

# Diocese of Hawaii

## Internet Evangelism Pilot Project

### **The Internet Evangelism Pilot Project**

The Internet Evangelism Pilot Project was established by Diocesan Convention to help up to ten participating churches make better use of the Internet for outreach to those seeking a spiritual anchor, as we learn together best practices for internet evangelism to share with all churches in the Diocese.

### **Benefits for Participating Churches**

Churches selected to participate will enjoy:

- Help building and/or maintaining your church website.
- Access to free training webinars on Internet evangelism and helpful tools for making your website search friendly and seeker friendly.
- Help making your church website to be more attractive to visitors and seekers, as well as current members/users.
- New or renewed relationships with other churches in the diocese as you share knowledge and skill with other participating congregations
- A community of interest in evangelism through the internet..
- Access to a resource community for input and assistance with problem solving and creative brainstorming.

### **Expectations for Pilot Participants**

Participating churches are asked to provide two representatives to attend training (via webinars), and contribute to online conversations about their experience using practices and tools available through the pilot project and the Internet. In addition, churches are asked to consider ways they can contribute to help make the pilot project a success. This could be done by making a contribution to offset the costs of the pilot, by participating in the on-line conversations and trainings to share their experiences and ideas; and by helping other churches by sharing what has been learned in the course of the pilot.

### **Application Process**

Applications and endorsements will be accepted through 5:00 p.m. on Friday, August 6, 2010, and may be submitted by email to:

[diohi.internet.evangelism@gmail.com](mailto:diohi.internet.evangelism@gmail.com).

The application consists of three parts:

- A) Contact information.
- B) Brief (one paragraph) responses to three questions about participation in the project.
- C) Endorsement from your priest. This endorsement may come in the form of a brief email stating that the application has been submitted with the knowledge and approval of the priest.

# Diocese of Hawaii Internet Evangelism Pilot Project Application

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## A. Contact information

1) Name of person completing application

\_\_\_\_\_

- Mailing address \_\_\_\_\_
- Preferred phone number \_\_\_\_\_
- Email address \_\_\_\_\_
- What leadership role(s) do you have within the church (do you currently have responsibility for your church website?)  
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2) The names of two volunteers who have consented/volunteered to work together as representatives through the duration of the pilot project

Name \_\_\_\_\_

- Mailing address \_\_\_\_\_
- Preferred phone number \_\_\_\_\_
- Email address \_\_\_\_\_
- What leadership role(s) do you have within the church (do you currently have responsibility for your church website?)  
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Name \_\_\_\_\_

- Mailing address \_\_\_\_\_
- Preferred phone number \_\_\_\_\_
- Email address \_\_\_\_\_
- What leadership role(s) do you have within the church (do you currently have responsibility for your church website?)  
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## B. Application Questions (continued on next page)

1. If your church has a website: What consideration have you/your church given to a web presence? If your church does not have a website: what help do you need to consider what your web presence might be and what are the biggest challenges for you in having a website?

2. In what ways can your church contribute to the pilot project, and churches participating in the project, now or in the future?

For example:

- Financial contribution to the diocese
- Share learning experiences with other participants
- Help with nearby churches who are not participating
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

3. What skills do your volunteers have that make them suitable for representing the church? What training would be most helpful for them?

### **C. Church Endorsement**

Please ask your priest to send a brief email acknowledging that they are aware of and endorse this application (if you are currently seeking a priest, please have your Senior/Bishop's Warden write the endorsement).