

WE'RE AT THE MIDPOINT OF RAISE THE SAILS AND GOD IS EXPANDING OUR VISION OF WHERE HE WANTS TO TAKE US



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#### DEAR FIRST PREZ 'OHANA,

#### The Lord sends us Fresh Wind!

We remember British author/pastor Pete Greig who told us the prophecy that the winds of the Holy Spirit are off shore, and there will be a revival in our islands, but it won't be "business as usual."

As we come to the midpoint of our two-year Raise the Sails generosity journey, God sends a fresh wind from the Holy Spirit to guide us that we might be comforted, encouraged, and empowered to finish our campus building projects and increase our ministries. In addition, God once again has suprised us by blessing us with all of the 246 acres of our property now that the golf course has left.

In this booklet, you will see what we have accomplished in 12 months. May you pray and dream with us what we might do to reach the broader community for Christ.

May we all finish strong in this last year of our Raise the Sails generosity journey. To God be the glory. For the Lord gives us Fresh Wind!

Warmly in Christ,

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## WHAT GOD HAS **DONE** THROUGH RAISE THE SAILS





Because of your financial support, we can continue to keep our Ko'olau campus in good condition for the Lord's work.





#### Drive-By Pick-Up for Families in Need

Teaming with The Food Bank and the City and Country of Honolulu, more than 1,000 families got food and supplies and 100 got gift cards. More than 50 First Prezers volunteered at The Food Pantry to help in food distribution.

#### Waimanalo Back-to-School Outreach

200+ backpacks to Waimanalo students



#### **Grease Interceptor**

Completed the conversion of the multi-ceptor to a grease interceptor and reconfigured plumbing (\$900,000)

#### **Kitchen Exhaust Fan**

Completely replaced the \$41,000 fan (Gee, I thought I just go to City Mill.)

#### The Vine

Completed renovation and installation of equipment (\$750,000)



#### ROOF

Contract completed to repair roof by end of year (just under \$1 million)



#### AIR CONDITIONING

Chiller ordered and on the way. Second one later (\$500,000 combined)



#### ONLINE CHURCH

#### Changing the Way We Minister & Gather

Due to COVID-19, we swiveled and began online worship which resulted in a 60%-80% increase in attendance and roughly 200 committments to Christ. All ministries shifted to online with great success!



BIRTHING NEW MINISTRIES

## Coming by end of 2021

New internship program and a ministry intensive for emerging leaders

# LET'S CONTINUE THE JOURNEY

"For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope." Jeremiah 29:11

## DEVELOP OUR 246 ACRES UNVEIL A NEW INTERNSHIP AND FAITH AT WORK MINISTRY RE-OPEN THE VINE CAMPUS MINISTRY EXPAND A FLOURISHING ONLINE SERVICE FINISH THE REPAIR PROJECTS





3 WAYS TO RESPOND



**NEW COMMITMENT** Make a 12-month faith commitment



**RENEW** Commit to finish strong



#### INCREASE Consider if God has another step for you in your journey of generosity



# OF FRESH WIND

## SIGN UP FOR A FRESH WIND GROUP

We can all be studying and growing deeper in our knowledge of God and in our relationship with Him. Go to <u>raisethesails.org</u> (click on GROUPS) or email steve@fpchawaii.org

#### **PRAY REGULARLY**

that God will work in each of our hearts to listen to Him and follow where He leads us in this generosity journey.

#### **COMMIT FULLY**

by embarking on this generosity journey.

#### **GIVE GENEROUSLY**

Live and give in a way that stretches you to take our faith to a whole new level of generosity.

## REMEMBER WHAT WE HAD SET OUT TO DO

"Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the Lord your God goes with you; He will never leave you nor forsake you." *Joshua 1:9* 

# THE **PRIMARY** GOAL 100% ENGAGEMENT

The primary goal of RAISE THE SAILS is that each of us will join the RAISE THE SAILS journey, take the next steps in discipleship, and grow in our walk with God.

Total number of RTS Commitments = 1058 givers First-Time Givers Since the RTS Launch = 135

## THE SECONDARY GOAL \$15.5 MILLION

We're trusting God to move through us in investing \$15.5 million over two years to steward in these three areas:

#### **MINISTRY OPERATIONS: \$9 MILLION**

For our current ministries and day-to-day operations.

#### **REPAIRS AND RENOVATIONS: \$5 MILLION**

For repairs and improvements for our Koʻolau campus, like a new roof, sewage system, and air-conditioning.

#### **MINISTRY EXPANSION: \$1.5 MILLION**

For expanding the reach of God's Kingdom locally and globally through new ministries, including The Vine campus and the training of new leaders.

Total Commitments and Expected Gifts to RTS = \$11,463,313 More to Raise = \$4,036,687

All gifts to First Prez Honolulu from Dec 2019 to Dec 2021 count toward the Raise the Sails goal. Thanks for being a part of it!



## WAYS TO GIVE

#### **MAKE A COMMITMENT**

Turn in the enclosed commitment card or fill it out online at raisethesails.org/commit

#### ONLINE

<u>fpchawaii.org/give</u> or <u>raisethesails.org/give</u> one-time gift or set up recurring gifts

#### **TEXT-TO-GIVE**

Text "FPCHI" to 77977

#### MAIL A CHECK

45-550 Kionaole Road, Kaneohe, HI 96744 Call (808) 532-1111 to request pre-addressed stamped envelopes.

### QUESTIONS

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