

REACH UP REACH OUT... in Hawaii

Aloha Friends,

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Recently, my children and I had the unique opportunity to minister to youth & student athletes in Hawaii. We met with a longtime friend, Greg Brennes, who pastors a church walking distance from University of Hawaii. He asked me to speak to a bible study for football players which God definitely blessed. Then, we met with my former roommate from USC, Ted Kawabata, who now helps lead the youth outreach for the church. Each wrote very kind words I want to share as we continue to partner and reach out together!



Sam and I got to reach out to the UH Football Players.

Dave, I'm so grateful for you and for the time you spent sharing your life and imparting to this group of 15 guys from the University of Hawaii Football team. In such a relevant and challenging way, you connected with them and challenged them through the Scriptures and the example of your life to navigate as athletes and to live out their faith in Christ. Your example of confessing scriptures that you've memorized from Ephesians blew their minds and helped them to understand in a deeper way the power of keeping the Word in their heart and confessing it. The guys were genuinely moved by God to take practical steps to live at a higher level for Jesus and to seek ways to make a difference in the lives of others. I really appreciate you and the unique impact you had in the lives of these men as they had an up close moment with who God has shaped you to be as you've responded to him, especially in moments of difficulty and pain. Thanks for being vulnerable and helping them understand that the truth that "his power is made perfect in weakness." (*Greg Brennes, Church Planter/Pastor for over 30 years*)



Reaching out to youth with my kids

It was so great to reconnect with one of my favorite people in the world. Dave has been such an encouragement and inspiration to me from our USC students days to now. He has such a knack for connecting with people and exuding God's love in a way that comes across as authentic and genuine. And his kids are so sweet! The real deal. So glad he is able to travel and export the love of Jesus from school to school and state to state and nation to nation. Much MAHALO to everyone who supports his ministry! (*Ted Kawabata, Missionary for 20 years*)

Mahalos and much love !!

Partnering with you,

Dave and Mandy



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