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THE PACRIM VOICE

EDITORIAL POLICIES & PROCEDURES

Our Mission

The PacRim Voice exists to engage the PRCU community with the local community in Hawai'i and the Pacific Rim. We do this by teaching applicable Biblical truths, practical leadership lessons, and encouraging the body of Christ to continue in the Great Commission in their respective spaces in ministry, the marketplace, and families.

Our Readers

Please consider the audience as you choose a topic and approach. Our readers will likely be businessmen/women in Hawaii, the Pacific Rim (west coast USA, Japan, Polynesian islands), local ministry leaders, current college students, prospective students, and alumni.

Our Contributors

We intend to provide articles written by PRCU alumni, faculty, students, staff, board members, donors, and affiliates. Articles will be accompanied by the author's professional headshot (you may request for your picture to not be used) and a short bio of no more than two sentences. For alumni and students, please include your degree program and year of graduation.

Example 1: *"Mark Smith (BA in Bible and Pastoral Ministry, 2018) has served in college ministries as a coordinator, worship leader, and Bible college instructor. He currently serves at Local Church as Youth Pastor and enjoys connecting people to Biblical truths that are liveable."*

Example 2: *"Martha Smith is a proven leader in the Honolulu community as she lives out the Great Commission in the business marketplace as Chief People Officer for over twenty years. Her calling is to disciple young businesspeople and new students at PacRim."*

How to Write Your Article

All articles and titles are subject to editorial revision, at the discretion of PRCU's leadership. Articles will be in general conformity with PRCU's policies, mission, and doctrinal statement.

Pro Tip 1: run your article through ProWritingAid.com (or another editorial software) to help edit it into a readable and quality standard.

Pro Tip 2: Use strong verbs, active voice, and few negations. Do not bounce back and forth between the first, second, and third person. Be consistent. Use en dashes instead of hyphens in Bible verses including translation (e.g., 1 Cor 1:4–6 ESV). Bible verses will become hyperlinked to BibleGateway.com

Categories

We currently are accepting submissions within the following categories and we hope to have more categories in the future. If you submit a request to become a blogger, please advise which topic(s) your article falls under. One article might fall under multiple categories.

Faith & Work

Suggested word count: 500-1,000

Marketplace ministries are the new frontier in America for gospel proclamation. Discipleship, evangelism, servant leadership, and business ethics are frontline conversations that shape successful and impactful businesses. How do you find ultimate purpose and meaning in your work when you're not doing what you love? What does the Bible say about work? How does one find his or her career calling? How does one run a business Christianly? Why does being a Christian make us better at work? How do you evangelize a coworker when HR says you can't?

Music

Suggested word count: 300-500

What does the Bible say about music? How can we use music as evangelism? What do song lyrics teach listeners about God? What are lessons that Music Ministers can learn, teach, and practice? What are tips for budding music leaders that are about to graduate and go into ministry? How do you run a successful music ministry in a church? This section will also include our *What Are We Singing?*® Series where we will “exegete lyrics” of popular congregational music in order to shine light on Biblical references, theological significance, and meaning. These will be one-page documents ready to download by the public in order to bring a more Biblical understanding of the songs we're singing.

Apologetics

Suggested word count: 500-1,000

Christian Apologetics is a necessary approach to truth if one is going to go into church leadership, evangelism, or workplace ministries. These articles may

include a host of topics, but should be narrow and focused on one key theme at a time. Sources need to be cited, they must include Biblical references, and a section for key takeaways that help the reader use this information in their life.

Devotional Mondays

Suggested word count: 300-500

Short, sweet, and simple reflections on Scriptural lessons learned in class and/or ministry. These must *at least* include three sections: a Bible reference, theological insight(s), and a practical application.

College Life in Hawaii

Suggested word count: 300-500

Available only for current and previous PRCU students.

With a less “academic approach,” take a prospective student through what a typical day or a typical week looks like for a PRCU student. How is life any different from the mainland? What have you learned? What are some life hacks while here? Did you have any misconceptions? Encourage prospective students with tips for success as they transition to studying in Hawai’i.

Pacific Studies

Suggested word count: 500-1,000

Studies and reflections on the history of Christianity in Hawai’i and the Pacific. What does the Bible say about identity, ethnicity, and culture? Doing ministry, evangelism, and discipleship with a native population. These may include themes of story-telling, the oral tradition, and the Biblical gospel. What can global Christianity learn from Hawaiian Christian history?

Procedure

- Submit your request to contribute to The PacRim Voice,
- Someone will respond with a request for the article which you’d like to submit or with a response to your inquiry
- It will go through an editorial review to be sure it fits PRCU’s mission and conforms to sound, Biblical theology.
- Once approved by The PacRim Voice review committee, it will be published live and you will be sent a link to the article.
- Share away!