

Team to Hawaii 2018.3.12~2018.3.15



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A team has been sent to Oahu, Hawaii from 12 until 15 March. Four meetings were held during two days in Hawaii, with two members sent from Japan, who are Pastor Paul Akimoto and I, Pastor Jerusalem Fuchino from Los Angeles and sister Y from Hawaii church. In this Hawaii mission trip, I have departed with expectation from the Lord, because I received His word, "The Lord needs it" before the departure.

When I reached Hawaii, Mr. and Mrs. S who always help us were there to help us fetching and taking us by their own car, arranging hotel rooms and so on. We had our meetings at Waikiki baptist church hall, borrowing their equipment as before.

[Blessing of holy meeting]

In the meetings that were held in the afternoon and night, Pastor Paul Akimoto has delivered praising and messages, I was in charge of prophecy seminar, Pastor Fuchino and sister Y, MC and testimony, taking turns. Messages were delivered from Romans 8:28, Isaiah 55:11, and Matthew 12:36,37. In one of the meetings, it was spoken that God loves us, blessing of eternal life will be given to us when we believe the cross of Jesus, and that we can have the best life, plan of which God prepares for us, which will be opened when we listen and obey God. I felt God's hands with deep presence of the Lord in the meetings which were distributed online.

[Participants]

A sister who usually worship with Tokyo Antioch church online attended the meetings all four times, taking leave from her work. I felt the power of internet when I talked to her and found out that she is watching and reading blogs and medias attentively. However, she said, "The blessing that I receive by attending the real worship service is really great" with joy.

Some of Mr. and Mrs. S's friends came and looked like they were touched by the messages

and praising songs. Some people were shedding tears when we watched together the digest video and videos that won prize in the film festival in the holy meetings. There were people who attended the meeting with thirst because they are criticised in the church that they go to because of Charismatic faith.

[Foundation of mission]

I felt that church work foundation has been strengthened this time by the way Pastor Fuchino from Hawaii church and sister Y were serving. I strongly felt Sister Y's foundation of faith, which is invisible was strengthened, when she shared her testimony that she experienced a lot of work of God through changing her job and healing of her sickness. Also, the Lord is processing the foundation of mission at the land of Hawaii. People who are worshipping online are getting more stable.

[Vision in Hawaii]

It is expected that the Lord's planning of Revival with Hawaii as the base of mission work will be greatly processed from now on, when prospect of establishment of missionary training centre, church planting on each islands are spoken by God, and Hawaii has many Japanese-Americans, is special and different from the other state of U.S.A in many ways, and when U.S.A, together with Japan is shown to bear work of Revival.

[Blessings for myself]

This is my second time to be sent to Hawaii, following the one in Hawaii team in December 2014. I am feeling God's special hands on me this time, when I was given direction to Hawaii, where we were shown the vision of missionary training centre, because I am in charge of "The Lord's Cross Seminary". The daily devotional during this dispatch was about prayer at Gethsemane and the cross. During this dispatch, I learned that the foundation of mission work is prayer, that true glory of the Lord is shown through the cross, and that His work will be pursued through people who obey the will of the Lord, not those who follow what they want. Thank you for your prayer from my heart.

■ **Mayumi Fuchino (Pastor, TLCCC Hawaii Church & Assistant pastor, TLCCC LA Church)**

I praise the name of the Lord. Thank you for praying for Hawaii team. Hawaii holy meetings were held on the 12th and 13th March at usual Waikiki baptist church hall near the Waikiki beach. We had very wonderful meetings. Those who attended include people who continuously attending the meetings since establishment of our Hawaii church, new people, and sister M from Los Angeles, who helped us just like one of our team members. We thank Mr. and Mrs. S, who live in Honolulu of helping us a lot in the Lord by arranging venue, taking care of the team since the team has arrived at Hawaii until it left there.

The message about the power of God's words and their fulfilment, blessings of

thanksgiving teaching as well as obeying the Lord were delivered through Pastor Akimoto, the key speaker and the audiences' had their faith strengthened. We had blessings through media, having had meetings live online. Many people were interested in the books and CDs from the church and they bought them. People who were seeking for their problem solutions and healings were given Charisma blessings in the prayer ministry.

Our Lord's abundant and deep presence was shown in the each ministry in the intercessory prayer from many people. The Lord touched each one of us and poured his blessings on us. We praised altogether, when double rainbow was shown after the first meeting.

After it was announced that Hawaii team would be sent, I started to pray, asking for the Lord's will for me. I was able to join this dispatch with many words like, "the Lord needs it (colt)" (Matthew 21:3,4), "go in peace", and "I will send you". When I started to prepare to join the team, I felt I needed to compensate many books like "Prophecy", "Obeying His Voice" and so on written by Pastor Paul Akimoto and "Prison to Praise" of Rev. Merlin Carothers, that made my suitcase almost full of books. I could serve Him exactly as a colt, that carries luggage of books.

Even though this team was a small team, we could complete our service with sister Y, who was with us when we were there. I felt that God has strengthened the foundation of His work in Hawaii through the team because His work is getting greater. I also felt that the Lord is training the people as the ones who work in Revival. I felt strongly again by observing our sub-leader of the team that we should obey God's word if it is spoken, no matter what the situation is and we should pray so that we can obey His will, rely on him by his blessings and complete His will, because God will fulfil His word in His power and authority.

I am grateful that I was given lots of blessing from Him. I give all the glory to the Lord who has prepared and accomplished everything!