

Greetings Ministers and Lay Leaders of the Kauai Assoc UCC,

I hope this letter finds you and your congregations as good as can be!

The Waineke Committee had a work day and meeting this last Saturday. We continue to care for the facilities and pray for God's hand in the future dealings of Waineke.

For those of you who are unfamiliar with the current situation with the Waineke cabins, most importantly to mention is that we were 'shut down' and ordered to cease use at the beginning of the year by the DLNR. The outdated cesspool needs to be filled and replaced with a more earth friendly septic system.

As the committee is currently exploring our options, we know that installing a septic system and maintaining the rising costs of the lease are going to require a substantial commitment of money and energy. This brings me to why I am writing:

The committee is needing feedback from our sister churches as to the level of interest and commitment you each hold to keep the Waineke cabin experience going. We are curious about your response to questions such as these:

- *Are your churches interested in using the facility in the future for retreats, workshops, etc?
- *How important are the KAUCC youth camps held at Waineke in Spring to your churches?
- *Would your church be willing to help in any monetary way toward the mission of the Waineke cabins?
- *How would you/your church feel if we relinquished the lease to Waineke cabins?

Please take a moment to give me some feedback on this issue. I will also be bringing this up at the KAUCC Executive committee meeting. I would be grateful for your mana'o in order to move forward with the next steps regarding the Waineke cabin lease/use situation.

Mahalo for Your Time,
Andrea Kaohi