

Monthly Newsletter

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THIS MONTH'S EVENTS

All scheduled Sunday services will be held in-person and via Zoom in the Hondo unless otherwise noted. All other in-person activities and events as noted. We will continue to follow all Federal, State and City safety protocols. Please keep in mind that service schedules are subject to change without notice. Thank you for your understanding.

For all Zoom services and programs please contact the Jikoen office for access information.

NO SUNDAY SERVICES AT JIKOEN AUGUST 6, 13, 20, AND 27

Fri 8/18	• Statehood Day Observed (Office and Preschool closed)
Sat 8/26	• Honolulu United BWA Joint Education & Membership Conference (registration required, see page 9 for details) Time: 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Location: Hawaii Betsuin
Sun 9/3	• NO SERVICE AT JIKOEN – HUOA Okinawan Festival
Mon 9/4	• Labor Day Holiday Observed (Office & Lumbini Preschool Closed)
Sun 9/10	• Fall Ohigan & Shotsuki Memorial Service Time: 9:00 a.m., Guest Speaker: Rev. Bert Sumikawa
Fri, 9/15 thru Sat, 9/16	• 60th Annual HHMH Virtual State Lay Convention (see page 7 for details)
Sun 9/17	• Lay Speaker Sunday Time: 9:00 a.m., Speaker: Josh Hernandez Morse (PBA Head of School) • Virtual Board of Directors Monthly Meeting Time: 10:30 a.m., On Zoom
Sat 9/23	• Cha Cha Cha 2 (registration required, see page 5 for details) Time: 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
Sun 9/24	• Family Dharma Moments Service Time: 9:00 a.m.
Sun 10/1	• Shotsuki Monthly Memorial Service Time: 9:00 a.m., Speaker: Rev. Shindo Nishiyama

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Sun
10/8

• **Sangha Family Service**

Time: 9:00 a.m., Speaker: Rev. Shindo Nishiyama



No bon dance practices are scheduled for August & September at Jikoen. For more information: email youngokihi@gmail.org or visit www.youngokinawans.org.

MINISTER'S MESSAGE

Rev. Shindo Nishiyama

Jikoen Bon Season 2023

The Jikoen Hongwanji Mission observed its annual Obon Memorial Services in July in memory of our beloved family members and friends who have departed into the land of Wisdom and Compassion called "Jodo." Also, the Jikoen Bon dance was held on July 22, 2023, to express our appreciation to our ancestors for their dedication and devotion to our lives in the joy of Bon Dance music. Everyone joined Bon dances to enjoy listening to the Buddha Dharma and dancing together in memory of their loved one.

The origin of Obon can be found in the Ulambana Sutra, which is related to the story of Mogallana, one of wisest disciples of Shakyamuni Buddha over 2600 years ago in India. One day, Mogallana asked Master Shakyamuni to use his extraordinary powers to visualize the whereabouts of his late mother. Searching all the realms, from the highest of the heavens to the lowest of the hells, he was surprised and cried to see his mother was in the weakest of the hells, the realm of Hungry Ghosts. The master, Shakyamuni, told him that he needed the combined assistance of all the monks to help his mother. He was said to bring offerings of food from land and sea to offer to the monks to listen to the dharma in chanting of sutras. Through listening to the sutras, Mogallana's mother was saved and freed from the suffering of the realm of Hungry Ghosts and reborn into the utmost peace and harmony of Amida Buddha, Jodo. Mogallana was so overjoyed that his mother and the past seven generations of his ancestors were saved, he clapped his hands and danced in joy. This is said to have been the beginning of Bon dance which continues to this day. In Jodo Shinshu tradition, Bon Memorial is a great occasion to listen to the Buddha Dharma in memory of our deceased loved ones. I want to express deep appreciation to all our volunteers who have helped to make our Jikoen annual Bon Memorial Services and Bon Dance, hugely successful events. Thank you!

TEMPLE NEWS

***Memorial Service Schedule for
September thru December 2023***

1st Year Service (Died in 2022)

September 19, 2022Mr. Shosei Tokumoto (92)
October 5, 2022..... Mrs. Ethel Hideko Oshiro (80)
October 12, 2022.....Mr. Kenneth Yeiko Kiyabu (85)
November 20, 2022 Mr. Yasuo Sadoyama (98)
November 22, 2022Mr. Nobuichi Tamayose (98)
November 30, 2022 Mrs. Yoshiko Gushi Uechi (96)
December 1, 2022.....Mr. Fukuyoshi Kawazoe (74)
December 11, 2022..... Mrs. Doris Asano Kuwana (93)
December 30, 2022..... Mrs. Kimiko Kelly Oshiro (90)

3rd Year Service (Died in 2021)

September 4, 2021 Mrs. Akiko Kiyota (94)
September 5, 2021Mr. Happy Toyama (98)
September 9, 2021 Mr. Tomoyoshi Higa (94)
October 17, 2021.....Mrs. Lily Horio (91)
October 27, 2021.....Mr. Richard Jakahi (84)
December 14, 2021.....Mr. Shigeru Yamaguchi (94)
December 19, 2021.....Ms. Aileen Sanae Miyahira (69)
December 28, 2021.....Mrs. Janet Tsuruko Yoon (93)

7th Year Service e (Died in 2017)

September 10, 2017Mrs. Sachiko Teruya (94)
September 26, 2017Mrs. Yoshiko Takahashi (82)
October 7, 2017.....Mr. Takejiro Higa (94)
October 11, 2017..... Mrs. Sally Yaeko Asato (90)
October 18, 2017.....Mr. Katsumi Yamada (70)
November 5, 2017Mrs Lillian Yukie Nanbu (100)
November 14, 2017 Mrs. Nobue Nakamaejoyo (90)
November 22, 2017 Mrs. Shizuo Miyasato (90)
November 30, 2017Mr. Clarence Yayoi Tamayori (96)
December 25, 2017 Mrs. Kathleen Otsumi Fukumoto (98)

13th Year Service (Died in 2011)

September 4, 2011 Mrs. Fumiko Tamanaha (85)
September 7, 2011 Mrs. Kyoko Inouye (74)

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October 6, 2011..... Mr. Charles Eikichi Oshiro (92)
October 29, 2011.....Mrs. Shigeko Gushiken (95)
November 1, 2011 Mr. Robert Settsu Yonamine (94)
November 1, 2011 ...Mrs. Kameko Shikina Mayeshiro (93)
November 9, 2011Mr. Minoru Kaneshiro (85)
November 20, 2011 Mr. Richard Seiyei Toguchi (91)
December 10, 2011.....Miss. Caroline Shizuko Higa (88)
December 14, 2011... Mrs. Jean Kimiko Kawakami (68)
December 26, 2011..... Mrs. Tsuruko Nakasone (101)
December 30, 2011..... Mr. Teisho Higa (89)

17th Year Service (Died in 2007)

September 7, 2007Mr. Bob Hideo Kaneshiro (84)
September 16, 2007Mr. Yoshio Yoshi Kaneshi (89)
September 19, 2007Mrs. Mitsuko Goya (81)
September 23, 2007 ... Mrs. Doris Hoshiko Murakami (90)
September 23, 2007Mr. Robert Masaru Saito (60)
September 25, 2007 Mrs. Sumi Asato (89)

September 30, 2007Mr. Takenobu Higa (93)
October 2, 2007..... Miss. Satoko Aihara (30)
October 3, 2007..... Mr. Ronald Yegi Oshiro (88)
October 4, 2007..... Mrs. Tomi Kaneshiro (88)
October 6, 2007.....Mrs. Kristine Harumi Shibata (82)
October 16, 2007.....Mrs. Yuriko Goya (80)
October 18, 2007.....Mr. Raymond Masashi Takara (67)
October 20, 2007.....Mrs. Chiyo Ishiki (85)
October 30, 2007..... Mrs. Kazuko Rachel Ige (86)
November 1, 2007 Mr. Eddie Koho Uyehara (83)
November 5, 2007 .Mr. Charles Masaichi Koyanagi (89)
November 7, 2007 Mrs. Masako Mayer (80)
November 7, 2007 Mr. Jimmy Seikichi Senaga (82)
November 12, 2007 Mr. Walter Ryojin Nakama (73)
November 17, 2007Mr. Koei Nakamejyo (89)
November 18, 2007Mrs. Hanako Chinen (98)
November 25, 2007 Mr. James Eshima (75)
December 4, 2007.....Mrs. Kame Shimabukuro (91)

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OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY

The Jikoen ohana sends its sincere condolences to the families of our Dharma friend:

Carol Hatsuyo (Kaneshiro) Espiritu, 76, passed away on April 26, 2023. Carol was preceded in death by her father Minoru Kaneshiro. She is survived by her husband, Donald; step-children, Derek (Ivy) Espiritu, Dawn (Paul) Siu, Carla Espiritu, Jessie (Chad) Teixeira; mother, Helen Kaneshiro; brothers, Jerry (Sharon) Kaneshiro, Warren (Lou Ellen) Kaneshiro; sisters, Sandy Kaneshiro, Tammy Namihira.

Kevin Masao Hasegawa, 52, of Silverdale, Washington, formerly of Pearl City, Hawai'i, passed away on May 4, 2023. He is survived by his wife, Cathleen, sons Kayson and Colten; parents Mason and Tomoko Hasegawa, sister Karen (Justin) Higa.

Deborah "Debbie" Yoshiko (Yamashiro) Kanayama, 62, of Honolulu, Hawai'i, passed away at home on May 15, 2023. She was born in Honolulu. Deborah is survived by her husband, Derwin.

Eleanor Kiyoko Nakamoto, 100, of Honolulu, Hawai'i, died in Honolulu on March 4, 2023. She was born in

Ewa Beach. She is survived by sons Keith "Kip", Derek, and Nathan "Nate" (Geraldine) Nakamoto.

Sadako Beatrice Oshiro, 98, of Honolulu, a retired laundry worker for Al Philips the Cleaner, passed away on April 22, 2023 in Honolulu. She was born in Nā'ālehu, Hawai'i. She is survived by sons, Mervin (Pauline) and Gary (Sun); daughters, Karen Cummings and Carleen Arakaki; brothers, Mamoru (Gladys), Paul (Carol) and Yoshimi Arakaki; sisters, Ethel Hasegawa, Lily Nagata, Katie (Frank) Uyehara and Nancy (Rodney) Shiroma.

Kenneth Kamematsu Tome, 97, of Wailuku, Maui, Hawai'i, passed away on January 2, 2023. He was born on May 22, 1925 in Kukuihaele, on Hawai'i Island.

Kenneth is survived by his wife, Nancy Tome; son Stacy Tome, daughter, Stefanie Tome (Jay Arakawa), and granddaughter, Natasha Tome.

Stanley Hiroshi Ueunten, 86, of Honolulu passed away on Feb. 23, 2023. Born in Lāwa'i, Kau'āi, Hawai'i he is survived by his wife Mildred.

May happy memories and the O-Nembutsu sustain you in your sadness.

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December 17, 2007..... Mrs. Masako Ige (93)
December 30, 2007 ...Mr. Brian Yasuhide Yoshimoto (91)

Please call the Jikoen Office at 808-845-3422 or email at jikoen1938@gmail.com at least one month before the memorial dates. Thank you.

Highlights from June & July JBOD Meetings

Jikoen Office

- *Office Assistants* – We will miss Frances Scott who recently retired. We welcome our new part-time office assistant Laverne Nakatani.
- *IT Position* – The board approved a temporary office position to focus on Jikoen's IT needs regarding hardware, software, data storage and networking.

Renovations

- *Minister's Residence* – Materials arrived and repairs on the minister's residence will begin.
- *Temple* – Extensive damage to the Likelike Highway wall was discovered during the sealing and painting of the upper wall on the Likelike elevation. The board approved additional funds to cover the estimated cost for permitting, damage repair and painting.
- *Preschool* – Parts of the preschool will be painted during the next school vacation.

Events

- *Investiture Ceremony & Welcome Luncheon for the 17th Bishop, Reverend Toshiyuki Umitani* – Investiture Ceremony will be held on August 5th, 8:00 a.m., at Honpa Hongwanji Hawaii Betsuin. Luncheon will follow at the Hilton Hawaiian Village at 11:30 a.m.
- *Honolulu United Buddhist Women's Association (HUBWA)* – HUBWA will hold a joint education and general membership conference on Saturday, August 26, 2023 from 8:10 to 12:45 p.m. at Betsuin. The theme is "Together We Share . . . Our Struggles, Our Joys." The guest speakers will be Reverend Nishiyama and Lois Toyama.
- *Jikoen's Family Dharma Moment Movie Night* – Family and friends are invited to a potluck dinner followed by a movie in the courtyard on August 26, 2023. More information will be forthcoming. Join the fun!
- *Pieper Toyama's Book Reading* – Pieper Toyama will share his recently published book, *Family Stories from the Plantation and Beyond* at a September event. Details will be shared later.

- *Family Dharma Partnership's Fall Cha Cha Cha* – The next Cha Cha Cha event will be held on September 23, 2023 at Jikoen. Dr. Monique Yuen, ND., a naturopathic physician, will feature herbal teas.
- *60th State Lay Convention* – The State Lay Convention will take place on September 15 & 16, 2023 in Kona, Hawaii. Jikoen will be represented by president John Toguchi and another member.
- *Foodland Give Aloha Fundraiser* – The Give Aloha Fundraiser will run from September 1 to 30, 2023. A portion of donations made to Jikoen will be matched by Foodland and Western Union.

Ippei Nihei Debiru! Jikoen Bon Dance 2023 PAU!

Reverend Nishiyama and the Jikoen Bon Dance Committee would like to thank all the volunteer members, families, friends and affiliates, vendors, suppliers, entertainers, and donors who made this bon dance a success. Without a collective, interdependent effort of many, this tradition that remembers those who came before us could not continue. We are grateful to be able to share this experience with our community.

Coping and navigating through post-pandemic challenges meant finding new sources of supplies and adjusting to not having key people who are no longer with us or able to help. We express our gratitude to those who provided their leadership, experience, knowledge, and skills to make this happen.

Pent up demand and having the event for only one night translated into one of the largest crowds in Jikoen Bon Dance's history. Our resilient Uchinanchu nature found ways to adjust throughout the night.

Please stay tuned for Jikoen Bon Dance 2024!

Mahalo Nui!

Jikoen Bon Dance Committee



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Jikoen Hongwanji cannot express enough gratitude for the generosity of the following supporters! Their partnership has been an incredible benefit to our Annual Bon Dance and we are so grateful for your kindness.

**Eggs Hawaii (Hawaiian Maid and Ka Lei Eggs) •
FreshPoint Hawaii/Armstrong Produce • Honpa
Hongwanji Hawaii Betsuin • Sun Noodle Hawaii •
Wong's Meat Market**



Jikoen Cha Cha Cha 2

- *Date:* Saturday, September 23, 2023
- *Time:* 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
- *Place:* Jikoen Social Hall

Experience the power of nature first hand! Your senses will be heightened when you drink freshly prepared herbal teas.* This session, the second in the Jikoen Cha Cha Cha series will be led by licensed naturopathic physician Dr. Monique Yuen who will introduce participants to simple basic herbal techniques that can be practiced by anyone.

Dr. Monique Yuen is a licensed naturopathic physician with over 21 years of experience practicing naturopathic functional medicine. She received her doctoral degree in Naturopathic medicine in 2001 from the National University of Natural Medicine in Portland Oregon. She specializes in chronic illnesses, including inflammatory and autoimmune diseases. Her mission is to help people find the root causes of their disease, empower them to make choices through education, and use natural medicine safely to begin the healing process.

If you are interested in participating, please email jikoenprograms@gmail.com by September 15, 2023. Seating will be limited to 30 participants

**It is the participants responsibility to consult with their own physician regarding any personal health conditions, allergies, or concerns before participating in this session.*

2022-2023 Social Concerns Fund Drive

Jikoen members and Friends of Jikoen have contributed to the current statewide Social Concerns Fund Drive from September 2022 – August 2023. Mahalo for your donations!

Your contributions make it possible for the Hongwanji Hawaii's Committee on Social Concerns (CSC) to support food banks and other community services, fund innovative temple social concerns programs, and contribute to disaster/war relief efforts. The current collection period runs through August 2023, so if you have not yet contributed and would like to, you still have time. You can make a check out to Jikoen Hongwanji with "Social Concerns" in the memo line and mail or drop it off to Jikoen Hongwanji Mission, 1731 N. School St., Honolulu, HI 96819. We will send one check to Honpa Hongwanji Headquarters by September 30, 2023.

Thank you for your continued support!



HILITES FROM HQ NEWS UPDATES (July, 2023)

Message From the Bishop

Bishop Toshiyuki Umitani

It is with immense joy and a sense of humble responsibility that I began my duty as the 17th Bishop of Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii. While I am fully aware that I have much to learn and that the responsibilities of this role are significant, I am also filled with an unwavering enthusiasm to serve alongside each and every one of you.

As we continue this shared Nembutsu journey, I want to, first of all, express my gratitude for the dedication and commitment you have put into your temple, district, and the Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii. Thank you very much. I am humbled to be surrounded by such inspiring ministers and Dharma friends. I eagerly anticipate the opportunity to meet you and collaborate with you to share the joy of the Nembutsu teaching with people in our community.

Please know that my door is always open, and I am here to support you in any way that I can. Whether it is guidance, encouragement, or simply a listening ear, I am committed to fostering a warm and nurturing relationship within the embrace of Amida Buddha. Together with the entire Headquarters staff, I look forward to working together with you. If you are in the vicinity, please drop by to say "Hi" and visit YOUR HQ's Office and Bookstore.

May our life's journey be inspired and guided by the Wisdom and Compassion of Amida Buddha.

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Personnel

Rev. Shinkai Murakami was relieved from his position as the Minister Advisor of Federation of Buddhist Women's Association as of May 31, 2023.

Rev. Blayne Higa was appointed to the Minister Advisor of Federation of Buddhist Women's Association as of June 1, 2023.

Rev. Yuika Hasebe, currently serving at Honpa Hongwanji Hawaii Betsuin as its Acting Rimban (Chief Minister), will be assigned to the Honpa Hongwanji Hawaii Betsuin as its Rimban (Chief Minister) as of August 1, 2023.

Rev. Blayne Nakasone Sakata, upon completing his two-month onboarding program, will be assigned to Honpa Hongwanji Hawaii Betsuin as its Associate Minister as of August 1, 2023. Rev. Nakasone also serves as the Chaplain of the Pacific Buddhist Academy as of August 1, 2023.

Rev. Daido Baba will be relieved from his position as the Chaplain of the Pacific Buddhist Academy as of July 31, 2023.

Rev. Sol Kalu, currently serving at Honpa Hongwanji Hawaii Betsuin as its Associate Minister, will be assigned to the Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii Headquarters as Headquarters Staff in the Office of Buddhist Education as of August 1, 2023.

Rev. Kazunori Takahashi, Rev. Shinkai Murakami, Rev. Satoshi Tomioka, Rev. Mieko Majima, and Rev. Blayne Higa were relieved of their position as Sanmu (Bishop's Advisory Board) as of June 30, 2023.

Rev. Kazunori Takahashi, Rev. Shinkai Murakami, Rev. Ai Hironaka, Rev. Yuika Hasebe, and Rev. Blayne Higa were newly appointed as Sanmu (Bishop's Advisory Board) as of July 1, 2023. Rev. Takahashi serves as Sanmucho (Chair of the Bishop's Advisory Board).

66th Jr. YBA State Convention Report

Aloha!

On behalf of the Hawaii Federation of Jr. YBAs, we hope you are doing well! Last month was eventful for our organization as members participated in the 66th Jr. YBA State Convention hosted by the United Jr. YBA of Oahu! Every year, members assemble to make new connections, discuss parliamentary business, and practice the Dharma together.

This year's theme, "Sangha: Our Interdependent

Environment," intertwined the concept of interdependence, which we can apply to our connection with the Earth and the micro-communities we are a part of.

Our workshops during our convention helped us explore this concept. We learned about Native Hawaiian practices from students of the Hale Hāola Kanaka Cultural Institute. They shared their experiences about revitalizing and caring for the land. We cared for the 'āina by

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WHITE WAY RADIO

Mō'ili'ili Hongwanji's Weekly
Dharma Message

⚡ **Saturdays at 7:45 am – 8:00 am on
KZOO AM1210 or Spectrum 888 KZOO
Radio**

⚡ Weekly messages go to
www.moililihongwanji.org

August 2023

- 5 TBD
- 12 Rev. Barbara Brennan
- 19 Rev. Kiyonobu Kuwahara
- 26 Rev. Shawn Yagi

September 2023

- 2 Rev. Tomo Hojo
- 9 Rev. Mieko Majima
- 16 Ms. Rene Mansho
- 23 Rev. Daido Baba
- 30 Rev. Ai Hironaka

⚡ Japanese-language Dharma
talks Saturdays on KZOO AM1210
on Saturdays 7:30 am – 7:45 am; on-
demand dharma talks in Japanese

⚡ Dharma talks in Japanese are
produced by Hawai'i Betsuin and are
archived on their website

⚡ Your donation to Mō'ili'ili Hongwanji
will be greatly appreciated to
help support the White Way Radio
broadcasts.

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volunteering at Ka Papa Lo'i O Kānewai at UH Manoa by removing weeds from the taro patches. The kumu shared the interdependence of the water system in the ahupua'a. Taiko Sensei Jay Toyofuku also led an interactive Kumi Daiko workshop emphasizing the importance of playing together.

In addition to workshops, we also discussed business matters. This year we passed five resolutions. We covered resolutions that introduced parliamentary changes to improve our organization and honored members of our community- Former Bishop Eric Matsumoto and Mrs. Kerrie (Wong) Tom.

This convention was only possible with the tireless dedication of many individuals and support from the greater Hongwanji community. This convention was a testament to how interdependent we are. Thank you to all the temples, organizations, and individuals for your donations in support of our convention!

The Jr. YBA is always looking for new members. We welcome youth from 6th grade to 2 years after high school graduation. No temple membership is required. Jr. YBA offers opportunities to develop essential skills, meet other Buddhist youth, serve our communities, travel, and much more. If you are interested, please visit our website: <https://www.hawaiiiryba.com/>.

We hope to see you next year in Maui for our next convention!

*In Gassho,
Chihiro Okawa & Ty Wakahiro*

Investiture Ceremony & Welcome Luncheon for The 17th Bishop, Rev. Toshiyuki Umitani

Reverend Toshiyuki Umitani was confirmed as the 17th Bishop of the Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii at the 111th Legislative Assembly (Giseikai) on February 11, 2023.

Please join Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii in celebrating this occasion by joining us at his Investiture Ceremony followed by the Welcome Luncheon.

• ***Date: Saturday, August 5, 2023***

Investiture Ceremony

- ***Location:*** Honpa Hongwanji Hawaii Betsuin
1727 Pali Highway, Honolulu
- ***Time:*** 8:00am

60th Annual State Lay Convention

of the Hawai'i State Federation
of Honpa Hongwanji

"Sharing Joy Together"

September 15 & 16, 2023

**KONA HONGWANJI
BUDDHIST TEMPLE**

Kealakekua-Kona, Hawai'i

- Registration fee \$85 (July 17 to August 20) is due to Jikoen by *Friday, August 11, 2023*
- via Zoom per attendee: \$50
- Please call the Jikoen office 808-845-3422 and leave a message or email jikoen.info@gmail.com to register

Everyone welcome to attend

- ***RSVP:*** not needed—please attend to show your support

Welcome Luncheon

- ***Theme:*** Ko Ko Sho Gon ("Adorned with the Fragrance of Light")
- ***Location:*** Sheraton Waikiki, Kauai/Maui Ballrooms
- ***Time:*** Registration – 10:30am
Luncheon – 11:30am
- ***Cost:*** \$90/person by check
\$95/person by credit card
- ***Attire:*** Aloha
- ***RSVP by Tuesday, July 25, 2023****

***If you missed the RSVP deadline for the Welcome Luncheon, please email HQ admin@honpahi.org as soon as possible.**

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Upcoming Events

HONOLULU & OAHU HONGWANJI COUNCIL NEMBUTSU SEMINAR

- *Date & Time:* Saturday, August 12, 2023, 9:00 a.m.–11:30 a.m.
- *Speaker:* Rev. Ko'e A. Umezu, Assistant Minister at the West Los Angeles Buddhist Temple Topic: Diversity & Acceptance in Buddha's Vow
- *Place:* In-person at the Buddhist Study Center and online via Zoom
- *Free Registration:*
<https://forms.gle/N9nCqL14xpviooUf8>
- *Registration Deadline:* Saturday, August 5, 2023

HAWAII DISTRICT NEMBUTSU SEMINAR

- *Date & Time:* Saturday, August 26, 2023, 10:00 a.m.–11:30 a.m. (HST)
- *Speaker:* Rev. Dr. Jeff Wilson, Professor of Religious Studies and East Asian Studies at Renison University College and the University of

Waterloo, Canada / Minister's Assistant,
Toronto Buddhist Church

- *Topic:* "Living Nembutsu: Jodo Shinshu and Social Engagement"
- *Online Registration:*
<https://forms.gle/HasehA5mhBNouAed7>
- *Registration Deadline:* Thursday, August 17, 2023
- *Fee:* \$10 with lunch (in-person), Free (online)

KAUAI HONGWANJI COUNCIL NEMBUTSU SEMINAR

- *Date & Time:* Saturday, August 26, 2023, 10:00 a.m.–11:30 am
- *Speaker:* Rev. Tatsuo Muneto, Retired Minister of Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii
- *Topic:* "Manifesting Amida's Compassionate Heart – Legacy of the Nembutsu Followers in Hawaii"
- *Platform:* Zoom
- *Free Registration:*
<https://forms.gle/7tHn5Kw1XhnsJN7DA>
- *Registration Deadline:* Saturday, August 19, 2023

SHOTSUKI JOYOUS MONTHLY MEMORIAL SERVICE

Shotsuki Monthly Service is a time to remember our loved ones and a time to express gratitude in Gassho. This memorial service is usually held on the first Sunday of each month at 9:00 a.m., in memory of those whose date of death falls in that month. We also recognize the efforts of those who have passed and thank them for their continuing influence in our lives and for giving us the opportunity to share the Buddha-Dharma.

Here are our loved ones who will be remembered in the month of September, 2023:

Kiyoko Agena ~ September 19, 2015 (99)
Robert Kiyomitsu Agena ~ September 4, 2003 (76)
Hideko Arata ~ September 28, 2013 (94)
Tsuruyo Oshiro Asato ~ September 13, 2012 (102)
Lillie Haruko China ~ September 21, 2012 (95)
Miyoko Inamine China ~ September 17, 2012 (90)
Edward Munemitsu Chinen ~ September 29, 1989 (53)
Zensuke "Harry" Chinen ~ September 13, 1999 (78)
Kenneth Takashi Ebata ~ September 11, 2020 (98)
Kimie Goya ~ September 5, 1997 (80)
Kwantoku Johnny Goya ~ September 3, 1989 (69)
Helen Tsuruko Higa ~ September 29, 1997 (83)
Hiroshi Higa ~ September 15, 2014 (94)

Matsutoshi Higa ~ September 2, 1997 (79)
Mildred Hanae Higa ~ September 29, 2003 (76)
Shinchiyu Higa ~ September 30, 1999 (74)
Tomoyoshi Higa ~ September 9, 2021 (04)
Yoshihiro Higa ~ September 12, 2013 (90)
Fumiko Higashionna ~ September 13, 2012 (88)
Grace Mori Honda ~ September 13, 2003 (79)
Melvin Kaoru Iha ~ September 2, 2016 (73)
Joei Irei ~ September 24, 2000 (93)
Shizue Iseri ~ September 26, 2020 (96)
Morris Shosei Ishihara ~ September 3, 2018 (93)
Yuriko Kagiya ~ September 16, 2012, (101)
Elenor Teruko Kaneshiro ~ September 17, 2005 (85)
Keiichi Kaneshiro ~ September 15, 2015 (93)
Naye Kaneshiro ~ September 7, 1989 (88)
Mr. Seiko Kaneshiro ~ September 20, 2016 (92)
Joyce T. Kekona ~ September 23, 2015 (71)
May Toshie Kiyabu ~ September 2, 2007 (74)
Akiko Kiyota ~ September 5, 2021 (94)
Kain Robert J. Klanski ~ September 26, 2013 (2 mos.)
Haruko Kobashigawa ~ September 8, 2019 (86)
Edward Kohagura ~ September 22, 2014 (75)

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Honolulu United Buddhist Women's Association

Joint Education and General Membership Conference

Together We Share...Our Struggles, Our Joys



water lily in heavy rain

August 26, 2023
8:10 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.
In Person!

Honpa Hongwanji Hawaii Betsuin
Annex Temple and
Main Social Hall

In our commitment to Building Healthy Sanghas, let's share our struggles as well as our joys.

- Please join us for an opportunity to learn how challenges in life can affect our mental health. Rev. Shindo Nishiyama of Jikoen Hongwanji will speak candidly about this topic and help us understand what it means to struggle with anxiety and depression. Mrs. Lois Toyama, a retired school counselor, will also share how she helped teens navigate emotional challenges. We are all connected and what we learn can make a difference.
- Share the joy as we applaud the Dana Awards presentation, view the highlights of the Joint Celebration and 17th WB WC in Kyoto, and gather warmly during Origami Fun.
- Remember to bring your own cup, montoshikisho, and a friend!

Schedule

8:10	Registration
8:30	Service 1 st year flower remembrance of members who have passed. At the end of service, donations to HHMH for the Ministerial Training Fund will be collected.
9:30	Annual General Membership Meeting
10:20	<i>Together We Share...Our Struggles</i> – Rev. Shindo Nishiyama and Mrs. Lois Toyama
11:15	<i>Together We Share...Our Joys</i> -- lunch and Dana Awards presentation
11:50	Video slideshow -- Joint Celebration & 17 th World Buddhist Women's Convention
12:05	Membership Activity – Origami Fun and Surprise!
12:45	Closing

DEADLINE – AUG. 6, 2023

Please make check payable to **JBWA** and mail or drop off your envelope labeled **Jikoen BWA, Attn: HUBWA Jt. Conf.** with reg. form and payment at the **Jikoen Office**.

Name(s)	Bento	
Write guest name(s) under your name	Regular bento	Vegetarian bento
Name _____	_____	_____
Guest _____	_____	_____
Guest _____	_____	_____
Your phone # _____	Your e-mail _____	
No. of participants _____ X \$20.00 = _____ Cash Yes/No Check# _____		

Mail check to: Jikoen BWA, 1731 N School St, Honolulu, HI 96819, Attn: HUBWA Jt. Conf.

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Frederick Ryomatsu Kotani ~ September 10, 2003 (72)
Setsuko Machida ~ September 11, 2013 (85)
Lewis Shoki Matayoshi ~ September 2, 2012 (90)
Yoshinobu "Nobu" Miyashiro ~ September 27, 2000 (73)
Carl Tsuneo Mizusawa ~ September 17, 2005 (60)
Henry Tsutomu Nagamine ~ September 15, 2016 (75)
June Taeko Nakachi ~ September 13, 2013 (77)
Haruye Nakamura ~ September 23, 2014 (96)
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Happy Mitsuo Toyama ~ September 5, 2021 (98)
Yoshi Uyehara ~ September 5, 1999 (78)
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Alma Kiyo Yogi ~ September 10, 1999 (80)
Stanley Yoshinori Zaha ~ September 27, 2002 (83)
Kameko Zukemura ~ September 26, 2014 (100)

Here are our loved ones who will be remembered in the month of October, 2023:

Haruko Agena ~ October 27, 2003 (88)
Satoko Aihara ~ October 2, 2007 (30)
Mildred Fusaye Arakaki ~ October 5, 2015 (91)
Toshio Arakaki ~ October 18, 2020 (104)
Masaichi Arakawa ~ October 26, 1999 (81)
Sally Yaeko Asato ~ October 10, 2017 (90)
Yuriko Goya ~ October 16, 2007 (80)
Shigeko Gushiken ~ October 29, 2011 (95)
Ernest Kisei Higa ~ October 18, 1998 (66)
Mitsuko "Stella" Higa ~ October 21, 2013 (85)
Takejiro Higa ~ October 7, 2017 (94)
Lily Yoshiko (Miyasato) Horio ~ October 17, 2021 (91)
Kazuko Rachel Ige ~ October 30, 2007 (86)
Yasu Nancy Ige ~ October 8, 1998 (71)
Harold Yoshikio Isa ~ October 6, 2012 (90)
Chiyo Ishiki ~ October 20, 2007 (85)

Chiyo Itomura ~ October 28, 2003 (99)
Oto Jakahi ~ October 14, 2012 (100)
Richard Toji Jakahi ~ October 27, 2021 (84)
Yasuo Kanda ~ October 31, 2013 (89)
Hatsuko Kaneshiro ~ October 27, 2013 (97)
Tomi Kaneshiro ~ October 4, 2007 (88)
Uto Kaneshiro ~ October 20, 1999 (102)
Fumiko Kina ~ October 7, 2015 (88)
Kiyoshi Kinjo ~ October 17, 2005 (66)
Kenneth Yeiko Kiyabu ~ October 12, 2022 (85)
Claire Yoshie Kiyama ~ October 3, 2014 (90)
Lori Sanae Kobayashi-Ty ~ October 22, 2012 (48)
Phyllis Yoshie Komori ~ October 5, 2018 (94)
James Harukichi Mekar ~ October 24, 2014 (82)
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Namu Amida Butsu

If you would like to honor your loved one, please call the office at 808-845-3422 or email jikoen.info@gmail.com with your name and contact information and we will get back to you.

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General Operations (\$1 - \$99)

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IMO Edward Okita

IMO Yoshiko Uechi

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IMO Lynne Yoshiko Nakasone

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IHO Myrtle Hirayama

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Bazaar

IMO Stanley Toyama

IMO Sadako Shimabukuro

IMO Larry Tokuhara (Shotsuki)

Miscellaneous (\$100 - \$299)

IMO Steve Sadaaki Higa
(Shotsuki)

IMO Steven Muramoto & others
(July Shotsuki)

IMO Setsuko Muramoto &
Raymond Tarasawa (Shotsuki)

IMO Albert H. Kawabata
(Shotsuki)

July Shotsuki

IMO Mr. & Mrs. Matsuume
Toyama

IMO Satoru Wakakuwa
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Kiwanis Club of Kaneohe

Miscellaneous (\$500 - \$599)

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Irei No Hi

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Obon

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Honolulu & Oahu Districts Buddhist Education Committee

Please register for...

2023 NEMBUTSU SEMINAR (HYBRID)

(and thanks to those who already registered!)

DIVERSITY & ACCEPTANCE IN BUDDHA'S VOW

Saturday, August 12, 2023

9:00-11:30 AM

(Hawaii Standard Time)

**Hybrid: Via Zoom or In-Person
at the Buddhist Study Center**

1436 University Avenue, Honolulu

Presented by Rev. Ko'e A. Umezu
West Los Angeles Buddhist Temple



Join us to reflect on what diversity and acceptance means within The Fundamental Vow of Amida Buddha (Hon-gan). The seminar will feature a screening of "A Profound Silence" which was produced by Gardena Buddhist Church Ichi-Mi, followed by a group discussion.

FREE Registration
Deadline: August 5, 2023

Online Registration Link: <https://forms.gle/N9nCqL14xpviooUf8> OR mail in the form below

Name: _____ Temple/Affiliation: _____

Email Address: _____ Phone (Mobile): _____

I will attend: ☐ IN-PERSON ☐ ONLINE VIA ZOOM

How did you hear about this seminar?

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Mail to: MILILANI HONGWANJI
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Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii
Hawaii District Ministers Association

2023 NEMBUTSU SEMINAR

"Living Nembutsu: Jodo Shinshu and Social Engagement"



Saturday
August 26



Time
10-11:30 am



Honpa Hongwanji Hilo Betsuin
YBA Hall
398 Kilauea Ave. Hilo

Dr. Jeff Wilson is a professor of Religious Studies and East Asian Studies at Renison University College and the University of Waterloo, in Ontario, Canada. He is a former Yehan Numata Visiting Chair in Buddhist Studies for the Department of Religion at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa. Dr. Wilson is the author of *Buddhism of the Heart: Reflections on Shin Buddhism and Inner Togetherness*, among other books. He received his tokudo ministerial ordination at Nishi Hongwanji in 2012.



DR. JEFF WILSON

"How and why do Buddhists get engaged with social issues in their communities and the wider society? What resources are found in the Jodo Shinshu Buddhist tradition for tackling the challenges of our times? What are some inspiring examples of Buddhists making a positive impact on the world in Hawai'i and beyond? Come explore these questions and consider Buddhist answers around climate change, racism, LGBTQ+ inclusion, and other important matters."

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Name: _____ Email Address: _____

I will attend: ☐ In-Person (\$10 with lunch*) ☐ Zoom Online (free)

*Dietary Requirements Vegan / Vegetarian

Check payable to: Hawaii District Hongwanji Council

Mail to: PO Box 100, Keaau, HI 96749 Attn: Seminar

Questions?

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In-Person & Zoom District Sunday Service

Sunday, August 27, 2023 9 a.m.

*at Honpa Hongwanji Hilo Betsuin
398 Kilauea Ave. Hilo, Hawaii*



Guest Speaker:

Rev. Dr. Jeff Wilson

Minister's Assistant, Toronto Buddhist Church, Canada

Refreshments to follow.

[Click to join Online](#)

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Please ask your friends and family to choose Jikoen as their selected organization and to make a donation...

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- ♥ Each year with the Matching Gifts Program we have earned an extra 20-23% through your generous donations. Foodland and Western Union will match a portion up to \$249 for each Maika'i member.
- ♥ **Please support Jikoen and consider donating the maximum of \$249 in September.** Jikoen will receive additional earnings if you do! If you're not a Maika'i member, please consider becoming a member. It's free and you will be helping Jikoen.

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