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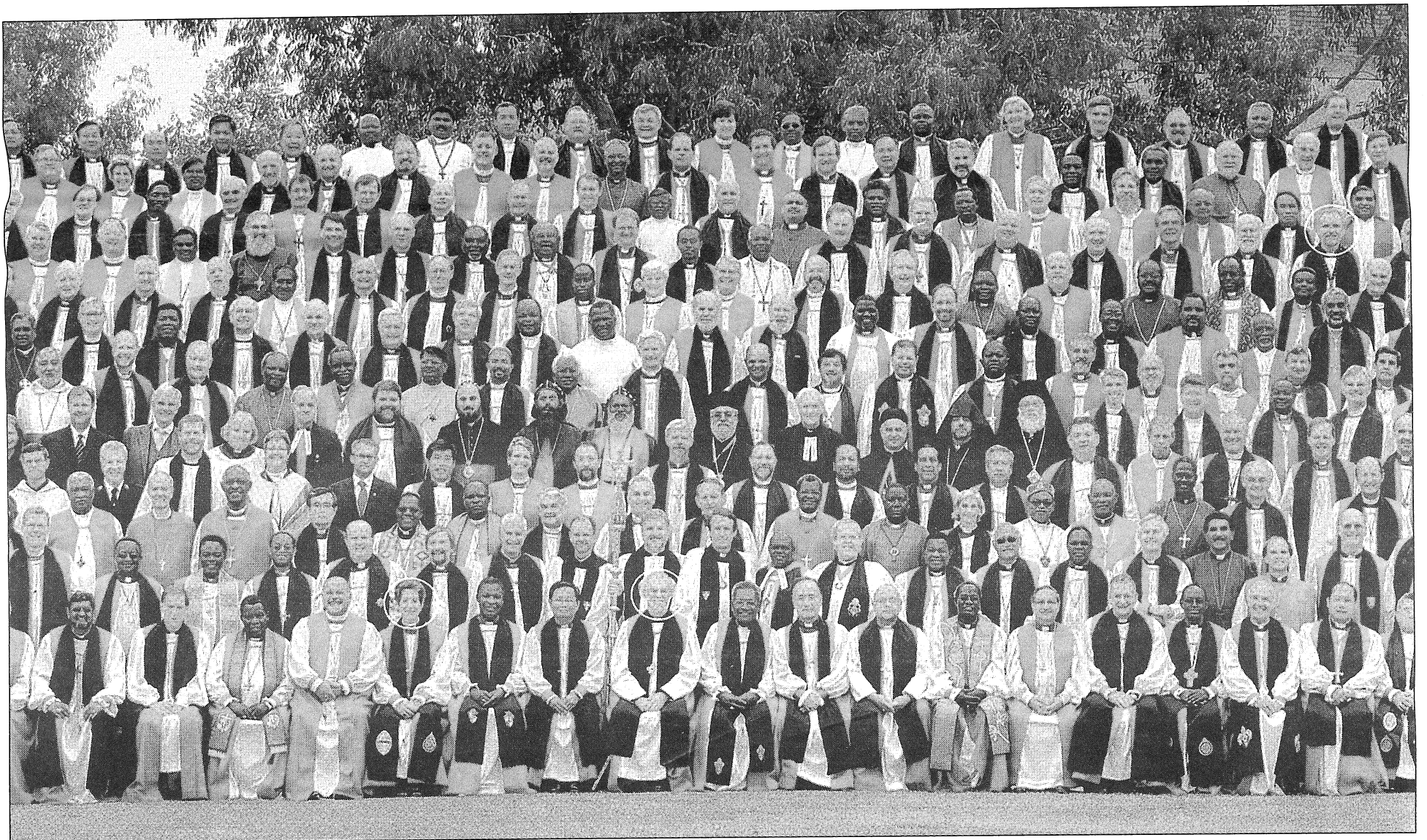
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## Lambeth reflections

Bishop Robert Fitzpatrick  
talks about his experience  
at the Lambeth Conference



LAMBETH CONFERENCE

Some of the 670 bishops in attendance at the Lambeth Conference. Pictured with the circles are Bishop Fitzpatrick (fourth row from the top and first person from right), Archbishop of Canterbury Rowan Williams (front row, center) and Katharine Jefferts Schori, Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church (third from Bishop Williams' right).

### By the Rt. Rev. Robert L. Fitzpatrick

BISHOP OF HAWAII

On August 4, Bea and I returned late from England and the Lambeth Conference. We had been away for almost four weeks. We were delighted as the plane banked and we saw the city lights of Honolulu. It is great to be home.

The Lambeth Conference was helpful

and will have an important place in my ministry as a bishop. To gather and enter into deep conversation with 670 fellow bishops from around the world has to impact a person's ministry. Unlike past Conferences, women bishops were present from around the Communion and fully accepted in the fellowship. While there was disagreement and forthright conversations, there was little open hostility. While challenging and not always easy, it was a time of

prayer, honest conversation, and faithful witness even in disagreement.

The Maori bishops from Te Pihopatanga o Aotearoa were particularly welcoming and included me regularly in their fellowship. Bishop John Gray and a group of youth leaders from New Zealand will be with us for the annual meeting of our diocesan Convention in October. This has furthered the likelihood of a formal companion relationship between the Episcopal

Diocese of Hawai'i and Te Pihopatanga o Aotearoa.

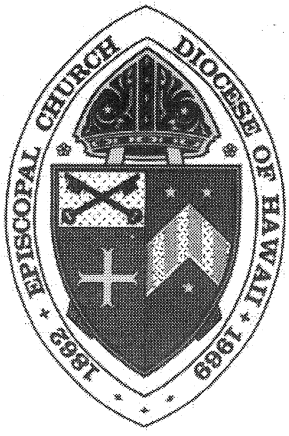
The Supreme Bishop of the Iglesia Filipina Independiente (IFI), the Most Rev. Godfredo David, and I discussed creating a companion relationship with one of the dioceses in his care. The IFI is a full communion partner of the Episcopal Church and the Anglican Communion, with long

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# Frank Chun: A true 'country parson'

*Aloha i Akua,*

I write this column a few days before leaving for the Lambeth Conference in England. Soon after Bea and I return, we will join many in our diocesan 'ohana to honor the Rev. Canon Frank Chun, who has served this Diocese as a priest for 40 years. We will gather with many others for a luau on August 9th at the 'Iolani School Student Center.

Though a deacon, priest or bishop never "retires" from ministry, we do "resign" from full-time "active" service in the Church. It is time for Frank to "resign" as Rector of Epiphany Church

A look at the life and ministry of the Rev. Canon Frank Chun | Page D

for reasons of "advanced age." What an odd turn of phrase for Frank Chun, an eternally youthful name which somehow never goes with "advanced age."

A person called to be a priest is called to something more than a job. In a manual on the prayer life of a priest, Gregory Mabry wrote, "Our vocation, then, is both a gift and an attainment. It truly came from God, but we had to work for it, too; God gave us the desire, a desire which constantly presented itself under many guises, and which grew; but we had constantly to feed the desire to make it a fact. So far as we had anything to do with our holy vocation it is the result of our willing to be priests" (*The Priest and his Interior Life*, Morehouse, 1932). Frank has been an example of service and of the desire to a faithful priest for forty years.

We all know that not all priests are the same. Some are outstanding preachers and others fine liturgists. There are priests who are keen administrators and leaders. There are insightful teachers and wise spiritual guides. As I reflect on the priests who have had the deepest impact on me personally in times of need or even everyday trial, the term "pastor" comes to mind. Allan Harlan, Pat Wilson-Kastner, David Hegg, Bill Hib-



**The Right Rev.  
Robert L. Fitzpatrick**  
BISHOP OF HAWAII

bert, Tom Yoshida and others through the years, have been my priests, my pastors. These priests embody the ideals of George Herbert (1593-1633), "The Country Parson, when any of his cure is sick, or afflicted with loss of friend, or estate, or any ways distressed, fails not to afford his best comforts, and rather goes to them, than sends for the afflicted, though they can, and otherwise ought to come to him" (*George Herbert: The Country Parson, The Temple*, Paulist Press, 1981). Frank Chun is such a priest.

Frank's ministry has been served as a country vicar, a large congregation staff member, a school chaplain and a parish rector. His ministry has been marked by walking with those in his care through the great transitions of life. Even as a school chaplain, he was known for hospital calls and the care of families in times of crisis. A son of the Islands, even his keenest academic contribution (work on the translation of *Da Jesus Book*) was an act of pastoral care. Frank Chun is an outstanding priest and pastor; he is truly our "Country Parson."

Frank's transition in ministry is a time for celebration. It is also a time for us to reflect and to act. As a Diocese, we are challenged to call forth a new generation of priests — daughters and sons of the Islands — some who will serve in our midst and some who will be sent out to the Church throughout the world. Some will be called to be pastors and country parsons and other scholars and great preachers.

Frank was called from his home parish, St. Elizabeth's Church, and nurtured through our own diocesan campus ministry. He is an example of one called, raised up, ordained in the Diocese for ministry here. We need such priests again. It is an es-

## BISHOP'S VISITATIONS

Bishop Fitzpatrick does not have regular visitations scheduled during June, July or August. From September through May, Bishop Fitzpatrick visits all congregations in the Diocese, every other year on a Sunday and in the alternate years on a weekday evening during the same week.

### September

Sept. 14.....St. Elizabeth's, Honolulu  
Sept. 15-19.....St. Peter's, Honolulu  
Sept. 21.....Holy Nativity, Honolulu  
Sept. 22-26.....Epiphany, Honolulu

### October

Oct. 5.....St. George's, Honolulu  
Oct. 6-10.....St. Philip's, Waianae  
Oct. 12.....St. Christopher's, Kailua  
Oct. 13-17.....Emmanuel, Kailua

### November

Nov. 2.....Episcopal Church on West Kua'i  
Nov. 3-7.....St. Michael's, Kua'i  
Nov. 9.....Trinity-by-the-Sea, Maui  
Nov. 10-14.....Good Shepherd, Maui

sential part of the very DNA of our Diocese as the Body of Christ.

So, Frank, thank you. Please know your ministry is not over, but changing. You are needed now more than in the past. I expect you to continue as chair of the Commission on Ministry.

*"Therefore, brothers and sisters, holy partners in a heavenly calling, consider Jesus, the apostle and high priest of our confession, was faithful to the one who appointed him, just as Moses also was faithful in all God's house."*

Hebrews 3:1

*Aloha i Iesu Kristo ko makou Haku,*

+Bob

+ Keali'ikoaokeakua

## Hawai'i represented at Taiwan conference

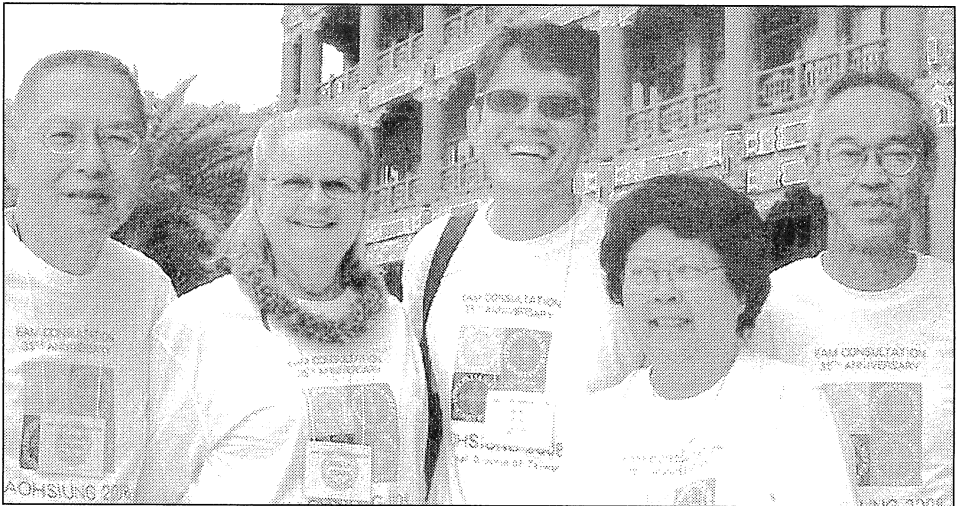
**By The Rev. Canon Robert Hino**

Seven representatives from the Diocese of Hawai'i traveled to Kaohsiung, Taiwan, in June to attend the annual meeting of the Episcopal Asiamerica Ministries (EAM) Consultation.

EAM is a network of Episcopalians dedicated to mission and ministry as Asians in the Episcopal Church. They gather once-a-year for training, workshops, networking, worship and fellowship.

The EAM Consultation usually meets on the United States Mainland, but this year decided to gather in Taiwan. The latest meeting was an opportunity to embrace the EAM relationship with the Diocese of Taiwan and its Bishop, The Right Rev. David Lai. Currently, the Diocese of Taiwan is a member of Province VIII of the Episcopal Church of the United States.

During the Taiwan assembly, Canon Soh Chye Ann of Singapore led three plenary sessions on the "Implications of Globalization for Asian Ministry and the Church at



THE REV. CANON ROBERT HINO

**The Rt. Rev. Richard Chang, Dee Chang, the Rev. Canon Robert Hino, and Mimi and Peter Wu were part of the Hawai'i contingent at the EAM Consultation meeting.**

Large." The Canon reminded participants that in times of rapid change, one way to stay anchored is through the mission of the church. During the closing Eucharist, Bishop Lai encouraged participants in the

words of Mother Teresa, "worry less about being successful and more about being faithful."

Next year's meeting will be held at an Episcopal camp in southwest Florida.

# Save the date for diocesan Convocation in March

By Sharon Billingsley

Our first Convocation as the Diocese of Hawai'i is planned for March 20-22, 2009, at the Turtle Bay Resort on O'ahu. By way of historical correctness, if this isn't "the first" such event, it's the first in a very, very long time.

Last October, the diocesan Convention voted that the Diocese of Hawai'i should hold an annual Convocation in the spring. Instead of being focused on business and budgets, as the annual meeting of the Convention is, the Convocation will focus on "spiritual development and mission."

The resolution calling for the Convocation also said that "all lay and clergy members of the Diocese should be invited." Thus was the beginning of Convocation 2009: "Hearts for God's Kingdom: Ignited for God's Mission."

A convocation — a gathering of the people who comprise the Diocese of Hawai'i, from the ordained to the laity, young and old, all of us together — will give us a unique opportunity to come together as a whole. It will be a special time to learn together, worship together, celebrate together, all of us Episcopalians from everywhere in the state: Kaua'i to Hawai'i, mauka to makai.

We hope to have a web link soon, so you can begin to make your plans to participate.

The link will feature details on the convocation itself, as well as reading materials, music for the convocation, and thoughts about what it would mean to have our hearts afire for God. We are also working on a program for children and youth.

So put it on your calendar: Convocation 2009, March 20-22.

## Sample will be keynote speaker

The Rev. Tex Sample, a renowned speaker and author, will be the keynote speaker for the first spring Convocation, March 20-22, 2009. A Methodist minister, Sample is a professor emeritus of church and society at Saint Paul School of Theology, Kansas City, Mo., and now lives in Arizona.

He has been described as "... a man with a baseball bat in one hand and a copy of the philosopher Wittgenstein in the other ... a man of the people and a man of the academy ... a man who is comfortable at his daddy's taxi-cab stand and on the General Conference floor [the national meeting of his denomination]" (from Judith L. Orr, a former academic dean at Saint Paul's School of



Sample

Theology, quoted on [www.texsample.com](http://www.texsample.com)).

The Rt. Rev. Carol Gallagher will serve as chaplain of the Convocation. Gallagher will also be among us as Chaplain of the upcoming 2008 annual meeting of the Convention. Bishop Gallagher, a Native American of Cherokee descent, visited the Diocese this past February and traveled throughout the islands talking with people. She was here at the request of Bishop Bob Fitzpatrick, to help us reflect on mission, ministry, and a contextually appropriate local formation for ministry.

# Resources, new friends highlight Happening event

By Rheena Campbell

HAWAII HAPPENING COORDINATOR

Have you ever met someone and felt like you knew them forever? That's what I was thinking about after meeting some amazing people at the National Happening Leadership Conference.

As soon as we arrived, we met up with some National Happening team members. *We got our things together and packed up in the shuttle.* It was not a very fun ride because the road to Camp Kanuga, in the mountains of North Carolina, has lots of turning and swerving and we had already endured a long flight, not to mention we all were a bit nauseous.

When we arrived at the camp, we were welcomed by the awesome camp staff. In a matter of hours, we were sitting with many members of the National Happening team. We had the honor of hanging with the team while they made runs to Wally-World (Super Wal-Mart) and Dolly's Dairy Bar (the best ice cream in the middle of the mountains — thanks to Brian Moody). They were all so amazing ... they opened their arms and hearts to people they just met. What I realized is that it was God's love working! Our immediate connection was our experience of Happening!

The conference started with ice breakers by the youth on the team. After our fill of an intense game of Mafia we finally got down to business, starting with a worship service led by Randy Winton on vocals and guitar, Sara Goresch on guitar and Darryl Zimmerman on bass. Included in the service was our theme song for the conference, "Prince of Peace." If you haven't heard it yet you should download it because it is an awesome song that will send chills down your back!

During the conference, we met people from many different dioceses — Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Iowa, Nebraska, North Carolina, Southwest Florida, West Texas, Atlanta, New Jersey, Western New York. Watching the youth interact with each other was a testimony to God's love. One minute they were strangers but as soon as they shook hands they connected and silently knew that they were part of God's



RODEL CASIO IMAGING

**Attendees of the National Happening Conference in Kanuga, N.C. Teams were made up of members from many dioceses across the nation and were represented locally by Danny Acidera, Kevin Viernes, Rheena Campbell and Rodel Casio.**

plan.

The conference was filled with small group discussions, large group games, share shops and lots of worship filled with the Holy Spirit. We also did some serious work, electing new National Happening director in Randy Winton from the Diocese of Atlanta. We also voted on adopting a revised Happening Manual, and the National Happening team also took applications and did interviews for the future team of 2008-2010. Kevin Viernes and I applied to be on the National Happening Team and by God's grace we were picked.

In other good news, the Diocese of Hawai'i gave a great showing at the talent

show. First, we made up a song to tell all the dioceses how much we love them. Then we shared the wonderful gift of the Hawaiian language. Rodel Casio sang the doxology in Hawaiian (a capella) then we sang it in Ilocano with Danny Acidera on trumpet. The third time we asked everyone to join us in English. Talk about chicken skin!

Overall, the conference was awesome. Talking to everyone about how they run Happening in their own diocese will be an invaluable resource to our program. Most importantly, making lifelong friends that God intended us to meet is the greatest gift of all. As National Team member Chuck Beards said at our closing Eucharist, "You

think you're done with Happening but Happening is not done with you!"

My friends in Christ, I am a living testimony to that! I attended my first Happening ten years ago and the fire of God's love that I found that weekend still burns strong in me.

For those who supported and prayed for us, thank you from the bottom of our hearts. For those who are curious about what Happening is, I invite you to experience it. The next Happening (No. 21) in our Diocese will be Feb. 13-15, 2009. If you want more information, contact me at [rheenalynne@gmail.com](mailto:rheenalynne@gmail.com). God bless you all!



# Chun begins new chapter of service

After 40 years  
Chun retires  
as 'active' priest

COURTESY OF EPIPHANY CHURCH

Frank Chun is a "local boy," the only child of Margaret and Ahee Chun. He grew up on Lunalilo Street, on a small parcel of land where the retirement community known as "The Plaza" is situated today.

Through his dad's influence he grew up in a Buddhist household, and attended the Temples ("Kuan Yin" on Vineyard, and "Hau Wong" on School Street) and regularly visited the ancestral graves.

Through his mom's influence, during his preteen years, he attended St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church in Palama. There he became active in Sunday School, the Young People's Fellowship, acolytes (where "we were also the altar guild, and snuck wine to drink!" according to Frank), the choir and the Boy Scouts.

Frank graduated from Roosevelt High School in 1960, in spite of flunking geometry in his junior year. He also graduated from Mun Lun Chinese Language School in 1961, where "I was president of the class, and at graduation was recognized as a 'Model Student,'" Frank says. He recalls that the Chinese school was at the backdoor (and a fence in between) to Beretania Follies in Chinatown.

While attending the University of Hawai'i-Manoa, Frank met his future wife, Norma, at the Episcopal Church's campus center, Canterbury House (now known as MacCray Center). Norma was then the assistant organist at St. Peter's Church, but grew up at St. John's-by-the-Sea in Kahu'u.

Norma's parents are Shuk Sim and Tet Choi Fung. Living in Kahu'u, Norma had attended Waihole School, and graduated from St. Andrew's Priory. Frank and Norma both graduated from UH, Frank with a degree in psychology and Norma with an education degree.

In the summer of 1965, Frank left for Church Divinity School in Berkeley, Calif., at the height of the early hippie era. "Winston Ching and Rudolph Duncan, also from Hawai'i, were my classmates," says Frank.

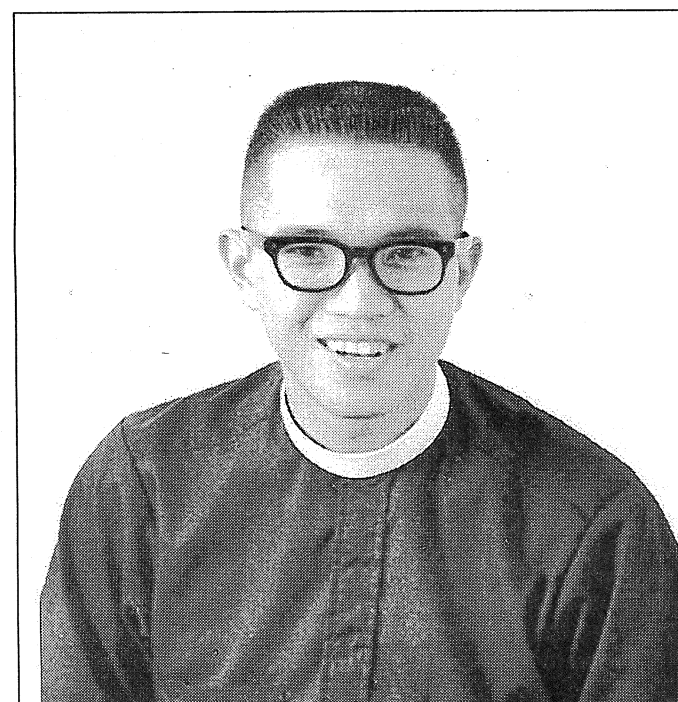
After his first year of seminary, Frank and Norma were married at St. Peter's Church by the Rt. Rev. Harry S. Kennedy and rector the Rev. E. Lani Hanchett. "We've been married for 42 years," Frank says.

"My 'call' to priesthood was



PHOTOS COURTESY OF THE REV. FRANK CHUN

**Above, the Rev. Canon Frank Chun has a little fun with music and headphones; Top right, Frank and Norma Chun, who were married after Frank's first year of seminary, have been married for 42 years; Right, Chun's seminary photo from the Church Divinity School of the Pacific in California.**



strongest in my latter high school years. St. Elizabeth's rector, the Rev. Canon Wai On Shim, however, had discouraged me from seeking ordination," Frank says. "I viewed this more as a challenge. The new rector, the Rev. W. Edwin Bonsey, was excited over my 'call,' and provided advice and encouragement, as did the chaplains to Canterbury House, the Rev. Morimasa Kaneshiro, and afterwards the Rev. John P. Engelcke."

While Frank attended seminary, Norma became head teacher at Claremont Nursery School, the Kensington Branch, in Berkeley. In Hawai'i, Norma has taught at Holy Nativity School, The Priory, St. Clement's, Kamehameha Schools and at 'Iolani School, where she worked for 26 years before retiring. But she hasn't stopped working, serving now as the education coordinator for

the Honolulu Symphony.

Frank was ordained a priest in 1968, and became an associate priest at St. Peter's, and served as Summer Camp Director at Camp Mokule'ia during that time. Two years later, he became vicar at St. John's in Ele'ele and St. Paul's in Kekaha, two parishes just 10 miles apart. "Both churches were served at the same time, thus demonstrating that 'yoked ministry' is possible from both clergy and lay perspectives," he says.

In 1973, he returned to St. Peter's as rector. "In 1976, I hired the first woman clergy for the Diocese, to assist at St. Peter's — The Rev. Lynette Schaefer (who is presently the vicar at Grace Church, Moloka'i)," Frank recalls.

In 1981, Frank was called to the chaplaincy at St. Andrew's Priory, a position he held until 1992. "The Class of 1986 dedicated

their yearbook to me. In 1992, I was selected Priory's 'Teacher of the Year.' I also obtained a special license to drive the school bus and transported students to activities," he says.

Frank became a canon at St. Andrew's Cathedral in 1992, and became a lifetime honorary canon upon his departure to take the job as Chaplain at 'Iolani School in 1996. He became rector at Epiphany Church in 2002.

Frank has always been active in the community, as well. He has been a board member of the Chinese Christian Association since 1975. In June, the Kaimuki Business & Professional Association gave him its "Distinguished Recognition Award" for years of service to KBPA, the Kaimuki Community, and for Epiphany Church's involvement in KBPA. And in 2003, he served as the

grand marshal in the Kaimuki Christmas Parade.

Frank was one of the translators of *Da Jesus Book* (The New Testament in Hawai'i Pidgin), which took 12 years to complete.

Frank and Norma have three children, daughters Carrie-Ann Kokubun and Chavonne Leung, son Corey, and two grandchildren from daughter Carrie-Ann.

Now that Frank has retired from the active priesthood after 40 years (with all 40 years in the Diocese of Hawai'i), he is giving some thought to the future. That includes investigating being a part-time chaplain on cruise ships and completing the translation of the Old Testament into Hawai'i Pidgin. And, of course, reading his comic books. "I've been a collector, ever since 'small-keed' time!"



# Weightlifting champion visits Maui church

By Keku Akana

Children participating in outreach programs, coaches, old-time weightlifters and the Rev. Marvin Foltz gathered in July at the Queen Emma Athletic Club at Good Shepherd Church to meet former world and Olympic weightlifting champion Tommy Kono.

Kono, 78, is an eight-time world champion, a three-time Olympic medalist in weightlifting and a former Mr. Universe. During his visit with the Good Shepherd kids, he spoke about his past and offered some thoughts on his life and weightlifting career.

He was introduced to the sport of weightlifting while he and his family were living in a Japanese-American internment camp in Lake Tule, Calif. Self-described as "skinny and weak" Kono credits weightlifting as a life-changing experience.

"I was introduced to weightlifting in the internment camp by fellow internees. One was a Maui boy named Emerick Isikawa. I

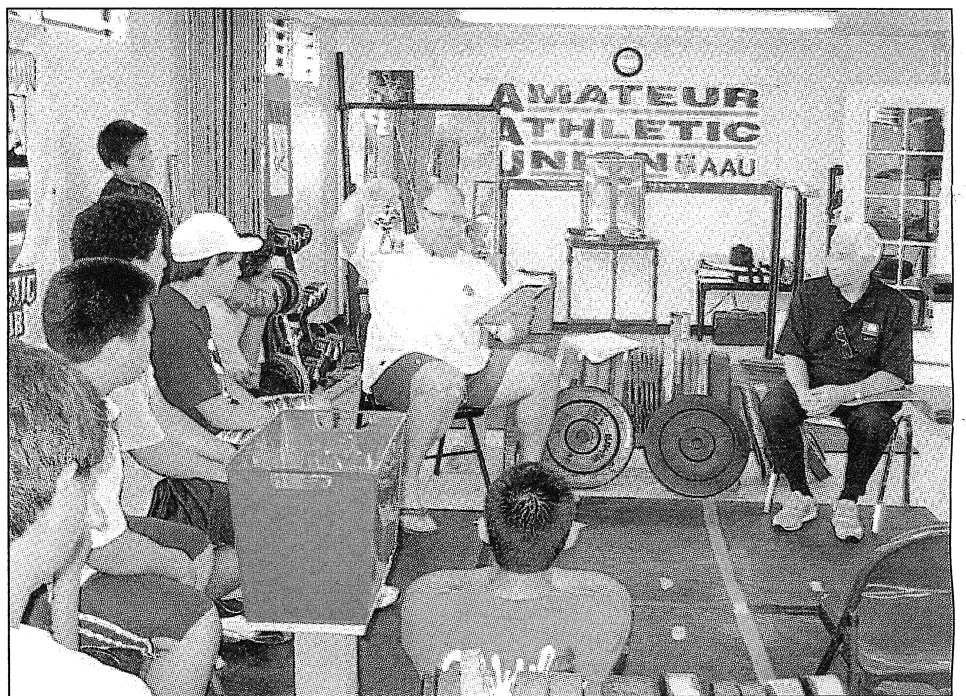
owe a lot to weightlifting; it actually saved my life," Kono said.

Kono said he never trained more than one to two hours per day and three to four days per week when he became a world and Olympic champion. Kono helped coach several of the Queen Emma Lifters and gave advice on technique. After the workout, everyone was treated to pizza and soda in the Church's courtyard.

The kids of QEAC were blessed with a visit from one of America's greatest athletes and all of them were riveted to Kono's message as photos of him during his career were circulated around the training hall.

Prior to and in preparation for Kono's visit, the Queen Emma Youth listened to several portions of readings from the Book of Proverbs Chapters 3, 4, 5 and 6 (Living Bible translation).

At the completion of their workouts they were given instructions regarding wisdom as a companion in life, treatment of your neighbors, moral living and the importance of a good work ethic.



KEKU AKANA

Former world and Olympic weightlifting champion Tommy Kono, far right, visits with youth from the Outreach Program at Good Shepherd in Wailuku.



MARGE AKANA

The Rev. Ben Nelson presented trophies for the Fun In Fellowship Dodgeball Tournament held at the All Saints' Gym in Kapa'a, Kaua'i.

## Dodgeball tournament features 30 teams of all ages

By Sybil Nishioka

Dodgeball fever hit Kaua'i at the 3rd Annual Fun In Fellowship Dodgeball Tournament in July at the All Saints' Gym in Kapa'a.

A grant from Kaua'i County's Anti-Drug Program was made available to provide a free, fun, family activity and also provide for the Sunday school children to play dodgeball — and the Fun In Fellowship Dodgeball Tournament was born. The grant covered the cost for equipment, trophies and free food to all participants the first year.

As the tournament's popularity grew, a second grant was awarded for the following year. This year, a generous grant from the Sloggett Trust and donations from local businesses and organizations helped fund the largest tournament yet, enabling All

Saints' to keep it free to the community.

The event has grown to an all-day event with 30 teams and more than 200 participants, ranging in age from 5 to 58. Surprisingly, the Masters Division (18 and over) is the largest group and had to be split up into co-ed and kane divisions.

This year's tournament was dedicated to the late Mayor Bryan Baptiste, to whom All Saints' is deeply grateful for providing the funding for this program. Mayor Baptiste was a huge supporter, who attended past tournaments and presented the awards.

Trophies and awards were presented to division winners, but special awards were given for best sportsmanship, best effort and best uniform.

If you would like to be involved or participate in future tournaments, e-mail All Saints Church at: halelani@hawaiian.tel.net.

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### NEWS FROM AROUND THE DIOCESE

#### DIOCESE GETS SUBSCRIPTION TO 'THE PARISH PAPER'

The Diocese of Hawai'i now has a subscription to *The Parish Paper*, a monthly two-page publication for congregations offering "Ideas and Insights for Active Congregations."

Each of the issues focuses on a particular topic, such as "Giving to Congregations: Have Patterns Changed?" (July 2008); "Do We Help People Grow Spiritually?" (September 2007); and "Where Do Teenagers Want to Go to Church?" (February 2007).

The issues available are posted on the diocesan Web page and will be posted as they are published and delivered to us. Some back issues have also been obtained.

Congregations are free to download them and distribute them as suits your purposes — perhaps to Vestry/Bishop's Committee members or to particular groups in your church according to the topic.

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#### DRAFT BUDGET NOW ONLINE

The draft budget for 2009-2011 for the Diocese is now posted on the diocesan Web site, on the Budget page for the 2008 Convention.

All delegates to the Convention espe-

cially should download, print, and read through the Budget.

Pre-Convention meetings to discuss the Budget, were held in August.

#### COURSE FOR YOUTH WORKERS

The Parish of St. Clement in Honolulu will host "Safeguarding God's Children," the diocesan-approved course on sexual harassment and sexual misconduct for vestry members, church staff and all other church personnel who work with or around children or youth.

The course is scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 4, from 8:30 a.m. to noon and will be led by Caitlin Embree.

To register, contact The Parish of St. Clement at [info@stclem.org](mailto:info@stclem.org) or call 955-7745.

#### SEXUAL MISCONDUCT PREVENTION TRAINING

The Diocese of Hawai'i will conduct a sexual misconduct training at St. Timothy's Church Sat., Sept. 27, from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

This is a highly interactive training session will hosted by the Rev. Al Miles and participants will be served light snacks.

For more information contact Lani Kaiahue, Events Coordinator, at the Diocesan Office.

Call 536-7776, ext. 309 from O'ahu, or toll-free from the Neighbor Islands, (800) 522-8418.

#### ST. TIMOTHY'S JOB OPENING

St. Timothy's in 'Aiea is seeking a full-time parish administrator. Excellent communication/organizational and computer skills are required.

Must be dependable, flexible and a self-starter. Send resume by e-mail [sttimsoffice@hawaiiantel.net](mailto:sttimsoffice@hawaiiantel.net) or fax to 484-4441.



# IHS carries on legacy of Claude DuTeil

By Chad Pata

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*"Well, I'm a Kailua person 'cause I live in Kailua; a street person is a street person 'cause he lives on the street."*

- Claude DuTeil, founder of IHS,  
in a 1983 television interview

It was this type of pragmatic thinking in 1978 that allowed the Rev. Claude DuTeil to tackle a problem that no else in Hawai'i wanted to touch: homelessness.

He did not see them as sots, hobos, streeties, bums or winos. They were just people, and no one was giving them a hand.

He tried to help them through the Salvation Army's Alcohol Services Center; it seemed a logical choice, as he was a recovering alcoholic himself. Unfortunately, it was funded by the federal government and thereby had mandates to only help those afflicted with alcoholism.

"He was really frustrated, because most of the people had so many problems other than alcoholism, but helping with their alcohol problem was all he was supposed to do," remembers Roberta "Bert" DuTeil, his wife of 50 years.

Though an Episcopal priest, he lived by a different sort of Golden Rule, the Golden Rule of Arts and Sciences: He who has the gold makes the rules.

So he struck out on his own, beholden to no one but his God and took up what became known as the Peanut Butter Ministry. He set up shop in a rundown building at 1128 Smith St.

It was in an area of Chinatown where the homeless had been squatting for years in abandoned buildings. The city had recently roused them at the owners' behest and they now were sleeping in the alleyways and storefronts of Chinatown and beneath the trees in A'ala Park.

## GOING AGAINST THE RULES

To serve the homeless, DuTeil had to break the law.

"We had no refrigeration so we had to stick with coffee and peanut butter sandwiches," says Bert, who moved to Hawai'i with Claude in 1949. "The sink was so small we had to fill up the coffee pot one cup at a time and that took a while."

Despite the legend of DuTeil wandering the streets of Chinatown handing out his famous sandwiches, it simply isn't true, according to Bert. Everything happened out of the shop on Smith Street, and the first day they opened their doors, on the occasion of his 58th birthday, four men stopped by for a meal.

Thus began IHS, the Institute for Human Services, a name DuTeil lifted from a friend of his because it sounded innocuous to the non-believer and would not scare them away. It also held the significance of the acronym spelling out Jesus' name in Greek.

While he was the autonomous leader of his crusade, he was still bound by draconian laws the state had that were construed to prevent him from providing aid. There were limits on from whom he could receive food donations, laws that prevented him from providing shelter for the homeless. At

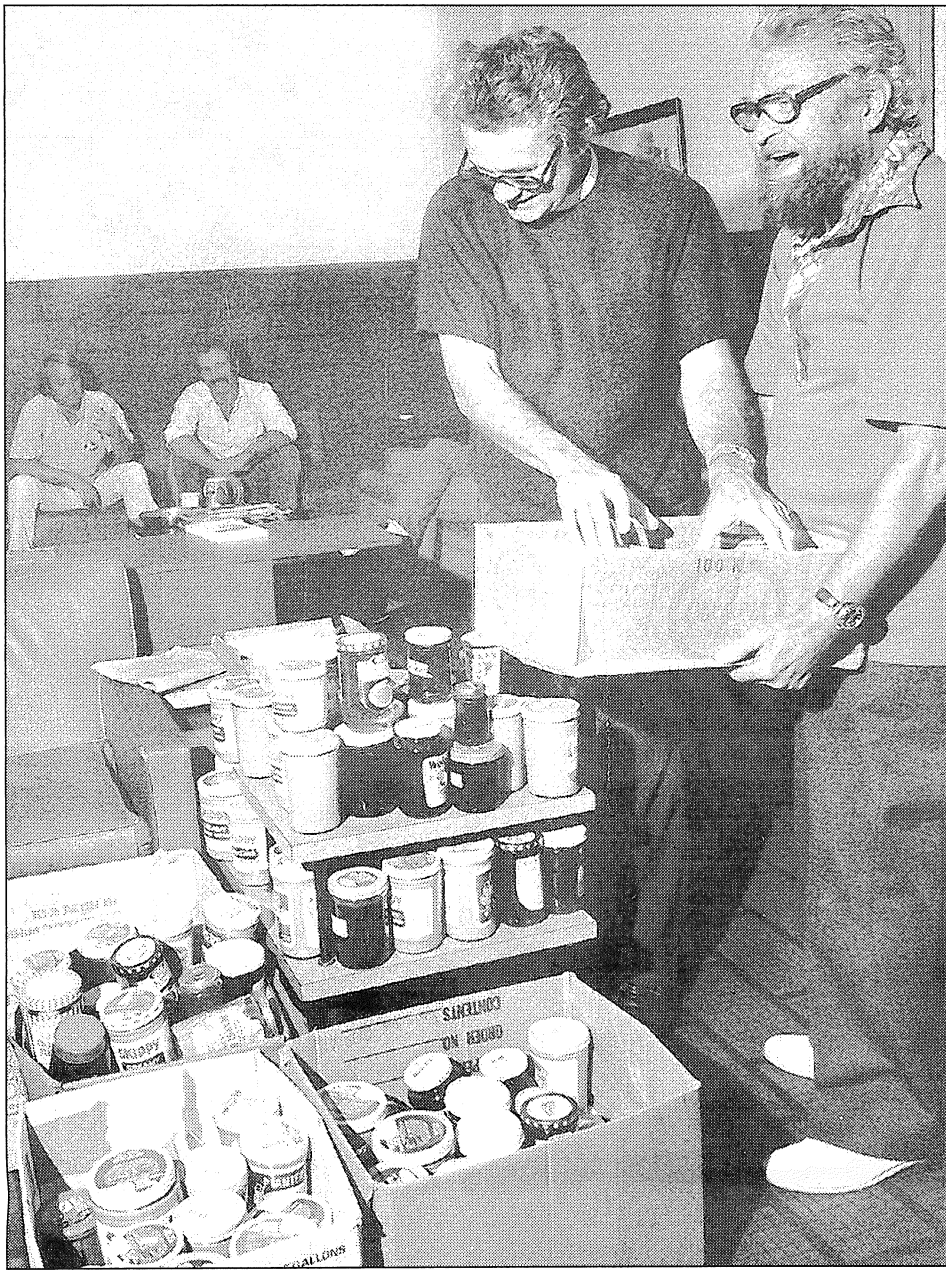


PHOTO COURTESY OF BERT DUTEIL

**Claude DuTeil and Al Westcott at the Alcoholism Service on King and A'ala Streets in 1977, in the early days of the Institute for Human Services. The non-profit organization recently celebrated its 30th anniversary.**

one point, the courts went so far as to make providing blankets to the poor a one-way ticket to jail for those receiving the aid.

A judge ruled that anyone sleeping in the park under a blanket was camping illegally without a permit, but anyone sleeping under an overcoat was just sleeping in the park.

"You have never seen as many overcoats as we gave out after that ruling!" laughs Bert, remembering her husband distributing those coats to any who wanted them.

## THINKING OUTSIDE THE BOX

As word of the institute's services grew, the DuTeils had to come up with more and more ways to provide food for the needy. Churches began to bring in hot meals on certain days, but they still had to fill in the other days, so DuTeil began thinking way outside the box.

Wedding cakes — you only eat a quarter of it anyway; bring it by on your way to your honeymoon. You sell pizza by the slice; they'll take the leftovers before you toss it. Ritzy hotels that replace their half used toilet paper rolls every day with full ones, you know what to do.

But now that food was pouring in, you need people to serve it, so DuTeil would recruit tourist volunteers from his Waikiki Chapel to come dole out grub to the destitute while on their dream vacation.

Much like those they served, the IHS

moved a lot, everywhere from the Tenney Theatre at St. Andrew's Cathedral to a former bathhouse on Beretania Street. ("At least there we had lots of showers for the homeless," says Bert with a smile.)

It was there on Beretania in 1983 the mission began to change. A regular patron of theirs was beaten up in A'ala Park, so they took him to the hospital. After the doctors released him, DuTeil did not want to put him back on the streets, so they let him spend the night.

This practice was still illegal at this point, but DuTeil felt he had an obligation to the people. An out-of-work architect by the name of Bob Peterson offered to stay overnight with the men, and IHS officially changed from a "soup kitchen" to a shelter.

When the police got wind of this lawless activity, they quickly responded by bringing more people in need of aid.

Soon Mayor Frank Fasi got involved, laws were changed and the rest is history.

## 800-PLUS MEALS PER DAY

Today IHS has two shelters, one on Sumner Street for men and one on Ka'aahi Street for women and families. In total they have provided more than 2 million bed nights to the impecunious people of O'ahu. On average they provide 800-plus meals a day, still often-times peanut butter sandwiches, totaling more than 5 million meals since that fateful July 1, 1978.

Honolulu's defender of the indigent passed away in January 1997, but IHS continues to grow and evolve in his name, currently under the watchful eye of executive director Connie Mitchell. Services now range from community re-entry programs for recently freed prisoners to employment placement and rental assistance for at-risk families.

"If we can stop a person from becoming homeless it is a much better use of resources," says Mitchell, who took the helm in 2006. "So one of our programs is for people that are being evicted or they have to move someplace new and they don't have a deposit, we'll help them with deposit and/or first month's rent to help people transition."

The IHS also has had to evolve as the problem does. In recent years there has been a spike in migrants to the Islands becoming homeless. By IHS's numbers, they make up 25 to 30 percent of the new homeless on O'ahu.

Many of them are Micronesians utilizing the Micronesian Compact that was meant to compensate them for land misused by the U.S. government. They were coming to O'ahu on cheap flights seeking medical care and education and instead they became instantly homeless.

Last year the state spent somewhere between \$80 million and \$90 million on these recent immigrants while only being compensated \$10 million by the U.S. government, according to Mitchell. This leaves IHS trying to catch those falling through the cracks. It does, however, give us one reason to be thankful for the rising gas prices.

"We hope that rising airfares will discourage these people from coming," says Mitchell. "A lot of them got here on \$99 fares. We are hoping to see a decrease, and we have noticed fewer people turning up homeless from that particular group."

## BECOMING A RURAL PROBLEM

Another real issue is the pushing of the homeless out of Honolulu, into the more rural areas of the island. Mitchell understands the importance of keeping our beaches and parks clean and safe for our No. 1 industry, but it is making the job of getting these people back on their feet that much more difficult.

"The homeless tell you with their feet where they are going, and they are moving out of the urban core to Leeward beaches and the North Shore," says Mitchell. "This is a real concern for me with IHS being in the urban core."

"We are really looking for people to get back to work, and when you move out to those areas where there are not as many opportunities to work it means you have to travel into the city to work. We just hope there will be more economic development in those other areas and as they do that it will be great because it helps spread everything out."

But the most important thing for many destitute people is just the gift of your time.

"When other people take the time to pay attention to a homeless person, it becomes very special to them," says Mitchell. "To a lot of them they have become nameless, faceless people, and when people do choose to invest in them, that is a very precious investment."



# St. Paul's honored by state Legislature

By Amado I. Yoro

St. Paul's Church has received the Certificate of Recognition from the Hawai'i state Legislature, in appreciation of the church's efforts with the Adopt-a-Highway program.

Volunteers from St. Paul's, led by the church's youth group, are responsible for keeping clean a two-mile stretch of Farrington Highway in Waipahu. The volunteers were honored by Sen. Clarence Nishihara and Rep. Jon Riki Karamatsu in August.

"Thank you for all the work you do for our community," Karamatsu said.

"Your work for the community, most specifically the Adopt-a-Highway along Farrington Highway, will not go unnoticed. We thank you and we acknowledge your good service" Nishihara said.

St. Paul's members have been actively involved in numerous community-oriented plans, including Feed the Homeless, donating to the Institute of Human Services, Weed & Seed and the Graffiti Paint-out with the Honolulu Police Department.

The Adopt-A-Highway clean-up project is St. Paul's biggest volunteer mission. Raquel Ramirez, president of the St. Paul's youth group, is also chair of the Adopt-A-Highway project. She is assisted by co-chair, Raffy Villanueva.



ST. PAUL'S PHOTO

Members of the St. Paul's Church Adopt-A-Highway team along with Sen. Clarence Nishihara and Rep. Jon Riki Karamatsu. Pictured from left to right are the Rev. Randolph Albano, Sen. Nishihara, Marcelo Acopan, Raquel Ramirez, Rep. Karamatsu, Rafael Villanueva and Amado Yoro.

## Lambeth

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ties to Hawai'i — many of our parishioners have family roots in that tradition and Bishop Kennedy helped regularize the Episcopal orders of the IFI. The establishment of a formal companion relationship between the Diocese of Hawai'i and an IFI diocese would be the first of its kind in the history of the two Churches. Thanks to Lambeth conversations, I am hopeful that the Diocese of Hawai'i will be in two formal companion relationships by the end of the year.

Through various small groups and classes, I was able to engage issues of mission, evangelism, environment, HIV/AIDS, prejudice, indigenous peoples, ecumenism, and Anglican identity. I was particularly informed by classes on Biblical interpretation with Richard Burridge, Dean of King's College, London, and I recommend his book *Imitating Jesus: An Inclusive Approach to New Testament Ethics* (Wm. B. Eerdmans, 2007), and on canon law throughout the Anglican Communion (see *An Anglican Covenant: Theological and Legal Considerations for a Global Debate* by Norman Doe [Canterbury Press, 2008]). I was also helped by insights of the Lambeth Conference chaplain, the Rt. Rev. Winston Halapua, Bishop of Polynesia in Aotearoa/New Zealand and Principal of the Diocese of Polynesia at St. John's Theological College, Auckland, New Zealand. I hope everyone will read his new book, *Waves of God's Embrace: Sacred Perspectives from the Ocean* (Canterbury Press, 2008). It is also my hope that Bishop Halapua might be our guest in the near future to teach.

Unlike past Lambeth Conferences, there were no legislative sessions, heated debates, or definitive pronouncements. As bishops, we engaged the major issues facing the Anglican Communion in small group Bible studies and then in gathering of Bible study groups in larger Indaba groups. The reflections of the several Indaba groups were then pulled together by a

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working group into a document, "Lambeth Indaba: Capturing the Conversations and Reflections from the Lambeth Conference 2008" (see [http://www.lambethconference.org/daily/news.cfm/2008/8/3/ACN\\$4510](http://www.lambethconference.org/daily/news.cfm/2008/8/3/ACN$4510)). I urge you to read this document to have the fullest sense of the 2008 Lambeth Conference.

The Anglican Communion is divided. Questions of Biblical authority and human sexuality divide bishops within the Communion and within local provinces of the Communion. We agreed that we need one another and there is still hope that we will stay together. The blessing of same-sex couples was discussed openly and honestly. I was able to explain to bishops from Africa, Asia and the West Indies my own understanding of this radical innovation and why I think that it is a faithful development in the life of the Church. I could witness to the faithful place of homosexual Christians in the life of my Diocese as lay and ordained leaders. We found that we shared a faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior and in God understood through the Holy Trinity as expressed in the Creeds, nurtured by the Sacraments, and taught by Apostolic ministry, even when we disagreed on this particular application of moral teaching. One primate suggested that except for this one issue — and perhaps the ordination of women to the episcopate — I could serve as a bishop in his province.

Will the Anglican Communion survive? I think it will, but I am not sure of its future shape or even if it will include the Episcopal Church. We are in a numinous time between possibilities. I am not opposed to the idea of an Anglican Covenant, but not in the form currently being reviewed. We have much to discuss and the Episcopal Church is being called to a "season of gracious restraint." On September 27, 2007, following the meeting of the House of Bishops in

New Orleans, I wrote a letter to the Diocese following the meeting of the House of Bishops in New Orleans. In that letter, I noted:

"While at the time of consent, each bishop with jurisdiction must act according to conscience and with a personal understanding of the canons, I see no clear teaching of The Episcopal Church on the subject of blessing same-sex unions and until there is one, I will not give my consent to a non-celibate, unmarried person elected a bishop in The Episcopal Church. ... While I believe that the blessing of same-sex unions is an important and right evolution in the life of Christ's Church ... The Episcopal Church has not authorized such rites and we have no clear teaching (or even a mind of the House of Bishops preliminary report) on this matter. ... I will therefore not authorize such public blessings of same-sex unions in the Diocese of Hawai'i and I formally ask the clergy of this Diocese to refrain from officiating in any liturgies in our churches that might be construed by the reasonable outside observer as a formal public 'blessing' or 'marriage' of a same-sex couple."

Until such time as The Episcopal Church might act through the General Convention, I will continue to observe the moratoria on the ordination of persons living in a same-sex union to the episcopate and on the blessing of same-sex unions as noted above.

As we look to the future, I call our Diocese to study and reasoned engagement. Read the documents of the Lambeth Conference 2008. We will continue in conversation with one another, with others in the Episcopal Church, and with the worldwide Anglican Communion. We should not act in isolation, but engaged with the world around witnessing as best can to the saving love of Jesus Christ.

Thank you for your prayers!

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NEWS FROM AROUND THE DIOCESE

### WALLACE LEAVES CATHEDRAL

Canon Jenny Wallace has left her position at the Cathedral Church of St. Andrew. Her position was eliminated because of budgetary constraints and the need for long-term restructuring of the Cathedral staff. Wallace, who has worked at the Cathedral for 21 years, was the Canon for Spiritual Life and Ministry Development, a title she has held since Pentecost 2007.

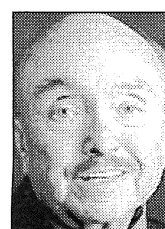


Wallace

In recognition of her many years of service and her "powerful impact on the life of the Cathedral," Bishop Bob Fitzpatrick named her Honorary Canon, a title conferred in late July.

### DECKER TO BEGIN AT ST. JUDE'S

The Rev. Dallas Decker began his ministry as Vicar of St. Jude's on the Big Island in mid-September. Decker, who comes most recently from the Diocese of Western Massachusetts, has also served in Long Island and Montana, where he and his wife, Cynn timer, spent the summer before moving to Hawai'i.



Decker

### JUCHTER GOES ON ACTIVE DUTY

The Rev. Mark Juchter has become an active-duty chaplain in the United States Air Force and has received orders to report to Tinker Air Base in Oklahoma. His last Sunday at St. Clement's, where he has been the associate to the rector since December 2007, was August 24.



Juchter

Juchter, who previously served as vicar of St. George's in Honolulu, was in the Air Force Reserves before going active duty.

## POSITIONS OPEN

- **Rector, St. Mark's, Honolulu.** Interviewing.
- **Rector, Epiphany Church, Honolulu.** Receiving names
- **Vicar, Good Samaritan Church, Honolulu.** Receiving names and interviewing

*Updates of the status of congregations with vacancies, as well as complete profiles, position descriptions and other pertinent information, are posted regularly on the diocesan Web site (Positions open/Ordained). For more information, e-mail the Rev. Canon Liz Beasley at [lbeasley@episcopalthawaii.org](mailto:lbeasley@episcopalthawaii.org).*



## COMING SOON

[www.episcopalhawaii.org/calendar/calendar.php](http://www.episcopalhawaii.org/calendar/calendar.php)

### SEPTEMBER

- Sept. 1 Labor Day, Office of the Bishop closed
- Sept. 4 Resource Development Dept, 11:30 am
- Sept. 11 Commission on Ministry, 2:00 pm
- Sept. 13 ECW meeting
- Sept. 20 Council Department meetings, 9:00 am
- Sept. 27 Sexual Misconduct Prevention Training 8:30 am-1 pm, St. Timothy's, Aiea
- Sept. 28-30 Annual Clergy Retreat, Camp Mokule'ia

### OCTOBER

- Oct. 4 Safeguarding God's Children Training 8:30-11:30 am, St. Clement's, Honolulu
- Oct. 9 Commission on Ministry, 2:00 pm
- Oct. 9 Resource Development Dept., 11:30 am
- Oct. 11 ECW monthly meeting, 9:30am-1:00 pm
- Oct. 18 Council Dept. Meetings, 9:00 am
- Oct. 24-25 40th Annual Meeting of the Diocesan Convention

### NOVEMBER

- Nov. 8 ECW monthly meeting
- Nov. 13 Commission on Ministry, 2:00 pm
- Nov. 15 Council Dept. Meetings, 9:00 am
- Nov. 15 Sixth Annual Chocolate Extravaganza

### DECEMBER

- Dec. 6 St. Andrew's Holiday Fair 9 am-2 pm
- Nov. 11 Commission on Ministry, 2:00 pm
- Nov. 13 ECW Holiday Luncheon 9:30 am-1 pm
- Nov. 20 Council Dept. Meetings, 9:00 am

For a full schedule of events, activities and meetings around the Diocese, check out the Calendar of Events on [episcopalhawaii.org](http://episcopalhawaii.org). Updated regularly, event submissions welcomed.

# God shaping us through liturgy

By the Rev. Canon Liz Beasley

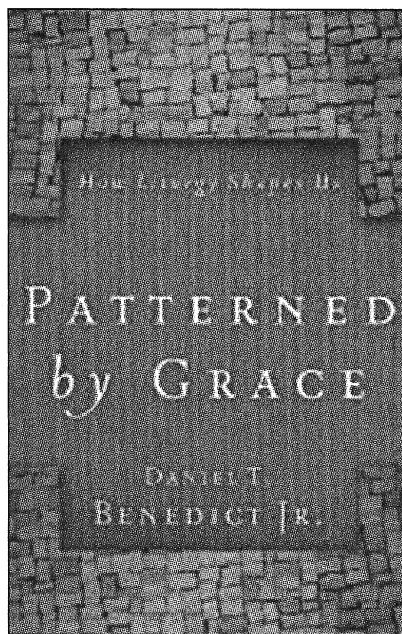
CANON FOR MINISTRY  
DEVELOPMENT

As an instructive and easy-to-read introduction to the church's liturgy, Dan Benedict's book *Patterned by Grace: How Liturgy Shapes Us* is one of the best. In addition to being informative as to the meaning of the liturgy, it is also deeply reflective. I found myself, while reading it, being drawn into prayer and into a deeper appreciation for God's action through the liturgy.

After some explanation of the roots of the term "liturgy" in the Introduction, Benedict talks about liturgy as "the communal act of God's people in offering themselves to the triune God in praise and prayer, using the church's historic tools and resources for the sake of the world" (p. 15). Later he defines liturgy as "patterned communal action in the worship of God; it is scheduled ritual action with words" (p. 23-24).

After the Introduction, Benedict continues with a chapter on liturgy in general, entitled "Liturgy as Bethel: 'This Is the Gate of Heaven.'" Subsequent chapters deal with the Daily Office and daily prayer, the Christian year, baptism, and the Eucharist. A final chapter addresses the question "How Loud Should Liturgy Be?" Each chapter concludes with reflection questions, and at the end of the book is a guide for group study. The book also contains a glossary of some of the more obscure terms one might encounter in an attempt to learn about and understand the liturgy of the church.

My favorite chapters were the first



one on liturgy as the gate of heaven and the one on baptism. The first chapter describes the various ways in which liturgy "forms" us — in other words, how God acts through the liturgy to move us from preoccupation with ourselves to a way of worship and living shaped by God (p. 25).

As I read Benedict's explanations of seven ways that liturgy shapes us, such as "Liturgy makes us part of a web of relationships with fellow worshippers from all times and places," I was reminded of the profound effect I have seen and felt the liturgy of the church have on both others and myself.

He then describes various tensions that are present in liturgy, such as the tension between "assembly" and "individual": "When we participate in liturgy," he says, "we enter as individuals and become community" (p. 31). Or another tension is between praise and

lament: "Worship must be truthful. To be truthful in worship, we cannot be 'happy, happy, happy,' even on Easter.... The community praises God at the same time that it pleads for mercy and healing for itself and others who hurt and suffer" (p. 33). The chapter concludes with guidelines for "reflecting on your experience of liturgy." He asks, in part, "How has your experience of liturgy shaped your life and your identity as a Christian?"

The chapter on Baptism begins with a story of a fictional young woman called Lydia and her baptism in the city of Ephesus in the third century. The story reflects all that I was ever taught about baptism in the early church, when the sacrament involved being immersed, naked, in a pool of water to more fully symbolize dying with Christ and then being reborn with him to new life.

However, the story as Benedict tells it through the perspective of this young woman makes all the history and theory come to life in quite a profound way. Then Benedict proceeds to outline the basic understandings of the sacrament of baptism, its part in the communal nature of the church, and some of the tensions and paradoxes that are part of baptism — such as, "Baptism is both a high moment and a daily grind" (p. 99).

In short, Benedict has distilled into an excellent introductory text the history and the meaning of the primary sacraments and the prayer practices of the church. It is useful both for helping one understand how God reaches out to us and shapes us through liturgy and for cultivating one's own worship life in response to God's initiative.

## Emmanuel sets date for annual chocolate event

Put this on your calendar now, because you don't want to miss it! The sixth annual Chocolate Extravaganza, sponsored by Emmanuel Church in Kailua, is set for November 15 from 6:30 to 9 p.m.

Pre-sale tickets are available now for \$20; tickets purchased at the door will be \$25. Children six and under will not be charged admission.

Family Promise of Hawai'i and the Institute for Human Services are partners for this year's event, which will feature a fabulous chocolate buffet and a silent auction.

Also, 50 "golden tickets" to a VIP reception will be available for purchase at \$30 each. Attendees to this special reception have the opportunity to sample the top chocolate confections in an elegant garden setting. This VIP reception begins at 5 p.m.

Jane Tonokawa and Carolyn Remedios are the co-chairs of this event. Contact them at the Emmanuel Church office at 262-4548 or via e-mail at [office@emmanuelkailua.com](mailto:office@emmanuelkailua.com). The Church Web site, [www.emmanuelkailua.com](http://www.emmanuelkailua.com), will be updated with information as it becomes available.

By supporting this even, you will also support programs which aid the homeless in Honolulu.

## Clergy retreat to focus on liturgy

The annual Clergy Retreat will be held at Camp Mokule'ia on September 28-30. The retreat, to which all priests and deacons of the Diocese are invited, will be a time for prayer, conversation, and renewal.

This year the theme of the retreat will be liturgy — specifically, the meaning of liturgy, how it shapes our spiritual journey, and why we do what we do. To help in these reflections, the Rev. Daniel T. Benedict, Jr., will be at the retreat.



Benedict

for the General Board of Discipleship of The United Methodist Church.

He is also a member of the Methodist Order of St. Luke, a reli-

Benedict is a retired Methodist pastor who now lives in Waialua and serves as a consultant, teacher, and author. For 12 years he was the director of worship resourcing for

gious order in the United Methodist Church dedicated to sacramental and liturgical scholarship, education, and practice.

Benedict's most recent book is *Patterned by Grace: How Liturgy Shapes Us* (Nashville: Upper Room Books, 2007). See review, above.

To register for the clergy retreat, see the registration form posted on the News & Events page of the diocesan Web site ([www.episcopalhawaii.org](http://www.episcopalhawaii.org)).

## Organ Scholar selected

Marshall University alum Yuri McCoy has been named Organ Scholar at St. Andrew's Cathedral, a position intended to encourage and support the development of future church musicians and to assist the musical program at the Cathedral.

McCoy begins graduate studies in piano at the University of Hawai'i-Manoa. He has played violin with the



McCoy

He has also performed in many festivals and competitions on the Mainland as well as in Austria, the

Huntington, W.Va., Symphony, the Marshall University Symphony Orchestra and has served as organist at St. John's Episcopal Church in Huntington.

Czech Republic and Italy.

The announcement was made by The Cathedral Church of Saint Andrew, The Rt. Rev. Robert L. Fitzpatrick, Bishop of Hawai'i, and The Very Rev. Timothy W. Sexton, Cathedral Provost, in consultation with Cathedral Director of Music, John Renke.

For more information on the organ scholar, please contact Renke, at 524-2822, ext. 217.