

FOCUS OUR MAUI ISLANDS NUI OUR FUTURE

PROFILE

The individuals featured here are your neighbors, friends, co-workers. They all share one thing: a true concern for the future of our island home and the willingness to become part of the building process.



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How have you been inspired to take action or involve others in building the future we all want? Basically, the members of Keawala'i church had this vision of preserving the Mākena area for the future and that's what started the church restoration project. We looked at our deteriorating building and wanted to restore it to its original state so it could be around for another 150 years. Besides coming to worship, Mākena community groups meet here because this is the only place in the area where they can meet.

Focus Maui Nui is also about building community. How do you see yourselves fitting into that strategy? Thinking of long-range planning, one of the church's mission is to be a part of the community and help everyone who have a need for a place of belonging. The type of work and materials we put into restoration now will maintain the facility for years to come. Hopefully, the church can again give people a focal point, a sense of belonging. Like before when Mākena was its own community, people will know there's still a place to meet and congregate, as well as to worship.

What message do you want to send out to your fellow residents? We've started something here. But we need a lot of help to clean up vegetation overgrowth, repair lava rock walls and preserve the area. With the help of the community, we can get it done and people will have the satisfaction they've done something for the place where they live. For more on how you can help, call 879-5557.

FOCUS MAUI NUI: *The future rests with us...*

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