

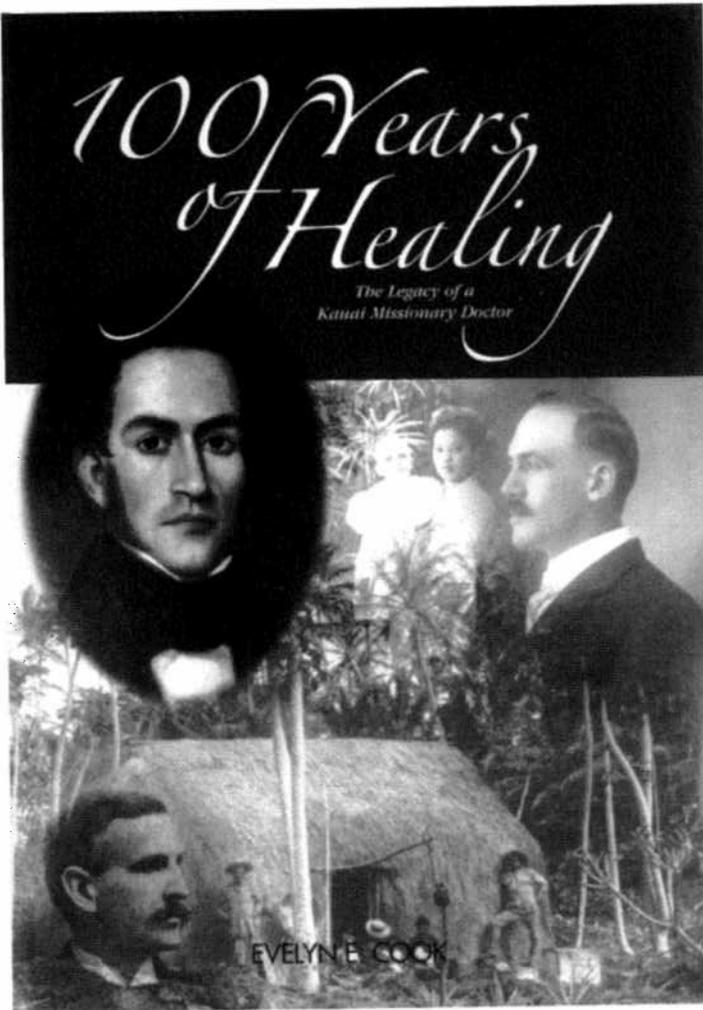


100 Years of Healing: The Legacy of a Kauai Missionary Doctor

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Award-winning Kauai-based journalist-author Evelyn Cook has crafted a collection of comprehensively researched and engagingly written historical sketches of three generations of Koloa's Smith-Waterhouse family detailing its role in shaping modern Hawaii. Her intent is that "by acquainting the reader with one New England missionary doctor, his family, and some of his descendants, a more accurate picture of the missionaries in general will emerge". The saga spans a century, from the 1840s to the 1940s.

Medical missionary Dr. James W. Smith (1810-1887) and his wife Melicent, progenitors of over 200 direct descendants worldwide today, made the five-month brigantine voyage from New England to the Sandwich Islands in 1842 and settled on Kauai in Koloa 64 years after the first non-missionary *haole* had landed at Waimea. He was the only Western-trained physician on the island for three decades and spent much of his 45 years there battling epidemics and ministering to spiritual needs of *kanaka maoli*. He vaccinated everyone on Kauai and Niihau against smallpox, sparing

the population from the onslaught on other islands of the 1853 epidemic. Dr. Jared Knapp Smith (1849-1897), one son, was murdered by the distraught relative of a mother and daughter exiled to Kalaupapa for leprosy. Another son, attorney William Owen Smith, played a leading role with childhood friend Sanford B. Dole in the 1893 overthrow of the Hawaiian monarchy. Queen Liliuokalani labeled Smith a traitor, yet 16 years later she chose him to create her Trust benefiting Hawaiian orphans. Dr. Albert H. Waterhouse (1877-1949), grandson of James W., returned after a stint as Navajo Indian Reservation doctor on the mainland to Koloa where he was company physician for the first successful commercial sugar operation in the Islands, Koloa Plantation, organized in 1835. He enabled countless Asian Plantation laborers to better their minds, their lives, and their futures.

Vignettes in *bas-relief* to the Smith-Waterhouse genealogy include glimpses into one of Kauai's most shocking missionary scandals; tales of betrayal and suicide; the extraordinary life of Henry Obookiah, the Native Hawaiian who persuaded the missionaries to come to Hawaii; and the remarkable story of George Humehume Kaumualii, son of Kauai's last king, whose tumultuous life rivaled that of any Hollywood hero. The volume includes the story of a little-known legal battle between Kauai's favorite prince, Jonah Kuhio, and the Hawaiian Kingdom's last reigning sovereign, Queen Liliuokalani as well as a new look at events leading to abolition of the monarchy.

100 Years of Healing challenges the perception about missionaries as "despoilers of paradise" with facts about one clan and their times which prompt reappraisal of this perception. A general audience will enjoy reading this book; professional historians will treasure it as a departure point for further research into interpreting events that have made *Hawaii nei* what it is today.

100 Years of Healing by Evelyn E. Cook. The book begins with Dr. Smith's arrival on Kauai at the small village of koloa in 1842, and examines his struggles to save a remnant of the Native Hawaiian population from the ravages of Western epidemics. The volume includes a story of a little known legal battle. The volume includes a story of a little known legal battle between Kauai's favorite prince, Jonah Kuhio, and the Hawaiian kingdom's last reigning sovereign, Queen Liliuokalani as well as a new look at the 1893 overthrow of the monarchy, in which Dr. Smith's oldest son, W.O. Smith, played a leading role. 100 (1995): 1379-1402 CrossRef Google Scholar; Berends, Willem, "African Traditional Healing Practices and the Christian Community," *Missiology: An International Review* 21 (07 1993): 275-88 CrossRef Google Scholar; Ekechi, Felix K., "The Medical Factor in Christian Conversion in Africa: Observations from Southeastern Nigeria," *Missiology: An International Review* 21 (07 1993): 289-309 CrossRef Google Scholar; Elkins 68. The Central Committee on the United Study of Foreign Missions emerged from the New York Ecumenical Missionary Conference of 1900. Among other activities, the Committee annually published mission books for adults and children. 69. Applegarth, *Missionary Stories, Second Series: Junior*, viii. -Princeton Review, "Cracking the GMAT Premium 2019 Edition with 6 Computer-Adaptive Practice Tests: The All-in-One Solution for Your Highest Possible Score (Graduate School Test Preparation)" - GMAT Prep Plus 2020: 6 Practice Tests + Proven Strategies + Online + Mobile (Kaplan Test Prep) by Kaplan Test Prep -Cracking the GMAT with 2 Computer-Adaptive Practice Tests: The Strategies, Practice, and Review You. -ACT Prep Book: ACT Secrets Study Guide: Complete Review, Practice Test, Video Tutorials for the ACT Test by Mometrix College In his classic book, *Transforming Mission*, as Lessie Newbigin calls "Summa Mis- siologica," David Bosch argues that to explore Pauline missiology, "we should be- gin where Paul himself began" with the Damascus event of his conversion and. He is an editor of the *Journal of Asian American Theological Forum* in the ministry section. Email: davidmoe83@gmail.com. www.missionalia.journals.ac.za | <http://dx.doi.org/10.7832/45-2-161>. 100 David Thang Moe. *Missionalia* 45-2_Moe. verted because Paul did not change his religion. al communication of church planting that result from the missionary works, while the latter emphasizes the accurate or intercultural communication of the gospel. (Terry, 2012: 170) or making sense of the gospel to the locals. This was unexpectedly wonderful. Great history of Kauai and the broader issues of Hawaii. I didn't expect much, as histories drawn from old-fashioned letters often seem so dry, but this history had some pretty riveting stories. It was great to learn that Dr. Smith got the residents of Kauai vaccinated against smallpox in the early 1850's so that as smallpox decimated the other islands, Kauai was spared. That was pretty advanced thinking back in those days. (This is a re-post of an anonymous author review: A reviewer, a Hawaiiana collector). 100 Years of Healing: The Legacy of a Kauai Missionary Doctor is much more than a biography of one of Hawaii's first doctors. In fact, it doesn't really seem to be a biography at all.