

KONA BAPTIST CHURCH



A NOTE FROM PASTOR DEAN:

Aloha Church Family:

One of the most difficult ministry challenges of all is saying goodbye to a Church family you have loved and been loved by. There are no words to express the feelings Rhonda and I hold for you. I pray the Holy Spirit who lives in each of us may somehow carry the depths of our love from our hearts to yours.

As we have accepted the call to Arizona, we have fully come to embrace it as God's will. We also look to the future as we serve there, as well as remain connected with the mission work of KBC and partnering in planting a church in South Kona. We praise God in that doing Kingdom work always brings people back together.

I will depart Kona Baptist Church confident of several things:

First, you are an awesome Church and God has great plans for you. Your obedience to our Lord through the years has brought you to a place of abundant fruitfulness. I believe your impact for His Kingdom can be even stronger in the days to come than in the days gone by.

Second, the path ahead is clear. Even though you must now resolve a question of new pastor leadership, there is in no way a leadership void in this great Church. The Admin team, Deacons and lay leadership are prepared to pursue and fulfill the plans which God has put in the heart of this congregation. You have a vision, you have physical plans, ministry plans, financial plans and spiritual plans. Follow them in God's power and "watch and see" what He will yet accomplish!

Finally, more than anything, I am confident of the love you have for our Lord and for one another. And I am even more confident of the love He has for you. My prayer is that, if there is any legacy from my years of service at Kona Baptist Church, it will be a deep awareness of the power of God to change our lives and to change the world, by starting right here in our own community, town and state.

You will always remain in my heart and in my prayers. Now remain in Christ, knowing that He will remain in you. John 15:4

Please know that we will continue to pray for you at 8:08 day and night.

You are loved,
Pastor Dean and Rhonda

Our Mission:

Kona Baptist Church is a Bible teaching, Bible preaching Church. We are a Southern Baptist congregation, ministering to the spiritual needs of the Kailua-Kona, Captain Cook, Kealahou and surrounding areas of the Big Island in Hawaii.

We seek to glorify God by reaching out to people with the love of Christ and the Good News, ministering to the needs of the church, providing opportunities for people to grow in Christ, encouraging and promoting interdependent relationships with one another, glorifying and celebrating God's presence together.

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UPCOMING EVENTS - JULY 2017



Men's Breakfast
July 1st @ 8AM
on the church lanai.



2017 BIBA Youth Camp
July 17th-21st
@ Kilauea Military Camp
Grades 6th-12th



Stewardship Conference
@ Kona Baptist Church
Sunday, July 23rd
5pm-8pm

HAPPENINGS EACH WEEK:

SUNDAYS:
9:00 AM
 Sunday School

10:15 AM
 Worship Service

6:00 PM
 No Evening Service

WEDNESDAYS:
6:00 PM
 Youth Group (2hrs)
 Prayer Meeting

Special-Called Business Meeting
Sunday, July 23rd
 following the morning service

Farewell Singspiration for Pastor Dean and Rhonda
Sunday, July 30th
@ 5pm

Potluck dinner to follow.
 Sign up in the ante-foyer.

Sign up to prepare a song, story, praise, dance, etc. to bless them as they answer God's call in Arizona

Hualalai Elderly Housing
Auntie's Angels Soup Kitchen

Food Distribution Event
 Saturday, July 22nd
 10:45am - 1:30pm
 at the Phase II Community Center

Sign up in the ante-foyer or see Linda Allen for more details

Food Donation Wish List:
 Mixed Canned Soup only

JUNE 2017 EVENTS

The Youth Rummage sale was a huge success and raised \$558.78 for youth activities!

A big THANK YOU to all who donated and attended.



The Mission Team from TX & TN hosted a week long Basketball Camp at both Konawaena Elementary and Kealakehe High School.

The keiki were taught skills and ran drills. They also learned about the Lord and by the end of the camp 34 keiki had accepted the Lord as their personal savior!



Backyard Bible Club was hosted by the Mission Team from Lake Havasu at Ho'okena Elementary in South Kona. Activities included Bible lessons, crafts, recreation, music and snacks. It was a fun-filled event. The children were ministered to and learned about the Word of God.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - FIXER UPPER

VBS was a blast! It was a week long event and everyone worked very hard to make it happen! Several children were saved and nearly \$500 was donated by the boys and girls to be given to Auntie's Angels Soup Kitchen. A big THANK YOU to everyone who participated, led the group activities and donated their time. Your efforts made this event a complete success!



2017 BIBA Keiki Camp @ Kalopa State Park

A total of 65 keiki and counselors from 5 Churches attended Keiki Camp this year!

The keiki enjoyed games and activities along with Bible lessons, great food and fellowship.

Friendships were made, lives were touched and hearts transformed!

Overall it was a great experience for all who attended. The keiki are now counting the days until next year's camp!



TEAM UPDATES

Worship Team

There will be a Worship Team meeting Sunday, July 9th following the morning service. Please plan to attend as we will be discussing next year's budget.

Youth Group

The Youth are excited and ready for Youth Camp and continue to meet Sunday mornings at 9am and Wednesday evenings 6pm-8pm (2 hour meetings over the summer break).

Youth Leaders Kai and Abbey Carvalho braved an all-nighter with the Youth with a "lock-in" at the Church. Thirteen youth members attended. They played games, made Smores around the fire pit and had a blast! They had such a great time and are ready for the next one!



NURSERY DUTY



July 2nd: Jennifer & Dacoven Lacy

July 9th: Tia & Tianna Tagavilla

July 16th: Leilani Balanay & Jenna Howerly

July 23rd: Sandra & Eloisa DeFarias

July 30th: Mari Matsuoka & Christine Sosa

"Children are a gift from the Lord; they are a reward from Him."
Psalm 127:3

Nursery workers needed!

Please see Lynn Howerly if you would like to volunteer! Or sign up in the ante-foyer.

KBC Transition

During this transition time, there will be three teams who will be heavily active. A list and description of each team is provided below:

Deacon Body (Ministry of our Church)

The Deacon Body is concerned with the spiritual health of our congregations and meet the needs of those who my have special needs on an ongoing basis, especially in the absence of a Pastor. Please do not hesitate to call any of our Deacons if you have a need or concern.

Admin Team (Adhoc* Committee)

At our special-called business meeting on June 26th, 2017, we elected an adhoc* committee that would help manage the day to day business and workings of the Church as we transition from one Pastor to another.

The team has been voted on and are as follows: AJ Howery, Bill Abell, Brian Smart, Ed Heistermann, Jennifer Lacy, Linda Allen and Sheila Academia. This team will get together in the next week and will appoint 5 working members of the team and 2 alternates. The alternates will be expected to be at every meeting and offer up any advice but will not be a voting member. The team will also elect a chairperson and secretary to manage the affairs of the Church and keep record of meetings.

Pulpit Committee (Adhoc* Committee)

The Church has presently sent out a check list of Church members that will be voted on to work with the Pulpit Committee. The Church is asked to choose the top ten candidates and send seat to the Church office.

Jennifer Lacy will compile the results and present the top 10 candidates. From those selected, we will contact the candidates and based on those who are willing to serve, will note on 5 members to serve with 2 alternates. These alternates will attend every meeting and will pray and offer insights but will not be voting members of the committee.

Your selection is important to us. Please pray with discernment as to who you feel should serve on this committee.

***Adhoc Committee's are committees that are put together for the purpose of a specific task and disbanded when the task is complete.**



July 2017 Calendar of Events

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 8AM Men's Breakfast
2 9 AM Sunday School 10:15 Worship Service (Lord's Supper)	3	4	5 6 PM Youth Group Prayer Meeting	6	7	8
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16 9 AM Sunday School 10:15 Worship Service	17 Youth Camp	18 Youth Camp	19 Youth Camp 6 PM Prayer Meeting	20 Youth Camp	21 Youth Camp	22 10:45-1:30pm HUALALAI ELDERLY SOUP KITCHEN (AUNTIE'S ANGELS SOUP KITCHEN)
23 9 AM Sunday School 10:15 Worship Service *Special-Called Business Meeting 5 PM Stewardship Conference	24	25	26 6 PM Youth Group Prayer Meeting	27	28	29
30 9 AM Sunday School 10:15 Worship Service 5 PM Singspiration Farewell						

