

\*SSA=Sunday School Attendance /  
\*SmG=Small Group / \*SCH=School \*RSP=Responsibility List /  
\*AMW=A.M. (Sunday morning) Worship / \*OW=Other Worship

CHURCH	SSA	SmG	SCH	RSP	AMW	OW
Cup of Water	54/ 55			112/ 61	54/ 55	
Ewa Beach	17/ 14			56/ 35	25/ 19	
First Samoan	33/ 55			65/135	47/ 69	
Hanapepe	62/ 47	31/36		122/122	76/ 75	
Hauoli Kamana'o	41/ 28			60/ 62	41/ 35	
Hilo	53/ 25	18 /23	107/ 80	252/198	53/ 60	19 /24
Honolulu First	82/ 91	22/ 46	185/137	406/380	104/106	
Kahului	36/ 36	21/ 5		129/129	62/ 76	10/
Kailua English	43/ 48	23/ 30		125/125	83/ 86	
Kailua Samoan	09/107			138/135	110/108	
Kona	70/ 50			161/ 95	88/ 79	
Living Waters		23/ 28		50/ 50		37 / 40
Ma'ili English	14/ 12			35/ 81	14/ 22	
Ma'ili Samoan	67/ 55			160/201	68/ 68	
Paradise Park	33/ 37	10/ 18		153/255	50/ 53	
Pearl City Samoan	54/ 51			200/162	61/ 54	
Pukalani Comm	31/167	15/ 43		315/525	73/188	12/ 29
The Bridge	50/ 67	26/ 13		288/288	130/120	
The Lighthouse	5/ 3			110/114	10/13	
Wahiawa Comm	39/ 33	22/ 36		65/ 67	39/ 36	25/ 17
Wahiawa Filipino	65/ 71	45/ 47		225/222	112/ 91	
Windward	154/154	123/141	243/279	500/500	346/300	74/79
TOTALS	1112/ 1206	379 / 466	535/496	3727 / 3942	1646 / 1713	177/ 189

Hawaii Pacific District Church of the Nazarene  
P. O. Box 2188, Aiea, HI 96701



OCTOBER 5, 2008

# DISTRICT NEWS

## OAHU INDOOR CAMP MEETING August 1-3, 2008 at Honolulu First Church

Friday, August 1—7:00 pm

Music—The Bridge

Speaker—Pastor Joe Wright

Saturday, August 2—6:00 pm

Music—Youth Worship Group

Speakers—Pastor R J Strickland & Pastor Gordon Wong  
(Fellowship following service with pie & ice cream)

Sunday, August 3—6:00 pm

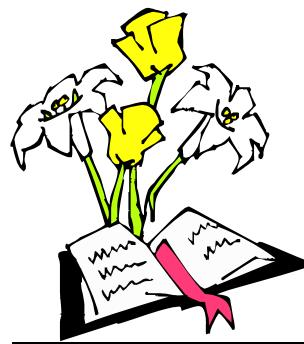
Music—Combined Samoan Choir

Speaker—Pastor Bob Killen

Nursery available each night (Birth—4 year old)  
Children's Program each night (Ages 4 & up)

For those who remember **Clair & Ruth Fisher** (they served as pastor of the Hanapepe Church 1960-67—and a few years ago they returned to serve as interim pastor) . . . Clair went to be with the Lord on July 9. He was at home with his family around. They were able to sing together and share with him to the end. The funeral service was July 13.

Ruth and the family would appreciate your prayers in their behalf during this time of loss.



With Sympathy

Our God of Miracles



ROBERT C. KILLEN, District Superintendent  
P. O. Box 2188, Aiea, Hawaii 96701  
PH: (808) 422-0459 FAX: (808) 423-6400



District Web Page [www.hawaiiapacificdistrict.org](http://www.hawaiiapacificdistrict.org)

JUL / AUG 2008

### "IT JUST SO HAPPENED"

"It just so happened. . ." I don't know how many times I have heard that statement in a conversation, but it has been a lot. So often, when recounting an event we use that phrase, or others similar, to describe how something came about. But does it "just so happen", or is there some force or some One who is working in that situation that causes it to happen? Was it just a "coincidence" or a "chance" that took place? This is the explanation from the secular world of those chance circumstances of life; and unfortunately it has become the answer for many in the church today. But what about those of us who "really do believe in God" and not just give "lip service" to our belief? Can we be faithful to our belief and just, seemingly, dismiss those unusual events that occur in our life as "just so happening"?

I have a concern that too often we have been guilty of ascribing the work of God to mere happenstance. We pray and ask others to pray about something in our life and, too often, when there comes a positive outcome we just dismiss it as, "I was lucky" or "it just worked out" or "it just so happened" or "I was able to get through it". In so doing, we rob our prayer-answering God of the praise that is due to Him! The fact is— we give more praise to "coincidence" than we do to God.

Not only is the rightful glory and praise often withheld from our Great God, but in so doing, those around us lose the opportunity to have their faith bolstered by the realization that their prayers have been answered. In addition, our children are robbed of the opportunity to see the hand of God at work in the circumstances of their life. I am thinking that we need to ask for forgiveness— from God—for failing to give Him the credit for His work in our lives and from our families—for attributing to happenstance that which should have been attributed to God. This is no small matter— it is essential to our faith!

As Christians, we serve a prayer-answering and miracle-working God. Now most all of us would be quick to say that we believe that; but when it comes to our actual behavior, we act more like the secular world. If we really do believe that God answers prayer, would that not be reflected in our attitude and our conversation? Are we guilty of giving more praise to coincidence that we give to God?

Let's be quick to give God the glory, knowing that He really does love us and that He takes a personal interest in what is going on in each of our lives!

"To God be the glory, great things He has done" AND IS DOING!!!



## SUNDAY SCHOOL Make the Connection



REV. JACK D. SMITH, Chairman  
16 Kalie Street, Wahiawa, HI 96786 / PH: (808) 621-6629



## NAZARENE YOUTH INTERNATIONAL



MRS. JANELLE STEWART, President  
75-6110 Ka'ane'e Pl., Kailua-Kona, HI 96740 / PH: (808) 327-1963



## NAZARENE MISSIONS INTERNATIONAL



MRS. LAURA KOONS, President  
273 S. Market St., Wailuku, HI 96793 / PH: (808) 385-1679

## Big Island Children's Summer Camp

We had a great Big Island Kids Camp - we had 30 campers and 9 adults. **Pastor Lowell and Mary Keene** were the cooks, **Monty Stewart** did the Bible time in Chapels, and **Gail Ragle** led the music. It was a fun time for all!

We were at a different camp site this year which was quite unique! The girl scout camp here on the Big Island on Saddle Road is a beautiful camp ground. But there were some interesting challenges we dealt with - no electricity (we rented a generator), no indoor toilets, and it was cold (probably about 40 degrees at night). But we had a great camp - the kids had a good time & several accepted Jesus for the first time.

## HIPAC Presents SDMI Resource Day

When: Saturday, August 2, 2008

Where: Honolulu First Church

Registration deadline: July 30

Time: 8:15 AM—1:00 PM

Workshops: **One on One Evangelism**  
(2 sessions)

**One on One Follow Up** (2 sessions)

Featuring: Jan Cretton, Dale Kreps, Rick Power, & Darren Reed

For more information, and to register,  
contact Monty Stewart, (808)-329-7771 or  
jmontystewart@nazmail.com



## Teen Camp 2008

Everyone had a great time at teen camp this summer!

**Pastor Tim Cruz** did an awesome job directing it – thanks, Tim! **Pastor Chad Rammage** presented us with challenging messages and the PLNU Band led us in amazing times of worship.

Thanks to all who helped at Teen Camp 2008! A special thanks to our wonderful kitchen staff led by **Cheryl Subiono** and to our **PLNU summer interns**.



Mark your calendars for these upcoming events:

## District NYI Council Meeting September 20

## Young Adult Retreat

October 10-12 (Starts Friday evening/Ends Sunday after lunch)

Where? O'ahu

ALL YOUNG ADULTS 18 years and up are invited!

It will be a time of hanging out together, playing, Bible study, and worship!  
More information will be sent out as soon as it is available.  
Questions? Contact Janelle at [jstewart@nazmail.com](mailto:jstewart@nazmail.com)

## NYI Mission Trip to Kahului, Maui November 28-30

Greetings! I trust this is another summer full of fun and fellowship. I also hope you are immersed in the blessings of praying for and learning about missions. There are so many exciting things happening that only our amazing God could orchestrate them all. I look forward to all He has in store for us as we seek His will.

## July Emphasis



The **NMI International Student Scholarship Fund (ISSF)** is one of the programs supported by this offering. This fund provides scholarships to ministerial students in world mission regions. It helps them complete their education as debt-free as possible. Specific students can be funded upon request. Also, each region has a list of its schools on the NMI website that could be used as a prayer list.

## August Emphasis—LINKS Missionaries

Please **link up** with your LINKS missionaries this month. All of our churches have the same family. Make sure you meet the **Myers from Papua New Guinea**. Their deputation begins in August and ends in February so send personal items to **6401 Union Ave., Alliance, OH 44601** or send money to the General Treasurer marked with the Myers' name. Show your aloha and let them know they are loved, prayed for, and cared about.



## September Emphasis—ALABASTER



Make sure you have your Alabaster box ready for giving in September. Find out what your local church gave in February and see if you can give even more this time around. 100% of your giving goes to purchase land and materials to build new churches around the world. **Every penny counts!**



## Prayer Requests



New areas open to Missions  
Your LINKS missionaries  
Jesus Film Harvest Partners  
Hawaii Pacific District Campmeeting

The persecuted Church  
Areas hit by Natural Disaster  
Overseas Military Personnel