



*Pastor Stephen Kaneshiro*

*As I write this article*, it is Wednesday morning and we have a new President of the United States. Many are calling this a historic vote. They are also calling this maybe the greatest political miracle ever. At this time (before all of the results have been quantified) Donald Trump has won the Electoral College with 274 to Hillary Clinton's 218. However, by a very slim margin, Hillary Clinton has won the popular vote 59,289,364 to Donald Trump's 59,128,595. To me, this is very amazing!

An even more important and amazing miracle maybe in the process of being experienced. If President-elect Trump follows through and somehow keeps all of his campaign promises, it will draw America back to a government that is for the people and by the people. A government that will once again have checks and balances. It will be very interesting to see if any of this will take place. If it doesn't, then America will continue to slide into a fundamental and a moral decline that will lead to America's destruction. We will no longer be one nation under God.

As your Pastor, I want to confess that I desire for the United States to be "*one nation under God*." I desire even more that the Nation would be worthy to be blessed of God. **2 Chronicles 7:14 (NLT)** <sup>14</sup> *Then if my people who are called by my name will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sins and restore their land.* I believe that in the next few months, this may be more possible to see its fulfillment, but it will not come through our political system or our politicians. It will only come through our churches.

The reason for this is that 2 Chronicles 7:14 begins by saying, "If my people who are called by name..." The Spiritual Renewal and Revival that many of us have been praying for is only possible if the church will:

1. Humble ourselves;
2. Truly pray;
3. Wholeheartedly seek His face;
4. Turn completely from our wicked ways.

Let me now try to explain this thesis to you. One of the biggest issues that faced Hillary Clinton was the cloud of corruption, cover-up, and dishonesty that just could not be shaken. With all

of the House, Senate, and FBI investigations and probes into Benghazi, email, and pay to play, nothing was able to be proven beyond a shadow of doubt. The accusations that an enormous cover-up (the email deletions, people who refused to answer investigators' questions, corruption at the highest levels of government, and other deflection actions) was responsible for this inability to come to firm conclusions. Those who were foes of Hillary Clinton just could not come up with the smoking gun. Those who were allies of Hillary Clinton just could not get the fully affirmative, "not guilty", verdict. Her guilt was never able to be affirmed but her innocence also could never be verified.

Donald Trump was also a flawed candidate with many features that made him appalling to great numbers of people. However, his message to the people resonated and appealed to the people. His message to restore a government for the people and by the people was supported and fought for by the Trump faithful.

For many of us, it became a matter of choosing between the lesser of two evils. It therefore became a decision based on the message. For me, one of the defining messages was on religious liberty. Over the past 8 years, the overwhelming and humiliating action and message from our political elite has been one of animosity and suppression of the Christian voice and morals in the public square. It has caused so much deep concern that it was appearing that the US was turning completely against God. This turn was filled with so much vitriol, that it would bring a

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# One Nation Under God

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sickening feeling to my stomach when I would hear these same people tag on to the end of their speech, “and God bless America.” I was sickened because I would be asking myself that they are filled with hatred for God and His people and now they are saying “God bless America.” How can God bless America when America was turning its back on Him?

Dear people of Valley Isle Fellowship, because of Donald Trump’s pledge to support religious freedom, it will be up to the churches all across America to take advantage of what might be a break in the denigration of Christianity. Not to take political advantage of this break, but to take advantage of a possible new freedom to more boldly share Jesus with the world in the character of Jesus. With love and grace that permeates every fiber of our lives, we will need to live exemplary lives that truly bring glory and honor to Jesus Christ. In my opinion, this can be accomplished only as we yield to and fulfill our Lord’s pleading in 2 Chronicles 7:14.

The Lord is our hope, not Donald Trump. The Lord needs to move Donald Trump as he leads America. As God leads the church to repentance and renewal, this will have a profound impact on President Trump. This will provide President Trump with the strength to lead our country in a direction that will glorify the Lord. The inspiration and motivation for moving America in a Godly direction will not be initiated in the White House but in God’s House, the Church. Dear Church, we have to rise up and be the people that will bring glory and honor to the Lord and take advantage of the small window of opportunity that may be cracking open for us. This window may not remain open for us for very long. Now is the time for us to rise and truly be the people of God who love Him with all of our hearts, minds, and souls. It is now time for us to be fully obedient to our loving, gracious, and patient Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. God bless you all as you move to glorify and honor Jesus!

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*Mark  
your  
Calendar*

**TONIGHT:**

Open dialogue session  
to discuss  
2017 Budget Proposal  
starting at **5:30 p.m.**

**Sunday, November 27:**  
Church members,  
we need you!  
Annual Church  
Business Meeting  
in the sanctuary  
starting at **5:30 p.m.**



Your filled shoeboxes  
are due today,

**Sunday, November 13**

Forgot it? See Clarice

Don't forget to include  
your \$7 (cash or check) donation.

Make check(s) payable to  
**Samaritan's Purse**

with the memo line stating "OCC"

Questions?

Call the church office at 244-0865

*Sweet  
Life  
Cafe*

October 28 | November 18 | December 16

6pm - 7:30pm  
VIF Church - High Street  
Entrance from stairs facing High Street

Ladies...Come join us for a cup of coffee, tea,  
water. Bring a friend or meet a friend.

For questions please contact  
Pam (446-4009) or Lani (757-1652)



**Thanksgiving  
Service**

Annual Thanksgiving Service  
and Potluck

**Sunday, November 20  
9:30 am**

Potluck following service  
Bring your favorite side dish  
to share

Church will be providing  
barbeque chicken, beef teriyaki  
and rice

# Task force aims to create ‘discipleship culture’

by Josie Rabbitt, posted Friday, October 21, 2016

*Reprinted from Baptist Press (www.baptistpress.com), news service of the Southern Baptist Convention.*

*Article may be found at <http://www.bpnews.net/47762/task-force-aims-to-create-discipleship-culture>*

ALPHARETTA, Ga. (BP) -- LifeWay Christian Resources' and the North American Mission Board's recently-appointed task force on disciple-making met Monday, Oct. 17 at NAMB's building in Alpharetta, Ga. The group of 11 Southern Baptist pastors gathered to discuss their task of communicating that "any church of any background can be disciple-making," according to chairman Robby Gallaty, pastor of Long Hollow Baptist Church in Hendersonville, Tenn.

Gallaty began the meeting by asking what the "win" for the discipleship task force would be. Members unanimously agreed that success would be helping churches create a process to celebrate making disciples.

"We, as pastors, are seeing the lostness all around North America," Gallaty said. "It's all over social media. There appears to be a very shallow concept of Christianity, and it's sad to think about. But in order to understand how to disciple, we've got to understand the culture we're discipling."

The goal of the meeting was to find ways to help churches move closer to discipleship by creating a philosophy, mindset and change of culture. While task force members are not creating a curriculum, they are looking for ways to spark a disciple-making movement throughout the Southern Baptist Convention.

One priority the pastors discussed was the need for a holistic view of discipleship.

"We must understand that discipleship impacts all of life from our homes to our professions," said Eric Geiger, pastor of ClearView Baptist Church in Franklin, Tenn., and vice president of resources at LifeWay. "It's not only what we do at church."

In addition to Gallaty and Geiger, task force members include Adam Dooley, Sunnyvale Baptist Church, Sunnyvale, Texas; Johnny Hunt, First Baptist Church, Woodstock, Ga.; Paul Jimenez, Taylors First Baptist Church, Taylors, S.C.; Mark Marshall, The Glade Church, Mt. Juliet, Tenn.; Kevin Smith, Highview Baptist Church, Louisville, Ky.; and Pavel Urruchi, Erlanger Baptist Church, Erlanger, Ky.

The group agreed that helping churches with poor discipleship processes, or churches with none taking place at all, is a key to positive change. One of the ways the task force discussed accomplishing this is by homing in on language to use while helping churches understand the disciple-making journey and encouraging churches to be intentional in fostering discipleship.

"Discipleship is the effort to push back lostness, push back against the trends in a holistic way," Gallaty said. "It's the solution for everything we're talking about in the world today."

Geiger noted there is an "important need for churches to understand that pastors are not the only disciple-makers."

"All of God's people are called to make disciples," he said.

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Task force members left the meeting with individual assignments on how to engage all Southern Baptist churches in their fundamental reason for existence -- to make disciples.

NAMB president Kevin Ezell said the task force will present a report at the 2017 Southern Baptist Convention in Phoenix.

Josie Rabbitt is a writer for the North American Mission Board.



LifeWay Christian Resources' and the North American Mission Board's task force devoted to improving disciple-making met Monday, Oct. 17 at NAMB's building in Alpharetta, Ga. Chairman Robby Gallaty (center), pastor of Long Hollow Baptist Church in Hendersonville, Tenn., leads the group. NAMB photo

**\* FORGIVEN TO FORGIVE \***

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THIS IS A ONE TIME SESSION  
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for cards  
or more information

Checks payable to:  
**Valley Isle Fellowship**

A *Maui Express Car Wash and Maui Oil Co., Inc.*  
Community Fundraiser



Thursday, Nov. 24  
Thanksgiving Day  
Office will be closed

Friday, Nov. 25  
Thanksgiving Break  
Office will be closed

*Give*  
THANKS  
*to the Lord*  
*for He is good; His love endures forever.*

-1 Chronicles 16:34

# Announcements



## **VALLEY ISLE FELLOWSHIP COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING IMU**

VIF reaching out in response to all God has done for us

Valley Isle Fellowship new church building—entrance off Waiale Rd next to Waikapu Gardens

**Turkey Preparation: Wednesday, November 23, 2016 - 4:30 PM**

**Turkey Pickup: Thursday, THANKSGIVING DAY, November 24, 2016 - 7:30-9:00 AM**

**Happy Thanksgiving Church Family!** VIF will be reaching out to our church neighbors in celebration of the GOODNESS of GOD. You are encouraged to participate by coming to fellowship with our neighbors and friends as we prepare and place the turkeys in the imu Wednesday evening and then distribute turkeys on Thanksgiving morning.

Make it an experience for the whole family!  
Come join us as we help our neighbors prepare to celebrate  
Thanksgiving **MAUI STYLE!**

Information and registration cards are on the back table.

Deadline to register for a slot in the imu is **November 20**

### ***3 ways to sign up:***

Mail in a registration card (must be received before November 20) **OR**

Call the church: 244-0865 **OR**

Online at [vifmaui.com](http://vifmaui.com)

For more information call the church office at 244-0865

**LET'S SHARE with our neighbors and friends the TRUTH and DEPTH of His LOVE!**

***Psalm 107:1, 8-9 (NIV)***

***Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever.  
Let them give thanks to the Lord for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds  
for mankind, for he satisfies the thirsty and fills the hungry with good things.***

# Announcements



## Childcare Schedule

- Today, Nov 13** **Team 4:** Cheeng S, Jennifer B,  
Gwendolyn R
- Nov 20** **Team 1:** Marion K, Karen F, Kolbe F,  
Alysha F, Melanie F
- Nov. 27** **Team 2:** Elaine Y, Wendy C, Krystal  
AV, Dmitry V
- Dec. 4** **Team 3:** Flo N, Hawea R, Francis C



## High Street Lawn Care Schedule

**Week of Nov 17-19**  
Volunteers Needed

**Week of Nov 24-26**  
Volunteers Needed

**Week of Dec 1-3**  
Volunteers Needed

*Sign-up in the back to be a  
part of this ministry.*



**Be in the know!  
Join our text alerts . . .**

To receive messages via text:

A) If you have a smartphone, get push notifications.  
On your iPhone or Android phone, open your web  
browser and go to

***rmd.at/mrvif***

Follow the instructions to sign up for Remind.  
You'll be prompted to download the mobile app.

B) If you don't have a smartphone,  
get text notifications.

Text the message @mrvif  
to the number  
81010 or (808)670-3442.

*\*Standard text message rate apply.*

*For more information, call the Church Office @244-0865.*



## High Street Cleaning Schedule

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**Week of Nov 24-26**  
Volunteers Needed

**Week of Dec 1-3**  
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# MISSIONAL OPORTUNITIES



**Global Hunger Relief**  
bread for life.  
An Initiative of Southern Baptists




**International Mission Board**  
*Connecting in Prayer*  
<https://www.imb.org/pray/>

**\*East Asian Groups:** Workers write: “Last month, we finished teaching four Training for Trainers (T4T) sessions and more than 40 Christian leaders finished the course. Please lift them up in prayer as they start training their own groups.”

**\*Italy:** The economy in Italy has made finding jobs and providing for families much more difficult in recent years. Pray for Italians who are moving to different countries for work to meet believers there and feel a freedom to explore a relationship with Christ. Lift up the believers in Italy, asking that they will have a great, contagious hope that will inspire those around them to ask and hear about Jesus and decide to follow Him.

**\*Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam:** Last night, Cong\* announced, “I’m a child of God too!” He told a couple of other new believers with whom he’d been studying the Bible that he had repented of his sins and had decided to make Jesus his only God! Cong was first exposed to the gospel through the witness of faithful Christians a little over a year ago. Since then, he has been regularly attending a Bible study for those wanting to know more about Jesus. Although he understood the decision the gospel required, as the eldest son, he was not ready to break his family’s tradition and ruin his relationship with his parents. Last month, he surprisingly joined another Bible study where new believers were being discipled. Through this, he has been reading his Bible and discussing the basics of the Christian faith every week. Though he’s had all the knowledge he needed for a long time, praise God that last week, he decided to respond to God’s call and make this eternal decision for himself! Please pray for Cong’s continued spiritual growth, and ask that he will soon follow in believer’s baptism. Also, please pray that God will use his testimony and new life in Christ to bring others in his extended family and his friends to Christ. (\*name changed)

*NAMB Missionary Spotlight:*



**John and Laura MCGOWAN**

Church Planter  
Restoration City Church  
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Arlington, VA 22207  
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RestorationCityDC.com

Pray the Lord would fill our people with a passion for the gospel and great boldness in sharing the hope we have in Jesus.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2007 Annual Church Profile. Compiled by the NAMB Center for National Research.

North American Mission Board	<b>NORTHEAST</b>	Population 67,425,178	SBC Congregations 1,780	SBC Church to Population Ratio 1 to 34,083
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*SBC Chaplain Spotlight:*



**SBC Chaplaincy**  
Southern Baptist Convention



**Chaplain (Colonel) Ramsey Coutta**  
U.S. ARMY NATIONAL GUARD  
namb.net/contactachaplain  
Based: Jackson, Miss.  
Wife: Jenny Coutta

Pray for an upcoming humanitarian mission trip to Guatemala and for the chaplains and religious affairs specialists in my state.

NORTH AMERICAN MISSION BOARD



# Valley Isle Fellowship Calendar

## November 2016

- 13 9 am - Worship Service  
10:30 am - Sunday School at High St Property  
- Adult Sunday School @ Pastor's Study  
12 noon - Trustees Meeting - Sanctuary  
5:30 pm - **Open Dialogue-2017 Budget Proposal**  
Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes - DUE
- 14 6:30 pm - Prayer Meeting @ Annex
- 16 6:30 pm - Youth Group "Fuel" @ Sanctuary
- 17-19 HPBC Annual Meeting - Kailua-Kona
- 18 6:00 pm - Sweet Life Cafe
- 20 6 am - Prayer time @ Conference Room  
**9:30 am - Worship Service**  
**11:00 - Annual Thanksgiving Potluck**  
**NO Evening Service**
- 21 6:30 pm - Prayer Meeting @ Annex
- 23 Turkey Imu 4:30-6:30 pm  
6:30 pm - Youth Group "Fuel" @ Sanctuary
- 24 **Thanksgiving Day - Office CLOSED**  
Turkey Imu 7:30-9 am

- 25 **Thanksgiving Break - Office CLOSED**
- 27 6 am - Prayer time @ Conference Room  
9 am - Worship Service  
Ordinance of the Lord's Supper  
10:30 am - Sunday School at High St Property  
- Adult Sunday School @ Pastor's Study  
5:30 pm - **VIF Annual Business Meeting**
- 28 6:30 pm - Prayer Meeting @ Annex
- 30 6:30 pm - Youth Group "Fuel" @ Sanctuary

## December 2016

- 4 9 am - Worship Service  
10:30 am - Sunday School at High St Property  
- Adult Sunday School @ Pastor's Study  
6:00 pm - Evening Service/Study
- 5 6:30 pm - Prayer Meeting @ Annex
- 7 6:30 pm - Youth Group "Fuel" @ Sanctuary
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## Valley Isle Fellowship

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### SUNDAY MORNING SERVICES

Wailuku Elementary School Cafeteria  
355 S. High St., Wailuku, HI 96793

**Service - 9:00 am**

**Sunday School - 10:30 am**  
**(High Street property)**

**Senior Pastor**  
*Stephen Kaneshiro*  
cell: (808)419-8100  
email: [icastephen@gmail.com](mailto:icastephen@gmail.com)

### SUNDAY EVENING SERVICE

VIF Church Sanctuary  
6:00 pm



[www.facebook.com/valleyislefellowship](http://www.facebook.com/valleyislefellowship)



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**Associate Pastor**  
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# The Last Supper

## Luke 22:1-38

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I. Setting the \_\_\_\_\_ . – Luke 22:1-6

A. The \_\_\_\_\_.

1. The Death Angel \_\_\_\_\_ over \_\_\_\_\_.

2. The Passover Sacrificial \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

B. \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus.

1. Afraid of the people's \_\_\_\_\_.

2. Plotting in \_\_\_\_\_ with \_\_\_\_\_

II. \_\_\_\_\_ to please God without \_\_\_\_\_. – Luke 22:7-13

A. Hebrews 11:1

B. Hebrews 11:6

III. The \_\_\_\_\_ . – Luke 22:14-20

A. The \_\_\_\_\_ for Jesus.

B. The \_\_\_\_\_ was going to be lived out:

1. \_\_\_\_\_.

2. \_\_\_\_\_.

IV. A Leadership \_\_\_\_\_ that \_\_\_\_\_. – Luke 22:21-38

A. Betrayed but \_\_\_\_\_.

B. Disciples switched emphasis from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

1. Greatness in this \_\_\_\_\_.

2. Greatness in the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_.

C. A time of \_\_\_\_\_.

1. The Lord is on \_\_\_\_\_ during the sifting.

2. Sifting develops \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

3. Talk is \_\_\_\_\_.

– \_\_\_\_\_ speaks louder than \_\_\_\_\_.

D. A time to \_\_\_\_\_ fully for the challenges ahead.