

## ***Kalihi Union Church Women's Ministry 2025 Annual Report***



2025 was a year of spiritual growth and fellowship as the ladies came together for large events, Pop-Up activities, prayer, Bible study, worship, community service, and one-one moments of encouragement. It brought not only the women together, but lent itself to opportunities for the men of KUC to come together as well. Through the support and service of our men, the ladies were free to enjoy moments of sweet fellowship.



The Women's Ministry is a multi-generational group of ladies who desire to Grow in Grace Through All Seasons of Life through God's Word, Worship, Prayer, Community, and Service. At Kalihi Union Church there are endless opportunities for women to grow in their walk with God, to connect with others, and to use their gifts to serve!

Our current Women's Ministry team is comprised of Lisa Ching, Caroline Kim, Jane Tai, Michaela Stevens, Jody Serakawa, Erin Masuda, Mary Erler, Sarah Williams, and leader, Beth Araki.

As a Women's Ministry, it is our desire to model the mission of Kalihi Union Church as we "love God and glorify Him, proclaim Christ, establish other believers in their faith, properly equip believers to minister according to their spiritual gifts, and to multiply disciples both locally and around the world."

As a ministry within KUC, we desire to work in tandem with the pastoral leadership and other ministries to provide opportunities for spiritual growth through:



***God's Word*** (Romans 15:4 "For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through the endurance taught in the Scriptures and the encouragement they provide we might have hope."),

***Worship*** (Isaiah 42:12, "Let them give glory to the Lord and proclaim his praise in the islands.")



**Prayer** (1 Thes 5:17, “Pray without ceasing.”)

**Service** (Matt 25:35 “ For I was hungry and you gave



me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, **36** I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.”)



**Community** (Hebrews 10:24-25 “And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, **25** not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.”)

### **Special Events of 2025**

One of our desires as a ministry team is to provide opportunities for the ladies of all three Sunday services to come together for a time of fellowship, worship, inspiration, and connections.

**In January, Pop-up activities included:**

**Game Night**  
**Lei Making with Dawn**  
**Movie Night**



In February, we kicked off the new year with a special event \ called **A Taste of Italy** which was attended by approximately 115 ladies.

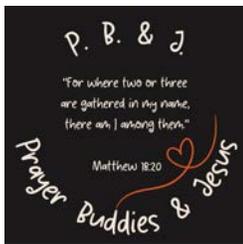


In March, we hosted a special showing of the movie **The Greatest Showman**.



We welcomed the coming of Spring with our **Ladies Tea**. Craig Ikeda and his team prepared a decadent array of sandwiches and desserts, and the gym was transformed into a beautiful garden of tables. We were excited to see 160 ladies at this event, and as usual, over 20 men rose to the occasion and blessed the ladies as they served together.

During the summer months, the Women's Ministry spear

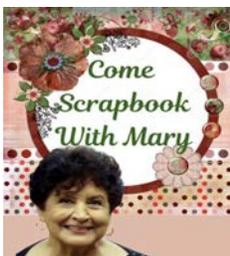


headed an initiative called P, B, & J, better known as **Prayer Buddies and Jesus**. Women and men alike were encouraged to find others to pray with. The challenge culminated in a viewing of the movie, War Room. It was an inspiring evening as we were challenged to pray with authority and expectancy.



In addition, we kicked off our **Come Walk With Me** initiative in hopes of pairing women together for the purpose of encouragement in the word, prayer, and doing life together.

In September, we gathered for a **Night of Aloha**. Once again, Craig prepared a delicious Hawaiian dinner complete with poi! The evening was filled with laughter, worship through song and dance, and a challenging message from Dawn.



October brought with it a day of **Scrap Booking with Mary** and a sweet time of fellowship during lunch.

We finished off the year with our most recent event, a breakfast celebration entitled a **Parade of Songs**. Each table was decorated based on a familiar Christmas song. Gay Hongo shared several songs, the worship team led us in Christmas carols, and Beth reflected on the life of Mary and Jesus from the Manger to the Cross. This event brought 160 ladies together for a joy-filled time of laughter, worship, and encouragement.



We look forward to future Pop-Events such as hiking, a cooking class, *Recipe Scrapbooking*, movie and game nights, and more.

On April 18th, we will host another special ***Mother's Day Tea!***

Over the summer, we hope to partner with other ministries within the church to provide an all-church event.

We will continue to set up the Women's Ministry table each week on the foyer as a means of connecting with the ladies and providing resources, ministry opportunities, and information about upcoming events.

### **Prayer Requests for 2026**

\*That God would continue to be at the helm of all that we do within the Women's Ministry.

\*For continued unity within the leadership team

\*For a hedge of protection around the women of KUC and their families

\*For continued vision and direction as the Women's Ministry grows

\*That the women of KUC will continue to grow in their relationships with God and one another, and that in doing so, they will find opportunities to serve within the church and community.

It is a pleasure to serve the ladies of KUC through the Women's Ministry. I have been challenged, encouraged, and blessed beyond measure. I'm excited to be a part of all that God is doing and will continue to do in the days ahead. I am so grateful to the many individuals who have served alongside of us over the past year through providing childcare, serving, setting up and breaking down events, sharing table space with me on the lanai, leading worship, the halau, beautiful decorations, providing rides...the list goes on. The Women's Ministry is a wonderful example of many coming together to serve!

Gratefully Submitted,  
Beth Araki