Dear Jeannette,

I hope this finds you well and enjoying your summer. Here are several updates that might interest you.

**2010 International Bioethics Conference 8/13**

"The New Healthcare: Ethics and Economics"

Date: Friday August 13, 2010  
Time: 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
Location: Japanese Cultural Center of Hawaii  
Manoa Grand Ballroom  
2454 S. Beretania Street

The St. Francis International Center for Healthcare Ethics has assembled internationally known speakers and local experts in the area of bioethics, economics, telehealth, and medical insurance to address the ethical aspects of healthcare reform. Anyone connected to the healthcare industry and an interest in ethics will find this conference relevant. Kokua Mau Board member Linda Axtell-Thompson will be moderating a panel on telehealth.

Course Objectives:
1) Identify ethical concerns associated with new healthcare legislation  
2) Discuss whether telehealth technology facilitates
effective patient communication with healthcare providers or if it dehumanizes patient care
3) Learn how insurance companies view current legislation
4) Gain an international perspective on America's healthcare situation

For more information and a registration brochure click here

Feedback Survey: Hawaii Comprehensive Cancer Control Coalition's Cancer Plan Workgroup

Kokua Mau has been collaborating with the Hawaii State Comprehensive Cancer Control Program to write the next 5 year Cancer Plan for the state, serving as the co-chair for the Quality of Life Committee and helping to write the objectives and strategies for Goal 4. We are very pleased to be included in this effort to strengthen the state's cancer plan and hope you can look at the on-line survey to insure wide community feedback.

Goal 1: Prevention

Goal 2: Early Detection

Goal 3: Equitible Access to Care

Goal 4: Quality of Life

Living your Dying
A DVD with and about Rev. Dr. Mits Aoki

Help us get the word out about this unique DVD.

This documentary film explores his personal journey interwoven with the stories of four courageous individuals who faced the challenge of “living their dying” accompanied every step by Dr. Aoki.

The 57-minute DVD produced by Lotus Film Productions is available from Kokua Mau.

This moving documentary was recently re-aired on PBS Hawaii. Filmed in 2003 it is directed by Robert
Pennybacker with Didi Leong as the Executive Producer.

**About Dr. Mitsuo Aoki:** He is a retired theologian, minister, college professor and founder of the University of Hawaii's Department of Religion. For over four decades the Rev. Dr. Aoki has shown others how to experience death not merely as an end, but as a vital, inseparable part of life. His commitment to taking the terror out of death has touched the consciousness of an entire community and made an indelible lasting imprint in Hawaii.

For more information please visit our website. To download the order form click here. Please post the order form or distribute it through your network.

Kokua Mau meets on the last Thursday of every month from 3-5pm. Please contact Jeannette for more details. All are welcome.

Looking forward to seeing you.

Jeannette Kojiane
Executive Director