

# LANAKILA NEWS

### SUNDAY

**Ladies Ministry:** 9:30 a.m. - 10:20 a.m.

**Adult Sunday School:** 9:30 a.m. - 10:20 a.m.

Morning Worship: 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Children's Service: 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Bible Study: 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

#### WEDNESDAY

Bible Study: 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

**Children's Ministry:** 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Youth Group: 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

#### SATURDAY

Men's Ministry: 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

#### CONNECT

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If you would like to be a part of our Lanakila Ohana please fill out a **CONNECTION CARD** and drop it in the offering or at our Welcome Desk.

## A Father's Legacy

And the scripture was fulfilled which saith, Abraham believed God, and it was imputed unto him for righteousness: and he was called the Friend of God. (James 2:23)

My father was a hard worker, serving in the United States Air Force for 24 years. While stationed at Hickam, he would work all day and then he worked a part time job in the evenings to make ends meet. He was a man of few words but when he did speak, he spoke words of wisdom that were very practical and that still impact my life today. One memory that attested to my dad's character happened one weekend when he was on call. He worked in the reconnaissance lab at Hickam which meant that when a reconnaissance mission was completed, he would develop the film that was brought back to the base. One particular weekend, my parents were entertaining guests when he got the call. One of the guests kept encouraging him to just call in sick. The guest told him to put two bars of soap under his arms and it would make him sick for a little while and he could have an excuse to call in. My dad refused to go along with the scheme believing it was his duty and responsibility. It told me a lot about the guest's character, but even more about my dad's character. My dad left a lasting impression on my life by the character he exhibited.

The Bible provides us with many examples of good fathers. Because we are affected by our sin nature, you will not find the perfect father; they fail at times, but they still pursue God and holiness. Abraham was one of those. He is promised a son by God whose lineage would provide a Savior. His faith was greatly tested because he was too old to father a child and his wife was well past her childbearing years. After many years that child was conceived. Then God told Abraham, sacrifice his long awaited his only son.

Abraham obeyed God believing that God would raise his son from the dead to fulfill His promise. Abraham acted on the character of God to fulfill His promises. He believed God's promises and because of that faith God counted Abraham's faith as righteousness. God also counted Abraham as his friend, an accolade not given to any other man in the Old Testament. We can be Jesus' friends if we obey Him (John 15:14), just like Abraham obeyed God and was counted as God's friend.

Here is the legacy you can leave your family: believe the promises of God and demonstrate your faith in God by acting on those promises, no matter how difficult the circumstances may be. Your family will not see a perfect father, but a father who pursues God, believes God's promises and talks the talk and walks the walk. That will leave a lasting and eternal legacy.

## **DID YOU KNOW...**

What is Christian Anthropology?

Christian Anthropology is the study of the nature of humanity from a Christian perspective and focuses on how the immaterial and material aspects of man relate to each other. The immaterial aspects include our intangible characteristic, while the material aspects include our tangible characteristics.

Christian Anthropology deals with the idea of man being created in the image and likeness of God. This image and likeness of God refers to the immaterial part of man. This originated when God blew life into Adam. The material part of man originated when God formed Adam from the dust of the ground. For that reason, the Bible teaches that there is only one race, the human race.

Christian Anthropology also deals with the difference between the soul and spirit? They both refer to the immaterial part of man, but only the "spirit" refers to man's walk with God. The "soul" refers to man's walk in the world, both material and immaterial.

Christian Anthropology deals with who we are and how we relate to God. Our views on whether humans are inherently good or inherently sinful is crucial in determining how our relationship with God can be restored. Our belief in whether or not human souls exist after death determines our purpose in this world.

Christian Anthropology helps us to understand ourselves from God's perspective. When we dive into this subject, we get a clearer understanding of our fallen nature, and this leads to a sense of wonder at the love of our Savior who saw our helpless state and went to the cross to redeem us. When we accept that sacrifice and receive it as our own, our natures are transformed by God who creates in us a completely new person. It is this new person who can relate to Him as we should, as His adored children. - Pastor James



**VBS** July 29th - August 2nd 8:00am - 12:00pm Volunteer Sign-Up Sheet and Registration forms are on the back table.

## **Summer 2024**

Wednesday nights 6:30pm - 8:00pm Middle/High School Campus

> Children's Ministry Youth Group Bible Study

