide by. The most effective teaching will be caught as it is consistently taught. Our examples will be very important. One last example on this would be if we discipline our children because they are lazy, then we will have to model an example of not being lazy. Our examples have immense impact on our children.

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My father died and went home to be with the Lord a few years ago. Whenever I think of my Dad, I have such fond and loving memories of him and I can say that I truly miss him. I remember fearing my Dad as a youngster when I did something wrong, because I knew that his discipline would be sure and swift. I remember escaping to the bathroom where I locked the door in order to avoid Dad's discipline. After being locked in there, for what seemed like a very long time, I finally realized that no matter how long I sheltered in that bathroom, I was not escaping Dad's discipline, because as soon as I came out, Dad's discipline would be there. I was right and Dad's discipline still remain sure and swift. But the lingering memory is not of the discipline, but of Dad continuing to love me, even though the discipline was carried out. My memories of Dad's discipline are minimal but my memories of His love are huge. Fathers, we need to leave for our children huge memories of our love and consistent love to all of our children. Fathers, God bless you all and may you live up to all that God has and is preparing you for.

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Announcements



WE NEED YOU

Join our VIRTUAL Baby Bottle Boomerang Drive by donating on maupregnancycenter.com! Campaign ends June 30th.

Malama Pregnancy Center of Maui
offering help & hope...



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Select "Valley Isle Fellowship" for your charitable organization. Thank you for your kind consideration.



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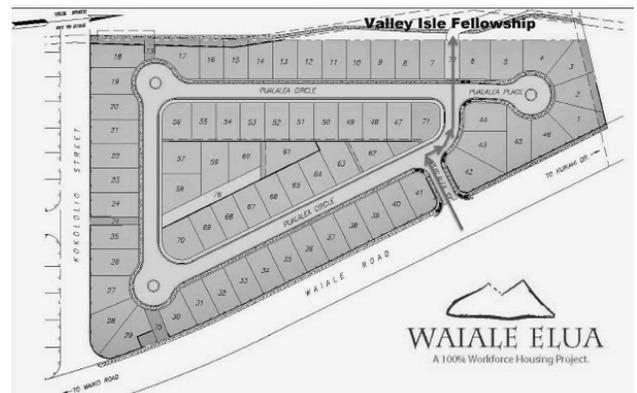
Text **vifmaui** to **77977** or you can also mail a check to our **new mailing address**:

Valley Isle Fellowship

251 Pualalea Circle

Wailuku, HI 96793

"Thank you"



We are now using our permanent entrance on Pualalea Circle off of Waiale Road.

MISSION NEWS

NAMB Missionary Spotlight:



South Florida

6,158,824 people live in South Florida

78.8 % of the population is estimated as lost

1 SBC church for every **8,650** South Florida residents

Pray for a church planting movement to take place in South Florida where it's estimated that 95% of the 7 million residents are unchurched. Pray for church planters and their families who are on the front lines pushing back lostness in the midst of intense spiritual darkness. Pray for efforts to discover, develop and deploy church planters across South Florida, praying specifically as we help churches implement a Multiplication Pipeline to develop new church planters and team members." - James Peoples, South Florida Send City Missionary

International Mission Board



Connecting in Prayer

<https://www.imb.org/pray/>

* Uighurs of Post-Soviet Central Asia

(WEE-ghurs) - Uighur believers are growing in their love for the Father and their love for their fellow Uighurs. In the midst of COVID-19, the family of God is responding to the needs of those who are sick and/or have lost jobs in the waning economy. Staples have been purchased and are being delivered by local believers to those who are physically hungry. This situation is creating a greater spiritual hunger among the lost and among the Uighur people. Therefore, every package of food supplies that is being delivered includes a gospel booklet. Pray for those who are distributing these baskets, asking that they will have the right words to say, with the Holy Spirit speaking through them. Pray, also, for those receiving the booklet, asking that through this time when people can no longer believe that they control their circumstances, they will find salvation through Jesus.

* Peoples of Northeast Brazil

The 37th annual month-long June festival in the city of Campina Grande has been postponed until October. Although this festival has Catholic roots, celebrating Saint Anthony, Saint John the Baptist, and Saint Peter; today the festival is more about dancing, drinking, and eating. Not having this festival and the typical festive atmosphere is yet another thing changed because of the coronavirus. Pray that people who are in search of something to bring them joy will find that joy in Christ. Pray that the people who are accustomed to a month-long party will find something far greater in Him. With this festival, there are many bonfires that burn throughout the city. Pray that the fire this June will come from believers who are ablaze with the passion to share Christ with their friends and neighbors.

* South Asian Unengaged Peoples

The Panniandi an unengaged, unreached people group in South Asia numbering 7,800. Their main language is Telugu. The primary religion practiced by the Panniandi is Hinduism, the predominant religious tradition of the Indian subcontinent. Bible translations, gospel recordings, radio broadcasts, and the "JESUS" film are all available to this people group. Pray for the Panniandi to cease striving after their idols, their gods, their good deeds, and their endless sacrifices. Pray that they will be still and know that Yahweh is the one true God (Psalm 46:10).

God Honors the Honorable

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1 Peter 5:2-11

I. God's honored _____ by _____. – **1 Peter 5:2-4**

A. They are _____.

B. They willingly _____ their _____ to God.

C. They _____ Godly _____.

II. God's honored are _____. – **1 Peter 5:5-7**

A. Humility of the young to _____ elders' _____.

B. Humility to _____ each other, not _____.

C. Humility to God's mighty _____.

III. God's honored are _____. – **1 Peter 5:8-9**

A. Not letting their _____ _____.

B. The devil is _____ and _____ against you.

C. _____ firm by being strong in the _____.

D. This is a universal _____ and _____.

IV. God's honored share in His _____ _____. – **1 Peter 5:10-11**

A. _____ through _____ will you be able to gain the promise of Heaven. – **John 14:6**

B. Your _____ is temporary.

C. His _____ will follow:

D. He is _____ and full of _____.