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# Koinonia

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## Christian Education ...

### Worship Services:

Japanese Worship /  
Bible Study  
9:15 AM – 10:15 AM

English Worship  
10:45 AM – 12:00 PM

### Sunday School:

English Adult Sunday  
School

9:15 AM – 10:15 AM

### Children's Ministry:

Breakfast Program  
8:45 AM – 9:15 AM

Children's Church  
9:15 AM – 10:30 AM

Children's Activities  
Program/Child Care:  
10:30 AM – 12:00 PM

### Upcoming Events:

#### Aloha Reception:

September 16

#### 5-Day Club:

Oct. 1 – Oct. 5

## WOCC's Revamped Children's Ministry

by Joan Doi & Joyce Tanji

With the new school year beginning in August, the Christian Education staff has implemented a new and exciting Children's Ministry here at WOCC.

**Breakfast Program:** To start off every Sunday, the children of WOCC are served a yummy breakfast by a team of excellent "cooks" coordinated by Darren Nako. The team consists of Jean and Stan Seki, Renee Koyama and Phyllis Nakasone and is further supported



by the many donors who contributed rice, Spam, vienna sausages, etc. The Breakfast Program runs from 8:45 a.m. to 9:15 a.m.

**Children's Church Program:** After breakfast the children go off to their respective class. There are three age groups with a team of two very competent teachers for each group. Group A teachers are Joan Doi and Jennifer Duldulao; Group B teachers are Darren Nako and Renee Koyama; and Group C teachers are Joel Duldulao and Elaine Wong. With a new schedule, new curriculum and new staffing assignments, the Children's Church Program begins at 9:15 a.m. and runs until 10:30 a.m.

**Children's Activities Program / Child Care:** Once Children Church is done, the Children's Activities Program / Child Care begin. Primarily for children whose parents or relatives attend our worship service, this program is supported by a staff of two who provide refreshments, games, videos, and other Bible-related activities. The fun starts at 10:30 a.m. and doesn't stop until 12:00 noon.

Bring your children or grandchildren and have them come join in the *FUN!* And while they are being fed, educated and stimulated, consider joining one of our two Adult Bible Classes and our Worship Service.

See you on Sundays!



## Evangelism Report by Jeanne Nagatani

We had family bingo night on July 21 with attendance being about 40 people. All who attended had a great time. Some of the families have never played bingo before.



We also had a sleepover for the children on July 26<sup>th</sup>. We anticipated that 10-15 children were going to attend. Praise God that we had a total of 27 children in attendance. The children had fun talking to Police Officer Fabian Mata and checking out his police car. They also had fun singing songs and eating s'mores, watching a movie to make them sleepy and then going to sleep.

Thank you for donations of prizes for the bingo event and the food donations for the sleepover. A special thank you goes out to all of the volunteers who made each event so special.



These events would not be possible without your help.

For all of the adults who were unable to participate, too bad you couldn't help and have fun like we did because you weren't there. You will, however, have an opportunity to have fun when we sponsor the 5-Day Club during the fall break (October 1 to October 5). The children, who are between the ages of 5 -12, will be asked to participate in this "club", which is a mini vacation bible school. We could use help when this event rolls around.

We are so blessed to be able to minister to the children. With God on our side all things are possible.

"Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field.'"

Matthew  
9:37-38

## Your 2012 – 2013 WOCC Board Members

### Board of Deacons

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## Board of Trustees Update by Dennis Nagatani

In anticipation of WOCC's mortgage loan being paid off by 2015, the Board of Trustees established an Ad Hoc Building Committee, in the Spring of 2011, to review our current and future needs for additional space. Since then, this committee has conducted a survey on the current and possible uses of the building and conducted two town hall meetings to determine our future needs. In July, the committee members recommended that we either build an addition or extend our existing building to accommodate our growing congregation of adults and children.



Please pray and see if the Lord leads you to support this worthwhile project. If He does, you can either make occasional donations or become a regular donor to our Building Fund. Please mark your donations with "Building Fund" in the Memo portion of your check or place your donation in an envelope addressed to the "Building Fund." This will ensure that the money is placed into the Building Fund. Any donations received will be used primarily to help pay off our mortgage early. Once the current mortgage is paid, we will be putting the Building Fund donations toward any new pre-construction and down payment costs of a new or renovated building so that we can make this new project a reality sooner. May the Lord bless you.

## Missions Corner by Roberta Nagano

It has been 2000 years since Jesus walked the earth. Yet to this day, over 2000 languages representing 350 million people still have no Scripture in their own language. Most of these unreached people communicate only in their spoken language because they cannot read or there is no written language. Missionaries in these areas have to learn the language and culture, build relationships, and create an alphabet. They have to translate and teach Scripture in an isolated location with poor living conditions, limited food options and deal with the health issues of the area. They need special training and confidence that God called them on their particular journey. It takes time to get ready and build a support team. And it takes money.

Those of you who contribute to our missions fund choose to give hard-earned income for something that produces no immediate, tangible results. Yet we are privileged to witness God carrying out His promise to build His church.

With your generosity, we have been able to increase the support to some of our following missionaries by an additional \$100 a month:



**Eric & Sue Takamoto** - Japan (Asian Access)

**Judy Galley** - Japan (TEAM)

**Ted Kawabata** - Japan (Every Nation Ministries)

**Joel & Grace Dasalla** - Africa, Middle East, and Central Asia (Campus Crusade)

I want to thank you for the part you are playing so that these missionaries can go out into the harvest field and fulfill the Great Commission.

### VISION STATEMENT

**"To develop and strengthen the congregation to actively minister to the community"**

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## Prayer Requests:

### Individuals:

- **Thelma and Jesse Bala** on their recent loss of Thelma's mother, Isabelle Pagtulingan
- **Harry and Tracie Horita** on their recent loss of Sharon Ann
- **Pastor Stan** on entering a renewed phase after returning from his sabbatical
- Other members, family and friends who are dealing with health issues

### WOCC and OMS Conference Activities:

- 5-Day Club/Vacation Bible School planned for 10/1 – 10/5
- Intentional Discipleship Church Leadership Focus
- Ad Hoc Committee of the Trustees as they deal with the future directions of our church property
- Christian Education staff as they continue the new structure and programming
- Continued success of the small group ministry program
- Physical and spiritual growth of the Garden Nutrition Program

If you would like to list or change your prayer request, please contact Stan Miyamoto: via a note, or e-mail at [stanmiyamoto@gmail.com](mailto:stanmiyamoto@gmail.com)

"Whatever you ask in my name, this I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If you ask me anything in my name, I will do it."

John 14:13-14

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