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The Community Miracle in Kaupō

The renovation project at Hui Aloha Church in Kaupō is nothing short of a miracle. Led by an energetic group of locals, volunteers from all over Maui came together to repair exterior walls, to patch the roof, and put in a new floor at Hui Aloha, the historic church built in the late 1850s. This is such an inspiring story because funds and in-kind donations have come from such

renovation weekend and 52 willing souls gathered to help this miracle to fruition. We were only able to patch the roof so we still need the funds to replace the roof."

Stephan Lefebvre would like to honor Carl Lindquist with a very special Mahalo, as "His spirit is my deep inspiration which has prompted me to take upon his role the best I can in



Photo by Victor Kidd

a wide range of benevolent people, many of whom live in other parts of the world. They have been touched by the spiritual power of this little picturesque church.

Stephan Lefebvre has been a driving force in securing many of the donations and Otto Horen of East Maui Construction has been a key contributor of time and intellectual capital. After a visit to Hui Aloha, an Austrian gentleman named Peter Spleiss was moved to make a significant financial donation, and tourists from all over the world have made small donations in the little collection box in the church.

Pastor Victor Kidd and the renovation hui "expected possibly 25 volunteers for the

such humble ways, without his inspiration and the support of 2 very special individuals this project would not have been possible namely... Carl "Soot" Bredhoof and Uncle Changa from Kaupō who were the three individual driving forces of the last church renovations back in 1978. Mahalo Lei'ohu Ryder for her kind words of reinforcement."

Anyone interested in more information on this wonderful project or in making a contribution can contact Pastor Kidd at: victorlanekidd@gmail.com or call at 808.269.1858. Contributions can be mailed to Hui Aloha Church, PO Box 188, Hana HI 96713.

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