## **NEW YEAR'S MESSAGE**

Bishop Kosen Ishikawa

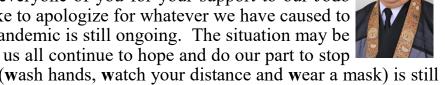
Dear Members and Friends,

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At the beginning of the new year, I wish to take this opportunity to express my deepest appreciation to each and everyone of you for your support to our Jodo Shu. At the same time, I would like to apologize for whatever we have caused to inconvenience you. So sad this pandemic is still ongoing. The situation may be worse with the new variant but let us all continue to hope and do our part to stop



spreading the virus. Doing 3-W (wash hands, watch your distance and wear a mask) is still effective and the best we could do.

We cannot change this situation however we can always change ourselves to find joy and happiness under this restricted life. In fact, this is what Buddhism would like to teach. As we offer both in-person and virtual service, I would like to encourage you to join us to pray, learn and practice Buddhism together according to your convenience. You may be surprised but I was known as a Sushi chef priest and a baker on Kauai. Indeed, I have donated refreshments of cake and Sushi almost every Sunday at Koloa Jodo Mission for more than a decade. Since I don't see many participants here on Sundays, I think I can continue to donate refreshments until I need to give up for having "many attendances."

As I reflected the year 2021, I've never had such a busy year as I experienced moving from Kauai to here at Betsuin. Also, I have served as Presidents of two Buddhist Councils, editor of the magazines and worked for the Jodo Shu Research Institute. Ironically, this pandemic made me very busy. Last month, I was able to host two big events of the Bodhi Day Services. It was definitely impossible to officiate two services on two different islands at the same time but again pandemic made it possible to do it at the same time virtually. Now these online services are available to watch anytime and anywhere. I have also created a brandnew website of Hawaii Council of Jodo Missions where you will find the latest news, articles and videos. For checking our events and updates, please visit us at www.hawaiijodo.net. [Continued on page 2]

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Slowly but steadily I'd like to enrich the contents that could attract much more people in the world.

Another event I should mention is our membership. I was sorry to ask you again and again to pay our membership dues. We don't have any intention to make more than enough money but our important intention is to make ends meet. Because our buildings are getting old, we recently experienced a series of repair and renovation problems which cost more than income. Your joining in our membership or any donations will be greatly appreciated more than ever.

Thankfully, we were able to welcome more than 100 new members during the past year. I'm very grateful for having more members but I always regard numbers of membership should not be our goal. **Our goal is to provide better and quality service and to promote happiness in the community.** At the same time, I would like to build good relationships like Ohana with you as I did with members on Kauai. I look forward to having more opportunities to get to know you.

Once again, in welcoming 2022, may I extend my warmest Aloha and Best Wishes to you and your family. A Happy Safe New Year!

Gassho,

Kosen Ishikawa

# Message by Rev. Myoko Takano

Dear Jodo Shu Members,

Thank you very much for your cooperation this year. I am very grateful to you for your wonderful support in Jodo Mission. I wish the new year will be the happiest and best for you.

Looking back on this past year, 2021, everything had changed since Covid-19 spread out all over the world. At Jodo Mission, especially the way memorial services were held had changed.

During Covid-19, Jodo Mission started to officiate the memorial services in virtual, either zoom or skype. We positively tried our best to find a way of helping our members.

Hope you had a Merry Christmas. The New Year will be starting again. I sincerely pray that the New Year will be filled with peace, good health and happiness.

Furthermore, with Amida Buddha's compassion and love, I hope we will soon get back to normal life in early 2022. With Amida Buddha's love, may we all have a Happy New Year!!

Namu Amida Butsu.

In Gassho,



2022 is year of tiger

Rev. Takano

## **MESSAGE FROM JODO MISSION PRESIDENT**

#### Akimashite Omedeto.

Happy New Year!!! The year of the Tiger.

The board members and officers of Jodo Mission of Hawaii wish all of you Good Prosperity, Long Life and Great Health in the coming 2022 year.

It has been another year of Covid with Delta Variance and now Omicron Virus. Even with the latest poll showing 73% of adults vaccinated but the possibility of getting the virus still exists. It is highly recommended by the CDC to mask up and get your booster Covid shot.

Due to the exposure of Covid, the Jodo Mission board voted against participating in many seasonal events.

All except for our yearly Obon services which were important to our members. Few members were allowed to attend face-to-face private Obon services. Other members preferred to participate at home through Zoom Meeting which included a virtual tour of the family Otobas plus other Zoom celebration. The past year one of our board members, Christine Inouye, went out of her way to take pictures of the selected family Otobas that were requested by the member. Thank you, Christine Inouye our Vice President/board member, for providing that awesome service.

As the governor and mayor lifted the social gathering protocol, we were given the approval to now perform our face-to-face Sunday services. Aki our board member once said, "It was so nice to see members once again, just to talk in person and pray together."

For the coming year, we the board decided to plan many safe activities that would bring our members back with safety protocol in place. Please read our newsletter to keep up to date on future planned activities.

Since the inception of the Covid virus, we have taken many steps in curving our financial operation.

We e will be outlining our 2022 operation to keep our members updated. It is important that our current members attend our annual general membership meeting that will be held on January **30th.** See you all there in person or on Zoom.

2021 was a tough year for all of us and 2022 will be no different. Thee is a light at the end of the tunnel, and we all have to seek this light. At Jodo Mission, we believe the light at the end of the tunnel reflects our loved ones that past before us. This is why we pray to Amida Buddha to seek the Eighth-Fold Path. The journey will not be easy but there is hope if we all believe in each other and seek prayers. The power of prayers goes a long way......

So let us pray Namu Amida Butsu ten times.

I need to thank my current board members and officers for all their hard work in keeping Jodo Mission on the rightful path.

Yours truly,

Daryl Masaki 2022 President Jodo Mission of Hawaii



## "Hybrid Virtual" **GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

As members of Jodo Mission of Hawaii, you are welcome to attend the 2022 General Membership Meeting on Sunday, January 30, 2021 at 10:45 a.m., following the Sunday Service in the temple. It will be held as "hybrid virtual" meaning there will be a link given on website jodo.us. Please join us and meet your Board of Directors. The following is a list of officers and directors:

President:	Daryl Masaki		
First VP:	Christine Inouye	Treasurer:	Akiko Nishiyama
Second VP:	Gail Okamura	Asst Treasurer:	Ian Kitajima
Secretary:	Sally Hayashi	Director:	Darin Miyashiro
Assistant Secretary:	Jon Riki Karamatsu, former President	Director	Lyvonne Loui
Ministers;	Bishop Kosen Ishikawa, Re	v. Myoko Takano, Ro	ev. Takaaki Tanabe

If you have any concerns you want to address, please do so at this General Membership meeting. We welcome all members to attend. President Daryl Masaki will conduct the meeting. He is expected to speak about 2021 and also the upcoming 2022 and if you have ideas for 2022, please come to express your thoughts.

Due to COVID-19 and no mass gatherings, we are sorry to say the New Year's Party is CANCELLED

# Thank You to All Who Came to Help Temple Cleanup Day













one had fun too!



**ARIGATO Everyone!!** 

in the altar, clean pews, Nokotsudo cleaned, yard looks clean. Sunday School students and parents, Ishikawa family, regularSunday Service members and lots of Taiko students, came to help and every[<u>NOTE</u>: From time to time you hear the words "*hybrid virtual*" meaning a virtual service and some people in person so many more people can participate without being exposed to other people.]

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YOUR NAME(お名前):	PHONE(お電話番号):
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1 2	January 23 at 10 a.m.
3 4	Zoom link will be on website www.jodo.us
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## "Hybrid Virtual" Gyoki-e (Honen Shonin's Memorial Service)

Gyoki-e means the memorial service for Honen Shonin. Honen Shonin, who is the founder of Jodo Shu, passed away on January 25, 1212. He was 80 years old.

After Honen Shonin passed away, his disciples and believers started to have a memorial service for him on the 25th of every month. The biggest ceremony was held on the 25th of January every year. This service was held not only locally in Kyoto but it spread all over Japan. In those days, the word "Gyoki" meant the anniversary of the deaths of the Emperors or their wives. The word "Gyoki" was such a respectable word for the Emperor's family.

Three hundred years after Honen Shonin passed away, Emperor Gokashiwabara mandated Jodo Shu to call the anniversary of Honen Shonin's death "Gyoki" Since then, people called his annual memorial service "Gyoki". This occasion implied that Honen Shonin was clearly accepted and reveered by the Emperor and the people.



Founder of Jodo Shu : Honen Shonin (1133-1212)

Our Gyoki-e service will be held on January 23rd at 10 a.m. Please join us.

Chutoba is available for this Gyoki service. At this service you may also honor your deceased ancestors with a Chutoba prayer. See above for the Chutoba order form.

**Apology to Nokotsudo Visitors**—Because of the heavy rain in early December, the temple had some rain leaks and had to close the Nokotsudo because of leaks, then wooden door expanded, then could not open door, then door could not open from office. But now everything is working and you can enter Nokotsudo to visit your relatives. *Thank you for your cooperation*! Page 5

# 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**. (<u>Note</u> 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.

## <u>Notice to Nokotsudo Visitors</u> (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

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1 <sup>st</sup> year	2021
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47 <sup>th</sup> year	1976
50 <sup>th</sup> year	1973
100 <sup>th</sup> 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 Miinister

Jodo Mission Office Hours: [New Covid Hours]

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### Monday to Saturday 10am–5pm Sunday & Holidays 10am–3pm

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

### Perpetual Memorial Service (Eitaikyo) For January

1 Sekitaro Hirohama The Hirohama & Kawasugi Family Kenji Fujikami The Hashimoto Family The Ohara Family Haruko Ikuta Tsugio Takamatsu Family Kiyotaka Glenn Mitsuyasu Tomomitsu Kawamura The Kawamura Family Tokusaburo Fukuda's Father Hon-yo Jo-dai Shin-ji The Fukuda Family The Nakabayashi Family Members of Honolulu Meisho YBA Chukichi Asamura Toyo Asamura The Masuda & Asamura Family The Yamasaki & Hara Family The Yoshizaki Family The Matsushita Family The Aoki Family The Sakuda Family The Okamura Family Stanley Satoru Morimoto Tomoyo Yanagihara

- 2 Richard Hichiro Kawamoto Betty Yoshie Morimoto
- 3 Hideo Toyoshiba Yoshitaka Wada
- 4 Tamaru Muraoka
- 5 Kiyo Fujikami The Fujikami Family Shizuyo Morisako Kasuke Yamane Jiro Nakamura Randall Loreg The Loreg Family The Morinaga Family
- 6 Kikuyo Yamasaki Eiichi Fujita Shigeharu Ohata Sachiko Okada Roy Hideo Fujita Alice Minako Kawasugi Norman Sadao Kanehira Lillian M. Kanehira
- 7 Jiro Oyabu The Oyabu & Kondo Family Kazuko Nomiyama Tetsuko Miyamoto Kama Takara Ruth Shigeko Tarumoto Yurie Tanaka Buffins
- 8 Matsujiro Otani (2) The Otani Family (2) The Yanagihara Family Toshio Isobe The Isobe Family Taketo Sumimoto (2) Juichi Uesugi Fusataro Higuchi Kenji Miyakawa Nobu Kishimoto Gilbert Hideo Otani
- 9 Taka Tomonari The Tomonari Family

Asa Hayashi Hisako Takamura

- 10 Hiroko Yoza The Yoza Family Kami Higa The Higa Family Bishop Ninryo Nago (2) The Nago & Kunimoto Family
- 11 Tokoe Imaguchi The Imaguchi Family Hatsuko Hayashi The Hayashi Family Masakichi Teruya Reginald Hisao Hisamura Uichiro Ishii Kohei Umeda Matsuyo Yamamoto Tadashi Yanagihara (2)
- 12 Heiji Fukuda (2) The Fukuda Family Nagao Yamada Shokichi Harada Katherine Kayoko Uyehara
- 13 Bishop Jiko Kuya Shima Morita (2) Shizue Fujita Kinmatsu Nakagawa Maruo Sasuga
- 14 Akitaka Chikamoto The Ohta Family Genzo Yanagihara The Yanagihara Family Tsuchiyo Kimoto Miyoko Kaya James Akira Tamura Edward Kisaku Teraoka Yaichi Nakao The Nakao Family
- 15 Tane Nagata (2) The Nagata Family Sukeichi Kameoka The Kameoka Family Tane Nagata Mildred Misako Tanimura Shizue Kimura
- 16 Take Shinagawa Tomojiro Fujita The Fujita Family Kenji Iwamoto Chiyoka Mizuno Seiichi Shimamoto Tatsuo Fujimoto
- 17 Hanayo Taniguchi Kame Okamoto Moto Kawasugi Nobuo Hayashi Amy Hideko Tanaka
- 18 Kiyomatsu Daitoku (2) The Daitoku Family (2) The Kochi Family Katsutoshi Takata The Takata Family Itaro Kurihara The Kurihara Family Masao Ishii Richard Shoichi Ishida
- 19 Tai Kawano

The Kawano Family Chiyo Tomai The Tomai Family Miyo Ueno The Ueno Family

- 20 Shinazo Nishiguchi The Nishiguchi Family Noboru Ajimura The Ajimura Family Kiku Kimura Yuriko Nishimoto Nisuke Oyama
- 21 Sueko Higashimura Kiku Kimura The Kimura & Muroshige Family Masao Teruya Takeo Yamane Shimo Hatanaka Hiroshi Furuya Tsuneko Shintaku Ronald Koichi Namihira Aileen Mitsuyo Kishida
- 22 Masae Tanimura Konoshin Kimura Fukukichi Tatei
- 23 Shokichi Fukumoto The Fukumoto Family Takeo Yoshihara The Yoshihara Family The Tanaka Family Jiro Kiyama Ralph Toshiaki Hashimoto Terry Kazuo Yorimoto
- 24 Heikichi Isobe The Isobe Family Machi Yokoyama The Yokoyama & Morita Family Toranosuke Kinoshita Tane Kinoshita The Kinoshita Family Tsune Aoki George Masao Tanaka Helen Katsuko Ito Tetsuo Shinohara (2)
- 25 Taka Fukuda The Fukuda Family Saiichi Hyodo Joseph Yoshihiko Fujihana Sadako Oki Teruko Mamiya (2) The Sato Omura Family Takeshi Tanaka
- 26 Take Arita The Arita Family Haruo Harry Nakamura The Nakamura Family Kimio Yagi The Yagi Family Sueyoshi Yanagihara Yoshi Yamamoto Chester Takeo Kaita
- 27 Seiichi Fujimoto The Fujimoto Family Takeshi Sato Charles Shoichi Kimura Hiroko Nakano Yoshiro Ohta The Ohta Family

Marie Umeda Kekuewa

- 28 Yoshie Sato The Sato & Suzuki Family Sae Higashimura The Higashimura Family Tome Yamanaka The Yamanaka Family Chizuko Saeki Sadamu Iwamoto Yooko Fujimoto
- 29 Tomo Isobe Hana Kinoshita The Kinoshita Family Jisaburo Kanemoto The Kanemoto & Miyamoto Family Kansuke Shintani Fusao Taniguchi Ralph Hitoshi Tanaka Toshito Fukuda Hisayo Higashi Helen Fusaye Morita
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- 31 You Kawamura The Kawamura Family Shizuko Aoyama Kaname Yamanaka Harold Takeo Tanaka Shigeno Ohara

#### <u>Obituaries</u>

The 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.

Shizuno Uyehara	95
Alice Setsuko Koura	92
Keiko Nagayama	69

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