

The Higher Awareness Bishop Kosen Ishikawa



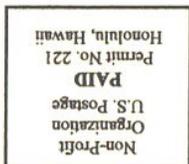
Dear Members and Friends of Jodo Mission,

When I was a young child, I had a dream that I would one day become Prime Minister of Japan. It may sound silly now, but at the time I was quite serious. I really did wish to be the leader of Japan. Looking back, it seems especially humorous considering that I became a minister, instead of a prime minister. In a small way, a part of my dream did come true, since a Buddhist minister and a prime minister are both called *minister*. The difference being that I'm serving Buddha, Dharma and Sangha, whereas a prime minister serves the Nation, the Diet and the People.

During my moving to Honolulu, I stumbled across some old photo albums. Looking through the photographs of myself as a boy, I recalled my dream. I was surprised at how many facts and events of my youth I had completely forgotten. Maybe this is because I've always tried to look forward, moving ahead, not focusing too much on the past. It was interesting to me, while I turned the pages, how I was always the leader of the organization that I belonged to.

As a youth, I thought leadership roles at the different organizations had just *happened*. Looking back as an adult, I can see there was a strong reason. I've always had high ideals. I'm an idealist. I've always had higher goals in mind, and I think because of this, my friends voted me in as their leader.

Over decades ago I had the good fortune to see a documentary film called "*Japanese-Americans in Hawaii*." It was my first glimpse into the history and hardships of the Japanese immigrants. Rev. Gensho Hara of Lahaina Jodo Mission was interviewed. It made a lasting impact on my life. Other prominent Japanese Americans were also interviewed. One interesting story was the life of Mr. Sidney Kosasa, who was the founder of the ABC stores on O'ahu. His parents were Japanese immigrants, and as a boy, Mr. Kosasa worked in his parents' grocery store. They eventually opened one store after another. What surprised me was the number of ABC branch stores in one small area of Waikiki. In some cases, ABC stores were located next door to one other. What intrigued me while watching Mr. Kosasa's interview, was that he had a completely different viewpoint than most businessmen. It was commonly believed that if you opened a new store too close to another existing store, you would simply be robbing customers from one store, while they frequented your other store.



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Mr. Kosasa didn't recognize this *conflict* rather he regarded ABC stores as a Group. The more customers in a store, no matter which store, would be more business, and more profit for the whole group. According to their website, there are currently 92 ABC stores in the State of Hawaii. Guiam, Saipan, and Las Vegas. . It seems clear that Mr. Kosasa's idea is a powerful one.

“The profit of the whole group is more important than the profit of an individual store.”

It is my strong belief that our Jodo Shu needs this kind of a larger view. As you know, each of our temples are independent organizations. All members working very hard for their own temple. And of course, we, the members of different temples, are good friends and we do help each other. But having said that, I believe a higher awareness that *Jodo shu is One*, will create better ways for us to help each other. I feel by coming together with events and services, we will grow. Having a higher awareness is just like climbing higher up a mountain. The higher you climb, the more splendid and wider your perspective. We don't need to reach the very top of the mountain. Just by having higher goals, we get to the higher point.

Thanks to all of you, the **Jodo Mission Koinobori Celebration** was a huge success. It was such a rewarding project not only because we received so much donations but also because we were able to see so many smiles of young children and parents. By looking at many families taking photos in front of the Koinobori, I realized this was something I truly wanted to see. Once again, I owe this success to our members and sponsors! I believe if other temples can do this Koinobori Celebration, it could be a great success, too. So I'm willing to share this Koinobori project with other ministers so that they can easily start this event.

Our next project is, as you know O-Bon. We have just decided to do Bon Dance this year on August 19 and 20. Of course, the pandemic situation is uncertain. It could be worse. However, by planning ahead of the Bon Dance, we could have a better event. We hope we can have at least Bon Dance with precautions this year. By having Bon Dance here at Jodo Mission, we can show our promotion of happiness to our community and to our ancestors. By having this higher goal, we can always get closer to achieve it.

Once again, mahalo nui loa to our members and friends for your continued support. Please stay safe and Happy Father's Day to all of you!

Gassho,

Bishop Kosen Ishikawa

Father's Day Service & Special Showing of the NHK Documentary “Rekishi Tantei” **Sunday, June 19, 2022 at 10:00 am**

Showing of the **NHK Documentary “Rekishi Tantei (Historical Detective)”** will be held during the **Father's Day Sunday Service starting at 10:00am**. The theme of this documentary is “Pearl Harbor” from a brand-new approach of colorization of old photos. This program introduces **Bishop Ninryo Nago** who was the 8th Head minister of the Hawaii Jodo Shu and influenced the life of a Japanese soldier, **Mr. Kazuo Sakamaki** who was known as the first POW of the Pacific War after the Pearl Harbor attack. At that time, being a POW was regarded to be “shame” and Bishop Nago encouraged Mr. Sakamaki to live proudly and strongly.

This was originally on aired on December 7, 2021 and Jodo Mission helped Ms. Ritsue Honma who was a media coordinator of the program to research about Bishop Nago. **Bishop Ishikawa and Rev. Tanabe** spent time to add English translated subtitles on the DVD presented by NHK. Please come to watch this documentary and celebrate Father's Day together.

O-Bon Services at Jodo Mission of Hawaii July 22—24, 2022

Jodo Mission of Hawaii is going forward with O-Bon planning. O-Toba orders are in and ministers will be preparing the O-Tobas for the upcoming O-Bon services. The plan is for both in-person services and online for the five O-Bon services:



Friday, 7/22 @ 10 am—Hatsu Bon families only*

Friday, 7/22 @ 6:00 pm—Regular O-Bon Service

Saturday, 7/23 @ 10 am & 6 pm - Regular O-Bon Service

Sunday, 7/24 @ 10 am—Final O-Bon Service

**Hatsu Bon families who cannot make the Friday 10 am service, may also attend any other service and your Hatsu Bon O-Topba will be read.*

Visitations to O-Tobas— With the help of volunteers, we will open the Social Hall for families to visit their O-Tobas with their offerings of flowers and foods. Hours the Social Hall doors will be open for your visits will depend on the number of volunteers we have. See July Bulletin for update.

Volunteers Needed in Social Hall July 18-24— If you have some time to spare, would you please contact temple office. It does not have to be every day during this period, but a few hours would be most appreciated. The more volunteers we have the more time we can allow relatives to visit their O-Tobas. If we do not have volunteers, we will close the social hall doors.

What kinds of things can you do as a volunteer in the social hall— you may help someone find his/her O-Toba; make sure we don't have too many people in the social hall; if there is a private service happening, please ask visitor(s) to not interfere with service; depending on Covid, we may ask people to wear masks inside the social hall, if elderly needs help, you may have to help him/her with their offerings as we do not want them to fall or hurt themselves.

Private Services—Reservations for private O-Toba services can be made by calling (808) 949-3995. Private O-Toba services Monday, July 18 to Thursday, July 21 between 10 am to 1 pm and 3 pm to 6 pm. These private services can be held in the social hall in front of your O-Toba or O-Toba(s) can be brought to the temple to have your private service in the temple. This is especially recommended for more than 5 people. There is no limitation on how many people can attend a private service in the temple but we do request, if possible, to let us know the number of people attending.

Jodo Mission of Hawaii **Bon Dance** is scheduled for **August 19 - 20, 2022**. Plans are being made subject to any new guidelines.

Father's Day -June 19th at 10 am: We always remember our Mothers, but do we always remember our Fathers? Please come to our in-person Father's Day Service on Sunday, June 19th at 10 a.m. We will take temperature checks, everyone wears a mask and keep social distance. Even though you may have taken the Covid vaccine, we must still be careful and use the sanitizer and wash hands often with soap.



Please try to remember your father on Father's Day, June 19th. Give him a telephone call and have a nice chat with him or if you live with him, say *Happy Father's Day* and give him a hand made Father's Day card. He will appreciate it.

Columbarium or Nokotsudo—Are you familiar with these terms?

“Columbarium” in a Buddhist temple is a room with little cubicles called “niches” where deceased ashes are placed in ash cases or urns. It's called “Nokotsudo” in Japanese, which literally means “Temple hall to keep bones (ashes)”.



Niche Owners at Jodo Mission of Hawaii should continue to pay their membership dues each year since as a member you were able to purchase a niche from Jodo Mission of Hawaii. Some people may have inherited the niches because the niche or niches have their relatives in them. When the niche or niches were originally purchased that individual was a member of this temple. When he/she passes, whoever in the family carries on the responsibility of the niche should continue to pay membership dues and niche maintenance. **What is niche maintenance you might ask?** Niche maintenance fee is currently and has been for many, many years \$5 per year. This maintenance fee is so that the columbarium or nokotsudo is respectably clean and maintained in a dignified manner. If your niche is empty and you have no use for the niche, please come to the office to sign a document that you relinquish the niche back to Jodo Mission of Hawaii. **Niches cannot be sold to another individual.**

Some people in lieu of paying for membership and niche maintenance prefer to give a donation every year equivalent to membership fee and maintenance, That is totally acceptable and appreciated in honor of your beloved ancestors. Any questions, please contact Jodo Mission office at 949-3995. *Thank you.*

Upcoming Mini Bazaar on Sunday, June 26 at 8:00 am

Jodo Mission of Hawaii held a mini bazaar on May 15 in Iko Hall from 10:30 am to 1:30 pm. It was quite successful without much advertising. We apologize we didn't announce the starting time on our “Bazaar This Sunday” sign. One of our regular Bazaar customers came at 4:50 am, assuming we would start at 8:00 am. We recommend people not to come earlier than 8:00 am.



We had many volunteers. After having no gatherings for two years, it was a welcome surprise to see many volunteers and many shoppers.. Many were happy to help and many were happy to shop. **We will try again.**

Our next Mini Bazaar will be on Sunday, June 26, at 8:00 am to 12 noon in Iko Hall. Preparation will be on Saturday, June 25, at 9:00 am. Contact temple office if you would like to volunteer your services. Or please come to shop and bring your friends. *Thank you.*

OBON CHUTOBA ORDER FORM
Hybrid Obon Services on July 22 & 23 10 am & 6 pm and July 24 at 10 am
In-Person & Online at Jodo Mission of Hawaii
DEADLINE: June 29, 2022

Note: Chutoba Orders are for only those who were not able to purchase an O-Toba

YOUR NAME (お名前) : _____ PHONE (お電話番号) : _____

NAME OF DECEASED (亡くなった方のお名前) :

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

Hybrid Obon Services

July 22 & 23 (Fri/Sat) 10 am & 6pm
July 24 (Sunday) 10 am

Please circle date & time attending:

Fri, July 22 at 6:00 pm
Sat, July 23 10:00 am 6:00 pm
Sun, July 24 10:00 am

OR Will Not Attend

Zoom link will be in July Bulletin
and on website: www.jodo.us

One Chutoba is \$ 7.00 × Total of Chutoba _____ = Total \$ _____
(中塔婆 1本 7ドル) (本数) (合計)

**Please make check payable to “Jodo Mission of Hawaii”,
Membership dues (Gojikai) (\$60) and maintenance may also be included with your payment. Thank you.**

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Order accepted by : _____ Date accepted : _____ / _____ / 2022 (In person / Mail / By phone)

Received by : _____ Date paid : _____ / _____ / 2022 (Cash / Check # _____) Write _____

ORDER FORM FOR CHOCHIN (LANTERN、ちょうちん申し込み用紙)
DEADLINE: June 29, 2022

YOUR NAME (お名前) : _____ PHONE (お電話番号) : _____

NAME OF DECEASED (亡くなった方のお名前) :

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____



**So sorry no large
chochin.** We are
unable to obtain the
large chochins.
Please call 949-3995
if you have any ques-
tions. *Thank you.*

SMALL(小) _____ × \$ 7.00 = TOTAL (合計) \$ _____

Please make check payable to “Jodo Mission of Hawaii”

**Membership Dues (Gojikai) (\$60) and any niche maintenance donation may also be included with
your payment. Thank you.**

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Order accepted by : _____ Date accepted : _____ / _____ / 2022 (In person / Mail / By phone)

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What is “Perpetual Memorial Service?” (Eitaikyo)

This record of a perpetual memorial service is called *Eitaikyo* in Japanese. When the date of death occurs for a person listed on this record, the ministers pray for that individual during the morning service. The prayers will continue each year for as long as Jodo Mission exists.

Anyone can be included in it. You may put your own name on the list, too. This also helps when it is difficult to have memorial services. We also welcome you to attend the morning service at **9:30am**. (Note time change due to Covid-19, please call temple if you plan to attend.)

How to apply

Stop by the office, and fill out the application form. Each name costs \$200. After the application is accepted, the name will be listed on the record.

Notice to Nokotsudo Visitors

(Sometimes referred to as the **Niche rooms**)

Many people call to see if the Nokotsudo/ Columbarium (or sometimes known as Niche rooms) are open. We have been letting people in if you come and ring the blue bell. **You must 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

2022 Memorial Years Observed

1 st year	2021
3 rd year	2020
7 th year	2016
13 th year	2010
17 th year	2006
23 rd year	2000
25 th year	1998
27 th year	1996
33 rd year	1990
37 th year	1986
43 rd year	1980
47 th year	1976
50 th year	1973
100 th year	1923

Email Monthly Bulletin—Please 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—\$60.00 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 **\$60.00**

AND

Maintenance donation \$5.00 per year per niche

お知らせ

1年間における護持会費、又はメンバーシップは60ドルになります。同世帯の家族) 世帯が別の場合は個々にメンバーシップが必要です。

納骨堂を所有の方は別途、5ドルの年間管理費をお納めください



Bishop Kosen Ishikawa



Rev. Myoko Takano
Resident Minister



Rev. Takaaki Kouken
Tanabe
Resident Minister

Jodo Mission Office Hours:

[New Covid Hours]

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10am–5pm

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EITAIKYO (Perpetual Memorial Service) for June

- | | | | |
|--|--|--|---|
| 1 Tatsuo Nonaka | 9 Sueko Tanimura
The Tanimura Family
Kenzaburo Ishii
The Ishii Family
Emi Kawamoto | Mitsue Ikuta
George Tsuneharu
Masaki
Masako Oshiro | 25 Hana Mitsutani
The Mitsutani Family
Nobuyuki Nishida
Yukio Hirata
Nathan Akio Tagami
Hatsuko June Suzuki
The Watanabe Family |
| 2 Takayo Fukuda
The Fukuda Family
Yasuichi Nakai
The Nakai Family
Kikue Tejima
The Tejima Family
Yasu Kawamura
Fujio Fujita | 10 Yoshisuke Miyakawa
The Miyakawa Family
Ariki Fujimoto
Mieko Ono
Hisako Mitani
Bertha Takako Homareda | 19 Kiyomatsu Ueno
The Ueno Family
Shinei Kanehira
The Kanehira Family
Mitsuru Ogi
Kenichi Naito
Sam Saburo Taniguchi
Kikuyo Morioka
Miyoshi Akashi
Hatsukichi Yamamoto | 26 Fuji Yano
The Yano, Konaka,
& Hayashi Family
Taizo Kawamura
The Kawamura Family
Mokunosuke Taniguchi
Isamu Nakano
Keigo Soma
Clarice Sadako
Yamamoto |
| 3 Sumiko Norma
Muramoto
Masako Kokubun | 12 Bunjiro Umemoto
The Umemoto Family
Miyoshi Okamura
The Okamura Family | 20 Hisataro Yanagihara
The Yanagihara Family
Naoji Yokoyama
Moushi Kobashigawa
Kame Uehara
Ichitaro Matsuda
Hisakichi Yamamoto
Wade Kenji Sakai
The Ashimine Family
Herbert Toyokatsu
Yanagihara | 27 Ron Kiyoshi Amasaki
Akira Shimoda |
| 4 Rui Yasumoto
Shizutaro Kimura
Helen Katsu Yokoyama
Fujiko Teruya
Susan Teruko Lubick
Rose Kikue Hata
Koma Kokubun
Hisashi Nakamura
Gail Emiko Morimoto | 13 Charles Harumi
Takabayashi (2)
Jeane Sachiko Ebisuzaki
Sakaye Ogata
Gosaburo Gary Nanbara | 21 Sumi Takeda
The Takeda Family
Komanoshin Masatsugu
Teruo Masatsugu
Lillian Ayako Tasaka
Suzuko Shigehara
Yoshito Charles Oshita
Don Shigeo Toishigawa | 28 Shintaro Masuda
The Masuda & Asamura
Family
Ryoshichi Himuro
The Himuro Family
Kiyochi Oshiro
Shiro Koike |
| 5 Kamematsu Kano
The Kano & Watanabe
Family
Shuichi Arakawa (2)
Yoshikazu Ebisuzaki
Tamon Yamaguchi
Japanese Marines
Masanori Matsumoto
Tsuyo M. Matsumoto
Rihei Matsumoto | 14 Masuzo Konaka
The Konaka, Yano,
& Hayashi Family
Kiichi Morisako
Katsuko Sakakibara
Shigeki Narahara
Hisako Asaeda
Nakamura | 22 Isuke Iwasaki
Murakami's Baby
Kazumi Mizuta
Yoshimi Maruichi
Edward Isamu Kimoto
Moshi Takara
Takara's Baby
Edwin Kyoichiro Arakaki
Hiroshi Furutomo | 29 Kumanosuke Morikawa
The Morikawa Family
Sadamu Yanagihara
The Yanagihara Family
Kinuyo Karimoto
Ziu Takaoka
Kiichi Takaoka
Shizuko Heirakuji
Grace Setsuko Kawafuchi |
| 6 Chujiro Nishimura
The Nishimura Family
Matsu Wakaki
The Wakaki Family
Tomo Daitoku (2)
The Daitoku & Fujimoto
Family
The Daitoku &
Kawauchi Family
Shinichi Fukuda
The Fukuda Family
Miyoshi Takara
Giushikuma Ancestors | 15 Yoshio Morita
The Morita Family
Kikutaro Higashide
The Higashide &
Fuyukawa Family
Albert Akira Sakuda | 23 Isamu Yonemoto
The Yonemoto Family
Yoshio Higa
The Higa Family
Yoshiko Hamasaki
Jonosuke Arakawa
Kosuke Takara
Kihachi Kishimoto
Bishop Chikai
Shibamura | 30 Hana Ishizaki
HelenTsurue Nagaishi
The Nakauye Family
John Yoshito Nakauye
Charles Hiroshi Taketa
Gerald Kenji Sato |
| 7 Ayako Morikawa
The Morikawa Family
Taki Asai
Kichi Kunihisa
Shina Kotake
Yukiyo Matsumoto
Robert Hidenori Iwai
Yaeko Ishida
Tomezo Furutomo | 16 Onichi Chinen
The Chinen Family
Chiyo Heirakuji
Harry Noboru Matsumoto
Iwao Okii
Faye N. Shinohara | 24 Yoshito Ebisuya
The Ebisuya Family
The Fujii Family
Tokiko Kurakake
Dorothy S. Kobayashi
Harry Wakaso Iwai
Koei Andy Takara | |
| 8 Soichi Hirano
The Hirano & Kaneko
Family
The Hirota Family
Dorothy Saku Yokoyama | 17 Natsu Kawamura
The Kawamura Family
Senjiro Ogawa
Ichiro Nakatsuka
The Hirotsu Family
Helen Miyoko Oda
Hachijiro Homareda
Tora Nakamura
Hisa Furutomo | | |
| | 18 Tama Morita
The Morita Family
Chiyo Mori
Hatsuyo Yoshikawa
Kame Uyehara
Bunkichi Kamimura
The Uyehara Family
Kay Kimiko Yamamoto
Janice Yoshiko Kitashiro | | |

Obituaries

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

Jiro Yamanaka	91
Edwin Tadashi Shirakata	83
Stanley Kenichi Noda	81
Julie Ikuyo Inouye	64

9:30am Morning Service Everyday
Note: Time may change due to
COVID-19 Schedule

June 2022

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5 10:00am Sunday Service	6	7	8	9	10	11
12 10:00am Sunday Service 11:00 am Board Meeting	13	14	15	16	17	18
19 10:00 am Sunday Father's Day Service	20	21	22	23	24	25
26 8:00 Mini Bazaar\ No Sunday Service	27	28	29 Deadline: Chutoba & Chochin	30		

Jodo Shu Calendar for June 2022: *Vowing with a deep mind to attain Birth in the Pure Land while you chant Namu Amida Butsu naturally deepens your faith in Amida Buddha..*

Coming Events:

June 26 @8am Mini Bazaar in Ikoï Hall
 July 17 @ 9am O-Toba Set Up & General Cleaning before
 O-Bon Services - YOUR HELP IS NEEDED.
 July 22-24: O-Bon Service at Jodo Mission of Hawaii
 July 24 O-Toba Kuzushi after 10 am service
 Aug 19-20 Bon Dance

No Meetings or Classes for June for

Fujinkai, YBA, Sewing Circle & Sunday School

BAZAAR DONATIONS—Please call temple office (808) 949-3995, if you have Bazaar donations.

Membership Dues (Gojikai) REMINDER: If you have not paid your membership dues (\$60) this year, please be sure to do so by making your check payable to **Jodo Mission of Hawaii** (mail to 1429 Makiki Street, Honolulu, HI 96814). *Thank you.*