



BCC of Hawaii

“Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest.” (Matthew 11:28)

2024 SPIRITUAL RETREAT WEEKEND DATE

March 1-3
June 7-9 (Youth Retreat)
September 13-15
December 13-15

BASIC CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY OF HAWAII SPIRITUAL RETREAT WEEKEND

It is with JOY that we welcome you as a participant to the **BCCH** Spirituality Weekend. God is faithful and He will be knocking at your heart to open and allow Him entrance. We guarantee that if you come to the weekend with an open mind and heart, you and your family will be blessed. God will give you a new insight into your life with Him and your place in the Christian Community.

Retreat weekends are held at St. Anthony Retreat Center, 3351 Kalihi Street in Kalihi Valley. The driveway entrance is located on the right-hand (kokohead) side about a block above the last bus stop for the #7 bus. You will find the retreat house all the way to the end of the driveway.

Team members will be praying for your safe arrival on Friday evening at 5:00 pm. Please inform us if you will be arriving later so that we can keep your bed reserved in case we have any “walk-ins.” You can also let us know if you need help with transportation. The weekend will end with Mass on Sunday starting at approximately 2 pm. If anyone is coming to give you a ride, they are welcome to join us for Mass.

Space is limited and available on a first-come-first served basis. Please submit the application as soon as possible. There is no deadline to submit an application for any weekend. However, we won't always be able to guarantee a space if it is right before the weekend. If you are applying during a week before the retreat weekend, we suggest you first call the sponsor who is listed on the application.

We ask for a donation of \$100 to cover the cost of the weekend, which includes room and board, all meals, snacks, and writing materials. Don't let financial difficulty stop you from coming. We have scholarship available. **We don't want to turn anyone away.**

This is an overnight (2 nights) retreat, so please review the list of items to bring with you. Meals will be provided starting with a light supper on Friday evening.

To register, fill out this form or visit
www.bcchawaii.com

BASIC CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY OF HAWAII RETREAT REGISTRATION FORM

NAME: _____ PHONE: (Home) _____

ADDRESS: _____ (Cell) _____

Religion: _____ Church: _____ Date of Birth: _____ [] Female [] Male
Email: _____

Do you require special attention such as diet or health: [] Yes [] No
If yes, please explain: _____

In case of emergency whom do we notify? Name: _____ Medical Plan _____
Preferred Hospital _____

Desired Retreat date: _____ Sponsored by: (if known) _____
(Please read other side)

About Basic Christian Community

Basic Christian Community of Hawaii is a lay movement of the Roman Catholic Church, operating with full Diocesan approval. Our spiritual guides and advisors are Msgr. Rev. Gary Secor (Vicar General) and Sr. Maristella Um-dor.

It is designed to bring together small groups of people to support one another (community), to study and know Jesus' Word (the message), and to live more fully the life of a believer (the mission).

When you stop and think about it, community has always been an essential part of the Christian life, right from those wondrous days recounted in the New Testament. Just as fish swim together in schools for protection against their predators, we too need the strength of one another to shield us from worldly temptation and to help us continue on our own spiritual journeys.

The Basic Christian Community of Hawaii was organized since 1985 and it has been growing ever since. It's modeled after a success-proven format that is some 2000 years old. After Jesus' death and resurrection, the disciples *were* the original basic Christian community. After they were banned from using the temples for their meeting place, they met in homes to continue the spreading of His Word. This format must have worked, because those original twelve disciples have now grown to some two billion Christians in the world. Now, *that's* a success story! BCC is nothing more than an attempt to recreate the closeness of such small communities, to recapture some of the fire of the apostles, and to spread the Good News, both through personal witnessing and life style changes.

Community is very important to our relationships, too. We cannot separate how we relate to God from how we relate to one another, because the very things that keep us from closer relationship with our neighbor also separate us from God. The goal of Basic Christian Community of Hawaii is for us all to develop closer ties with both the Living God and His people.

Although most new BCC members attend one of our retreats first, our weekly cell groups are open to all -- open to all who wish to experience their faith more fully. BCC holds six retreats each year and we welcome anyone who wants to experience God's love in a more powerful way.

The presence of His Spirit is truly felt and you can truly see Him in the face of others, so we encourage new members to use these weekends as both an introduction and a jump-start to their own BCC experience. Our weekly meetings then provide a continuation of the brotherhood experienced at the weekend as we give praise and thanks to God, share what He has done in our lives, and study His Word.

BCCH Weekly Gathering are held in person of virtual. Please contact cell leaders listed below for more details.

Monday

Kaneohe / Kahaluu (7:30 pm)
Sheree Pokipala @ (808) 206-0991
Email: shereepokipala@gmail.com

Kapolei – Leeward (6:30 pm)
Dcn Raul & Annabelle Perez @ (808) 256-9000
Email: raul.perez808@gmail.com

Manoa (7:00 pm)
Rose & Dave Tom @ (808) 384-0667 / 232-5010
Email: tom021@hawaii.rr.com

Wednesday

Waipahu (10:15 AM)
Tammy Sistoza @ (808) 745-5656

Ewa Beach (7:00 pm)
Bernie & Jerome Kanalulu (808) 685-5906
Email: jbkohana@gmail.com

Teo & Mason Matsuda (808) 683-0629
Email: masonteo@yahoo.com

Thursday

Hawaii Kai (Holy Trinity) (7:15 pm)
Phyllis Young @ (808) 389-6694
Email: alohaphyllis@icloud.com

Friday

Young Adult / Waiahole
Sarah & Uncle Boi
(808) 383-2077
Email: patfdumadag@gmail.com

Saturday

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church
Jimmy or Candace Muneoka @ (808) 398-7041
Email: Jimmy-n-Candice@hawaii.rr.com

Sunday

Kailua (12:30 pm)
Kamalani/Chaz Ontai @ (808) 382-8608
Email: kamalanirodrigues@outlook.com

A donation of \$100.00 is requested to defray the cost of all meals, snack, writing materials, room and board. If there is difficulty in paying in full, arrangements can be made to pay in installments, or call one of the cell group leaders nearest you. We don't want to turn anyone away.

I understand that according to the Roman Catholic Church, receiving Communion is linked with being in communion with the Pope and pastors of the Church. Those who receive Holy Communion at a Catholic Mass not only receive the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ but also publicly express their unity with the pastors of the Roman Catholic Church. Therefore, Catholic sacramental communion is only open to those who believe that the Eucharist is the Body and Blood of the Lord and who are in unity with the pastors of the Catholic Church.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please make check payable to: **Basic Christian Community of Hawaii**

Submit your application with payment to your sponsor or mail to: Dcn Raul Perez (Phone:256-9000)
91-1012 Hoesa St., Kapolei HI. 96707

Confirmation letter or phone call will be made to you upon receipt of application.