

# Wai`oli Hui`ia Church Newsletter

Special Summer Edition



## Kahu Eric Lucy

By Duncan Forgey



**I ku ka makemake e hele mai, hele no me ka malo`elo`e.  
(If you wish to come do not be hesitant, for you are welcome.)**

*As the deer pants for the water brooks  
So pants my soul for you, O`God.  
My soul thirsts for God, for the living God.  
When shall I come and appear before God?  
Psalm 42: 1-2*

With great excitement, *Wai`oli Hui`ia Church* introduces you to our new Kahu. The above Bible verse is one of Kahu Eric Lucy's favorites, representing his long and dedicated commitment to Christianity.

Kahu Eric, currently in quarantine at the Parsonage, is readying for his first sermon on August 23, 2020. Please spread the word and help us bring a renewed and vibrant spirit to our blessed church.

Kahu brings with him many skills and experiences that fit perfectly with life on the North Shore. His core strengths include mediation, crisis intervention, discipleship, program creation, team building, teaching, counseling, personal health and leadership development. Kahu Eric has trained and mentored thousands of pastors and educators, introduced street outreach, and grown church membership where ever he has been. These skills have been used in Cozumel, Mexico, Honolulu, Hawai`i and Southern California. Culturally sensitive, he is excited to blend a larger and more active local membership with our many visitors. In addition, Kahu Eric has run businesses (restaurant and physical fitness) and wants to become a strong member of our North Shore and Kaua`i communities.

But enough about Kahu Eric. He brings with him his wife Gia and 16-year old daughter Kaile`a. "We come as a team," he told me proudly.

Gia met Kahu Eric at South Shore Church in Laguna Niguel, California and they realized that they were "a team for God's Hand." She is a published author and excited to build Wai`oli's Sunday School program, work with community keiki and be there for Wai`oli Hui`ia Church and the North Shore. "God knows my heart," she shared with conviction, "and has been guiding me since I was 13-years old."

Their daughter Kaile`a is also excited for the move. Kaile`a will attend local schools and help grow Wai`oli Hui`ia's childrens' programs and adolescent involvement. She is an avid swimmer, water polo player and wants to expand her water skills in the beautiful and challenging waters of Kaua`i.

*The king shall have joy in your strength, O` Lord:  
And in your salvation how greatly shall he rejoice!  
You have given him his heart's desire,  
And have not withheld the request of his lips. Selah  
Psalm 21: 1-2*

**See you all on Sunday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> at 10am HST....**