



THIS MONTH'S EVENTS

Due to the uncertainty of the Covid-19 pandemic, all in-person services, activities, and events are canceled until further notice. All dates and times may be subject to change without notice.

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

Sun 3/7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Virtual Shotsuki Monthly Memorial Service via Zoom Time: 9:00am • Rev. & Mrs. Nishiyama's Drive-Thru Gratitude Bento Pickup Time: 11:00am – 12:00pm (for seniors 75+)
Sun 3/14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NO SERVICE • HAIB 9th Annual Buddha Day Celebration Time: 10:00am (registration required – see page 7 flyer for link and details)
Wed 3/17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Living Dharma Gathering via Zoom with Rev. Nishiyama Time: 6:00pm – 7:00pm
Sat 3/20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interfaith Conversation on Overcoming Polarization (Zoom interactive discussion) Time: 9:30am – 11:30am (HST), The BDK-Fujitani Interfaith Program at Chaminade University (registration required – see page 9 flyer for link and details)
Sun 3/21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Virtual Sangha Family Service via Zoom Time: 9:00am, Lay Speaker: James Toma ("Childhood Days") • Board of Directors Monthly Meeting via Zoom Time: 10:30am
Sat 3/27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spring Virtual Nembutsu Seminar – "Buddhism & Everyday Life" Time: 9:00am – 11:00am (HST), Speaker: Bishop Marvin Harada of BCA (registration required – see page 11 flyer for link and details)
Sun 3/28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NO SERVICE
Sun 4/4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NO SERVICE
Sun 4/11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Virtual Shotsuki Monthly Memorial Service via Zoom Time: 9:00am

MINISTER'S MESSAGE

Rev. Shindo Nishiyama

A Surprise Encounter (Part 2)

A Fictional Narrative

(continued from February, 2021 newsletter)

Shindo: Master, please follow me. I will take you to Jikoen Buddhist Temple where I am the resident minister. I have a room for you, but it's a bit messy with surf boards lying around. It was my son's before he left for college.

Buddha: Oh, do not worry. I appreciate your help. I am happy to see your monastery and meet my followers as they come for daily practice of the Dharma. By the way, what is in your hands? Is that a sutra book? I notice you looking at it often.

Shindo: Oh, this is not a sutra book. It is a cell phone. I can access the internet...wait, you wouldn't know what that is. Anyway, you can use this to talk to people or see things practically anywhere around the whole world. It is too bad you did not have this way to communicate with everyone. Master, do you want to try it?

Buddha: Oh, okay. Please show me how to use it?

Shindo: Here. Look at this. These are pictures of your birthplace, the Bodhi Tree, and Deer Park where you shared your first sermon with five followers.

Buddha: Wow! Amazing! I can see the place where I meditated under the Bodhi Tree. Oh, this is my birthplace, Lumbini Garden! Did you know my mom was Queen Maya? She passed away a week after she gave a birth me.

Shindo: Yes, I knew it. I am sorry.

Buddha: Shindo, I missed my mom. But what I awakened to under the Bodhi Tree was the truth that everything is momentary and impermanent. Our lives constantly change. Nothing is guaranteed. This is a universal truth. However, most people don't realize it or don't want to recognize it. When we truly awaken to this truth, we are able to fully live our unrepeatable lives with gratitude for each other.

Shindo: Yes, Master. We know that life is impermanent but it is hard see that we are part of this truth. Whenever a Jikoen member passes away, it is not my death. It is someone else's.

Buddha: Shindo, I was like you before becoming the Awakened One. Then I had experiences when I was a young man in the palace of the Shaky Kingdom. My parents were King Suddhodhana and Queen Maya. They were overly protective. They tried to keep me from seeing "Duhkha" — dissatisfaction, impermanence, and human sufferings such as desire, aging, sickness, and death. I was surrounded by beautiful things and lived-in luxury. I married a beautiful woman named Yasodhara and I became a father of a child. My life was perfect and happy. However, one day, I wandered outside the palace. I saw the reality of human life. I saw the suffering that aging, sickness, and death brings. Then I met a monk in yellow robes with a shaven head and an empty bowl. I was told that he was seeking universal truths. After this experience, I decided to leave the Palace and the Kingdom to become a seeker.

Shindo: Master, thank you so much for sharing about your life. Well, I understand you are very tired tonight so please enjoy nishime and rice. My wife also prepared the bed for you. Please have a good night!

Buddha: Namaste. Good night. Shindo, I will see you tomorrow morning before sunrise.

Shindo: Oh, what? Sunrise? Oh, uh, sure. See you tomorrow morning before sunrise. Good night!

To be continued...

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Doris Oshiro

Happy New Year! Shinnen Akemashite omedeto gozaimasu! Ii Soogwachi Deebiru!

I don't think I wished everyone a Happy New Year in the January or the February edition of our newsletter. We have entered 2021 being very optimistic of our future. Jikoen opened it's doors in 1938 and has persevered over 82 years to overcome many obstacles. 2020 will be a year long remembered but we look forward to a better year in 2021.

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic we had to close our doors last March. We were grateful that Lumbini Preschool could remain open to serve our essential workers and community. Many of our events had to be postponed or cancelled. We also learned new vocabulary and communicated via social media and video conferencing.

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It was a year of many challenges and hardships. We still need to adapt to the changing situations.

Mahalo to all for being there to help whenever needed. To all of our groups and affiliates a heartfelt, Thank You! There are many groups that have always been a major part of our events. Please accept our sincere thanks for all you have done to keep Jikoen going.

We are busy planning the next phase of our Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii five year theme and the slogan for 2021 Building Healthy Sanghas: Nurturing Empathy and Respect. We will need your help to develop and take action on these plans for the remaining 4 years 2021-2024 slogans.

We will be focusing on moving Jikoen forward with our Virtual Sunday services via Zoom and YouTube. Currently, we will focus on upgrading our audio and video/monitor systems so we can record each session and have it available online via YouTube and other forms of social media to share the Dharma. We will focus on our Sangha who do not have access to social media or need help in accessing our on line services.

I would like to wish all of you peace, prosperity and good health. Again, I humbly ask for your continued support to keep connected and build a healthy sangha with renewed energy and confidence. Jikoen is a place where we can reflect and share the Nembutsu together. I have gained a lot from working together and sharing Jikoen's vision to keep us alive, no matter what happens.

We're all looking forward to the next Tier and hope we can meet at temple services real soon since Rev. Nishiyama will be with us full time from March 1.

Be mindful to Nurture Empathy and Respect by sharing

2021 Memorial Service Schedules

1st Year Memorial passed away in 2020
 3rd Year Memorial..... passed away in 2019
 7th Year Memorial..... passed away in 2015
 13th Year Memorial..... passed away in 2009
 17th Year Memorial..... passed away in 2005
 25th Year Memorial..... passed away in 1997
 33rd Year Memorial..... passed away in 1989
 50th Year Memorial..... passed away in 1972

Call Rev. Nishiyama at 808-845-3422 to make an appointment at least a month prior to the service.

and providing opportunities to encounter the Dharma. Continue to keep safe and take care of each other. Please join our services held via Zoom. *Namo Amida Butsu.*

TEMPLE NEWS

Annual Memorial Service Scheduled for March & April 2021

1st Year Anniversary (Year of Death 2020)

- March 8, 2020Ms. Katherine Yasuko Shimabukuro (99)
- April 9, 2020..... Mrs. Kikue Okuhara (97)
- April 23, 2020Mr. Kenneth Katsuyoshi Matsumoto (78)

3rd Year Anniversary (Year of Death 2019)

- March 2, 2019Mrs. Michiko Shimazaki Doktor (86)
- March 8, 2019Mr. Seiichi Kubota (101)
- April 1, 2019.....Mrs. Clara Mieko Nakasone (98)
- April 14, 2019.....Mr. Masao Kinjo (90)
- April 22, 2019..... Mr. Rodney Goda (75)
- April 27, 2019.....Mr. Derek Ichiro Shiroma (57)
- April 30, 2019..... Mrs. Jeanette Misae Oshiro (73)

7th Year Anniversary (Year of Death 2015)

- March 2, 2015Mrs. Harriet Sachiko Tamasiro (83)
- March 13, 2015 Mrs. Jane Kihara Ono (83)
- March 28, 2015 Mrs. Toshiko Yamamoto (68)
- March 28, 2015 Mr. Eikichi Kaneshiro (97)
- April 16, 2015....Mrs. Margaret Naomi Kawashima (58)

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OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY

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

Tsurue "Sally" Kiyuna (94)
of Honolulu, passed away on February 17, 2021.

Marion Mitsuko Akamine (93)
of Honolulu, passed away on December 18, 2020. She was born in Hilo. Predeceased by parents Kama & Kamari Akamine.

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

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April 24, 2015.....Mr. Harry Seikei Ishikawa (75)
April 27, 2015.....Mrs. Toshiko Fujita (89)
April 30, 2015.....Mrs Shizue Kino (101)

13th Year Anniversary (Year of Death 2009)

March 2, 2009Mr. David Shigeo Arakaki (74)
March 7, 2009 Mr. James Masaru Yamashiro (69)
March 17, 2009 Mr. Roy Koyu Afuso (93)
March 18, 2009 Mrs. Yoshie Nagamine Arakaki (83)
March 19, 2009 Mr. Masaru Asato (78)
April 2, 2009..... Mr. Allen Akahide Tamayori (58)
April 21, 2009..... Mrs. Dora Mitsue Tengan (84)

17th Year Anniversary (Year of Death 2005)

March 3, 2005Mr. Masayuki Okuma (77)
March 5, 2005Mrs. Ruth Hanae Uchida (82)
March 12, 2005Mr. Kiyoshi Kiyabu (93)
March 16, 2005 Mr. Thomas Koozo Miyashiro (55)
March 20, 2005 Mrs. Shizue Oshiro (88)
March 20, 2005 Mrs. Haruko Nako (76)
March 24, 2005Mr. Ryozen Kuwae (94)
March 29, 2005 Mr. Jacob Manuel Enokawa (5 days)
March 30, 2005 Mr. Ryotoku Noborikawa (89)
April 18, 2005.....Mr. Eiso Hokama (82)

25th Year Anniversary (Year of Death 1997)

March 28, 1997Mr. Yoshisuke Kaneshiro (88)
April 4, 1997.....Mrs. Kana Kushimaejo (93)
April 7, 1997.....Mrs. Hideko Nakagawa (71)
April 12, 1997.....Mr. Kamakichi Toyama (100)
April 28, 1997.....Mrs. Etsuko Hokama (58)

33rd Year Anniversary (Year of Death 1989)

March 7, 1989 Mrs. Kamada Nakama (92)
April 8, 1989.....Mrs. Nobi Higaonna (90)
April 11, 1989..... Mrs. Kame Tamahana (90)
April 12, 1989..... Mr. Seitei Enokawa (72)
April 16, 1989.....Mr. Sankichi Tokuda (89)

Welcome Back, Sensei

Rev. Nishiyama has been assigned as the full-time resident minister of Jikoen as of March 1, 2021.

As we reflect on the past four years, we are reminded of Sensei's *ganbatte* "Can Do" spirit, great leadership, and his commitment to both temples and the Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii, especially since the start of this Covid-19 situation in 2020. These past years were truly a unique experience for all of us. We are proud of his achievements despite having split responsibilities. Sometimes, we don't have control over the course of

things but we are truly grateful for his dedication and support during this time. We look forward to having temple services in person real soon.

Chibariyo! Thank you, Sensei and Suzie for all that you do! *Namu Amida Butsu.*

Sincere Mahalo!

On February 20, Jikoen's Drive-Thru Hoku BBQ Chicken Fundraiser was held at the 50th State Poultry in Pearl City. Due to Covid-restrictions we had to change our pickup location and limit the number of volunteers. From 4:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. it was non-stop. Volunteers transported supplies, set up tables, tents and chairs. Teams took care of temperature checks, Covid screening, bagging the chicken, and packaging the sushi. By 8:45 a.m. the drive-thru was ready to go and went well throughout the day.

Rev. Nishiyama and president Doris Oshiro were able to greet the drivers and passengers. Using post-its, they placed their pre-order counts on the windshield of the vehicles. Teams worked together in collecting the tickets and delivering the items to each car.

We were humbled by the outpouring of support from all the volunteers, donors, members and supporters for our fundraiser. Thank you to each and every one of you for taking the time to volunteer with us.

Much mahalo to all who helped days ahead to prepare for this major event. From set up to clean up, we are deeply grateful for making this a great success. Thank you to those who generously donated refreshments and snacks. We couldn't have done this without all of you.

In deepest gratitude for your continued support. Thank you! Mahalo! Ippei Niffee Deebiru! Doomo arigato gozaimasu!

If you would like to share any feedback on this fundraiser, please let us know by calling the office 845-3422, by contacting Doris Oshiro at 271-4748 or email: jikoen.info@gmail.com.

Quick Reflections on Dana Day Service

- Wonderful Dharma Talk by Jaryd Oshiro about how "Dana" – selfless giving – is something we all can do regardless of age as demonstrated by the Jikoen Dharma School students.

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- Annual donations from Honolulu United BWA members, family and friends (which includes Jikoen) have helped a wide variety of needy organizations focusing on women, children and the elderly for 55 years.
- Enjoyed having members (like with the Ogata and Doktor families) participate in the service. Let's include more members from keiki to kupuna!

Namo Amida Butsu.

Share Your Reflection for Jikoen Newsletter

We would appreciate you sharing a short reflection, photo, haiku, or short story to keep our Jikoen Ohana connected. Please include your name and contact information and submit it via email or "snail mail" USPS. All are welcome and we would love to "hear" from you.

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HILITES FROM HQ NEWS UPDATES *(February, 2021)*

Excerpts from Bishop's Messages of the 109th Legislative Assembly

Bishop Eric Matsumoto

Aloha Kakou! Welcome to the 109th Legislative Assembly of the Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii! I would like extend a special warm welcome of Aloha to our guests from the Buddhist Churches of America, the Jodo Shinshu International Office and, for the first time, the Jodo Shinshu Buddhist Temples of Canada. E Komo Mai!

Let me emphasize that we are continuing to focus on the Sangha. The Sangha lives guided and inspired by the Buddha-Dharma. In Shin Buddhism, we fully acknowledge our limitations and imperfections. I am aware that, many times, directly or indirectly and totally or partially, a cause and/or condition of others' and/or my own suffering. However, even such a limited person like

myself in this imperfect world, can certainly try to live according to the ideals of Buddhism.

Just as the COVID vaccine is giving us hope in our battle with COVID-19, Amida Buddha's Light also provides us with guidance and gives us hope as it tempers our blind passions (bonno)! I firmly believe that we need more of the Buddha-Dharma to inspire and guide us as a Sangha. We have a whole host of challenges to face that has been brought on and/or aggravated by COVID-19 including our financial situation (similar to what many others in our communities are facing). Let us be guided by the Dharma or Teachings. The key to solutions for us (a Buddhist organization) is connected to the Buddha, the Dharma and the Sangha. Once again, I ask for especially the help of the ministers to share the nurturing aspect of Jodo Shinshu Teachings and the values, perspectives and behaviors that come about from encountering the Nembutsu Dharma. Gomonshu's "Our Pledge" summarizes some of the dynamics. For me, our trying to follow "Our Pledge" is not a self-power effort, but rather, our responding in gratitude to Amida Buddha and made possible by Amida Buddha. Even Rennyo Shonin attributes our being able to control our minds to Amida Buddha's Other Power. To me, from feelings and thoughts of mottainai, mooshiwakenai and arigatai that we experience, due to the Unconditional Compassion of Amida Buddha we find embracing us arises the aspiration to try to live a life that is more in accord with the Dharma (highly imperfect as it may be).

This year, I would like to direct the entire Hawaii Kyodan including all State Committees as we engage in our individual projects, endeavors and committee work to see how we can make manifest in some measurable way our Theme and Slogan "Building Healthy Sanghas: Nurturing Empathy and Respect." How can we promote

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2020-24 SLOGANS

HHMH FIVE-YEAR THEME "Building Healthy Sanghas"

2020 "Embracing Generosity and Openness"

2021 "Nurturing Empathy and Respect"

2022 "Connecting with Others"

2023 "Sharing Joy Together"

2024 "Sharing Nembutsu Moments"

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and make manifest empathy and respect in our Sangha and larger community? It is not hard to see that what our world really needs is more empathy and respect for all. Ultimately, it is Amida Buddha that is doing the nurturing, but I believe as recipients of that nurturing, we can try, imperfect as we may be, to promote empathy and respect in the world starting with our own actions.

Regardless of whether your temple is currently open or not, let us remain diligent in our efforts to contain the virus, stop the unnecessary suffering and deaths from COVID-19, help our healthcare system and professionals nearing exhaustion, better the conditions such so that our economy will be able to get back on its feet by continuing to practice safety measures for a while longer. Together with our President, I would like express my gratitude to all temples and affiliates for following the safety directives, guidelines and recommendations. Ministers and Temple Lay Leaders especially, thank you for putting so much of your time and energy into keeping our temples and members safe, secure, and still try to fulfill our purpose of sharing the Dharma including helping those who need help physically with your mask-making projects, food delivery, cooking of meals for the young and elderly, and assuring our members that they are not alone in this time of severe isolation. To all of our preschools, schools, and adult care facilities and other affiliates and programs too, thank you for doing your best to maneuver through this pandemic and still provide care and/or continue your activities. Ministers and Temple office staff, thank you for being on the forefront to continue serving our membership. Of course, I cannot leave this topic without acknowledging the tremendous effort put forth by the HQ Staff.

As we all know, COVID-19 has direly affected our Hawaii Kyodan. Most acutely, in the area of finances and our traditional in-person method of sharing the Dharma. The greatest short term hurdle our organization faces is overcoming the financial crisis brought on by the Pandemic. In these precarious times, Headquarters including the Office of the Bishop, will continue to make some decisions based on the fact that we are right now in a crisis situation and facing extraordinary circumstances. I ask for your understanding and cooperation. We must all work together, ministers and lay people, to find ways in which we can regain and even better our financial foundation so that we can continue to carry out our mission or purpose of sharing the Dharma. It can also be the other way around that the more people are touched by the Dharma the more they will support us. It behooves us to become more creative, innovative and flexible and open in this time of crisis and even beyond.

Online and social media is not perfect and has limitations, but we have entered a new age of propagation and fundraising with the internet and social media an integral part of it. It is clear that there is a significant group of people out there in the world that are hungry for the Dharma, but they do not live near a temple, are unable to come to a temple or the internet is their preferred way of receiving the Dharma. We should look into this idea of an Online Sangha. It might even be a new category of members for Hawaii Kyodan or temples.

I gratefully note that even in these difficult times, various entities of Hawaii Kyodan are continuing to work on providing meaningful resources in hopes that more people will come to know the Great Wisdom and Compassion of Amida Buddha. Please look forward for announcements for our State Ministers Association and BSC-OBE. At Headquarters, in the spirit of empathy and respect, we will continue to do our best to get us through this Pandemic. If you need assistance, please contact us.

In two years, in 2023, we will be observing the auspicious 850th Anniversary of Shinran Shonin's Birth and 800th Anniversary of the Establishment of the Jodo Shinshu Teaching. Also the next World Buddhist Women's World Convention, will be held at the same time. We need to start planning and thus in the first half of this year I will be calling a meeting so we can start preparing for these auspicious events.

A special word of appreciation to the HQ Staff: Derrick Inouye, Rev. Takahashi and Dianne Sumida including Joy Nishida for their help with our first ever Virtual Online Regular Giseikai.

To conclude, truly, it is because of the support, dedication, commitment and generosity of all of you, Ministers and Lay Members, which makes it possible for Hawaii Kyodan to not only exist, but also share the Nembutsu Teachings and contribute to the betterment of our Hawaii. I express my deepest appreciation to one and all including our State President Dr. Warren Tamamoto. Once again, "Everyone, thank you" and "Namo Amida Butsu."

*Giseikai Message From the Jodo Shinshu
Hongwanji-ha Governor General Bishop
Chiko Iwagami*

On the occasion of the 109th Giseikai of the Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii, which is being conducted online, I humbly extend my appreciation to you, the ministers and sangha representatives from throughout

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9th Annual
BUDDHA DAY CELEBRATION

Hosted by the Hawaii Association of International Buddhists (HAIB)



**DHARMA
IN
ACTION**

Keynote Speaker: Mushim Patricia Ikeda
East Bay Meditation Center

Young Adult Speakers:



Ryan Nakade
Integral Buddhist



Lisa Lassner
Triratna Buddhist
Community



Sheera Tamura
Jodo Shin Tradition

March 14, 2021 10:00 AM—11:30 AM (HST)

Attendance will be VIRTUAL (Zoom) and is FREE

Please register at <https://forms.gle/8LQK7zAGSDElmZNB7> to receive the Zoom Link

For more information contact Rev. Blayne Higa at bhiga@honpahi.org or (808) 323-2993

Donations can be made to the Hawaii Food Basket (hawaiifoodbasket.org). Kindly put HAIB in the comments.

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the state of Hawaii. I would also like to express my heartfelt gratitude to you all for your continuing efforts in propagating Jodo Shinshu and maintaining the temples within your respective district.

First I would like to extend my condolences to those who passed away from COVID-19, and I also would like to offer my sympathy to the people who are currently undergoing treatment for the disease.

The situation might differ depending on the area, but for almost every place in the US, gathering at the temple has been restricted and a lot of temple activities, including

religious services, cannot remain intact. In the midst of such difficult times, I am truly grateful that many of you have been seeking new measures to actualize Buddhist wisdom in society. Some make the best use of the internet to share the Dharma and rejoice the Nembutsu teaching together with others. On the other hand, some feel close to and regularly contact those who are most likely to be isolated, such as, senior people who do not have access to the internet.

On the New Year's Day, Monshu Ohtani Kojun presented the following message, "Now we have to live a life with

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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 held on the first Sunday of each month at 9:00am, 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.

Due to the Covid-19 situation all in-person services and events have been canceled until further notice.

Here are our loved ones who will be remembered in the month of April 2021:

Jinei Arakaki ~ April 25, 2020 (98)
Takemitsu Arakaki ~ April 25, 2016 (91)
Toshiko Fujita ~ April 27, 2015 (89)
Yasuo Gushi ~ April 29, 2003 (91)
Katherine Matsui Higa ~ April 6, 1999 (86)
Miyeko Higa ~ April 10, 1999 (76)
Yoshi K. Higa ~ April 17, 2012 (81)
Eiso Hokama ~ April 18, 2005 (82)
Harry Ishikawa ~ April 24, 2015 (75)
Kiyoko Ishikawa ~ April 6, 2014 (98)
Eleanor Mitsue Itomura ~ April 10, 2013 (81)
Lionel Jakahi ~ April 14, 2014 (71)
Mrs. Kazumi Kaneshiro ~ April 28, 2013 (90)
Kenneth Kiyoshi Kaneshiro ~ April 6, 2020 (90)
Kikue Kaneshiro ~ April 7, 2016 (98)
Richard Tsutomu Kaneshiro ~ April 2, 2012 (76)
Thomas Masaichi Kaneshiro ~ April 18, 2001 (73)
Margaret Naomi Kawashima ~ April 16, 2015 (58)
Hisashi Kikuchi ~ April 20, 2001 (85)
Shizue Kino ~ April 30, 2015 (101)
Chizuko Kishimoto ~ April 28, 2005 (92)
Toshiko Kotani ~ April 9, 2001 (79)

Sadako Matayoshi ~ April 19, 2004 (84)
Kenneth Katsuyoshi Matsumoto ~ April 23, 2020 (78)
Tatsuko Miyasato ~ April 27, 2017 (94)
Shigeko Nakahara ~ April 3, 2016 (96)
Fukuo Nakai ~ April 5, 2016 (90)
Kyoko Nakama ~ April 18, 2000 (97)
Clara Mieko Nakasone ~ April 1, 2019 (98)
Nobushige Nakasone ~ April 8, 2003 (91)
Beatrice Kimiko Higa Nishizawa ~ April 12, 2015 (94)
Kikuye Okuhara ~ April 9, 2020 (97)
Henry Oshiro ~ April 15, 2013 (91)
Jeanette Misaye Oshiro ~ April 30, 2019 (73)
James Seiei Oshiro ~ April 12, 2003 (78)
Kosuke Oshiro ~ April 19, 1999 (94)
Akira Sakima ~ April 6, 2007
Shoyei Shimabukuro ~ April 25, 1992 (98)
Yoshiko Shinsato ~ April 4, 2014 (89)
Rose Tokie Tamashiro ~ April 25, 2013 (84)
Hiroshi Tamayori ~ April 2, 2011 (94)
Doris Miyome Tanaka ~ April 4, 2018 (100)
Dora Mitsue Tengan ~ April 21, 2009 (84)
Jared Makana Isamu Teruya ~ April 7, 2013 (12)
Yoshiko Toma ~ April 23, 2013 (90)
Edward Kiyoshi Tomasu ~ April 14, 2014 (71)
Masako Wauke ~ April 21, 2002 (84)
Kame Yamaguchi ~ April 8, 2000 (101)
Reverend Chikai Yosemite ~ April 13, 2016 (84)
Richard Masahiro Yokogawa ~ April 1, 2011 (65)

Namu Amida Butsu

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

INTERFAITH CONVERSATIONS ON OVERCOMING POLARIZATION

**A Zoom Interactive Discussion*

MARCH 20, 2021
9:30 AM - 11:30 AM

FREE VIRTUAL EVENT. TO REGISTER:
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/interfaith-conversations-on-overcoming-polarization-registration-142468012661>

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2021 SPRING VIRTUAL NEMBUTSU SEMINAR

Sponsored by the Honolulu & Oahu Hongwanji Councils and the Office of Buddhist Education

Buddhism & Everyday Life

Seeing Buddhism in our everyday life by looking at examples from Shin Buddhists whose everyday life experience was their greatest teacher, but based on their deep listening and foundation of the Dharma.

Sat. March 27

9-11am (HST)

Featuring Bishop Marvin Harada (BCA)

CLICK LINK FOR BIO > http://bit.ly/2021NS_bio <



agenda

9:00 am: Welcome/Opening
9:05-10:05am: Bishop Harada
10:05 am: Break
10:10 am: Q&A
10:55 am: Closing/Mahalo

registration is FREE

DEADLINE: Saturday, March 20

Click link to register
> http://bit.ly/2021NS_registration <

Please note that the seminar will be recorded and uploaded, if you do not wish to be shown, please keep your video off during the seminar.

donations

We welcome your donations, which will be earmarked to provide a copy of Bishop Harada's book, "Discovering Buddhism in Everyday Life" to all Honolulu/Oahu Hongwanji temples.

CLICK LINK TO DONATE & MORE INFO > http://bit.ly/NS2021_donations <

Questions? Please contact Mililani Hongwanji office (808) 625-0925

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HHMH 109th Giseikai Legislative Assembly

The 109th Legislative Assembly (Giseikai) of the Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii was held on February 12-13, 2021 virtually via Zoom. All programs such as Opening Service (Memorial Service for the Ingo recipients in 2020 as well as past ministers and members of HHMH), Plenary Session, Workshops, Installation of Officers, Directors, Advisors, Sanmu, and Kanji ministers, and Special Recognition of the retirement of Rev. Bruce Nakamura were conducted using Zoom.

Delegates from the Hongwanji temples throughout Hawaii discussed and passed the following resolutions:

1. 2021 HHMH Budget
2. Communications Strategic Team
3. Ewa-Kapolei Merger
4. Condolence and Appreciation – Reverend Shoin Hoashi, Rose Sadako Nakamura, Reverend Arthur Marutani, and S. Stanley Okamoto

In the workshop, we were fortunate to have a guest presenter Reverend Marvin Harada, the Bishop of

Buddhist Churches of America (BCA). He did the presentation and addressed the issues of membership and emphasized the development of Buddhist Education programs.

Reverend Kiyonobu Kuwahara, a guest from the Jodo Shinshu International Office (JSIO), did the presentations about the organization, projects, and activities. Makawao Hongwanji Mission, Moiliili Hongwanji Mission, Puna Hongwanji Mission, and Windward Buddhist Temple did presentations about the effective ways of using the website, social media, online tools for online services, temple activities, fundraising, etc.

Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii expresses our deepest gratitude to all those who attended and supported the first virtual Legislative Assembly.

HHMH YouTube Channel Programs

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