

HO'ANO HOU



Flooding covers a residential neighborhood in Waialua, Hawaii, Friday, March 20, 2026. (AP Photo/Mengshin Lin)



Pastor Patrick addressing a message during our in person worship gatherings at the Redeemed Life Church O'ahu hale.

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Aloha mai kākou!

Pastor Nicole and I pray you are doing well as this new issue of Ho'ano Hou reaches you, whether you are still living in the analog era or have already moved to the digital one.

This has been quite the year for us, both personally and as pastors. We have experienced tropical storms or hurricanes almost every other week for the last two months. If you don't believe in climate change yet, I invite you to spend a season with us!

These weather conditions have deeply impacted Hawai'i, and O'ahu has not been the exception. We started our ***"Bags of Aloha"*** campaign to provide groceries and toiletries to families affected by the rain, wind, and flooding. But after praying and giving it some thought, we realized these conditions were not going away anytime soon. So, we changed our strategy and felt God calling us toward a more permanent solution.

That is how the ***Redeemed Life Church O'ahu Food Pantry*** was born. And God responded quickly! Within 48 hours of sharing the need, we received the startup funding. Mahalo nui loa to ***Horizon Community Church and Pastor Tim Stevenson in Lodi, California; Adam and Britt Osborne; and Cheryl Fields*** for being difference makers. The big C Church and our community need more people like you!

We have also been exploring the possibility of starting a **Celebrate Recovery ministry** at RLC-O'ahu. We met with William Lile, Celebrate Recovery Director for Hawai'i, and received encouraging feedback and direction for the next steps.

We also had the joy of meeting ***Pastor John Shinn and his beautiful family.*** What began as an opportunity to help became a wonderful time of connecting, sharing, breaking bread, and dreaming together about what God has in store for His Church in this 'āina.

Thank you for your prayers, support, time, and attention. You are an important part of this ministry as we continue to reach the lost, love the broken, and care like Christ in this beautiful 'āina.

God bless you!

Patrick & Nicole Kalout
Redeemed Life Church O'ahu Lead Pastors

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REDEEMED LIFECHURCH



Our in person outdoor worship gathering. We are changing the schedule to gather twice a month starting in November 2026



Starting on November 4, 2026, the Food Pantry Ministry will serve the community on Wednesdays and Saturdays, from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM



Pastor Billy Lile, CR Hawai'i State Representative with Pastors Nicole and Patrick (August 17, 2026, at Zippy's).



Pastor Nicole is facilitating a conflict resolution class with the moms living at "The Shelter," in Kahalu'u, for the second time.

What's New?

Would you believe we are almost finishing 2026's third quarter? Anyhow, we've got several exciting updates to share with you as usual!

1. A New Season of Worship and Service

'Ohana, change is part of life, and sometimes it opens the door to new opportunities to serve God and one another. As Redeemed Life Church O'ahu continues to grow, we are making a few changes to our worship schedule that we want to share with you!

Starting in November 2026, we will gather for two in-person worship services each month, on the first and third weeks, at 11:00 AM HST. Weather permitting, we will meet outdoors in the backyard of the RLC-O'ahu hale, surrounded by the beauty of our Ko'olau mountains. Not a bad place to worship, right?

So, what happens during the other weeks? Our in-person services will be recorded, edited, and streamed online during the remaining weeks of the month. This allows us to continue sharing worship, biblical teaching, and fellowship with our 'ohana, including those who cannot join us in person.

We encourage you to visit our website's Events section for the latest schedule, service details, and opportunities to join us: www.redeemedlifeoahu.church/events.

But there is more to this change than simply adjusting our calendar. We also want to invest more time and energy in serving our surrounding community. After all, church is not just about what happens when we gather on Sunday. It is also about what happens when we step outside our doors and put our faith into action.

Through initiatives like our RLC-O'ahu Food Pantry, Celebrate Recovery, and the Ke Akua Van outreach, we hope to walk alongside our neighbors, offer practical help, build meaningful relationships, and share the hope we have found in Jesus.

We appreciate your prayers and continued support as we enter this new season. And if you are a follower of Jesus who believes that loving God means loving and serving your neighbor, there is a place for you among us!

Whether you join us in person, worship online, volunteer, or pray for our ministry, you are part of this journey.

Mahalo nui loa, 'ohana. Let's keep reaching the lost, loving the broken, and caring like Christ. The best part of being the church is that we get to do it together!

2. More Than a Food Pantry: Loving Our Neighbors in Action

It takes a difficult season to remind us how much our neighbors need one another. Here on O'ahu, unexpected storms and hurricanes, together with the ever-increasing cost of living, have

placed a heavy burden on many local ʻohanas. After prayer and serious consideration, we at Redeemed Life Church Oʻahu felt it was time to do more than simply offer a helping hand when disaster strikes.

Our **Bags of Aloha** outreach was one way we responded to immediate needs. But what happens when the headlines fade and families are still struggling to put food on the table? We believe the answer is to keep showing up!

The church is more than a place where people gather on Sundays to worship and grow spiritually. We are called to love God and our neighbors, caring for others as we would want someone to care for us. That conviction led us to launch the **Redeemed Life Church Oʻahu Food Pantry**, providing groceries and toiletries to those who need them.

Our motto says it all: ***"Take What You Need, Drop What You Can."*** It is about more than receiving or giving supplies. It is about building a community where we support one another, recognizing that anyone can experience hardship and everyone has something to contribute.

We are grateful for the immediate support of Horizon Community Church in Lodi, California, through Pastor Tim Stevenson; Adam and Britt Osborne in New York; and Cheryl Fields in California. Their generosity helped us take those first steps. Mahalo nui loa!

Our vision is to build sustainable partnerships with the Hawaiʻi Foodbank, private institutions, and individuals who share our desire to serve local families. We are also looking for long-term financial partners and volunteers to help keep this ministry moving.

Interested in joining us? Visit redeemedlifeoahu.church/serve for details and volunteer applications.

You can visit redeemedlifeoahu.church/give if you feel called to partner and support us financially. Don't forget to select tier 3 and add a note (food pantry) when submitting your donations.

We will soft-open the pantry on November 1 at 12:45 PM, with Windward-side church leaders and ministers gathering to pray over and bless this ministry. Regular operations begin **November 4, open Wednesdays and Saturdays, 9 AM–1 PM.**

Please stop by and let us serve you. We would love to meet you, connect, and remind you that you are not alone. A hui hou, and let's keep caring like Christ!

3. A New Journey Toward Recovery

Have you ever experienced something that made such a difference in your life that you wished others could experience it, too? Well, that is part of the heart behind our plans to bring Celebrate Recovery to the Windward side of Oʻahu!

We had the opportunity to belong to a church where Celebrate



Recovery played an important role. We experienced its benefits firsthand, completing a 12-step study and participating in its weekly gatherings. These included a time of worship and a lesson together, followed by separate men's and women's small groups where participants could address different struggles in a safe, supportive environment.

Celebrate Recovery began at Saddleback Church in California. It incorporates the principles of 12-step recovery programs, similar to Alcoholics Anonymous, through a Christ-centered approach. It offers people a place to face their hurts, habits, and hang-ups while discovering how faith, community, and accountability can support the journey toward healing.

After prayer and consideration, we began exploring how to bring this ministry to our community. On August 17 we met Pastor Billy Lile, Celebrate Recovery Hawaiʻi representative and CR leader at Inspire Church in Aiea. We met at Zippy's, where we discussed plans and next steps, shared our testimonies, and began building a relationship with another local ministry leader. Once again, God provided a divine opportunity!

Pastor Billy offered valuable guidance, including the recommendation that we begin with a small group given our church's current size. We have started by acquiring the Celebrate Recovery Leader's Kit and are preparing for our next steps.

With the holiday season approaching, we have decided to launch our first small group in January 2027. We will share additional details through our website and social media channels as plans develop.

Recovery is not about pretending we have everything together. It is about being willing to take the next step, trusting God, and walking alongside others who understand the journey.

Please pray with us as we prepare for this new ministry. And if you or someone you know could benefit, consider joining us. There is hope, there is healing, and you don't have to walk this road alone.

Aloha nui!

4. Restoring Hope, One Conversation at a Time

Sometimes rebuilding a life begins with something as simple as learning how to navigate a difficult conversation. Sounds easy, right? Well, we all know it isn't always that simple!

Pastor Nicole has been invited to facilitate a Conflict Resolution class at The Shelter in Kahalu'u, using The Peacemaker by Ken Sande as the foundation. This is the second time she has led the class, and what a privilege it is to be part of this journey! The first class ran for 12 sessions, and this current round consists of eight sessions.

Every Monday at 6:30 PM, six moms gather to learn, share, and grow together. These women have faced domestic violence and homelessness, and they are working to rebuild their confidence while gaining practical tools to help shape a different future for themselves and their children.

The Shelter is a transitional housing nonprofit established in 2018 to provide single mothers and their children with a safe, supportive environment. Beyond helping families find permanent housing, The Shelter encourages personal and spiritual growth, recognizing that rebuilding a life involves more than simply finding a roof over one's head.

And this is where we see the heart of ministry at work. Conflict resolution is not just about learning what to say when disagreements arise. It is about understanding our own responses, taking responsibility for our actions, extending forgiveness, establishing healthy boundaries, and learning how to pursue peace without losing sight of truth and dignity.

For these moms, such lessons can become building blocks for healthier relationships, stronger families, and a more hopeful future for their keiki. The goal is not to pretend that the past never happened, but to discover that the past does not have to dictate what comes next.

At Redeemed Life Church O'ahu, we believe loving our neighbors means showing up, walking alongside people, and helping them discover the hope and possibilities that God has placed before them.

CHURCH PLANTING QUOTE



"Not every pastor is a church planter, but every church planter is a pastor."

–Ed Stetzer

E Komo Mai 'Ohana!

God's best connections happen when our plans don't go as expected.

Pastor John Shinn and his family were vacationing on O'ahu and wanted to connect with us and serve with a project at Redeemed Life Church O'ahu. Since his church is also part of the North American Baptist Conference, they already knew a little about what God is doing here.

The weather prevented us from working that day, but God opened another door. We shared our faith journeys, our love for the local church, and what it means to serve in a tight-knit community here in Hawai'i.

What touched us most was discovering how naturally our families connected. Our faith, ministry hopes, and vision for serving others felt remarkably familiar. Even Jacquie's Lebanese heritage gave her and Pastor Patrick a special point of connection.

Ellie Grace and JD listened attentively, joining the adults' stories with remarkable interest. It felt less like meeting new friends and more like reconnecting with family.

We shared laughter, dreams, prayer, and ono Hawaiian food from Waiahole Poi Factory. Before leaving, Pastor John prayed for our neighbors across the highway, whom we see as fertile soil for outreach.

A hui hou, Shinn 'ohana!



Pastor John, Jacquie, and their children, Ellie Grace and JD, blessed us with their visit while enjoying some vacation time here on O'ahu.

MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Whether it is praying, volunteering, or funding RLC-O'ahu, you are helping us to continue with our mission.

The following are three easy ways for you to give and help us make a difference:

1. SCAN THIS QR CODE
2. Or **VISIT OUR WEBSITE:** www.redeemedlifeoahu.church/give
3. Or text **RLC2024** at **(808) 865-0701**

Mahalo Nui Loa for your support!