

December 22—28

Sunday, December 22, *Bible Through the Year*: Nehemiah 10-11; Luke 20:27-47
10:00 AM Worship Service

Monday, December 23, *Bible Through the Year*: Nehemiah 12-13; Luke 21:1-19

Tuesday, December 24, *Bible Through the Year*: Micah 1-3; Luke 21:20-38
Church office closes at noon
6:00 PM Christmas Eve Service

Wednesday, December 25, *Bible Through the Year*: Micah 4-5; Luke 22:1-20
Church office is closed for Christmas

Thursday, December 26, *Bible Through the Year*: Micah 6-7; Luke 22:21-46

Friday, December 27, *Bible Through the Year*: Zechariah 1-4; Luke 22:47-71

Saturday, December 28, *Bible Through the Year*: Zechariah 5-8; Luke 23:1-25
8:30 AM Church Workday

Sunday in-person Bible studies

Median Adults class (Jennifer Watanabe leading) — 8:30 a.m. Choir room
Middle School & High School Sermon Discussion — 8:30 a.m. Youth room
Sunday School for Toddlers to 5th Grade — 8:30 a.m. Preschool Classrooms
Childcare for the babies — 8:30 a.m. Nursery

Sunday In-person/online Bible studies

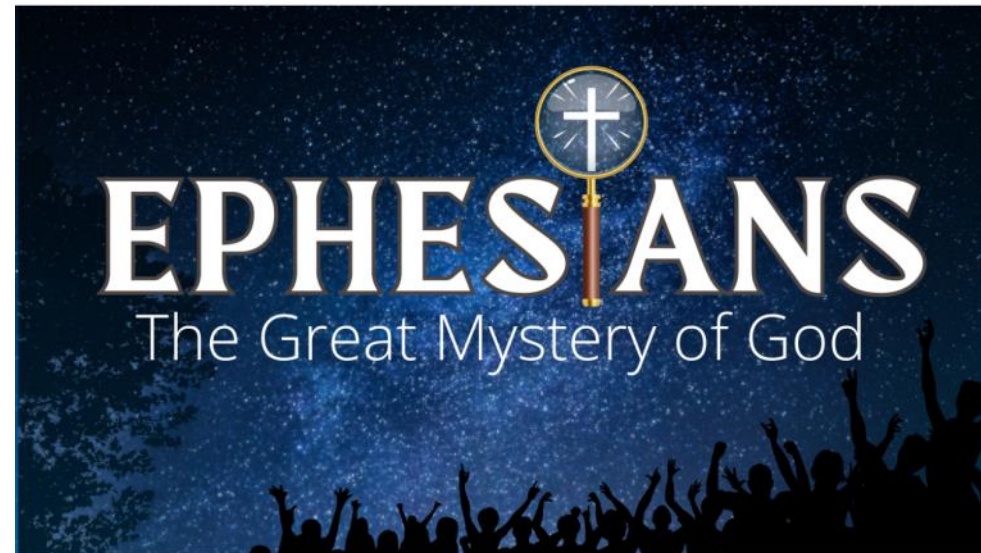
Mixed Adults Class (Pastor Matt leading) — 8:30 a.m. Fellowship Hall
Young Adults — 6:30 p.m. Contact Gabby (gabrielle@waialaebaptist.com) for info

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and [various podcast sites](#) (Links can also be found on our website)



December 22, 2024

Praying For The Impossible



Ephesians 3:14-21

Wai'alaie Baptist Church | Sunday, December 22, 2024

We believe our church should be a reflection of the love and glory of God that is given to us from God through faith in Jesus Christ, the Son of God, who is our Savior and Lord, and by the indwelling of the Holy Spirit who unites as one body in Christ and empowers us to obey God and serve others.

THE MISSION OF OUR CHURCH IS TO:

Fulfill the Great Commission | Share the gospel: Making disciples in all nations bringing glory to God (Mt. 28:18-20)

Obey the Greatest Commandment | Walk in Love: To love God and to love all people (Mt. 22:37-40)

Be United in the Spirit | Change The World: Reveal that Jesus is the Son of God sent by the Father to be the Lord and Savior of the world. (Jn. 17:20-21)

WELCOME GUESTS!

Please connect with us by filling out a Welcome form located in the back of the pews and place it in the offering bowl. You may also fill out our online welcome form by scanning the QR code to the right:



WELCOME TEAM

After the worship service, our welcome team serves refreshments in the breezeway. Please stay and get to know us.

KIDS WORSHIP

Kids in grades 1-5 remain in service until they are excused just before the sermon to meet Kids Worship leaders at the back of the sanctuary. They will go downstairs for a Bible lesson and activities.

ALTAR FLOWERS

If you are interested in donating flowers for the altar, please call or text Nora Galacia (808-222-1945). Thank you.

Save the date!

Christmas Eve Service — Tuesday, December 24 at 6p.m.

Church Workday — Saturday, December 28, starting at 8:30a.m. See Bill for more information.

Special Business Meeting — Sunday, December 29, following the service. Packets are available for pick-up in the foyer.

WBC Sings! (Music Outreach) — The next rehearsal will take place Saturday, January 4, 2025 at 9a.m. in the Choir Room. Contact JT for more info.

New Years Mochi Pounding & Potluck — Saturday, January 4 from 5p.m.-7:30p.m. Set the date and fellowship with us!

UABC "The Big Giveaway" Donation Drive — We will be collecting gently used or new household items to bless international students and scholars for University Avenue Baptist Church's (UABC) "The Big Giveaway" event. Bring your items to the Fellowship Hall near the restrooms on Saturday, January 4 from 4-8p.m. (during the New Years Mochi Pounding) and on Sunday, January 5 from 8a.m. to 12:30pm.m. Contact Stacy or scan the QR code to access waialaebaptist.org/missions for more info.



Ongoing Opportunities

Wednesday Night Bible Study & Prayer — Choir room at 6:30p.m. or online via Zoom, with online/Zoom Prayer at 7:30p.m. Contact Pastor Matt or info@waialaebaptist.com for more info.

Growth Groups — Saturday nights at 6 p.m. Contact Pastor Matt before attending.

Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions and Prayer Week — Through the month of December. Envelopes are included in the offering boxes and available in the foyer. Go to lottymoon.com for info.

Help with the Maui Relief Effort — Visit waialaebaptist.org for resources.

Offering Envelopes for 2025 - Sign-up in the foyer if you would like offering envelopes for 2025.

WORSHIP CELEBRATION

A Romans 12 Church

I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.

**Surrendered ♥ Discipling ♥ Humble ♥ Diverse ♥ Serving
♥ Loving ♥ Fruitful ♥ Relational ♥ Good**

Why We Listen to Sermons

To know God who is Trinity more

Knowledge that leads to a greater love for the Father, Son, and Spirit, and a deeper worship of God

To know more about what God has done and is doing through Jesus

Knowledge that leads to a greater understanding of God's kingdom and His church

To know more about God's plan to use us

Knowledge that leads to a greater understanding of and commitment to do God's will

To know our sin and understand the power of God's grace in Christ

Knowledge that leads to repentance and a saving faith in Christ.

Truly listening to God's Word leads to a greater hunger to know more about God and His Word

Call To Worship

Hark The Herald Angels Sing

Welcome

Opening Prayer

And Can It Be

Scripture Reading — 1 John 2:1-5
& Hebrews 4:14-16

Offering

Christ Be Magnified

Ephesians: The Great Mystery of God -
Praying For The Impossible (Ephesians 3:14-21)

Prayer and Response

I Stand Amazed

Announcements

Closing Prayer

Dismissal

***Our mission is to fulfill the Great Commission and obey
the Great Commandment all for the glory of God.***



Ephesians: The Great Mystery of God



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Praying for the Impossible

Ephesians 3:14-21

Where we live

The focus of our prayers often reflects what is most _____ in our lives.

Where the text lives

Paul is writing from imprisonment to the church at Ephesus.

What the text says

Our prayer should be that the _____ of Christ will be the _____ of our church.

ACTION:

Our prayer should be that we will have the _____ for God's love to overflow in our lives and our church.

ACTION:

Our prayers grow as understanding of God's _____ and God's _____ grow.

ACTION:

Our response

God, help us to _____ in our knowledge and experience of Your perfect _____ so that we might fulfill Your purpose for us.