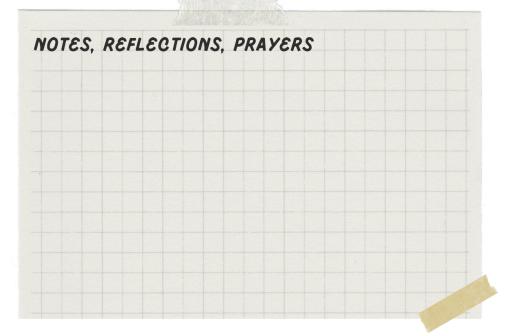


## HAWAI'I VOLCANOES NATIONAL PARK

Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park is a place where new earth is being created all the time. Literally. Here, along the Pacific Coast, you can see earth just a few years young or, when lava flows freely from Kilauea, only hours old. Creating new earth is a noisy, smelly process here - where gasses steam to the surface and firey lava consumes everything in its path. Here, the cycle of life begins in death where the power to create overcomes the power to destroy.

I VISITED!



## READ

Isaiah 55:12 Psalm 139:1-18

## REFLECT

How have you experienced God's presence in places that felt hopeless, hard to reach, or full of destruction?

We usually think of death as following life, not the other way around. Can God dwell in the thin space between life and death?

What assurance or hope does that give you?

## PRAY

Alpha and Omega God, help me to place everything in your hands. Grant me faith in your peace, mercy, and grace. Give me hope in the midst of my worries and doubts. Help me entrust my beginnings and endings to you. Amen.