March 21, 2024 Agenda

Aloha OBN Council,

We will meet at Kalihi BC tomorrow, 03/21, 10am.
Our thanks to Pastor Alberto Camacho. We will have a chance to hear from him at the top of the hour and pray for him as well. Please also forward the names of new pastors and workers.

Malama Christian Fellowship is not available this month due to a children's camp. Pastor Eddie will host the April OBN Council meeting.

Leadership Teams and Officers, please send your reports here via email. I will furnish the website as I receive your report.

Tomorrow's agenda. discussion and reports include (and not necessarily in this order):

1. From Orientation and Mentorship of New Ministry Leaders: Welcome New Pastors: Pastor Albert Camacho
2. HPBC Updates TN partnership; Life Christian Church on Halawa;
3. OBN Vision for 2025 and on
4. From Discipleship, OBN Fellowship group reports (SHE, Baptist Men, Youth, Children); Young Adult discussion
5. From treasurer, OBN funds to yield
6. From Communications, update on Annual Meeting & OBN database
7. From Church Planting/Revitalization: Practical Shepherding; Partnership with Korean congregations
8. From Church Assistance: Malama Update; Future helps
9. From Treasurer: OBN monies on high-yield fund.
10. From Evangelism, VBS, Prestonwood with Chris Alsup, Seafarers Ministry; Local and International Missions.
11. and more....

Please write up your reports so that in case we run out of time, we can read and follow it up after the meeting.

Aloha!

Pastor Bong
OBN Moderator
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Moderator Abagon's Notes from 3/21/24 OBN Monthly Meeting, sent 3/22/24 by email:
Aloha OBN Council,

Thank you to all of your faithful work,

Below is the recording of our meeting yesterday.
There is one motion that passed and several reports.
There were discussions and from these discussions, there is a motion being formulated for next month's meeting. Re: Admin Team.
The Adhoc Constitution & ByLaws did not report this time. Please make your report next council meeting (this is a reminder to myself - ha!)
The OBI did not report this time - our prayers for Pastor Harlan while under the weather.

We also have a "task to do" this month;
- From Communication, determine a theme to propose for 2024 Annual Meeting. A theme that has far reaching impact to 2025.
- From Church Assistance, Get an update with Pastor Eddie Hunt; Begin a conversation with FSBC of PH on how to assist.
- From Discipleship, promote discipleship events for deacons, mens, women's and youth, ABWLS & HPBC.
- From Evangelism, Connect with Chris Alsup for Prestonwood's evangelism event in Kaneohe and receive a team for short-term project; Connect with HPBC regarding TN future projects.
- From Church Planting & Revi, Research on better ways to connect and serve the Korean congregations of OBN

In an effort to connect, love on and serve the churches in Oahu, we are moving our meetings to different congregations. Our thanks to Kalihi BC for hosting us yesterday.

- ~~January, 2024 - Olivet Baptist Church - Honolulu~~
- ~~February, 2024 - Living Faith Baptist Church - Honolulu~~
- ~~March, 2024 -Kalihi Baptist Church - Honolulu~~
- April, 2024 meeting will be in Malama Christian Fellowship - Nanakuli
- May, 2024 meeting will be in Haleiwa Baptist Church - Haleiwa
- June, 2024 - open
- July, 2024 - open
- August, 2024 - open
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Here's the recording link from yesterday's meeting.
Passcode: oahubn123!

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OBN LC Monthly Meeting Minutes
March 21, 2024
Kalihi Baptist Church
Hybrid - In-person/Zoom

Present: Michael Abagon, Moderator; Jerrell Tate, Vice-Moderator; David Whitehead, Treasurer; Charlene Vaughn, Recording Clerk; Hazel Capinpin, Janet Chinn, John Dionisio, Annie Lam, and Faith McFatridge; Guests: Alberto Camacho, Kalihi BC; Robert Miller, HPBC

Absent: Hawn Soo Jang, Jamie McElrath, Jeff Mullis, Harlan Nakasone, and Matt Sanders

Moderator Abagon opened the meeting at 10:17 am for sharing by those present.

- Word of Truth Church is still without a pastor
- Cody Rogers, Kyle Makua
- Johnny Lau, member of Living Truth, will be attending Gateway Seminary
- Hazel shared about MCFC having youth camp for 70 registered campers. She also shared that the carpet was taken out of the hall. Cory Perkins' friend is an electrician and did some work on the church. The bathroom outside is fixed. The church is doing fundraising.
- Mililani BC has 35 students at music camp this week and partnered with WOT, Waipahu Community Christian Church, and Mililani Fil-Am.
- FBC Pearl City is holding Deaf Camp this week, Tue-Fri, during Spring Break.

Alberto Camacho was introduced to the council members. He is the new pastor of Kalihi BC as of late December 2023. He is formerly from the Philippines and pastored here in Hawaii for several years before he and his wife Beth left to serve in NY as NAMB missionaries and as a pastor. They prayed for God to bring them back to Hawaii and their family. Kalihi BC opened up and they returned after being away for about 10 years.
KBC has a big heart for missions. They plan to have a work day before Easter and are planning their Easter Day service and will have the pastor's installation on Sunday, April 21. The church will host a Kalihi Interfaith Alliance Meeting on April 23. He plans to have a couples' ministry, 12-16 people. They have a NY church coming in July to hold a sports camp. He wants to use KBC for kingdom growth.

Minutes

Charlene called roll - 9 members present, quorum met, and two guests present. She read the February minutes and there were no questions or corrections.
M.1. Charlene made a motion to accept the February minutes. Annie seconded the motion; the motion was approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

David reported that the FHB account has $52,218.58 and increased by $6,822.99. The HBF account has $43,319.72 and increased $2,120.71 following losses in 2023.

David needs help with deposits. On the Profit and Loss sheet, it shows -$470 from the Writers' Workshop in October. However, the money was just received for deposit.

The Moderator's salary and the Bookkeeper's salary was increased. The moderator will be receiving the 1099 tax form.

There is a need for a PO box to handle things in a timely manner. He suggests having an administration team of 3-4 people. It was suggested that the Moderator, Vice-Moderator, and the Treasurer could serve as this team. David will write up a clause for the team. He also had a question about the cost of State Farm Insurance and about OBN's insurance needs. Robert said that OBN can look into adding insurance riders for special events.

Reports

Robert/HPBC - Life Christian Church was chosen to take over and renovate the former Halawa Heights BC property. The following events are scheduled:

- Pastors' Retreat is planned for May 13-16
- Evangelism Conference - July 19
- TN Partnership - had been on hold but due to budgeting for 2024 being done, requests for 2025 will be more likely to be fulfilled. If churches need volunteers, there are other states like NC that have teams that may be able to help this year.
- NC teams are coming to work with Life Christian Church and Connections Church.
- Puu Kahea is opening up more.

Jerrell/Church Assistance

M.2. Jerrell made a motion to approve the monthly assistance for Pastor Hunt for March and April. The motion was approved unanimously by all members present.

Jerrell stated a need regarding having a process to handle projects that come up in OBN. Bong asked if there was any church assistance needed in an OBN church. Annie stated that Life Church needs assistance regarding renovations to the former Halawa Heights BC building.

Annie/Communications

- Good progress made on the church data base.
- Plans for the OBN Annual Meeting have been confirmed for location - FSBCPH - and the council agreed previously on Friday, October 25.
- The committee asked for help with a theme for 2024-2025. They hope to involve the language churches more in OBN. David asked about OBN's presence on Facebook and the committee has this on their radar.

John/Men's Ministry

- Pastors/Deacons/Wives Training and Fellowship - April 13, Mililani BC
- Men's Prayer Breakfast - May 4, Mililani BC

<u>Reports</u> (continued)
Faith - VBS Training

- Training went well, gave out information on the $1000 VBS grants available from TN.

Closing/Adjournment:
Bong emphasized rebuilding OBN and rediscovering OBN's identity, "Find the Why!"
Meeting adjourned with prayer at 12:34 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Charlene Vaughn
OBN Recording Clerk

Motions - March 21, 2024:
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Annie Lam/Communications Team report
April 18, 2024 OBN Monthly Meeting

Aloha OBN Council,

I cannot make this month's meeting. My report is as follow:

The Communications Team has updated contacts for one-third of the churches in the network. SHE fellowship met on March 23, 2024 at Waipahu Community Christian Church with 43 in attendance from eleven churches. Our next fellowship will be on July 13 at Central Baptist Church. Please share the attached flyer with your circle of churches. LIFE Christian Church moved into the Halawa site on Sunday 4/14/24. Here are pictures from their renovation and 9th anniversary worship. https://photos.app.goo.gl/6RGzHGEqt5DWqrWJA

Blessings,
Annie