



Randy and Jeanie Furushima enjoy a "Happy Days" luncheon with the BIH Board, their spouses, and Staff in appreciation for their service to BIH.

**O**n June 29, 2021, the BIH Board of Directors, their spouses, and staff honored Dr. Randy and Jeanie Furushima for their faithful service to the Bible Institute.

In a letter presented at the luncheon, a generous gift was given to *The First Chinese Church of Christ* in honor of Dr. Furushima. The special gift was donated towards the stained-glass window renovations for their sanctuary.

The Pastor and church leaders recognized him as a gifted Bible Teaching Pastor. Their letter stated, "Dr. Randy Furushima served God faithfully as Executive Director of Bible Institute of Hawaii. His many "FULL HOUSE" classes were attended by members from TFCCCH and many churches in the community. He made the Bible "ALIVE" with the additional touch of travel photos, charts, videos, maps, and personal stories. His commitment & dedication of sharing his wonderful gift of teaching ministry further the Kingdom of God."

Many of us echo the appreciative expressions for Pastor Randy's Bible teaching and wisdom. We look forward to having him teach this fall quarter and whenever his active schedule allows.



#### Richard Wayne Grable

– 90, of Kailua went to his eternal home with Jesus on March 9, 2021. He joined his beloved wife Margaret Emma Morehouse Grable who pre-deceased him in 2017. He served as a

volunteer and BIH Board member and was also a member and leader at Kailua Christian Church and eventually at Trinity Presbyterian Church.

### IN LOVING MEMORY



#### Beverly Vallejo-Sanderson

– 61, of Kailua, Hawaii, went home to be with the Lord on April 4, 2021. She is the beloved wife of BIH Faculty member and Pastor of Kailua Christian Church, Dale Vallejo-Sanderson



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### "Happy 49th Anniversary BIH!"

by Rodney Wong, BIH Executive Director

Chee-hoo!??? It appears we are just one-year shy of that coveted golden jubilee anniversary. Sorry Hallmark, we'll get back with you in a bit. In the fall of 2022, Bible Institute of Hawaii will celebrate a historic milestone: our 50th year of ministry. Such an event should be projected on grand scale -- an event overflowing with thankfulness and remembrance, stirring optimism for the 51st year and beyond -- a memorable gala reception with a large public gathering for those whom this ministry has touched.

As of this writing, however, my hopes to proceed with such a large-scale celebration are met with muted optimism. Scripture reminds us that our plans should always be reevaluated and realigned with what the Lord wills (James 4:13-15; cf. Isaiah 55:9). Certainly, our God is greater than any disruptive force and devastation unleashed by Covid-19/Delta Variant. Also, adaptability and resilience has always kept this ministry moving forward. In our history, we witnessed the true life stories in "Opening Doors: Lives Transformed Through the Power of God's Word" by Ada Lum, 2009. The pandemic is Opening New Doors, offering fresh new stories, yet-to-be written and must also be told. Start now and pray that Hawaii will open up so that our 50-year Anniversary will be celebrated at an in-person dining venue. For a special time to tell our many stories, old and new, as we look forward to the next 50 years (that's 2072... unless the Lord returns first).



Meet The Wong 'Ohana! The Humans: Elijah, Miki, Mikayla, Rodney, Josiah...and last but not least, best fur-ends: Chimsy, Delta, and Darby

#### A Call to Action in Prayer

I ask that you join me in prayer (and fasting, if so led) against the unrelenting pandemic that has tightened its grip on Hawaii and the world. Pray for a swift end to this pandemic, claiming our loved ones and upending schools, workplaces, churches, even our recreation. Pray for wisdom and for cooler heads to prevail among our political leaders to work together against a common enemy. Finally, I invite you to pray for the Bible Institute of Hawaii, that we may continue to grow, transition and navigate safely into the future, led always by the Holy Spirit and guided by His wisdom.

#### A Future Look and Call to Community

The pandemic has sidetracked our Fall plans to reopen classes with in-person learning. When rendered "safe" to reopen, we will cat

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Join Us for the  
Big CELEBRATION, Fall 2022!  
Stay tuned for details.

MONTH OF SEPTEMBER  
**SUPPORT OUR  
ORGANIZATION  
TO FUNDRAISE  
EVEN FASTER!**



give aloha  
Foodland's Annual Community Matching Gifts Program

Make a donation to our organization at any Foodland, Sack N Save or Foodland Farms checkout, and Foodland and the Western Union Foundation will make a donation to our organization, too!

Organization Bible Institute of Hawaii

Our Organization Code is 78257

#### HOW TO HELP:

1) Show your Maika'i Card and make a donation to our organization (up to \$249 per person) at any Foodland, Sack N Save or Foodland Farms checkout from September 2020.

2) Foodland and the Western Union Foundation will match all donations up to a total of at least \$300,000 for all organizations combined.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**



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egorize and offer three learning platforms: 1. Zoom Online Only 2. In-Person Only or 3. Hybrid (both online and in-person). Also, look for new seminars and day classes, taught by Seminary Professors and Pastors, live from the US Mainland. Look also for our neighbor islands to join in and be part of the teaching and learning as we discover new ways to connect. And be ready for our first ever Fall Convocation as well as a Public Reading of Scripture class, titled, "Just Show Up." See details at the bottom of this page and on page 3.

My Pledge to Uphold the Ministry of God’s Word

As Executive Director, I pledge to steward this ministry faithfully, entrusted by the BIH Board and passed-on from Dr. Randy Furushima. I am humbled by the inherent role amidst a legacy of leaders, gifted teachers, and dedicated students. Since its founding, Pastor Don Baron pioneered this school to bring Hawaii sound biblical teaching. BIH has not wavered from that mission.

Along with my pledge to the ministry of God’s Word, I recently called upon members of the BIH Board and Faculty to do likewise. They too, recommitted themselves to elevate the Scriptures by giving it prominent focus in our classrooms and all BIH ministries. The Bible IS our main text (not a supplemental text or a proof text). Textbooks will be used but the Bible will always take center stage, as its instruction are for life and godliness (2Timothy 2:1, 2 and 3:16).

Lastly, I pledge to keep the ministry of God’s Word accessible and affordable. Now with online learning, access is potentially limitless. In the future you will hear more about BIH’s return to the neighbor islands and beyond.

BIH is committed to keeping classes accessible and affordable, within reach of all economic strata. We can do this because of the generous support from your churches and individuals like you. I look forward to seeing you online this fall. Mahalo palena ‘ole!



Announcing New Certificate Program – “Certificate in Mentored Ministry” (CMM)

This invaluable Certificate program is tailor-made to assist students in honing in on their ministry calling. It is a supervised practicum or internship in Christian ministry, addressing broad or specialized fields of study. The program requires taking 4 BIH classes and 8 mentored ministry program credits, earned from hours invested in any variety of ministries: Christian schools, parachurch, short-term mission, and church. Students will meet regularly with their ministry supervisor and BIH admin. **Prerequisite:** Completion of CBS program.

Now Offering “Flex Credit Hours” for Certificate programs – BIH Networking

Our CBS or CMM students may earn credit hours for attending seminars and conferences hosted by evangelical local ministries. One credit is equivalent to 16 hours of seminar attendance. A maximum of two credits may be earned per Certificate program.

**BIH Networking ministries include:** *Evidence and Answers, Hawaiian Islands Ministries (HIM), Just Show Up (JSU), and Alec & Belle Waterhouse Lectures.* (BIH Seminars also award Flex Credit Hours)

ALL INVITED!

FALL PRAYER CONVOCATION ON ZOOM

Thursday, September 16; 7:15-8:00 pm  
(a week before classes begin)

“Convocation” meaning, “to call and come together” in a formal gathering. Academic institutions often marked the beginning and the end of the school year with a formal assembly. All our BIH community is encouraged to attend. Join us as we pray for the Lord’s hand of protection and direction over the faculty and classes. It will be our chance to reconnect with familiar faces from the past, meet new friends, and receive the latest news on our upcoming year. **Free ZOOM Link will be posted online two-weeks before event on [www.biblehawaii.org](http://www.biblehawaii.org).**



Read the Bible along with us!

“...devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture, to exhortation, to teaching.” 1 Timothy 4:13 (ESV)

The public reading of Scripture is an ancient practice that has largely fallen out of practice. A biblical, timeless exercise that offers much-needed encouragement to read our Bibles from cover-to-cover. Join us each week as we listen to dramatic Bible audio, starting with Genesis, Matthew, and the Psalms. This one-hour session will include reflection, discussion, and prayer alongside a supportive online community. Just Show Up is just that, you show up. No preparation. No homework. No attendance taken. Let us grow together in our dependence on the Lord’s rich nourishment, with insatiable appetites for more time with Him. As our Lord reminds us, “It is written, “Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.” Matthew 4:4 (ESV)

**All Invited! It’s FREE! NO Registration Required!**  
**Pastor Rodney Wong and Jason Sumner, Co-facilitators**  
**September 21 – November 9, 2021 (8 weeks)**  
**Tuesdays, 7:15 – 8:15 pm (1-hour)**  
**Zoom Link is posted at [www.biblehawaii.org](http://www.biblehawaii.org)**

CBS/CMM: Flex Credit Hours

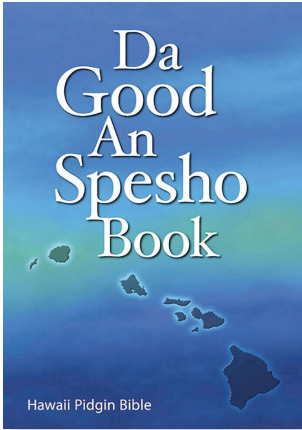
Bible Institute of Hawaii Financial News Update

Fiscal Year Budget	
- July 2020 thru June 2021 .....	\$82,456.00
Total Income	
- July 2020 thru June 2021 .....	\$90,513.00
Total Expenses	
- July 2020 thru June 2021 .....	\$87,577.00
Net Income (Loss) .....	\$2,936.00

A net income during the fiscal period ending June 30, 2021 has been recorded. The gain can be attributed to the generous donations and the continued practice of cost containment measures for expenses.

We humbly ask for your continued prayers and financial support for a positive financial trend for the next fiscal year.

Sincere thanks to all of you.



Excerpt from “Da Good and Spesho Book - Hawaii Pidgin Bible” About the Authors

Hawaii Pidgin Bible (HPB) download FREE from your digal app. store

“Had peopo from da Wycliffe Bible Translata guys dat help fo make shua eryting mean da same ting, jalike wat Moses, David, Isaiah, Matthew, Paul and odda peopo wen write firs time in da Hebrew, Aramaic, o Greek language, dat layta come da Bible.”



Bible Institute of Hawaii’s Mission and Vision

OUR MISSION

To partner with churches to provide Christ-centered, life-changing biblical teaching.

OUR VISION

Communities and individuals loving, learning, and leading in response to Christ.