



Wahiawa Konko Mission Children's Newsletter



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WAHIAWA KONKO MISSION MONTHLY SCHEDULE

**All services will be broadcasted via Facebook Live*

June 2023

- 1 Thur -**Monthly Service for Tenchi Kane No Kami-Sama**
(7:30 pm) 天地金乃神様月例祭
- 2 Fri -Volunteer Activity at St. Francis (10:30 am)
- 7 Wed -KMH Kyoten ZOOM Study Group (5-6 pm)
- 9 Fri -Church clean-up (9 am)
- 11 Sun -**Monthly Svc. Founder, Ikigami Konko Daijin-Sama**
(9:00 am) 生神金光大神様月例祭 *Share Okage
- 12 Mon-King Kamehameha Day HOLIDAY
- 17 Sat -10th Memorial Svc for Late Rev. Masahiko Yoshino
at Honolulu Church (10 am)
- 18 Sun -Wailuku Church 60th Anniversary (10:30 am)
-Happy Father's Day
-No Sunday Service at Wahiawa Church
- 21 Wed-KMH Kyoten ZOOM Study Group (5-6 pm)
- 23 Fri -Church clean-up (9 am)
-KMH CEOC Meeting (3-4 pm)
- 24 Sat -Ehimemaru and Mikan tree care (9 am) and
Ehimekenjinkai gathering at Gyotaku (11 am)
- 25 Sun -**Monthly Memorial Svc (9 am) 月例霊祭** *Share Okage
-Deadline to sign up for KMH BBQ/Beach Clean-up
- 28 Wed-6th Konko-Sama: Rev. Hiromichi Konko's Birthday
- 30 Fri -Church clean-up (9 am)



July 2023

- 1 Sat -KMH BBQ and Beach Clean-up @Haleiwa (10 am-2 pm)
- 2 Sun -**Monthly Service for Tenchi Kane No Kami-Sama**
(9 am) 天地金乃神様月例祭 *Share Okage

Sunday School Oath

I will advance my faith through understanding the Founder's teachings and will strive to become a more useful person to society.

Sincerity is the essence of my faith, and its basic principles are courtesy, kindness, and devotion in everything I do.



Dependable
Affectionate
Devoted

HAPPY
FATHER'S DAY

Konko Daijin's teachings... Even a monkey sometimes falls from a tree, and great scholars make mistakes. If you think climbing a tree is dangerous, you will not get hurt. However, when you become a little better at climbing, you may become careless and get seriously hurt or die. Conceit can lead to a serious disaster. You should practice faith carefully even when you are healthy. (*GIII Jinkyu Kyogoroku 184*)

Editor's thoughts: Achieving something always makes us feel proud. It is important to acknowledge that we were able to achieve things because of the love and support of our family and friends, as well as the daily blessings of the Life Force. When we begin to think that we did it all on our own, it leads to self-conceit. Nothing is ever achieved on our own. If we are always aware of the divine support of Kami-Sama, as well as our family and friends, that spirit will take us to new heights and we will continually achieve in blessedness. Arrogance leads to self-destruction. Practice humility.

Konko Missions in Hawaii BEACH CLEAN UP AND BBQ


Saturday, July 1, 2023
10 am to 2 pm

Haleiwa Ali'i Beach Park
(Jodo Mission side)



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Konko Mission of Wahiawa Annual Schedule for 2023

- 7/1 Sat -KMH Beach Clean-up and BBQ @Haleiwa (10 a to 2 pm)
- 7/2 Sun -Monthly Service for Tenchi Kane No Kami-Sama (9 am)
- 7/15 Sat -KMH Minister's Gathering (2-4 p)
- 7/22 Sat -KMH/KCNA Joint MWSS on ZOOM (10 am to 12 n)
- 7/23 Sun -Back to School Service and Monthly Mem. Svc (9 am)
- 8/5 Sat -KMH Board of Trustees Meeting (10:30 am to 3 p)
- 8/6 Sun -KMH Rotary Hanashikai Wailuku host ZOOM (10:30 am)
- 8/27 Sun -50th Annual Mem Svc for Late Rev. Masayuki Kodama
- 9/2 Sat -KMH ZOOM Gathering (1:30 p to 3 p)
- 9/17 Sun -Honolulu Church Autumn Memorial Service (10 am)
- 9/24 Sun -Wahiawa Church Autumn Memorial Service (10 am)**
- 10/1 Sun -Honolulu Church Autumn Grand Ceremony (11 am)
- Rev. Sugako Yoshino's 1-year Mem Svc (in conjunction)
- 10/8 Sun -140th Memorial for Ikigami Konko Daijin at Headquarters
- 10/13 Fri -Wahiawa Church Autumn Grand Ceremony (6 pm)**
- 10/15 Sun -Waipahu Church Autumn Grand Ceremony (11 am)
- 10/22 Sun -HCRP Peace Prayer TBD (4 pm) 
- 11/5 Sun -Wailuku Church Autumn Grand Ceremony (11 am)
- 11/18 Sat -KMH 3rd Yatsunami Gathering on Zoom (3-4:30 pm)
- 11/26 Sun -26th Mem. Svc for Late Rev. Kikue Kodama @HNL (10 am)
- 12/2 Sat -KMH Board of Trustees Mtg @HNL (10:30 am to 3 pm)
- 12/9 Sat -KMH Head Minister's Mtg (10:30 am) @HNL Church
- 12/17 Sun -51st Memorial Svc for Late Rev. Haruko Takahashi (10 am)
- 12/24 Sun -End of the Year Service (9 am)
- 12/30 Sat -32nd Annual Mochi Pounding at Wahiawa Church (8 am)



Happy Birthday

To all the people born in the month of June.
Please continue to receive infinite divine blessings from

**Tenchi Kane no Kami-Sama &
Ikigami Konko Daijin-Sama**

6th Konko Sama (Rev. Hiromichi Konko)

Alexander Furusho

Jason Adkison



Hawaii Gunpla Workshop 5.6.23



Congratulations, Bryce!



Bryce Adkison
Kapolei High School
2nd son of Mr. & Mrs. Jason
and Trisha Adkison



Editor's Note

Dear Reader,

I would like to congratulate **Bryce Adkison** for safely being able to graduate from Kapolei High School. He is the 2nd son of **Mr. Jason and Mrs. Trisha Adkison**. He is also a 5th generation Konko believer!

We are very happy that we could witness his graduation at the school stadium. The family and friends that gathered for each graduate filled the bleachers and walkways. Many more were waiting outside because it was too full to enter.

The weather was so perfect. It was raining cats and dogs in the morning throughout the islands. I prayed so hard that the weather would be favorable for the graduation. Bryce's mother, Trisha also said she prayed hard for good weather conditions. Kami-Sama certainly heard our prayers. The stadium was pre-pandemic level craziness! Nowhere else in the world do we get to experience a graduation so festive and exploding with energy. A Hawaii graduation is the best!

We have watched Bryce grow since he was a little baby. And we are very proud of the confident young man he has become. We are looking forward to his bright future up ahead.

Bryce will be following in the footsteps of his parents and join the army. We pray for his continued great health, safety, joy and blessings, as he embarks on a totally new experience.

June 18th is Father's Day, where we honor and celebrate the essence of fatherhood, recognizing the vital role that they play in our lives. Father's Day provides us with an opportunity to reflect upon the teachings of Konkoko and how they guide us in understanding the significance of fathers in our families and society. I hope you can gain a deeper appreciation for the love, guidance, and spiritual strength that fathers should ideally be bringing into our lives.

I am thankful and fortunate to have had a very good relationship with my dad. We think alike—so much so that it feels like there is an invisible string attached to my brain and my dad's brain. This is especially true when it comes to food. I randomly crave certain foods that haven't been made in a while, like croquettes. I wake up with the thought of wanting to eat croquettes and when I come to Wahiawa, my dad is preparing croquettes in the kitchen! And I didn't even mention it to him! How gnarly is that?! This has happened on several occasions.

When we were kids, he really put family first. Although he was the head minister of our church, he was always making sure to spend quality time with the family. During the summer, he'd take us fishing at Lake Wilson, or Waimea, to go and fish for tilapia or *oama*. He'd take us to Matsumoto Shave Ice on some occasions. He always watched out for us, and I could tell that he cared for us deeply.

When we did bad things, he'd scold us. And when we did wrong things, he'd teach us to do right. It was a good thing. I appreciate the discipline. But most of all, he taught us the faith through example, instead of words. That's probably the reason why the three of us were willing to

become ministers. If my dad only focused on the church, and did not make time for the family, none of us would have followed in his footsteps. So I really appreciate my dad.

In this faith, we understand that the divine parental love of Kami (Life Force) encompasses all creation, including fathers. It is through this love that fathers are given the responsibility of nurturing and guiding their children. As we honor our fathers this Father's Day, let us recognize the divine presence within them, for they are the earthly vessels of Kami's great love. Through their love and care, fathers provide a stable foundation for their children's growth and development.

However, for some, Father's Day can be a complex and sensitive occasion. Everyone has a diverse family experience. Some of us may have experienced abandonment, strained relationships, abuse and loss. Some people may have grown up without a father figure. We emphasize the importance of healing and compassion for those who may not have had a positive experience with their fathers. It's a sad, but true reality.

Fathers in general should hold a significant role as protectors and providers for their families. Just as Kami protects and sustains us, fathers should strive to create a secure and nurturing environment for their

loved ones and be there as one of the main support pillars, to meet the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of their families. It may be difficult to express gratitude for our fathers, if they have been absent or insignificant in our lives.

Father's Day should be a day of appreciation and gratitude for our fathers and father figures. If you are blessed with a good relationship with your father, let us take this opportunity to express our heartfelt appreciation to our fathers, both those who are present with us and those who have passed away but continue to inspire us as Mitama Spirits. Recognize their love, their sacrifices, and their unwavering support. A simple gesture of gratitude can go a long way in strengthening the bond between fathers and their children. And if this is a day that you prefer not to celebrate, we can still be grateful for the generous parental love that is given to us by the great Life Force, Tenchi Kane No Kami-Sama. Kami-Sama provides us with everything we need to live. Kami-Sama is unconditional. Everyone is receiving divine blessings, whether we realize this or not. Kami-Sama tries to provide us with protection, and maintain balance in our bodies. Kami-Sama is all around us. Kami-Sama is the eternal energy that makes up every atom. Happy Father's Day to all great fathers and our eternal parental figure, Tenchi Kane No Kami-Sama.

The KMH BBQ and Beach clean-up event will take place this year on **Saturday, July 1** from **10 am-2 pm** at the Haleiwa Ali'i Beach Park (near the Jodo Mission). Please sign up by Sunday, June 25th with your church. Let's take good care of Mother Earth. Take care and have a great summer.

Aloha, Edna

