

Waimea Jan 3^d 1838.

Dear Sister Wilson,

You need not ask my forgiveness for not writing I have had too many proofs of your faithfulness in this respect to think that you will not write when it is consistent. I received a note to day from Sister Anna the first she has written me since I have been here. She has a school of about twenty little girls and B. A. B. superintended a school of about 280 ~~abit~~. Her health is good now. The note was dated Dec. 20th and they were to leave the next week for Lahainal to spend a few weeks there, the time of their stay will depend on circumstances. B. S. and Mr. R. have commenced a teach as school. Many improves I think three of them who attend steadily. Many of them are very irregular and therefore much labor is lost. A number have been hopefully converted and appear very well. I would praise the Lord for what he has done for the children of this

place and the neighboring places. Last Sabbath about 80 persons were professed more than forty of whom were children. about 40 had been previously professed. It was an interesting day to me and I trust one of great benefit to the people. The Spirit of the Lord was undeniably present. Both houses were filled and many without. There were 200 here from Kauai, Kauai and Waimea Dr. L. conversed with many of them during Monday and Tuesday and found some very interesting cases of conversion. Hundreds are still here from Hanai kau living in temporary houses. Next Sabbath it is expected 250 will be received into the church. I rejoice that the Lord is extending his work through out the length and breadth of your field and I hope that ~~the~~ ^{the} Lord will not depart either from your field or us on account of our unfaithfulness and unbelief. Why may not all the souls be converted now that we will let will they not become converted now if Christians are prepared for that blessing and faithful and persevering in the work,

O my Sister I am sometimes almost
overwhelmed when I think how
little I have done since I professed
to love the Saviour. But notwithstanding
standing my unfaithfulness he has
been continually bestowing his bles-
sings upon me in such effusion
and now what shall I render for
all his kindness shew me I would
consecrate all my powers to his
service and endeavor to build up
his kingdom though I be atten-
ded with trials and discourage-
ments. But why speak I thus
when he is so manifestly showing
his readiness to encourage, and
to bless our efforts for the salvation
of this people. Let us be more faith-
ful we know not how short our
time for laboring in this blessed work
is. I have recently ^{long} led to think more
of this and of the necessity of being
ready to meet the summons to leave
the world having finished our work.
May we be able to say when this time
shall arrive that our labors are ended
that we are ready to be offered
for the coming of our Saviour.

Do not let us be forgetful of the children
of our own families and of others. Let us
pray for their conversion this very year
yeo this very time. I hope to hear of
more arrivals when I hear again from
other Islands. May this be a year such
as has been known before precedents.
Yours afft to Charlotte C. Knapp,

Mrs. Lucy E. Wilson

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Hawaii.