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# Flying spirits in Kula

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## Art and spirit come alive over weekend

Multicolored paper butterflies, each carrying a name or names of people who were meaningful to all attending, fluttered over the worship space at the close of the Art and Spirit weekend at St. John's, Kula, Maui in January. Names of mentors, guides, teachers or loved ones, living or dead, graced surrounded worshippers on butterfly wings in the Sunday morning Eucharist, "Worship Midst the Art."

"We worshiped midst the 'cloud of witnesses'," said the Rev. Heather Mueller-Fitch. "This Art and Spirit weekend was the best ever."

Relating art to one's spiritual

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PHOTO FROM St. JOHN'S, KULA



## Outstretched hands open minds, ministry, mission

### By Sarah T. Moore

"Be stewards for mission, not maintenance."

That was the challenge to the diocese from Bishop Richard Chang at the Annual Meeting of Convention in October.

Episcopalians in Hawai'i and across the country are looking at how they function as a

church. Lay and clergy leaders understand the church cannot grow by simply "being." Whether a congregation faces declining attendance or dwindling budgets, the concern, many say, is one of stewardship — the use of our time, talent and money — to proclaim the Gospel and live into the baptismal covenant, which is, among other things, to seek and serve Christ in all persons, love one's neighbor

as oneself, and strive for justice and peace.

Holding a church in the maintenance mode is sitting on one's hands and keeping things as they are. Moving to a mission stance is to use those hands to reach out and pass along the faith and work to hold up each person's dignity.

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## Resolutions: How are we doing?

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Many times we remember people by questions they frequently asked. I remember from my days living in New York the question that Mayor Ed Koch always asked the people of New York: "How am I

As we are halfway through Lent, might we ask ourselves that same question, "How am I doing?" How am I doing in keeping a Holy Lent? Am I still observing the Lenten discipline that I began to live on Ash Wednesday? Or, has my discipline, like so many New Year's resolutions, been forgotten and neglected?

This same question could be asked of the resolutions that the Annual Meeting of the Convention of the Diocese adopted last October.

More that 10 resolutions related to the mission of the Church in Hawai'i were adopted.

The majority of these resolutions call for some action by the congregations and members of the Diocese. Let me note just a few.

Resolution 14 adopts the goals for mission and ministry in this Diocese through 2009: Convert our Hearts to Accept Jesus' Gospel Message and to Live in a Deep Relationship with God; Transform the Episcopal Church in Hawai'i and Congregations to Vital and Vibrant Faith Communities; Evangelize to Share God's Love in Our Communities; and Reduce the structure and administration costs of the Diocese so that its operations, including its bodies, are directed to supporting transformation and growth.

In developing their own ministry priorities and strategic plans, congregations are to use these goals as the basis of planning, programming, organizing, budgeting, funding and staffing.

How are we doing on this resolution? Two resolutions address the importance of stewardship:

Resolution 11 affirms the work of The



The Right Rev. Richard S.O. Chang BISHOP OF HAWAI'I

### Go to:

For Convention Resolutions, go to: www.episcopalhawaii.org/DisplayPage .php?PageName=DCResolutionAction

Episcopal Network for Stewardship and encourages all congregations in the diocese to join TENS and to use the resources TENS has developed for the Church.

In Resolution 7, entitled, "Stewardship: Holy Habits," all members of the Episcopal Diocese of Hawai'i are encouraged to develop a personal spiritual discipline that includes, at a minimum, the holy habits of tithing, daily personal prayer and study, Sabbath time, and weekly corporate worship.

The delegates from each congregation committed themselves to present this declaration to their Vestries and Bishop's Committees for adoption and in turn to their congregations at their annual congregational meetings in January.

How are we doing on these resolu-

We adopt many resolutions at Annual Meetings, but often fail to implement them. We begin Lenten disciplines, but "breakdown" by mid-Lent. We reaffirm the promises of our baptism at every baptism we attend, but do not make them part of daily living on Monday.

Implementing resolutions, living Lenten or any spiritual disciplines, and keeping the promises of our baptism, begins with our affirmation of faith in Jesus

## BISHOP'S **VISITATION SCHEDULE**

### **MARCH 2005**

March 13 ..... House of Bishops March 20......St. Mark's, Honolulu March 27 .....St. Andrew's Cathedral, Honolulu (Easter)

### **APRIL 2005**

April 2 ......St. Columba, Hilo, Hawai'i April 3...Holy Apostles/Resurrection, Hilo, Hawai'i April 10 .....Epiphany, Honolulu April 24 ......Good Shepherd Wailuku, Maui

**MAY 2005** May 1.....St. John's By the Sea, May 8.....Christ Church, Kealakekua, Hawai'i May 15 ......St. Andrew's Cathedral, Honolulu (Pentecost)

The Baptismal Covenant begins with our public affirmation of faith. Our discipleship is shaped by our faith in Jesus Christ. With Jesus as the chief cornerstone of our faith, we can implement resolutions for ministry with disciplined, spirit filled lives fulfilling the promises of our baptism.

May your Lent be truly holy as you prepare in faith for the great Paschal Mys-

> Faithfully yours, +Richard

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## Checking in on mission at home and abroad

Though a small diocese, the number of mission projects our 39 congregations, schools and individuals engage in is multi-dimensional. Here we highlight a few: Special Angels, a ministry among the developmentally disabled; Ameri-Corps, an opportunity for young adults to work with non profit agencies across the country; food fund raisers, sewing projects, overseas mission linkages, and an open invitation to support Episcopal Relief and Development.

ERD, our national program that serves the needs of the poor and oppressed through sustainable development and in crisis aid, has been part of church life for more than 60 years. Established in 1940 by the church as the Presiding Bishop's Fund for World Relief, the agency's first mission was to assist refugees fleeing Europe during World War II. Over the years, its focus expanded. In 2000, the name was changed to Episcopal Relief and Development to



emphasize its ongoing emergency relief work and growing focus on long-term de-

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velopment and rehabilitation programs. Local concerns are not forgotten. Beginning Easter Day, we turn our attention to hunger in Hawai'i, the focus of the 2005 Mission Fund. Many congregations sponsor food pantries from their doors. Others partner with agencies and churches in their communities. The diocesan Justice, Peace and Partnership Department is working to provide us with information and programs on hunger here at home.

Singly, many of us are learning voluntarism as a way of life. Congregationally, some are reaching out across oceans. Corporately, as a diocese, all may be part of the power of our Episcopal network of congregations in these islands. We can not only put a dent in food scarcity statistics but also compassionately embrace the human face of hunger and poverty.

### Go to:

Local hunger links: Hawai'i Food Bank Hunger Study: www.hawaiifoodbank.org/hunger study.ntm

Luke Center for Public Service, Punahou School: www.punahou.edu/index.cfm?fuse action=ig.page&PageID=564

Center on Hunger and Poverty, Brandeis University: www.centeronhunger.org/hunger /indexfscm.html

## Hands

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Mission-minded churches reach out to the community and beyond. Such ministry is woven into the life of many congregations.

Members at Christ Memorial, Kilauea and St. Thomas, Hanalei on Kaua'i, who donated record amounts to tsunami relief, have taken mission trips to Asia for years. St. Christopher's, Kailua recently noted 25 years of ministry among Hawai'i State Hospital clients and St. Matthew's, Waimanalo has long sponsored a food pantry from its doors.

For others, it means taking on new roles.

"To turn this place around we need to think out of the box, try things, exchange ideas, and don't get mired down," says Glenn Woo, of St. Elizabeth's, in the Palama area of Honolulu. St. Elizabeth's, with the energy of a new men's group, Danger Men Cooking, hosted a gourmet breakfast after church in February to send funds to a new outreach project, a Senior Center and Soup Kitchen at St. Saviour's Church in Riga, Latvia

Not forgetting needs at home, however, this year's diocesan Mission Fund appeal, launches Easter Day. The appeal focuses on "Feeding the Hungry in Hawai'i." From Easter to Pentecost (March 30-May 15) congregations are asked to look at ways their church can make a difference to the more than 400,000 households in the state who go hungry each day. (See story, this page)

As the church observes Lent and celebrates Easter, it is a season to examine mission and the difference Episcopalians make in the world.

## Mission Fund 2005:

## 'Feeding the Hungry in Hawai'i'

#### By Cecilia Fordham

Those who work regularly with food programs in churches, such as the Kokua Food Basket at St. Matthew's in Waimanalo, or partner with institutional programs such as IHS, River of Life Mission or the Salvation Army, are aware of the daily challenge many households and individuals face in Hawai'i to supply daily meals.

According to a study in 2001 (Baker, Department of Health), 401,822 households in Hawai'i suffer from food insecurity or hunger. "More than 30 percent of the people in Waimanalo, Waianae, Puna, Kaaawa and Molokai live in households that are not sure how they will get their food. The data indicate that more than 40,000 adults in Hawai'i suffer from hunger," according to the study

Charitable organizations work feverishly to keep up with the demand. Often they come up short.

To address Hawai'i's hunger needs, the Justice, Peace & Partnership Department of the diocese identified the Mission Fund 2005: "Feeding the Hungry in Hawai'i."

Exactly what does that mean?

In the 50 days from Easter to Pentecost, Episcopalians throughout Hawai'i are asked to set aside \$1 a day. From that Pentecost ingathering in churches on May 15, Justice, Peace & Partnership will distribute monies to food agencies and programs with which churches partner to combat hunger.

During Lent, each congregation will receive forms asking them to identify which group, or groups, they partner with or would like to begin working with, to address hunger needs in their communities.



Chronicle file photo

Annette Jim and Mary Reynolds of St. Clement's prepare for the monthly food pantry ministry at the Makiki Church in a file photo from 2001. The parish has been doing this outreach for several years, helping hundreds with groceries and other household items.

The forms also are available on the diocesan web site.

Cecilia Fordham is a member of the Justice Peace & Partnership Department of the Diocese of Hawai'i. She is the coordinator for the Mission Fund 2005 campaign.

### Go to:

For Feeding the Hungry in Hawai'i forms go to:

www.episcopalhawaii.org
Click on Church Resources.

## Young adult explores voluntarism, seeks career path

### By Sarah T. Moore

Help remove invasive species, restore maritime grasslands and learn about birds near extinction on Shelter Island and Mashomick Preserve in Long Island, N.V.

Frame walls, shingle roofs, pour cement in duplex housing with Habitat for Humanity in Lawrence, Mass.

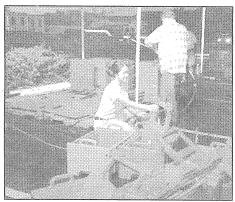
Paint hallways in inner city Baltimore, Md., schools.

Respond to disaster relief on Hurricane Charley, working side-by-side with the American Red Cross in southwest Florida. Shuttle to Wheeling, W.Va., to respond to disaster relief from flooding from Hurricane Ivan, working with family services interviewing clients.

Round out 10 months of voluntarism at a gutted-out fire ravaged cabin at a YMCA camp, and then work with kids at the camp in a ropes courses.

"I think I've seen more than I could believe," said Raquel Vea, a parishioner of Resurrection, Hilo, Hawai'i, who spent most of 2004 working with volunteer agencies across the eastern United States.

"Victims of one hurricane were cleaning up, and getting prepared for another.



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After completing an evening round of delivering hot meals to hurricane victims near Punta Gorda, Fla., Raquel Vea and a colleague wash out cambros.

For many of them, that was a lot to take," she said. "It was my first experience in the aftermath of a disaster. It was quite moving."

In Baltimore, shocked to see schools with locked gates, doors and gloomy enclosed classrooms, Vea said, "Now I understand better why the environment does not help students to learn much."

"In college I volunteered," says Vea. "In church as well, I volunteer in Sunday

School at Resurrection, Hilo. At the University of Hawai'i, I did "Operation Manoa," through a class, and at Farrington High School I tutored a lot of immigrant students — Italians, Samoan, Vietnamese. I always wanted to volunteer more, I just never had the time."

Vea, 24, took time last year when she joined Americorps, and worked in that program's National Civilian Community Corps (NCCC).

"I actually thought after I graduated from UH-Manoa that I'd go to grad school. But I'm kind of glad I didn't and did another year to see what's out there. I sort of bumped into this program when I came home to Hilo, went to morning mass at Holy Apostles, since I couldn't get to Resurrection for the afternoon service."

Vea talked with church member Donna Madrid, who works at the YMCA, who suggested Vea explore Americorps if she was interested in state and national programs.

"I kind of wanted to do volunteering service and see the East Coast and work with different people. Most members graduated from high school or were taking a break from college. It was a nice transition."

Americorps tries to put you as far away from home as possible, Vea notes. "I had to complete an independent project with a non-profit organization. That was really interesting because in Long Island I worked with an organic farm. That was an eye opener. I never knew the process it takes."

The experience has steered Vea to consider a career toward social services, probably the non-profit sector.

"I probably will go where I'm most needed and see myself enjoying most of what I do. I want to work with people."

AmeriCorps\*NCCC members, all 18-to-24 years old, each complete 1,700 hours of service during the 10-month program. In exchange for their service, they receive \$4,725 to help pay for college, or to pay back existing student loans. Other benefits include leadership development, team building skills, increased self-confidence, and the satisfaction of knowing that they have made a real difference in communities across the country. Ameri-Corps\*NCCC is administered by the Corporation for National and Community Service. For more information visit the web site at www.americorps.org/nccc.

## Hawai'i mission: Across the

## Sometimes, it takes a tsunami

By Sarah T. Moore

The global response to the Dec. 26 tsunami brought new energy and awareness of outreach. Many of Hawai'i's congregations turned their pockets inside out for the victims of the Southeast Asia disaster, but didn't stop there. Through a diocesan-wide appeal, churches generously and quickly directed money to Episcopal Re-

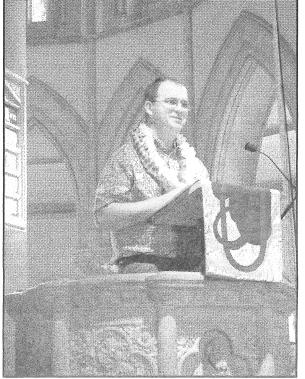


PHOTO BY SARAH T. MOORE

Brian Sellers-Peterson preaches at the Cathedral of St. Andrew, bringing words of thanks for Hawaii's support of Episcopal Relief and Development ministry.

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lief and Development, the church agency ready to work when a crisis strikes.

Diocesan office records show approximately \$15,000 was sent to ERD by mid-February. However, most congregations and many individuals sent money directly to church offices in New York, says Treasurer Peter

At St. Timothy's in Aiea, parishioners donated \$2,965 with the vestry voting an additional \$1,000 from outreach funds. Students and faculty at Iolani School collected \$7,300 with more arriving daily. St. Andrew's Priory School sent \$3,500 to the Red Cross and Seabury Hall sent \$15,000 to UNICEF, according to Chaplain Walter Stevens. St. Michael and All Angels on Kaua'i responded with more than \$7,400 to ERD.

Donations are still flowing, according to Brian Sellers-Peterson, West Coast representative for ERD. "I can always count on Hawai'i to be first responding, which gives us all a boost for the work we do in helping people around the world. You have much to be proud of," he told the congregation at St. Andrew's Cathedral when he preached on Feb. 6 during a visit to the diocese,

### Soup Supper

"We were awestruck by the level of devastation in the affected countries," said the Rev. Carol Arney, rector of Christ Church, Kealakekua, Hawai'i. The church decided to sponsor a fundraiser.

"The congregation had done the same thing in the Central American hurricanes of 1999, so we knew what to do," Arney added.

Organized by Senior Warden, Susan Lee, the entire

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## Special Angels mini



PHOTO BY ANNETTE JIM

Volunteers from Honolulu-area churches host several theme parties yearly for mentally handicapped adults.



Episcopal Relief and Development, the national program of the Episcopal Church, was established in 1940. For more information on ERD, go to www.er-d.org/



## They travel the world, but not just for pleasure

Among those visiting with the staff of the Vihealuong school in Cambodia are Dr. Heidi Caglayan, (sixth from right); Phyllis Byouk fourth from right); Judy Wakumoto, (third from right) and the Rev. Donor Macneice (second from right). School **Director Pal Yong is** third from left.

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### By the Rev. Donor Macneice

Christ Memorial Church in Kilauea and St. Thomas' Church in Hanalei, Kaua'i, may be among the smallest in the diocese, but their work and presence is felt around the

Known for traveling to unusual places, over the past few years the members of both churches have joined together and traveled with their priest, the Rev. Donor Macneice, to out-of-the-way places from Mongolia to Ireland and Borneo to Egypt and extended their outreach to several countries.

Unlike most vacationers, these parishioners have made it their business to meet, stay and eat with the local residents in all the places they visit rather than head for resort areas. In the poorer countries, they keep an eye out to see if and how they can help any in need.

### Mission to **Southeast Asia**

Thailand is a country that is well known to most church members. When the tsunami disaster occurred in December, the two churches decided they had to do something to help their friends there.

On Dec. 28, two days after the tsunami, the churches had put together an appeal from their congregations. They decided to do more than an additional collection in church. They got their message out on radio and in the newspaper, as well as by e-mail to those members who were not on Kaua'i at the time. They put a time limit of nine days in which to complete their project as they realized funds were needed immediately.

By Jan. 6, they had collected

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## state and around the globe

## ster to special adults

By Annette Jim

THE PARISH OF ST. CLEMENT

One way the Parish of St. Clement in Honolulu carries its faith into the world is spear-heading a ministry with other area churches among mentally retarded adults. Called Special Angels, its fall celebration was held at Hawaii Artsplace last November.

Sombreros, red and green crepe paper, cutouts and kerchiefs transformed the arts center into a festive place with a Mexican theme to welcome the guests, thanks to Bonnie Town, Sandy Souza and Annette Jim.

Hazel and Jean Ann Milnor

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helped guests sign in as they received favors of cornhusk angels and colorful pencils monogrammed, "Special Angels."

The Rev. Liz Zivanov, rector of St. Clement's, gave the homily. She adapted the game "Simon Says" to "Jesus Says" and shared the message that Jesus loves everyone present.

St. Clement's Senior Warden Al Adams served as emcee for the event. He really perked up the party with lively music for the "Mexican Hat Dance."

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Members of Holy Innocents' in Lahaina, Maui, sewing group prior to mailing "Rag Dolls 2 Love" to their eventual destination in Iraq: Back row (L-R): Jackie Kelly, Penny Wakida. Front row: Elizabeth Chenoweth, Jane Cambouris.

## Practicing peacemaking with needles and thread

By Diane Delos Reyes

HOLY INNOCENTS CHURCH

Inspired by an article in a recent *Hawaiian Church Chronicle* and *Episcopal Life*, Jackie Kelly, senior warden of Holy Innocents' Church in Lahaina, Maui, went into action to learn about a program to sew dolls to give to children in war torn countries around the world. After going to the Rag Dolls 2 Love web site to download the pattern and instructions, the Holy Innocents' sewing group got to work.

In the fall, the "small but mighty"

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sewing group mailed off more than 50 handmade dolls, each decorated with "a gentle face and a heart" to the Rag Dolls 2 Love program, in Wapiti, Wyo. The dolls, which are not dressed in clothing or constructed in the colors of any ethnic group, are now en route to children in Iraq, according to Mary Page Jones, the originator of the program.

Volunteers around the world are sewing these dolls, which provide a small measure of comfort to children in war-torn countries, including Palestine and Israel. The dolls are "big enough to hug and small enough to tuck under a child's arm."

"Some day, if children from opposite sides of a conflict see other with dolls that looks like theirs, a small light in the wall of hatred will flicker," Jones said.

Inspired by the sewing group's project, the 5th grade class at Sacred Hearts School at Sacred Hearts Church, also in Lahaina, is making dolls as a class project. They are working under the instruction of teacher and Holy Innocents' parish-

ioner Diane McKeefery.

The Holy Innocents' "sewing" group meets weekly to work on this and other projects. Members hope to continue this project indefinitely as it is a form of mission outreach and "peacemaking with needles and thread."

The six-piece doll pattern kit is available by sending an e-mail to ragdolls2love2003@yahoo.com. You can also download it from the web at www.ragdolls2love.org. The online pattern is posted at greater than 100 percent and should be reduced to 100 percent before printing.



PHOTO BY HERB GUNN

An inmate in the Women's Division of San Miguel Prison in El Salvador, where an American missionary, the Rev Elizabeth Evans ministers, shows a quilt she made with sewing machines at the facility. Looking on are Hawai'i's Willis Moore, center, the Rev Lee Alison Crawford (Diocese of Vermont) and Cate McMahon (Diocese of New Hampshire).

## Finding mission and ministry: Episcopalians in El Salvador

By Willis Moore

El Salvador and Hawai'i share many things: the shores of the Pacific, surfing beaches, tropical splendor, coffee, volcanoes, earthquakes. Located on the West coast of Central America, El Salvador lies south of Hawai'i's latitude and is about the size of New Jersey.

The Episcopal Church in El Salvador has 17 congregations with 3,000 members. Hawai'i has 39 congregations and approxi-

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mately 4,000 Episcopalians across the five islands.

In August, I joined a small group of Episcopal Communicators, organized by Herb Gunn, editor of the Diocese of Michigan, to travel throughout El Salvador to learn about ministries in that diocese. Devastating earthquakes brought Episcopal Relief and Development (ERD) into five areas to assist with rebuilding Anglican

villages with homes, a school, clinic, and church. ERD aid to El Salvador ends in 2005, but "Fundaciòn Cristosal" a non-profit organization in Ludlow, Vt., with Episcopal clergy and lay board members, continues to assist Bishop Martin Barahona meet needs.

The Pro-Cathedral of San Juan Evangelista is in San Salvador. Other Anglican churches are scattered throughout the countryside.

An American missionary, the

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## El Salvador

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Rev. Elizabeth Evans, serves at an orphanage and prison in San Miguel. Evans' weekly Eucharist in the women's prison is a highlight in a country where women priests are unknown. Church schools serve educational and clinical needs in several areas, where church membership is largely poor people. The diocese is far from self-supporting, though there is a growing pastoral ministry and evangelization.

El Salvador's population is estimated at six million. One million Salvadoreños live in the United States, mostly as illegal aliens. Companion relationships with the dioceses of New Jersey, San Diego and Los Angeles help churches with funds and prayer partnerships as well as linking with Salvadoreños living in California, Virginia and New Jersey.

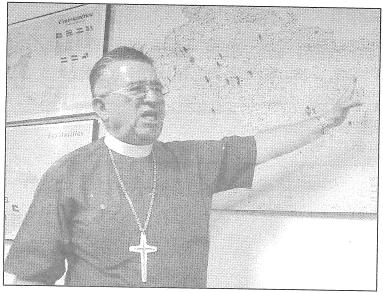


PHOTO BY HERB GUNN

The Rt. Rev. Martin Barahona, Bishop of El Salvador, gives the visitors from the United States a lesson in geography and ministry of the church in his country

Barahona is a "bundle of energy" and a crusader for his church, people, and programs. Frequently seen at General Convention, he travels extensively to raise money and awareness of his dio-

cese's needs and ministries.

In spite of "peace" from the civil war, and some land reforms, there is still an imbalance in the country where more than half the population earns money only

in the "cash economy — off the books."

The "maquiladores" (factories owned by American companies but employing Salvadoreños at minimal wages and harsh working conditions) continue to provide jobs for some. The Anglican Church in El Salvador, with funding from "Fundaciòn Cristosal," has a Peace and Justice. Officer on the Bishop's staff. A young lawyer, working while waiting to take the bar exams, this individual seeks to call attention to land use, employment, welfare, health care and pension issues on the church's behalf.

To the visitor, there is prosperity, shopping malls, fast food outlets, and other trappings of modern and economic success. Looking further, and behind the scenes in rural El Salvador, it is still a country with two cultures, two economies, and two outlooks.

Elections in 2004 brought about a surprising result: the con-

servative Arena Party candidate, a media/TV personality, won a close election. Observers found the voting to be fair and without major fraud. The Marti National Liberation Front (FMLA) party is still openly left-of-center and advocates more reforms of land, jobs, pensions, healthcare, and fights corruption in government. Episcopal support through ERD and groups like "Fundacion Cristosal" is helping build an Anglican/Episcopal witness in Central America.

Traveling to El Salvador, visiting people — to look, share, talk, and learn — is an invaluable way to understand how the ministries of the church engage with another country and its life.

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## Cambodia

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\$18,350.

As there is always concern about how the proceeds of such an appeal are used, Macneice, who has years of international ministry and travel, telephoned the Prime Minister of Thailand, Thaksin Shinawatra, and told him he would bring a check to Bangkok and personally hand it to him. On Jan. 13. at a reception at Government House in Bangkok, (which was shown on Thai television) Macneice handed the Prime Minister a bank draft for \$18,350.

In accepting the check, the Prime Minister thanked the members of the congregations saying that this particular donation would be used specifically to pay local tailors to make clothing and other household

items for those who had lost everything, thus helping the economy in more ways than one.

Members of the two churches also made visits to Cambodia. In January 2004, two members of St. Thomas' Church,warden Judy Wakumoto and Nancy Kobayashi, together with Dr. Heidi Caglayan from Christ Memorial, traveled with Macneice, visiting the Vihealuong Primary School in Kandal Province, Cambodia — about two hours drive north of the capital city of Phnom Penh.

The school has 1,200 pupils and a budget of \$20 per month. After talking with school director Pal Yong, the visitors decided they would support the school in whatever way they could.

On their return to Kaua'i, they sent boxes of books, pencils and other supplies to the school. Following his visit to Bangkok in January this year, Macneice continued on to Cambodia with further supplies from the churches, as well as money to buy uniforms for 300 pupils.

The church members were surprised to receive a personal letter from the King of Cambodia, His Majesty King Norodom Sihamoni. In the letter, King Sihamoni said "I avail myself of this opportunity to extend to all members of the church my warmest wishes. I would like to assure you of my gratitude of your noble support in helping the young Cambodians access to education." The members intend to pay another visit to the school later this year or the beginning of 2006.

The Kaua'i churches have not forgotten the Middle East. When St. Philip's Church in Gaza City was bombed by the Israelis, the churches immediately sent money for rebuilding. Last year, when the same thing happened to St. Andrew's Church in Ramallah, Palestine, once more the churches immediately responded with help.

In December 2004, the Rt. Rev. Riah Abu El Assal, Bishop of Jerusalem and his wife spent a week visiting the two Kaua'i churches, and invited members to visit his diocese. Plans have been made for some 25 members from both churches to visit Jordan, Palestine and Israel in September. Charles Coker, senior warden of Christ Memorial, and Christine Kobayashi of St. Thomas', are working together with Bishop Riah on an on-going project that will help hospitals in Palestine. Details of that project will be announced when they return from visiting the area.

Members of both churches feel strongly that reaching out to those who need, regardless of who or where they are, is a vital and necessary part of their faith.

In May, several members will return to Mongolia where they will see if help is needed in outlying areas that, in the past few years, have been badly hit by drought and lost livestock.

## Tsunami

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congregation pitched in. The parish sponsored a white elephant sale, a silent auction, a dramatic presentation and musical entertainment. The benefit raised \$3,162, sent to ERD for tsunami relief.

### Across the street, globe

St. Elizabeth's in Honolulu raised \$1,550 to send to ERD. In addition, the church has a relationship with Princess Kaiulani school, assisting 50 homeless children with school supplies and school shirts.

It also is reaching out to an Anglican church in Latvia.

In a new effort, a full house recently enjoyed a "A Taste of Latvia," raising donations for a soup kitchen operated by St. Saviour's Anglican Church in Riga.

Each Saturday for four years St. Saviour's has offered soup, bread and fish to



100-300 hungry persons. More than 95 people from 22 countries have assisted. The program relies on donations from its members and around the world.

Master chefs Dr. Harriet Pein and Glenn Woo, grandson of first Chinese priest ordained in Episcopal Church in Hawai'i, rolled up their sleeves to cook. They were joined by Keoni Chang, executive chef, Foodland; Raymond Siu, chef at Pahke's restaurant in Kaneohe, and Donna Woo, a participant in the Kapiolani Chefs donated their time for a Taste of Latvia fund raiser at St. Elizabeth's, Honolulu. Left to right: Chef Keoni Chang (Foodland executive chef), Chef Raymond Siu (owner, Pahke's, Kaneohe) Chef Li May Tang (owner, Shanghai Bistro, Honolulu), Cheryl Dearing, Chef Glenn Woo, Donna Woo and Dr. Harriet Pien. Missing Peter Chiu. (NYC)

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Community College chef program.

"There's lots going on down here in Palama," says the Rev. Jodene Hawkins, priest-in-charge at St. Elizabeth's.

### Go to:

For information on the ministries of St. Saviour's, go to:

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## Special Angels

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Louise Emory of Calvary Church, Kaneohe, taught and led a dance, while participants twirled in a large circle in the courtyard.

Evelyn Quisenberry helped others paint brightly-stenciled patterns of the Hawaiian Monarch butterfly.

The highlight, just before lunch, was breaking that butterfly-shaped piñata. When the candy rained down, everyone cheered.

Mary Milnor and Daintry Bartoldus prepared hot dogs and Sandy Souza delivered hot chili from Zippy's for a lunch buffet with an added assortment of fruits, vegetables, cookies and cupcakes.

An equally festive winter event was held Feb. 12, at St. Andrew's Cathedral.

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### **New ministries**

The Rev. William Allport, left, with lion dancers after his installation as rector at St. Peter's, Honolulu, Jan. 16. The Rev. Karen Perkins, below left, is new pastor/vicar of the St. Philip's Episcopal Church, Maili and Maluhia Lutheran Church in Waianae on Jan. 22. Bishop Murray Finck, center, of the Pacifica Synod of the ELCA led the service with Bishop Richard Chang, right, for this first joint ministry.



## **COMING SOON**

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March 4-5 Sacred Singing. St. John's, Kula, Maui

Daughters of the King March 5 Annual Assembly, St. Timothy's, Aiea

St. Andrew's Cathedral

Mission Fund appeal

Diocesan Council March 19 March 22 Chrism Mass, noon

March 30through May 15 March 27

Easter

APRIL

April 1-3 Province 8, Young Adults, Tucson, Ariz.

April 7-9 Hawaiian Island Ministries Conference

April 16 Compassion, Burnout workshop, Marianist Center, Honolulu

April 16 Diocesan Council

### MAY

May 4

Bishop's reception for Priory School seniors -

May 5 Ascension Day May 7

May 14

May 15

May 28

### June 4

June 5

June 25

Special Angels event. St. Clement's, Honolulu

Deacons' meeting, St. Andrew's Cathedral

Pentecost 2005. Mission Fund ingathering

Seabury Hall graduation

### JUNE

Iolani School graduation St. Andrew's Priory

School graduation Clergy, Wardens. Treasurers workshop, St. George's, Honolulu

## POSITIONS OPEN

Rector, All Saints', Kapa'a, Kaua'i (parish): Profile complete and posted on diocesan Web site. No longer receiving names.

Vicar, St. George's, Pearl Harbor, O'ahu (mission): Interviewing candidate.

Priest-in-Charge, Holy Innocents, Lahaina, Maui (aided parish): Preparing for search.

Rector, St. Michael's and All Angels, Lihue, Kaua'i (parish): Search Task Force formed and beginning organizational work.

Rector, Holy Nativity, Honolulu (parish): Search Task Force formed.

Associate Rector, St. Clement's, Honolulu (Parish): Receiving names. Position description and CDO profile available.

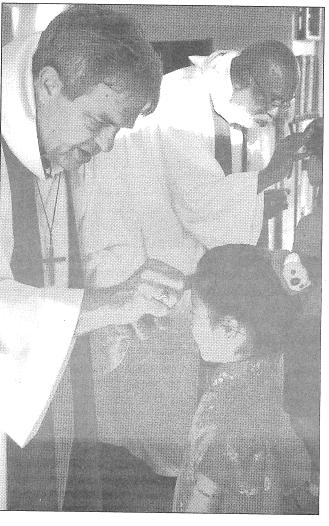
Completed profiles of open positions are posted on www.episcopal hawaii.org. Contact Canon to the Ordinary Bob Fitzpatrick at 808-536-7626, ext. 110; or email RLFitzpatrick@episcopal hawaii.org.

## Vocare on the North Shore



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Young adults attended the winter Vocare retreat at Camp Mokule'ia on O'ahu's North Shore Jan. 28-30. The Rev. Polly Hilsabeck, right, was chaplain for the weekend directed at post high school to thirty-somethings.



### Start of Lent

Six hundred children

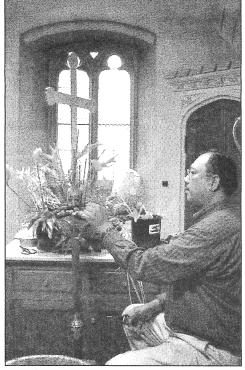
walked to the koawood altar rail to receive imposition of ashes in St. Alban's Chapel at Iolani School in Honolulu on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 9. The Rev. Dr. David C. Moore, left, chaplain at Iolani, was joined by the Rev. Walter A. Stevens III, right, chaptain at Hawai'i Preparatory Academy on the Big Island, at the 7:50 a.m. service for primary grades. Stevens was on O'ahu and offered his ministrations when hearing of the large number of children who would receive ashes in a short morning chapel service.

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Above, Richard Kua'ana delivers the Hawaiian oli in Washington National Cathedral. Right, Kua'ana arranges floral bouquet on the processional cross for use in Hawai'i State Day service.



## Behind the scenes at Hawai'i State Day

By Sarah T. Moore

A week before State Day at the Washington National Cathedral, Richard Kua'ana and Euphemia Nagashima, who regularly prepare flowers for services at St. Andrew's Cathedral, scoured their yards and gardens from friends and parishioners to clip flowers and plants.

Into boxes went large head pink and red gingers for altar flowers and small red and pink gingers for the processional cross.

"We packed several hanging pink haleconia, red ti leaves, lehua leaf greens for filler. Several liko lehua, also. And Moa. And miniature red and pink haleconias also for the cross."

"We used indigenous plants of Hawai'i, mostly red and green, and stalks itself of ti leaves," he said.

"It was quite unique for them. They'd never seen a bouquet on a processional cross before. They have flowers during Easter — lilies and ribbons — but never a whole bouquet. So they kind of noticed the size we use in putting it together and thought it was quite astonishing."

People "got a great rave about that and enjoyed seeing the flowered cross parading down the procession — the ti, moa, liko lehua and gingers," Kua'ana said. "It really was a tropical feast to look at, and they were delighted about it."

Another thing took many people's breath away was Kua'ana, dressed in robes, delivering the "oli," or Hawaiian chant at the opening of worship.

"It was the most humbling but gave me the most honor just to do it," said Kua'ana.

"Being in that great place, with the feel of it, a spiritual essence was so overwhelming you could not help but do great work," he said.

"You tap into it and it helps you deliver what you need to deliver. It flowed so easily. People thought I was nervous, but I'm talking to God. I just connect-

"God made me perform the way I did that day. Can't say it was me, more about Him than myself that did it."

## **Stewardship: Discerning** God's call **for Christians**

By Dwayne Bueno

St. Paul's, Honolulu

The working definition of Christian Stewardship is grateful and responsible use of God's gifts in the light of God's purpose as revealed in Jesus Christ. Christian stewards, empowered by the Holy Spirit, commit themselves to con-

scious, purposeful decisions. Living lives of stewardship in-

• telling the Good News;

 sharing God by seeking justice, peace, and the integrity of creation in an interdependent universe;

• wisely employing God-given

human resources, abilities, and relationships;

• sharing the material resources we hold and giving them in service, justice, and compassion;

• providing for future generations;

• sharing in the life, worship, and responsible stewardship of the church and its mission.

For the individual and the community, stewardship is a joyful act for the sake of God's world.

Stewardship teaches that all that we have and all that we are is a gift from God. We are, therefore stewards of God's gifts during our lifetime. Discerning and carrying out God's purpose is the primary purpose of our lives. The gifts we have been given, time, talent, and treasure, are to be used for that purpose. The primary role of the church is to guide individuals to discern the mission for their lives and to use their resources to accomplish it.

One cannot put a price for the gifts God has given us and for the work God is calling us to do, but one can make a decision to give to what he or she believes God has told them to do.

I hope that you will choose to serve God.

Dwayne Bueno is treasurer and stewardship chair at St. Paul's in Honolulu. This was excerpted from a sermon delivered by Bueno in Advent during the 2005 stewardship campaign.

## A pilgrimage to National Cathedral

By Moki Hino

As part of the State Day program at the Washington National Cathedral, the cathedral staff offered a pilgrimage to help visitors center on their visit.

The pilgrimage began walking single file through the woods, following a crucifer clad in a simple black cassock.

We tuned out the noises of the capitol's hustle and bustle and took in nature's music — the rustling of stubborn leaves that clung tenaciously to oak and beech trees and the crunch of footsteps on gravel and flagstone as the pilgrims walked in silence mediating on the words, "The Lord is my shepherd, I have all that I need."

At the end of the path the pilgrims came out of the forest grove and were met head-on with the monstrous, sunsplashed façade of the cathedral's south transcept.

The Hawai'i group then made its way to the cathedral's main entrance and walked in silence, single file, down the aisle of the Washington National Cathedral's nave, tracing the footsteps of Ronald Reagan's funeral cortege



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Hawai'i seminarian Moki Hino and Beverly Amjadi, festooned in lei, share time before the Hawai'i State Day in Washington, D.C

the previous June.

We continued the evening with 30 minutes of exploring the cathedral and praying, meditating, and reflect-

We reconvened for centering prayer, using the word "welcome" to keep our jetlagged minds and bodies focused on the presence of God.

The evening ended with Compline,

led by the Rev. Canon Samuel Van Culin, in the Chapel of the Resurrection where the ashes of Helen Keller and her teacher Anne Sullivan are interred in the columbarium.

The next morning, more than 100 people with Hawai'i ties gathered in the Washington National Cathedral for Holy Eucharist.

During the service the spirit of aloha bore witness to those gathered for Hawai'i Day as people came forward to the altar rail adorned with lei and flowers that the pilgrims brought from Hawai'i to share with everyone.

The flowers added to the colors that came in through the cathedral's stained-glass windows, dancing over the altar, through the cathedral's nave and in and amongst the congregation as if to illustrate another point in author and Hawai'i resident, Kathleen Norris' sermon which described the many racial mixes in Hawai'i saying, "Today in Hawai'i we glimpse the future of the human race."

Moki Hino, is a senior at Seabury-Western Seminary and a member of St. James, Kamuela, Hawai'i.

## Butterflies

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journey was the opening workshop Friday night. Saturday morning dawned with a full day of activities on sacred drawings, writing in the spirit, dance, children's art, labyrinth walk, creating an elegant dinner atmosphere, cooking, and a memories and dreams through art.

Artist Rik Fitch led a memory class for people over age 55. The class was based on the premise that people are artists until about age 7 or 8, when they hear from someone that they can't do it or it is wrong etc. "We get a lot of damaging messages when we get our permanent teeth, and some of the artist is blown away," Fitch says. But after the workshop, the group emerged excited with energy.

A musical concert and recitation was held Sunday afternoon, followed by evensong with the 25member Maui Madrigals and bagpipe music in the mist of day's end by the Maui Celtic Pipes and Drums. A potluck dinner closed out the festivities.