

# ALOHA KE AKUA

"GOD IS LOVE: New Semester, New Season, Same God"  
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*"Epic Conference revealed and confirmed God's unconditional love and people's love for me. It changed my heart and stirred me to love on the people God has put around me. I am totally seeing school as a mission field rather than something I hate." Rachel*

## New Semester: Epic Conference 2011

What an amazing experience to be a part of something so life changing! This year we had 361 staff and students from all over the US attend and in that, had the opportunity to bring 16 Hawai'i students! What an amazing time we had! Being a part of the design team was definitely stressful and the past 3 months of planning were busy, but coming out of it in the end seeing lives transformed made it completely WORTH it! It excites me as this new semester starts, that students like Rachel have experienced His love and have the desire to share that on their campuses! I pray that this semester, we would see lives transformed here in Hawai'i! One highlight was seeing our students step out in faith to go out into the city and share the gospel! That day we were able to engage in 309 spiritual conversations, 107 gospel



*A group photo of our 19 staff and students from Hawai'i!!! This is right before we go out to share the gospel and love of Jesus with the city of San Francisco with our "Knowing God Personally" booklets.*

## New Season: Going Where He Calls from Hawai'i to India to Japan

One of the amazing things about 2011 so far is anticipating the journey that He is bringing me on! The transition to Hawai'i the past 9 months has not been easy but He has continued to provide and show me that He is good! In December, I really struggled to believe that I would taste and see His goodness and in that time of desperately seeking Him, He has shown me that I really don't see the bigger picture of what He has planned. In that, I would say that each year, God gives me a "theme" to live by and this year (although it came in December), it would be the theme of **dependence** and with that **Psalm 27**. I am learning to depend on Him in so many areas of my life and one of those areas is to say yes to the opportunities to serve Him in whatever capacity He calls. Coming to Hawai'i was a definite calling from the Lord and I think back to quitting my teaching job to going into full time ministry and that has definitely caused me to fully depend on Him in every way I can possibly think from housing to church to finances to ministry. He continues to provide more and more opportunities for me, and so in obedience I want to follow Him and continue to trust and grow in dependence on Jesus when I get the chances to do what He asks. So with that, I've been given the unique opportunity to go to India for 14 days with my church to serve at an orphanage with the kids there. YAY! It's fun to see that He gives me the chance again to do what I love and am passionate about. Along with India, I will be co-directing a summer project to Tokyo, Japan with Campus Crusade this summer and taking a team of students to reaching the less than 1% of Christians. WOW! I am blessed and honored to be a part of all these opportunities and really just saying "yes!" to where He calls and even more so, to put into practice how to **fully depend** on Jesus in all seasons of life!!!

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