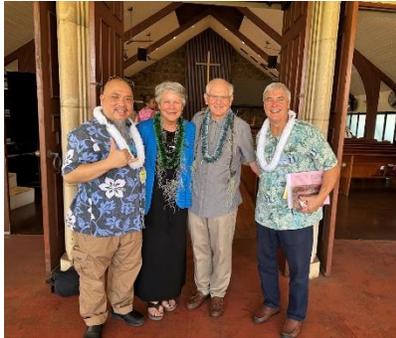


# 2025 Annual Report from Pastor Kendal Fong 010926



How comforting it is to know that no matter what happens in life, we can always depend on the everlasting arms of our Lord. In this annual report for 2025, I will be sharing about a personal experience, as well as many ministry experiences at KUC.

As many of you know, I was diagnosed with a disorder called vestibular neuritis in September 2024. Toward the latter part of this past year, my symptoms have diminished to a level which enabled me to press on for Christ and serve Him fully in ministry. Honestly, it was difficult at times, but God used it to help me become a better person, and hopefully, a better pastor.

Throughout this journey, God empowered me to become healthier, both physically and spiritually. Physically, I started exercising daily, counting calories, and making wiser food choices. Spiritually, God has invigorated my prayer life, my hunger for His Word, and my desire to honor Him. It also infused within me a heart that seeks to be truly grateful. I am so thankful to God, and I sincerely appreciate my family and church family for all of the prayers, encouragement, and support.

Together, God has helped us accomplish much this past year! To all who have been a part of our various ministries, thank you for the privilege of working alongside you. Here are some of the events from 2025 in which we served together at KUC:



- Connecting Point and Exploring Members monthly meetings
- Bringing people into KUC membership
- Baptisms and monthly communion
- Praying at nearby Kalihi schools

- Marriage conference with BIH and Paul & Virginia Friesen
- Plant and Craft Blessings on the lanai for missions
- Stand Firm Youth (<https://standfirmyouthhawaii.org/>)
- Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday services
- KUC graduations and our annual KUC graduate celebration
- Mission Sunday/Ministry Sunday
- Equipping summer Interns (Elisabeth Fujii, John David Araki, Krystle Torres, Johanna Yonehiro)
- Summer Nights weekly program for everyone from babies to adults
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual All church KUC family picnic at Kualoa Beach Park
- VitaHim Health and Nutrition Journey Group
- Knife Club
- Celebrating our 112<sup>th</sup> KUC Anniversary
- Blessings Exchange for missions
- All Church Sunday School “Awakenings: Discipleship as a way of life”
- Pastor Marv and Linda Norlien visit
- EFCA Gateway cohort #4 graduating
- Kalihi parade
- Christmas Walk Thru with live nativity, animals, and fun activities
- Christmas eve services
- Joy Fellowship
- Manna Ministry
- Serving at our Kalihi Christian School
- Partner church collaborations
- Monthly workdays
- Special Sundays like Mother’s Day and Father’s Day
- Many weddings, funerals, visitations, and baby dedications.
- Prayer times with others and simply just connecting with people.

What a blessing!



I hope to see more of the following at KUC in this upcoming year: 1. Deeper growth in prayer and hunger for His Word. 2. Intentional discipleship in training and

equipping people to stand strong in their faith. 3. Christians standing for truth and being bold in sharing the Gospel of Jesus with those who are lost and in need of transformation.

On another personal note, it will be challenging when Pastor Jonathan leaves in June. I'm already beginning to miss him, even though he will be with us until June. However, as believers, we know that God works all things for His good as we trust in Him. We also need to constantly remind ourselves that God is good.

As we daily put our faith in Him and His Word, we will be blessed with His peace (Psalm 119:165), we can have full confidence in Christ, and we will gain a hopeful perspective that He has great plans in store for the future.



Only He can fix 2026!

Aloha Ke Akua,

Pastor of Connection, Kendal Fong



The last Christmas we will costume up. Thanking the Lord for times like this with Pastor Jonathan.