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## A Jubilant Milestone for BIH! Are you ready?

By Rodney Wong,  
BIH Executive Director

This November 5th is "THE Date" that BIH has highlighted, spotlighted, then floodlighted for more than a year. Now, entering the final stage of planning and preparation, nothing has consumed us more than that date of the 50-year Anniversary Celebration. Prayers, vision, doubt, then more prayer underscore such a mammoth task and the difficulties that go along with it. Initially, it seemed risky to book such a large venue, open to the public for an event of this scale. It was impossible to predict if more lockdowns or restrictions were around the corner. Could people still feel unsafe and not attend? We moved ahead in good faith. But the pandemic restrictions lingered and then Covid caught its second wind, propagating a variety of strains along with rising infection rates. The impact was widespread and weighed heavily in Hawai'i. Sadly, the loss of loved ones close to us and others profoundly impacted our lives. Along with lockdowns, relationships at home became strained and social connections grew distant. Our livelihoods, education, careers, and society look different now, even reshaped and redefined in some cases.

As a result of all the changes and uncertainty, I must admit that even my own state of mental health and wellbeing were impacted. Despite attempts to shore up my heart and head in God's Word and promises, I could still feel a malaise of "uncertainty" haze over my mind's eye. The prolonged feelings brought me back to my days in High School. Remember "Senioritis?"

**BIH JUBILEE Anniversary Celebration**

**ALA MOANA HOTEL**  
Saturday, Nov. 5, 2022  
10:30 am - 1:30 pm

Join our Special Celebration!  
Live Entertainment, Worship,  
Lunch Buffet, Presentations,  
& Special Awards:

**Emeritus Dr. Don & Ia Mei Baron**  
Founders' Legacy Award

**Emerita Ms. Ada Lum**  
Lifetime Achievement Award

**Emerita Dr. Ruby Ovitt**  
Love in Action Award

**SEAT REGISTRATION \$65** [WWW.BIBLEHAWAII.ORG](http://WWW.BIBLEHAWAII.ORG)



**Keynote Speakers:**  
Pastor Rod Franklin &  
Dr. Randy Furushima

For the apostle Paul and the church, uncertain times in varying degrees was a fact of life, short of heaven. To ensure the message about Jesus would continue, Paul entrusted his faith and God's Word into the next generation, encouraging Titus to instruct

and train others for godliness and the gospel "in the present age," while waiting for the return of Christ, "our blessed hope" (Titus 2:13, cf. vs. 11-15, ESV).

God's Word is eternal and holds the

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# FALL QUARTER 2022 SCHEDULE OF COURSES

Sept. 22 – Nov. 21, 2022 (6 – 8 weeks)



All classes online, some include in-person option

Register online at [www.biblehawaii.org](http://www.biblehawaii.org)

Mail-in Registrations Postmarked by Sept 14

\$35 – \$45 per household

## Sunday

**CNS104**

### One Day at A Time

Dr. Ruby Ovitt

This special class is for men and women experiencing divorce, physical or emotional separation, or widowhood. Discussions, small group sharing, and prayer assist participants in developing or restoring a positive self-image and greater faith in God. New friendships and support will be built with others also undergoing one of life's most difficult crises. Water bottle recommended.

Administrative Fee: \$35 *Bring-a-friend* Free  
September 25 – November 6, 2022  
(7 weeks)

Sundays, 4:00 – 6:00 pm

In-person

University Avenue Baptist Church  
2305 University Ave., Honolulu

**MIS201**

### God Speaks Chinese - How Bible Was Translated into Chinese

Dr. Shan Chen

*"God must love the Chinese people very much, 'cause he has made so many of them."* So a saying goes. The history of how the Bible was rendered into the Chinese language is a story of God's desire to speak to Chinese people and reveal Himself to them. Since the last translation of the Chinese Union Version that was produced more than a hundred years ago, the word of God has been an anchor for the Chinese Church worldwide, illuminating, guiding, correcting, and training generations of Chinese Christians in God's Truth. This three-hour seminar gives a bird's-eye view of the history of the Protestant Chinese Bible translation. Starting from an initial skepticism to the first actual production on Chinese soil in 1823, through the tireless efforts of missionaries and their Chinese collaborators, God's active participation/intervention in the translation process is palpable every step of the way.

Come and find out how God's love letter to the Chinese people was written in their own

tongue. Whether you are a veteran Christian or a new believer, or just a seeker interested in this aspect of modern Chinese history, this seminar, conducted in Mandarin Chinese, is for you.

Administrative Fee: \$15 *Bring-a-friend* Free  
**TBA Dates: within** October – November 2022

Sundays, 8:30 – 9:30 am. (3 weeks only)

Hybrid - In-person and ZOOM online

**Tentative Location** - Chinese Lutheran Church of Honolulu

1640 Liliha St.

 CBS/CMM: Seminar Flex Hours

## Monday

**BST119**

### The Gospel in the Old Testament

Dr. Rick Bartosik

The Bible is one book telling one story: the story of sinful man, a holy God, and His plan of salvation through the substitutionary death of His Son on the Cross. The Cross is the center of all human history. It is impossible to teach the New Testament clearly and correctly to believers without adequate Old Testament foundations. In this class we will be studying God's plan of salvation in Christ, as it has been revealed in the prophecy and typology of the Old Testament. We will briefly consider the Messianic Prophecies of the Old Testament but spend most of our time on the Old Testament Types of the Person and Work of Christ. Includes: A Student Workbook in PDF format for print. Weekly PDF copies of each of the eight PowerPoint Presentations will also be provided for print. Recommended Book (required for CBS students): *Loving the Old Testament*, by Alec Motyer.

Administrative Fee: \$40 *Bring-a-friend* Free  
September 26 – November 21, 2022  
(8 weeks, except 10/31)

Mondays, 6:30 – 8:30 pm

In-person

Kailua Christian Church  
317 Manono St., Kailua

 CBS/CMM: Bible Overview/Theology

## Tuesday

**CLV311**

### How to Study God's Word: The Basics of Biblical Interpretation

Ms. Nanette Williams

The Bible is full of God's life-giving truths. But understanding how to discover and apply these truths can be challenging. This course will teach you how to observe, interpret, and apply Scripture faithfully, using the inductive Bible study method. The goal is for you to gain confidence in studying Scripture accurately and applying it to your life in a way that deepens your walk with God. You will receive a workbook by email to print and use in class. Recommended resource (not required but very helpful): *Grasping God's Word Laminated Sheets* by J. Scott Duvall and J. Daniel Hays (Available online in both hard copy and Kindle versions).

Administrative Fee: \$40 per household  
September 27 – November 15, 2022  
(8 weeks)

Tuesdays, 6:30 – 8:15 pm

ZOOM Online

 CBS/CMM: Skills

## Wednesday

**NT219**

### The Great Events of the Bible - The Book of Acts

Mr. Gary Lau

You've read about the people, places, and events: Cornelius, Paul, Agrippa; Antioch, Ephesus, Rome; Pentecost, the Jerusalem Council, the Missionary Journeys...but how do they all fit together? Learn the 100 great events of the book of Acts to understand the grand storyline of the first-century church, the geography of the land, and an overview of the New Testament epistles.



This symbol denotes classes that are applicable towards the Certificate in Biblical Studies and Mentored Ministries program

Administrative Fee: \$45 per household  
 (Registration includes downloadable workbook)  
 September 28 – November 16, 2022  
 (8 weeks)  
 Wednesdays, 6:30 – 8:00 pm  
 ZOOM Online  
 † CBS/CMM: NT- Acts

## Thursday

### NT205 Parables of Jesus

Dr. J.R. Cuevas

This course is a series of expositions through selected parables of Christ specifically from the gospel of Luke. The aim of the course is to equip students to accurately exegete New Testament parabolic literature in a way that leads to their appropriate application in the realm of Christian living.

Administrative Fee: \$40 per household  
 September 22 – November 10, 2022  
 (8 weeks)  
 Thursdays, 7:00 – 8:30 pm  
 ZOOM Online  
 † CBS/CMM: NT- Gospels

### OT020 PROVERBS: How to Live a Skillful Life

Dr. Rick Stinton

The God of all wisdom has inspired a goldmine of spiritual truth. The ancient Book of Proverbs reveals how to live skillfully in every area of our lives. Join us as we discover how to apply God's wisdom to our lives today for His glory and our blessing.

Administrative Fee: \$35 per household  
 September 22 – October 27, 2022 (6 weeks)  
 Thursdays, 7:00 – 8:30 pm  
 ZOOM Online  
 † CBS/CMM: OT- Poetic/Wisdom Lit.



FALL 2022



Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI) has approved Bible Institute of Hawai'i to offer course work leading to Continuing Education Units (CEUs) for ACSI Certification in the area of biblical studies.

## Looking Back

By Mark Yamauchi, BIH Board Member 1994-2000

In July, I visited the Bible Institute of Hawaii office in Nu'uano. Sitting on the conference table was a box of photos.

As I dug through this treasure trove of memories, I started to get emotional!

Photos of **Pastor Don Baron, Ada Lum, Dr. Ruby Ovitt, Al Fujii**, and so many others I've been blessed to commune with; photos of students in classrooms, lively BIH celebrations, fundraiser events, and memorable board member retreats. All of these images reminded me of the impact BIH had on my spiritual journey.

They also reminded me that Bible Institute of Hawaii is a family.

I am grateful to have attended classes taught by some of those mentioned, plus **Reverend Brad Smith, Dr. Bob Neff, and Pastor Erman Lunder**. My teachers always created a climate in the classroom that was welcoming, safe, interactive and encouraging for students looking to study God's teachings. These classrooms were spaces to make new friends and grow with others from different churches.

After taking classes for two years, Ada asked if I would consider joining

the BIH board. I shared with Ada that I did not have the experience to serve in this role and did not feel equipped.

Ada responded, "Don't worry, just try and let God do the rest"!

As usual, she was correct.

Looking back, I am grateful to be part of this family at Bible Institute of Hawai'i. We had a great team, enjoyed working together, and built long lasting relationships inside and outside of BIH. During that time, God gifted me with a great mentor, former Executive **Director Rod Franklin**. Through good and challenging times, God was always faithful and always moving us forward.

I am truly excited about the upcoming 50th Anniversary Celebration of BIH on Saturday November 5th...

Excited to reconnect with the BIH family...

And even more excited about God's future for BIH.



Kylie, Kim (spouse), Megan, and Mark Yamauchi

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Organization Bible Institute of Hawaii

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- 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.

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unchanged message for “uncertain” times. Christ, in His death and resurrection, established our faith and anchored it securely through tumultuous times. We are just passing through! Each generation God raises up stewards, who pass on that same Word to the next. Bible Institute of Hawaii, simply put, places utmost primacy on the Word of God, stewarding it in partnership with churches to provide Christ-centered, life-changing, biblical teaching. A rare find accomplished in fortitude and longevity for a Bible Institute of 50-years. A testimony of faithfulness to passing it on.

Can you imagine any other way to commemorate such a significant occasion? A festive get-together crossing multiple generations, cultures, and denominations. We are grateful for all churches and supporters that we have come to know and with whom we have developed fond friendships over the years. Whether you are new to the Bible Institute or have been around since its inception, you will enjoy what was put together.

We brought together a multi-church Worship Band just to mark this occasion, led by **Aya Kwong** and **Greig Porter**. Enjoy the music of local Waikiki singer and ukulele extraordinaire, **Micah Ganiron**, as we feast on a locally inspired 3 Entrée Lunch Buffet. Revisit fond memories of days past or become acquainted with Bible Institute for the first time. Special Recognitions and Awards will be presented, three of which are being announced for the first time publicly in this Newsletter: **Emeritus Dr. Don and Ia Mei Baron**, **Emerita Ms. Ada Lum**, and **Emerita Dr. Ruby Ovitt**. Celebrate with them and hear why their Awards are so special. You will not want to miss our two gifted Keynote Speakers, who served as BIH Executive Directors: **Pastor Rod Franklin** and **Dr. Randy Furushima**. They will inspire and encourage you with the Word of God.

As we are in the final stages of planning and preparations, please pray over every aspect and detail of this monumental event. Our BIH 50-year Commemorative Book is also a huge undertaking. Find the link on our website’s homepage and submit your statements or fond memories that will be included in the book. The final round of promotions is happening right now. Join us in inviting your churches, co-workers, and family members for the celebration. Seat registration is available NOW. See the insert or visit us online for more details. Together, we will Give Thanks to our Lord in celebration for all He has done and what He is about to do. It would be most appropriate to gather for such an occasion to pause and reflect in awe of our Lord for His many blessings and grace over the years.

November 5th will be a day that you do not want to miss. It’s going to happen, are you ready and will you be there? Register for BIH’s 50-year Anniversary Celebration TODAY!

ALL INVITED

*Fall* CONVOCATION

Tuesday, Sept. 20  
7:15 - 8:30 pm

ON ZOOM

GUEST SPEAKER  
**DR. GARY MANNING JR.**

PROFESSOR OF NEW TESTAMENT & LITERATURE  
TALBOT SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY AT BIOLA

Celebrating 50 years of Christ-centered, life-changing, biblical teaching

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COMMEMORATIVE BOOK

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1972 - 2022

HELP US WITH OUR

**BIH 50-year Anniversary Commemorative Book**

Visit [www.biblehawaii.org](http://www.biblehawaii.org) to submit your special memories, congratulatory remarks, expressions of gratitude, or BIH pictures to this book project.

JUST SHOW UP

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**Just Show Up (JSU): The Public Reading of Scripture**

It's FREE, NO Fee or Registration Required!

Zoom online only

Link is available at [www.biblehawaii.org](http://www.biblehawaii.org)

CBS/CMM: Flex Credit Hours

**Canonical Reading of the Old & New Testament, and the Psalms (Q&A and Prayer optional time to follow)**

Tuesdays, September 27 - November 15, 2022 (8 weeks)

7:15 - 8:15 pm

Facilitators  
**Rodney Wong & Jason Sumner**



# BIH 50-Year Anniversary

“CELEBRATING A LEGACY IN JUBILEE!”

Saturday, November 5, 2022, 10:30 am - 1:30 pm  
Ala Moana Hotel, Hibiscus Ballroom

## REGISTER TODAY!



### 50-Year Anniversary Celebration and Course Registration Form Please print legibly

First time student    Update/change information

Rev. / Pastor / Mr. / Mrs. / Miss / Ms. / Dr. (Circle One)

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

First Name \_\_\_\_\_

Best way to reach me (please include both phone number & email address)

Phone: home/cell/work \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Church Affiliation (if any) \_\_\_\_\_

#### 50-Year Anniversary Celebration

Purchase Seat(s)

No. of Seats \_\_\_\_\_ - \$65 per person

I want to be a Table Sponsor & Host - Donation

No. of Tables \_\_\_\_\_ - \$650 per table

Name of Sponsor(s) or Business Name (if different from above) \_\_\_\_\_

I want to make an additional donation for the 50-Year Celebration Event \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Register Online or by mail.**

**Email inquiries to [50@biblehawaii.org](mailto:50@biblehawaii.org)**

#### Courses/Seminar Registration

Course No.	Course Name	Admin Fee
<input type="checkbox"/> CNS104	One Day at A Time (in-person only)	\$35
<input type="checkbox"/> MIS201	God Speaks Chinese 🙏 (hybrid)	\$15
<input type="checkbox"/> BST119	The Gospel in the Old Testament 🙏	\$40
<input type="checkbox"/> CLV311	The Basics of Biblical Interpretation 🙏	\$40
<input type="checkbox"/> NT219	The Great Events of the Bible 🙏	\$45
<input type="checkbox"/> NT200	Parables of Jesus 🙏	\$40
<input type="checkbox"/> OT020	PROVERBS: How to live a Skillful Life 🙏	\$40

Total No. of Households Registering \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount from above \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Optional gift to BIH \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Amount Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_**



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**Directions:** Fill out your name and phone no. and/or email address. One form per person unless you are family and have the same contact info. **First time student:** Fill out your mailing address (and church affiliation). Return completed form and administrative fee to BIH. **Checks payable to BIH.** For more info on How to Register and Schedule of Courses OR to register online, go to [www.biblehawaii.org](http://www.biblehawaii.org)

**Mail-in for classes only Postmarked by Sept 14, 2022**



### Dr. Rick Bartosik

D.Min. and Th.M., Dallas Theological Seminary; B.A., Trinity International University; and Diploma, Moody Bible

Institute. Pastor Rick has served the Lord in Hawaii for over 40 years. During that time, he has also ministered God's Word in 12 countries of Europe and Asia. He has served as Chaplain of Hawaii State Prison, Professor and Academic Dean of International College, Interim Pastor of three local churches: and for 21 years, Senior Pastor of Mililani Community Church. Most recently he established the Myanmar Church Planter Training Partnership" in collaboration with national leaders in Myanmar, Burma, training church planters throughout the nation. He and his wife Diane met in Hawaii. Their son, David, is lead pastor of a local church in Madison, Wisconsin. One of Pastor Rick's favorite hobbies is fly-fishing. Pastor Rick last taught for BIH in 2015.



### Dr. Shan Chen

Ph.D. in Translation Studies from Binghamton University, State University of New York; M.A. in Communication from

University of Hawaii at Manoa, and B.A. in English language from a major university in Beijing, China. Her Ph.D. project is the Protestant Chinese Bible translation. A translator, conference and pulpit interpreter, Shan translated the classical *Egermeier's Bible Story Book* into Chinese. Titled 《全家人的圣经故事》, it is published by a Christian publishing house in China and is available on Amazon. She is an associate for Nida School of Translation Studies, the American Bible Society in Italy in 2019. Shan is a BIH alumnus and holds a Certificate for Biblical Studies. Born and raised in China, Shan has made many mission trips to China throughout the years, one of them was serving as an interpreter for Ada Lum when the latter was invited to teach there.



### Dr. J.R. Cuevas

D.Min. and M.Div. in Expository Preaching, Master's Seminary; B.S. in Biology, UC San Diego. J.R. currently serves as a

Pastor and Elder at Grace Church Kalama Valley, as a High School Teacher at Kaimuki

Christian School, and as Adjunct Faculty for Bethlehem College and Seminary. He is the author of *"Skillfully Surveying the Scriptures Volume 1: Genesis through Esther"* and *"The Danger of Hypocrisy: Coming to Grips with Jesus' Most Damning Sermon,"* and *"The Parable of Sports."* He is certified by both the *Association of Certified Biblical Counselors* and the *Association of Christian Schools International* as a Bible specialist. He has been a keynote speaker for international pastors' conferences in the Philippines, India, and Honduras. J.R. is married to the most exemplary woman in the world, Kathy, and they have two wonderful children, Jayden, and Emma.



### Mr. Gary Lau

M.Div., King's Seminary and B.A., University of Hawai'i. Creator of Learn the Bible Fast methodology. He has been a National Instructor

for Walk Thru the Bible Ministries, teaching pastor for New Hope Central Oahu, and Executive Dean and Adjunct Faculty with Pacific Rim Christian University and BIH Adjunct Faculty.



### Dr. Gary Manning Jr. Fall Convocation Speaker

Ph.D., Fuller Theological Seminary; M.Div., Talbot School of Theology; and B.Ed.,

University of Hawaii. Dr. Manning is the Director of the Master of Divinity program Professor of New Testament Language and Literature at Talbot School of Theology at Biola University. He is passionate about helping leaders in the church interpret and teach the Scriptures more faithfully and more powerfully. His research studies included the Gospel of John, the Synoptic Gospels, literary approaches to interpretation, and the use of the Old Testament in the New Testament. He is the author of *Hippocratic Oath: An Illustrated Greek-English Reader's Edition* (GlossaHouse, 2021). *Peter Rabbit and Other Stories in Koine Greek* (GlossaHouse, 2020), and *Echoes of a Prophet: The Use of Ezekiel in the Gospel of John and in Literature of the Second Temple Period* (T&T Clark, 2004). Member and Presenter at the *Evangelical Theological Society* and the *Society of Biblical Literature*. Dr. Manning has been involved in various kinds of Christian ministry for over thirty years, including youth ministry, church planting, and teaching ministry, and still maintains active ministry in the church. He taught for BIH in 2010. Gary and his wife Barbara have ten children and two grandchildren.



### Dr. Ruby S. Ovitt

D.Min., Hawaii Theological Seminary; M.A., Administration and Policy Analysis, Stanford University; M.A., Educational Administration, University of Hawai'i at Manoa; B.A., Philippine Normal University; author; retired principal, Hawaii Baptist Academy Elementary Division. BIH adjunct faculty since 1988.



### Dr. Rick Stinton

D.Min. and Th.M., Dallas Theological Seminary. B.S. and B.Ed., University of Calgary. Senior Pastor at New Hope

Kailua, which was planted in 2007 along with his wife, Dr. Martha Stinton. He is also on the faculty at Pacific Rim Christian University and BIH adjunct faculty.



### Ms. Nanette Williams

MA., Christian Ministry, Pacific Rim Christian University; Master of Aeronautical Science from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical

University; MA., Mobility (Transportation), Air Force Institute of Technology; and BA. in Physics, Cornell University. Retired United States Air Force, 2009. She currently serves on the teaching faculty at Pacific Rim Christian University (since 2016), while working to earn her M.Div. degree.



*Sold out seminar with over 60 attendees on Spiritual Warfare with Dr. Randy Furushima, August 13 & 20.*



*Randy and Jeanie Furushima with Ross and Stef Anderson, owners of Waioli Kitchen and Bake Shop in Manoa.*