#### Message from Bishop Kosen Ishikawa

Dear Members and Friends,

First of all, I wish to take this opportunity to thank you for your warm support financially, and spiritually. Especially a huge MAHALO to those who have helped our Bazaar. Also our special Mahalo to those who made donations to the Lahaina Jodo Mission. Rev. Gensho Hara was very grateful for the generosity and kindness that he has received through our temples. He asked me to tell you that it may take some time to send a Mahalo letter but he looks forward to the opportunity to thank you in person.



Recently, we had a very successful Pilgrimage tour to Kyoto. 25 members including 3 ministers participated in the tour while staying in Kyoto for 7 nights. I was so relieved to know many participants were satisfied with the tour as I spent many days and nights planning the tour. Thanks to all of them and their Kokua, this tour became an enjoyable, and educational one.

One of the highlights of the tour was to attend both the 850<sup>th</sup> commemorative service officiated by Chief Abbot Yuishin Itoh and the Honen World Meeting 850 for which members and supporters from abroad got together at Chionin Temple. These events were held as "Omachi-uke event" as we welcome the 850<sup>th</sup> anniversary next year. Omachi-uke means "Anxiously awaiting and preparing." Since this anniversary is held once in 50 years which can be considered to be "once in a lifetime", many preevents were planned to be held this year in addition to the commemorative events next year.

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During the tour, I was very excited to meet some people for the first time because I met them online many times but I never met them in person. One of them was our member from Texas and others were members of the Jodo Shu Informal Zoom Meeting which has been held online on the last Friday of the month once a month since 2020. This 850<sup>th</sup> commemoration event gave us a great opportunity to strengthen our connection with our Dharma friends worldwide including our former ministers of Hawaii and current officers of Jodo Shu.

Together with our ministers and members, I was very honored to meet the Chief Abbot of Jodo Shu who strongly wished to meet the members of Maui to give words of sympathy as he knew we would come to the Chionin. The Chief Abbot presented a donation to the Lahaina Jodo Mission. Also, I was fortunate to meet the current President of the World Fellowship of Buddhists Mr. Phallop Thaiarry who happened to visit Kyoto. Since I attended the WFB conference in Japan back in 2018, Mr. Thaiarry wanted the Hawaii Regional Center to be active again. Especially after receiving their relief fund from Thailand to pass to the three temples in Lahaina, I was able to work together with HBC Bishops and decided to operate the Hawaii Regional Center under HBC. Though I missed the renowned lunch at Nanzenji Junsei, I was happy to meet Mr. Thaiarry again and thanked him on behalf of the Lahaina temples.

Lastly, as I started writing this message, I was having a hard time compressing this message because I had many to share. Because of many good experiences, I was at a loss for what to say in the beginning. It is my hope through my sermons and messages in the future, I'd like to share very interesting parts of Japanese culture and the depth of Buddhist history one by one. At the same time, I'd like to start planning the new tour for our members to have opportunities for the "temple experience" in Japan.

Once again, thank you very much for your continued support.

Namu Amida Butsu with gassho,

Bishop Kosen Ishikawa



Picture-Taking with Jodo Shu Secretary General Bishop Kokyo Kawanaka & Bishop Yugen Miyabayashi during the Welcome Reception by Jodo Shu at the Jodo Shu Headquarters on October 9th, 2023.



Picture-Taking with Archbishop Jogen Fujimoto of Konkai Komyoji Temple, Jodo Shu Officers and former ministers of Hawaii during Honen World Meeting 850 at Wajunkaikan, Chionin Temple on October 10th, 2023. 23 members from Brazil, 10 members from Europe, 4 members from Australia, 2 from Jodo Shu North America and many ministers participated in this conference.

#### The 13th Zoom Nenbutsu Hour

Our founder Honen Shonin (1133-1212) said, "Occasionally, it is important to perform a special Nenbutsu retreat for a fixed period of time for self-validation and to nurture one's mind and body." This nenbutsu retreat is called "Betsuji (Special) Nenbutsu" and we chant only "Namu-Amida-Butsu" for over one hour in addition to the daily practice of Nenbutsu.

Since the 1<sup>st</sup> Zoom Nenbutsu, hosted by Hawaii Council of Jodo Missions was observed in November, 2020, we are very



happy to announce the 13<sup>th</sup> Zoom Nenbutsu -Chanting Namu-Amida-Butsu Internationally-will be held at Jodo Mission of Hawaii on **Thursday, November 30 from 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm** (Hawaii Standard Time). Jodo Shu temples in Hawaii as well as temples in Japan, Brazil, Australia and Europe will join in our chanting of Nenbutsu on Zoom. (Zoom Meeting ID: 781-552-5934, Passcode: jodo). We would like to welcome those who can come to attend this chanting in-person here at Jodo Mission. At the same time, anyone who can access the internet is very welcome to attend for any minutes according to your busy schedule. One hour chanting may sound a long time but we can have great practice of patience and we can reinforce our spirit just by chanting Namu Amida Butsu. Please feel free to contact me at kosenishikawa@hotmail.com for any questions or Zoom link.

Medicare is confusing—If you are interested in some information on Medicare and would like to know more or have questions, please come on Sunday, November 19, at 12:00 to 1:00 pm in Ikoi Hall. We have someone from Premier Benefit Consultants which represent ALL Medicare Advantage plans in Hawaii, and they will give you unbiased advice. Please call temple office (808) 949-3995 to reserve your seat and RSVP whether you prefer in Japanese or English. We may have 2 speakers for this session.



**Something Different**—Kahala Mall is having "The Very Merry Event" the weekend of December 8-10, 2023 (Friday to Sunday). Jodo Mission of Hawaii is able to sell \$5 tickets to anyone who wants to go to Kahala Mall the weekend of Dec.8-10 to shop at their stores. Not all stores at Kahala Mall is participating but those stores who are on the participant list will give a discount of possibly

25% or 20% or some type of discount off one item or sometimes your entire purchase. For some stores you can use it once each day. If you are a shopper, this may be great! Sorry we do not have enough room in this Bulletin to print the entire list of participating stores, but you may either call temple office at (808) 949-3995 or go to our website and the list will be there. As a fundraiser, Kahala Mall will allow Jodo Mission of Hawaii to keep 100% of the \$5 collected. With each \$5 ticket, you will receive a pamphlet of exclusive offers from participating stores/restaurants. The tickets are good only for this particular weekend (Dec. 8-10, 2023). Please come to Jodo Mission office to purchase your tickets. *Thank you*.

#### **VISION FOR THE FUTURE (5)**

By The Late Bishop Yubun Narashiba

Japanese Buddhism in Hawaii has a very unique cultural background. In Japan, Buddhist customs differ from village to village, town to town, prefecture to prefecture. This is because Buddhism has been localized to fit to the custom in each area. Since Japanese immigrants came to Hawaii from the various regions of Japan, ceremonial customs are different according to the area where the family came from. However, as time passes, those customs are becoming unclear and more confusing for the younger generations. Because of this confusion, younger generations seem to be going away from Buddhism by saying that Buddhism is hard to understand. There-



fore, in this article, I would like to explain the standard procedure of doing a service. First, let me show you the two common procedures of having funerals among the members of Jodo Mission of Hawaii.

#### 1. When Someone Passed Away 2. When Someone Is Very Close To Death Death Call for a minister Medical examination Rinju Gyogi (Last rites) Call for a minister Death Makuragyo (Bedside service) Medical examination Call for a mortuary Call for a mortuary Body pick-up Body pick-up Meeting with the funeral director at the Meeting with the funeral director at the mortuary mortuary Viewing service Viewing service Cremation Cremation FUNERAL with the first 7th day service FUNERAL with the first 7<sup>th</sup> day service 49th day service 49th day service **Burial service** Burial service

#### O-Juya Service—On Sunday, November 12 at 10:00 a.m., we will have our



O-Juya Service. "Doing good deeds (reciting Namu Amida Butsu) here and now exceeds a thousand years of good deeds in the land of all the Buddhas." At Jodo Mission, it is customary for us to offer sweet treats to Amida Buddha. Please do not forget your sweet treats to share with everyone (but not leftovers from Halloween). Please come for this inperson O-Juya service on Sunday, November 12 at 10 am.

Hatsubon (1st O-Bon) service↓

1 year memorial service



**2024 Jodo Shu Calendar** Live the Jodo Shu style each and every day, sharing in the love and compassion of Amida Buddha year round with messages of distinguished priests. Calendar is for January through December 2024.

Free calendar is available. Please order your calendar now before we run out. Please call Jodo Mission of Hawaii at (808) 949-3995 by *November 30*. *Thank you.* 

Hatsubon (1st O-Bon) service

1 year memorial service

<sup>\*\*</sup>Editor's note: This article is a reprint from our August 2011 issue. Because this article contains information you will need to know some day, we will continue to reprint it from time to time as space permits.

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#### What is Perpetual Memorial Service (Eitaikyo)

When the date of death of a deceased occurs, ministers do prayers on the anniversary date each year. Prayer services are held each day at 9:30 am (times may change due to scheduling). This perpetual memorial service is called *Eitaikyo* in Japanese.

Please contact temple office if you are interested..

#### **Notice to Nokotsudo Visitors**

(Sometimes referred to as the Niche rooms)

Many people come to visit the Nokotsudo/Columbarium (or sometimes known as Niche rooms) to honor their deceased ancestors.. Please ring the blue bell.. We recommend you wear a mask, use the hand sanitizer going in and coming out and go home and wash your hands with soap. No more than 4 people at a time, with social distancing.

New Hours: 10 am to 5 pm Mon to Sat 12 pm to 3 pm Sunday\*

10 am to 3 pm Holidays

\*Sundays no one in office since we have Sunday Service

#### 2023 Memorial Years Observed

1 <sup>st</sup> year	2022
3 <sup>rd</sup> year	2021
7 <sup>th</sup> year	2017
13 <sup>th</sup> year	2011
17 <sup>th</sup> year	2007
23 <sup>rd</sup> year	2001
25 <sup>th</sup> year	1999
27 <sup>th</sup> year	1997
33 <sup>rd</sup> year	1991
37 <sup>th</sup> year	1987
43 <sup>rd</sup> year	1981
47 <sup>th</sup> year	1977
50 <sup>th</sup> year	1974
100 <sup>th</sup> year	1924

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advise if you wish to
have your monthly
bulletin via email
instead of U.S. mail.
Please also keep
Jodo Mission
advised of your
current address &
phone number.

Mail forwarded adds additional costs. Thank you for your cooperation.

#### REMINDERS

#### Gojikai or Membership—\$80.00 per year

Persons of the same family but living separately should have their own membership

**Niche owners** should continue their Membership or Gojikai each year (Gojikai is paid only once each year).

AND

Maintenance donation \$5.00 per year per niche

#### **Become a Jodo Mission Member!**

If you're coming to services, volunteers at events, and/or donates to the temple, please become a Jodo Mission member for \$80 a year!

Thank you for your understanding.

#### お知らせ

2023年より年間護持会費、又はメンバーシップ 費が一世帯につき1年間で**80ドル**へと変更にな ります。(お住まいの家族世帯が別の場合は 個々にメンバーシップが必要となります。)

「また、納骨堂(ニッチ)内に納骨棚を所有の方」 「は、護寺会費とは別途、5ドルの年間管理費を 「お納めください。

皆様にはご負担をおかけしますが、ご理解ご協力のほどよろしくお願い致します。 合掌



Bishop Kosen Ishikawa



Rev. Myoko Takano Resident Minister



Rev. Takaaki Kouken Tanabe Resident Miinister

### Jodo Mission Office Hours:

[New Covid Hours]

Monday to Saturday 10am-5pm Sunday & Holidays 10am-3pm

Phone: (808) 949-3995 Website: www.jodo.us

#### Perpetual Memorial Service (Eitaikyo) for November

- 1 Gensaku Nakagawa The Nakagawa Family Hidetsugu Kanai Sadao Hedani Masao Taketa Tadao Murashige
- 2 Koichi Yoshiumi The Yoshiumi Family Koichi Nakamura Jiro Masuda Kenjiro Ishii Tari Sato The Miyakawa Family
- 3 Fuji Yoshisaki The Yoshisaki Family Tsurue Hayase Fumiaki Tamura Riley Tetsumi Mende Calvin A. Shimotsukasa
- 4 Kiichi Saiki Kanji Kimoto Winfred Emi Taira Shigenobu Tamashiro
- 5 Kanichi Iwamoto
  The Iwamoto Family
  Matsutaro Tanimura
  The Tanimura Family
  Yuriko Sano
  Yasuichi Hamasaki
  Katajiro Yamamoto
  Yuki Miyagawa
  The Nakaue Family
  David Yoshito Fujioka
- 6 Kinroku Morita
  The Morita Family
  Jihei Shimokawa
  The Shimokawa Family
  Tokizo Fujita
  Tomi Tominaga
  Jihei Shimokawa
  Bert Takeshi Higa
- 7 Taeko Mizuno
  The Mizuno & Ota Family
  Tadahito Sakuda
  The Sakuda Family
  Shoichi Hisamura
  Kimiko Nobuji
  Hatsue Gonhata
  Aki Ikeda
  Kenji Sano
  Hatsuhei Horiuchi
- 8 Machida's Baby Masao Uno The Uno Family Bansuke Tomai

- The Tomai Family Tsutomu Hanano Kazuo Gonhata Kazo Kubota Mary Miyuki Saeki
- 9 Iwao Iwamoto
  The Iwamoto Family
  Natsu Kanemoto
  The Kanemoto &
  Miyamoto Family
  Otome Sugiyama (2)
  Yoshio Kanehira
  Mildred Asako Tsuda
- 10 Yoshisuke Miyakawa
  The Miyakawa Family
  Shinayo Kano
  The Kano & Watabe
  Family
  Rev. Myoshun Hayashi
  The Hayashi Family
  Shuichi Ota
  Clarence Katsuji
  Morimoto
  Ronald Tatsushi
  Nakamoto
- 11 Tsuru Teramoto
  The Teramoto Family
  Tamotsu Sugiyama (2)
  Soyo Nishida
  Yonoichi Kitagawa
  Herbert Hisao Kano
  Hisayo Okawa
  Timothy Nugent
  Tomoji Miyakawa
  Carol Taeko Murashige
- 12 Tomohei Tejima The Tejima Family Sueji Yano
- 13 Matsujiro Tsurusaki The Tsurusaki & Inada Family Lucy Hisako Yoshimoto
- 14 Shiro Fukunaga (2)
  Alice Chieko Masatsugu
  Kingsley K. Luke
  Dorothy Nishimura
  Murashige
  The Nakahara Family
- 15 Gentaro Arita
  The Arita Family
  Toyomi Moritsugu
  Kana Teruya
  Enosuke Kawasugi
  Rosalie Katsuko
  Nishimura

- Toyoichi Yamada Lillian Tsuyuko Higa
- 16 Tora Otani
  The Otani & Yanagihara
  Family
  Shosaku Yagi
  The Yagi & Okada Family
  Kazuo Hayashi
  The Hayashi Family
  Koichi Ono
  The Ono & Yamada
  Family
  Mitsuko Yanagihara
  Fumi Miyamoto
- 17 Maurice Sadao Fujie Julie Mayumi Tamura Avis Shigemi Kekina
- 18 Jinkichi Tanaka
  The Tanaka & Noda
  Family
  Kimie Hashimoto
  Helen Hatsuye Wachi
  Chiyeko Hayamoto
  Hisashi Uehara
- 19 Onsho Chinen
  The Chinen Family
  Saku Fukuda
  The Fukuda Family
  Mamu Iwasaki
  Yaeko Uesugi
  Kaname Tanimura
- 20 Naka Iwamoto
  The Iwamoto Family
  Totaro Nomiyama
  Toyo Terada
  Yoshi Yamanaka
  Taru Namihira
  Eiyo Ajimura
- 21 Bishop Kyokujo Kubokawa
- 22 Wasa Hamada
  The Hamada Family
  Shina Karamatsu
  The Karamatsu Family
  Minnosuke Ebisugawa
  Mamoru Tatei
  Fusae Oshita
  Paul Shigeyuki Sakuda
- 23 Matsue Inoue
  The Inoue Family
  Sano Matsumoto
  Yutaka Matsumoto
  Yoshiichi Takemoto
  Kinji Yamamoto
  Takami Aoki

- Kameyo Ohnaga (2) Mae Vinta Yamamoto Mildred Hatsuko Miura
- 24 Tatsuo Tsuda Yonezo Kitagawa Isami Tarumoto Kura Nakagawa (2)
- 25 Tadao Nakamura Matsuyo Yamamoto Tsutomu Kuniyuki Eleanor Masako Tanaka Paul Yoshitoshi Uyehara
- 26 Asako Yamamoto Kieko "Kay" Fuse Miyoko Matsumura Robert Noboru Tarumoto Jiro Mitsuyasu
- 27 Chisaburo Azuma The Azuma Family Jane Hatsuko Higa Hisako Kurakake (2) Hazel Masayo Iwai Kenneth Keigo Morimoto
- 28 Tameno Fujimoto The Fujimoto Family Hatsuo Murao Tomoichi Kunimura Hisako Fujimoto
- 29 Junichi Oki Heizo Furukawa Walter Kazuo Nagasako
- 30 Tsuma Ishida
  The Ishida & Aimoto
  Family
  Shizu Shigeoka
  Usanosuke Otani

#### **Obituaries**

Jodo Mission of Hawaii extends its sincere condolence to the family members and loved ones of the following members who have recently left this world for the Pure Land.

Vivian Mitsue Aoki	94
Clifford Terufumi	
Miyamoto	94
Shirley Tatsue Tsubaki	87
Tomiko Gushikuma	88

9:30am Morning Service Everyday Note: Time may change due to Schedule

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# COMING EVENTS:

Dec. 3 @ 9:30 am HBC Jodo-e (Bodhi Day) at Nichiren Dec 10 @ 9:00 am General Clean-up—HELP NEEDED Nov 19 12-1 pm—Medicare Info in Ikoi Hall

Mochitsuki Prep Day Dec 16 Mochitsuki Day—Help needed from 7am Dec. 17

Mochitsuki Day - pickup 1:00-4:00 pm 11:30 pm New Year's Eve Service Dec. 31 Dec 17

Sewing Circle Meeting on 11/5/23 8:30 am Ikoi Hall Fujinkai

8am—12pm Last meeting  $11/\bar{1}8/23$ for year

Classes in November for YBA & Sunday School

NO Meetings or

Bazaar Donations will be accepted. Kindly call temple office (808) 949-3995, if you have donations. Thank you. -----

Membership Dues (Gojikai) REMINDER: If you have not paid your membership dues (\$80) or niche maintenance of \$5 per niche per year, please do so by making your check payable to Jodo Mission of Hawaii (mail to 1429 Makiki Street, Honolulu, HI 96814). Thank you.