



May 25, 2018

Dear Delegates of the 196th 'Aha Pae'aina:

A year ago we kicked off the strategic planning process just as the Hokulea arrived at Magic Island for its joyful homecoming celebration. Since then, we have been on quite a voyage ourselves. All corners of the Hawai'i Conference have come together to discern what God has in store for us.

The enclosed Strategic Plan builds on our past history and propels us into the future. A Strategy Team, appointed by the Conference Council, worked diligently to incorporate diverse perspectives, uniting them in a single mission, vision and set of strategic initiatives. The Team's hope is that, with God's help, everyone in the Conference will contribute to making the plan a reality.

Throughout the planning process, the Council reviewed drafts, asked questions, and provided feedback. During its May 19 meeting, the Council voted unanimously to recommend approval of the plan to the delegates of the 196th 'Aha Pae'aina. Delegates will be voting to approve the mission, vision and strategic initiatives found on page 10 of the Strategic Plan.

I encourage you to read, reflect and prayerfully consider this plan as our guiding document for the next ten years. We intend to maintain it as a living document, revising and adjusting it as we continue our journey.

Yours in Christ,

Iese Tuuao
Conference Council Chair