



WAVE WATCHER

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Calendar of Events:

- Shai Linne Concert –May 30, 31 South Shore Christian Fellowship/ New Hope Youth Center
- Epic Summer Kickoff – June 7 Kailua Intermediate School
- IGNITE –July Hawaii Convention Center
- Breaking Down the WALLS 2008! August 16 Hawaii State Capitol

Common Unity



Aloha Friends, Family, and Fellow WAVE Riders!

Common Unity was the theme of this outstanding hip-hop, B-boy, and spoken word outreach event presented by Kauai Underground Artists and held at the UH Campus Center last month!

Over 200 "young people" (ranging from 6 to 50) came out to mix-it-up in Jesus name and wow was it powerful! To top it off., Propaganda, a spoken word artist from LA closed the evening with an awesome message of Jesus Christ and His desire to have a relationship with us!

Common Unity was not only the theme of this event but it also reflects the relationships WAVE Hawaii solidified with youth ministries across the state! Born Again Ministries, Christian Endeavor Hawaii, and KUGA (Kauai Underground Artists)...all ministries dedicated to young people and their passionate pursuit of a relationship with God!

So enjoy this newsletter edition. Checkout all of the happenings and let everyone know to keep watching that horizon!

Surf's up!

Melodie

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Breaking Down the WALLS 2008!

Empowering Young People to Lead

Scripture is filled with examples of how God used young people as His witnesses, messengers and even leaders among His people, and we believe that God's purpose for our youth is the same today! That's why I'm excited about a landmark event happening **Saturday, August 16th**, on the grounds of the Hawaii State Capitol. We're calling it "**Breaking Down the Walls 2008!**", an **all day event** filled with music, dance and the spoken word.

Our goal is to present prominent artists and speakers that can address our youth and **INSPIRE** them to understand their role as future leaders in contemporary society, help them **DISCOVER** opportunities to serve in ministry and encourage them to **SHARE** what they find in Christ with other young people. This event will also gather together churches, support groups, and other Christian organizations that have a specific focus for youth and young adult ministry in a spirit of collaboration.

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**YOUNG PEOPLE PASSIONATELY
PURSUING A RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD!**



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Breaking Down the WALLS 2008 continued

Please accept this as *your invitation* to be involved in **“Breaking Down the Walls 2008”**.

Whether you are a young person, church leader, youth pastor or just someone who wants to see God’s glory displayed in and through our youth, we would be blessed to have you participate.

This will be the first ever event of its kind on the grounds of the State Capitol and our prayer is that God will use it to greatly bless our young people and those dedicated to serving them.

For more information contact Melodie @ 230-BASH or check out our website @ www.wavehawaii.org.

There you will find a cover letter describing the event and a church contact form to send back to us indicating your interest in setting up an outreach booth or performing on stage.

Get your church and your youth involved in “Breaking Down the Walls 2008”! I’ll look forward to seeing you there!

Until then...in His service and for our youth,

Jack

Jack Waters, Operations Manager

95.5 – the FISH, Today’s Christian Music

AM760 – KGU, Hawaii’s Christian Talk

IT'S A PARTNERSHIP - WAVE HAWAII AND CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR HAWAII

CEH is a Christ-centered youth oriented ministry assisting local churches in reaching young people with the gospel of Jesus Christ, discipling them in the Christian faith, and equipping them for Christian ministry and service in their local church, community and state. CEH also trains adult leaders for effective ministry and provides opportunities for Christian spiritual growth, fellowship and service. CEH reaches across denominational, cultural, racial, and geographical boundaries.

Some upcoming events for the year –

Kona – 5/24-26 Training for youth and leaders in preparation for their mission trip to Thailand at Mokuaikaua Church

Oahu – Ignite concert coming soon in the summer

One day community service events on Oahu, Maui, Kauai, Kona, Hilo in the fall (host churches to be advised)

Oahu – 11/28-30 Leadership Training Event (host church to be advised). This is a 3-year leadership training event for both youth and adult leaders.

Scholarship opportunities are available for members who are current with their annual dues and are actively participating in CEH events.

Christian Endeavor Hawaii (CEH) is excited to be in partnership with WAVE Hawaii and we look forward to how God will bless our ministries together!

For more information you can go to our website at www.cehawaii.org. You can also email our Program Director, Pam Chun at pamchun@cehawaii.org if you are interested in hosting or participating in any of the above events.



“NO ONE GETS LEFT BEHIND!”

By Art Akau

What a profound statement.... The Disney cartoon we all know too well, based in a Hawaiian setting, summarized the true definition of God's love.

Hawaii, known for its majestic beauty in both the 'Āina and its people is a unique and special place like nowhere else. Here, you will always feel like you belong. *Why?* The Hawaiian culture embodies one of the most important facets necessary to live a productive and harmonious life: **'OHANA!**

For those of us blessed to have grown up here, we can all recall an endless list of people we call **'OHANA**. And the funny thing is most of those people are not even blood related. I cannot even begin to count the amount of aunties, uncles, cousins, brothers and sisters I've accumulated over the years. For those who have migrated here, it is that sense of **'OHANA** that has kept you here or has brought you back. You too are now a part of this unique experience.

'OHANA, in the Hawaiian sense is a verb. It requires us to **ACT!** It requires us to look beyond the color of our skin, the way we dress and how we look. It requires the giving of ourselves selflessly to help those who need a hand up. And it requires us to be open to any opportunity to display the unwavering love and support we know and experience with God. We are **ONE!** We are **'OHANA!**

One of the most heart-breaking situations in our lifetime today is the **HIV/AIDS** epidemic. Millions upon millions of people are affected by this devastating disease every year. It is destroying families faster than any other disease known to man. In Africa, hundreds of children are being orphaned every day. Today, in Kenya alone there are well over 2 million orphans and rising. That's **TWICE** the population here in Oahu!

These children's lives have been radically altered for the rest of their lives. Most are left to fend for themselves and most will never experience the true meaning of **'OHANA! Many will be left behind!**

SO WHAT CAN YOU DO? We ask you to partner with us!

Together with Milele Family Homes, we strive to bring God's love to those who are hurting. We feel it is our duty and our mission to spread the **'OHANA** concept throughout this world we are all a vital part of. Please partner with us as we move forward in letting those children in Africa know that they are part of the **'OHANA. GOD'S 'OHANA!**

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