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Pastor Jerry Hubbard, KCC & KCS Administrator

Dear Church Family,

Do you remember asking your parents, "Why?", and they said, "Because it's good for you!"? Whether it was eating your vegetables, exercising, or going to bed on time, there are some things in life that we do simply because they're good for us.

Psalm 92:1 says, "It's a good thing to give thanks to the Lord, and sing praises to His name." Why? Because it's good for us. So, why do we grumble? Two reasons come to mind:

(a) Because we think that it'll improve things.

But does it? Not usually. Actually, when we complain, it brings change, but not in a positive sense. We often complain about things we can't do anything about. It not only gives us a negative frame of mind, but it solves nothing, erodes our trust in God, and eventually leads us to whine about things that we can do something about.

(b) Because we think we deserve more.

But do we? Actually, if we got what we deserved, we'd all be in deep kim chee, because the Bible teaches that "the wages of sin is death" (Rm.6:23). We should be thankful, not only that we don't get what we deserve (i.e., justice), but that we get what we *don't* deserve (i.e., grace)!

The solution? Choose to be grateful!

There's so much we have to be thankful for: food, family, clothes, home, and many other things. 9/11/01 proved that any of these things can disappear almost instantly. We need to choose to be thankful, not only for what we have (and can lose), but also for what we have (and cannot lose).

Psalm 103:2 says, "Praise the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits" (e.g., forgiveness, health, contentment, just to name a few). So be thankful! Why? Because it's good for you.

In Memory of Pastor Ron

Pastor Ron Arnold, 68, of Honolulu passed away peacefully on the morning of November 12, 2018.

Born and raised in a small town in Nebraska, Ron moved to Hawaii in 1979 where he fell in love with the culture and the people. He committed his life to serving his community as senior pastor of Kaimuki Christian Church. His genuine dedication to the Lord, his family and others was a witness to believers and non-believers alike. His passion to tell oth-

ers about the Lord's grace led to the growth of Kaimuki Christian Church and School, as well as his leading of numerous mission trips overseas. Ron lived life to the fullest, giving himself to his family



and interests: golf, Nebraska and Green Bay football, reading, travel, motorcycle riding and fishing.

Ron's life is defined by his devotion to his family. He is survived by father Gerald; wife (of 48 years) Deanna; sons Lance (Ilene) and Rocky (Anadara); grandchildren Colt, Callie, Brooks and Weston; and siblings Jerry Jr., David, Beverly and Joe.

The Celebration of Life service for Pastor Ron will be on Saturday December 1 at Kaimuki Christian Church. Visitation:

9am; Service: 10am.

Gifts in Ron's honor will be distributed by the family to global and local missions.

Notes, Cards and Messages to the Arnold Family

Personal notes and cards to Dee and the rest of the Arnold family can be sent to Kaimuki Christian Church, 1117 Koko Head Avenue, Honolulu, HI 96816. If you would like to email, please send to kcc@kaimukichristian.org.

Share Your Pastor Ron Stories & Photos

Do you have a Pastor Ron story or photo? Use the hashtag #PastorRonArnold on your social network of choice and we will collect all the stories and photos for the Arnold family. Your stories will help to lift up the Arnold family and the Kaimuki Christian Church family, so please share!



Prayer for our Honolulu Marathoners

If you are running in the Honolulu Marathon, please come to our TGIF service on Friday, Dec. 7, so we may pray over you. Invite any other runners participating in the Marathon to join us also!

Those of you living in East Honolulu may want to attend the TGIF service also to avoid the traffic congestion on Sunday, Dec. 9th, the day of the marathon.