

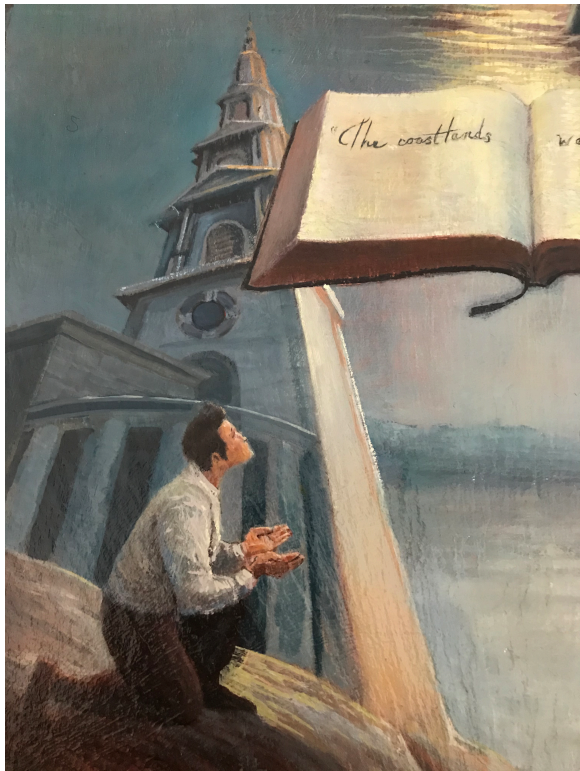


Gifts to Hawaii Churches

In October 2019, we celebrated the 200th anniversary of sending the first missionaries to the Sandwich Islands (Hawaii) from Park Street Church. Those missionaries started churches on three of the islands. We formed new friendships and renewed old ones with these three congregations. We hoped to send representatives to celebrations in Hawaii the following spring (2020), bearing gifts, but due to the pandemic those celebrations were canceled. This week David and Lia Rix are traveling to Kauai and will be able to carry our gifts.

What are the gifts? The very talented Adrian Johnston has painted meaningful scenes onto three slates that were retired from active service on the Park Street Meetinghouse roof.

[Click here to learn more](#)



The mission was inspired by the life of Henry Opukaha'ia, whose story sparked the missionary movement that captured the hearts of young people at the beginning of the 19th century.

The trip around South America on the brig *Thaddeus* took 160 days.



Seven New England families and four native Hawaiians formed the Pioneer Company. They departed from Long Wharf, unsure of ever returning.

Details



The Churches

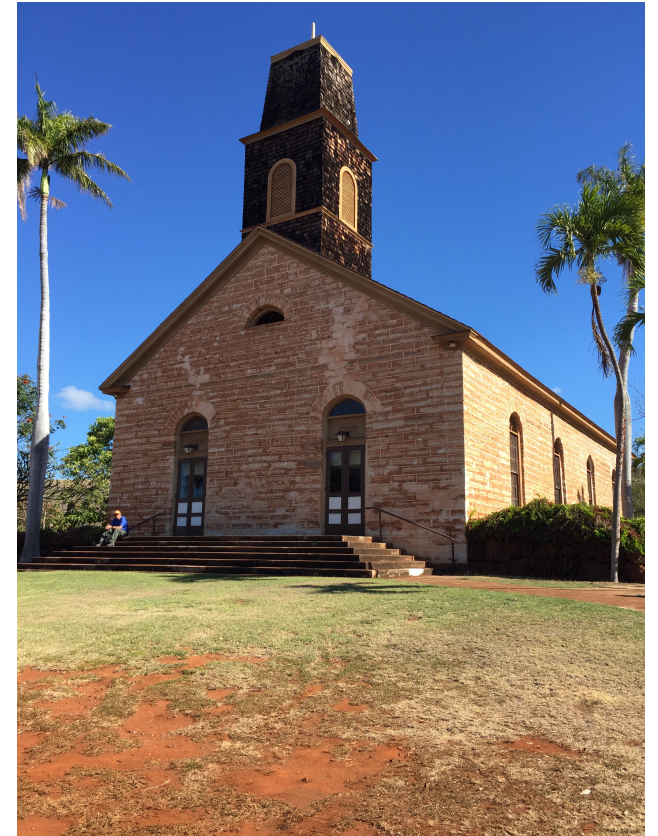


[Mokuaikaua Church](#), Kailua-Kona, was the first church established. Paul Toms, shown here, was pastor at Mokuaikaua Church from 1952 to 1957, and senior pastor at Park Street from 1969 to 1989



[Kawaiaha'o Church](#) in Honolulu was established on April 22, 1820. Click on the link for videos about the church, the missionaries, and the 2019 celebration at Park Street.

[Waimea Church](#) in Kauai was founded in 1820 on a site given to the missionaries by King Kaumualii



Scripture verses on the Slates



For Mokuaikaua Church:

“The sum of Your word is truth and every one of Your righteous ordinances is everlasting.” - Psalm 119:160 (NASV)

Kawaiahao Church:

"...my house will be called a house of prayer for all nations." - Isaiah 56:7b (NIV)

Waimea Church:

“E hele mai imua o kona ale me ke oli ana i ike oukou o Jehova oia no ke akua” (Come before His presence with singing that you may know Jehovah is God)" --a paraphrase of Ps. 100:2-3

