



The Crowing Moa Kane

Newsletter of the Hawaii Emmaus Community

<http://hawaiiwalktoemmaus.com>

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A Message from Our Spiritual Director

“Those who wait for the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.” Isaiah 40:31

I am coming down to the end of the line of a very long project. I began the ordination process more than 10 years ago. It has taken a lot of work, not just by me but also by a lot of other people. As I write this, the papers have all been written and submitted and the interviews have been endured. But I do not know the results yet, whether the process will end in my ordination in June, or whether I will continue to have to wait for next year, or perhaps even the year after that. I do not wait well. There have been many times along the way when I did not think I **could** make it. There were times along the way when I did not think I **should** make it. I got tired. I got weary. I got faint. As I reflect on those times, I realize that my weariness was not caused by the process but by my failing to wait for the Lord. If I insist on following my own schedule inevitably I either run ahead, or lag behind. And I will grow weary and faint.

Do you ever grow weary and faint? Don't we all? When we get the feeling we are grounded with the turkeys rather than soaring with eagles, let us remember that we are on God's time and that God is not slow in keeping promises. Let us wait for him with an expectancy, with a hope, and with a patience that only comes with a recognition that God is good, that God's salvation is sure, and God's promises are certain.

DeColores! Pastor Rob



P.S. Update as of the time of publication: The wait is over, or rather the work is over and the wait will be in June! (See Editor's notes)



Invitation

From Gathering Coordinator: Chuck York

You are cordially invited to an Emmaus Gathering
Date: February 11, 2012

Time: 6:00 P. M.

Place: First United Methodist Church
Communion Service with lots of singing in the
Butterworth Chapel with Pot Luck to follow in the
Komura Social Hall. Come and renew old friendships.

BYOF (Bring Your Own Food)
RSVP not required

Editor's Note:

Praise God and **Congratulations to Pastor Rob**, the Spiritual Director of our Hawaii Emmaus Community!!

The Methodist Church has two orders for ordaining ministers. First they are ordained as Deacons. Upon further study and examination the Board of Ordain Ministries in each Annual Conference approves candidates for Elder's orders. The time between these two orders varies. Pastor Rob indicated that his process took more than 10 years. He writes on his Facebook Page dated 2/2/12: "Well, well, well, it seems I'm to be ordained in June. Thanking God, Lisa, my mentors, my churches and many many others for this means of grace. I am acutely aware that I did not (and could not) get here by my own efforts. Humbled."

June 23, 2012 at 7:30 PM in the Roanoke Annual Conference is when Pastor Rob will be ordained as an Elder.

Walks for 2012



Men's #37: May 24-28, 2012

Women's #38: August 16-19, 2012

Now is the time to start praying for those pilgrims you want to sponsor for the 2012 Walks.

Applications are on our website: <http://walktoemmaus.hawaiiunc.org/applications/>. Turn them in as soon as they are filled to: **HUMU Walk to Emmaus, 20 South Vineyard Blvd, Honolulu, HI 96813**. Deadline for applications is May 17, 2012 for the Men's Walk and August 9, 2012 for the Women's Walk.

Go to the following website to get more information about sponsorship:

<http://upperroom.org/emmaus/invitation/>

Remember that Walk to Emmaus is an ecumenical movement and all members of the Christian faith interested in developing their leadership skills are invited. Also consider applying to work on either the men's or women's team. Team Applications are also on our website

<http://walktoemmaus.hawaiiunc.org/applications/>

Men's Lay Director is Patrick Zukemura. Women's Lay Director is Winnie Ching

Hawaii Regional Leadership Training

November 9 & 10, 2012, St Anthony's Retreat Center

Equip, Empower, Educate

A program designed for strengthening Boards and Communities

Events highlight both Walk to Emmaus and Chrysalis

Western Leadership Team of Ideal Curtis (Emmaus), Susan Jackson (Chrysalis) and Rev Ron Greulich (Spiritual Director) will be conducting workshops and Q & A sessions. We will have the opportunity to train with folks from the mainland and the Pacific Rim. We would like to see at least thirty (30) of our community members get trained on running a weekend walk using the new manuals. There will be a Clergy session which we are encouraging all clergy in our community to attend. Registration materials are located on our Webpage:

<http://walktoemmaus.hawaiiunc.org/applications/>