## Moloka'i Waltz

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He nani kū kilakila Alo lua i nā pali

Home aloha nō ia

Ku'u one hānau

Ku u one nanau

Wailele hune i nā pali

Kou kāhiko nō ia

Me Molokaʻi, ʻāina kaulana\*

Dm7 G7 C (G7

Me 'oe nō au

Beauty that is so majestic
With cliffs face-to-face
It's a beloved home
Sands of my birth
Waterfalls cascading on the cliffs
They are your adornment

Moloka'i, famous land With you I belong

He 'āina maika'i 'o Hālawa\*\*

Ka heke nō ia i ka'u 'ike

'Āina ho'ohihi a ka malihini

Hanohano wale i ka waha o ka lehulehu

Hū wale mai nō ke aloha

Wai pāhihi i nā pali

Wailele a'o Moa'ula

Pulupē i ka hunehune kēwai

Hālawa is an excellent land
The finest that I know
Land entrancing to visitors
Praised far and wide
Fondness wells up within
For water streaming over the cliffs
The waterfall of Moa'ula
Drenching with misty droplets

(Translation by Puakea Nogelmeier)

The 34 year-old Matthew Kāne composed "Hālawa Waltz" during his tenure as principal at Hālawa School in his native valley sometime during 1906 to1910. Besides his school duties, he was active in the Hālawa Congregational Church music program. According to the 1910 census his mother 'Ōpiopio Kāne spoke only in Hawaiian and was a widow, and Matthew's older sister Emma and her two children lived with her. Emma Kāne was the 5<sup>th</sup> principal of Hālawa School in 1905 to 1906, directly preceding Matthew's tenure. Learn more about Matthew Kāne on pg. 36.

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<sup>\*</sup> Originally, "E Hālawa, 'āina kaulana"

<sup>\*\*</sup> He Mele Aloha has a different text for this line. 8

