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Embrace Change:
Awareness:
(Seek Opportunities)

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Honpa Hongwanji Hawaii Betsuin Autumn Ohigan Service

September 20, 2015 at 9:30AM English Service Speaker: Rev. Shigenori Makino

Honpa Hongwanji Hawaii Betsuin welcomes all to our annual Autumn Ohigan Service. The word Higan means the "Other Shore" of enlightenment. (O is a Japanese prefix to indicate politeness) Ohigan is a week-long observance, held during the week of the vernal equinox and autumnal equinox. Traditionally, Amida Buddha's Pure Land is regarded as being in the west. On both equinoxes, the length of day and night are equal, and the sun sets due west. People see the setting sun at due west and reflect upon Amida's Pure Land peacefully. Dur-



ing those times, the weather in Japan is mild and calm, so people use it as a wonderful opportunity to learn Buddhism and reflect on their lives.

About the Dharma Teacher

Our guest speaker will be Rev. Shigenori Makino. Rev. Makino was born in Kitakyushu-city in Fukuoka, Japan. He studied Jodo Shinshu Buddhism at Ryukoku University, graduating with both bachelor's and master's degrees. Then he studied psychology at Winona State University. His min-

isterial career started at Sapporo Betsuin in Hokkaido, Japan. He then served at Wailuku Hongwanji, Kailua Hongwanji, and Moiliili Hongwanji. He was the Rimban of Hawaii Betsuin, served at Toronto Buddhist Church in Canada, and was the Bishop of Jodo Shinshu Buddhist Temples of Canada. Rev. Makino also has a certificate of pastoral care and volunteered as a counselor and chaplain in numerous places. He is married to Sumie Tamekuni and has two daughters and two grandchildren.

Just a Reminder: The Temple Has a Lost and Found!

Have you ever forgotten something at the temple? A sweater or a coffee mug perhaps? The temple administration would like to remind everyone that there is a temple lost and found in the temple business office. If you have forgotten any items, please feel free to visit and see if someone might have found it and turned it in to us. In the same token, if you find anything that may have been left behind in and around the temple facilities, please turn in any items at the business or ministers' office, so that we may be able to reunite the lost items to their rightful owners. We also ask that if you need to leave an item(s) at the temple for an upcoming event, that you

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Rimban's Column: "My Roots Are Both Hiroshima and Hawaii"



As of August 31, 2015, I have been a Honpa Hongwanji minister for a full 50 years. I will retire from my active ministry with Honpa Hon-

gwanji, effective December 15, 2015, a few months short of age 75, which is Honpa's mandatory retirement age. Although it was my decision to work as a Honpa minister for such a long time, I feel that there was something deeper that motivated me to be in the ministry, my roots. From my roots came my life, physical and spiritual.



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Rev. Tatsuo Muneto

My first root is Hiroshima because that is where my ancestors lived. There is another reason why I appreciate Hiroshima as my roots. That is where I went through a certain amount of suffering soon after the end of WWII and where I was raised as a Jodo Shin Buddhist.

Due to the devastation of Hiroshima town by the first atomic bomb in August, 1945, there was a lack of decent food, clothes and shelter among the people. I went through suffering on my own for years. But, it became immaterial (insignificant) thanks to the guidance of my grandmother, who was a staunch follower of Jodo Shinshu.

While taking care of the management of the temple operation and kindergarten on top of the family matters, my grandmother, who was usually a capable woman, hit a dead end in her efforts. In the 1950's, at least once a year, she became so impatient and expressed her anger in words. Moments after her outburst, she would sit in front of her private altar and she divulged her heart and apologized to Amida for her karmic act. She remembered that such a person of blind passion was the object of Amida's compassion. In deep gratitude, she said "Namo Amida Butsu." After this event, she became thoroughly loving and caring.

I will never forget my grandmother's humanness and genuine gratitude to Amida. Therefore, I consider Hiroshima to be one of my roots because I learned about human nature and about the nature of Amida's compassion from

my grandmother in Hiroshima. I consider Hawaii to be my root, too, because it was after I became a Honpa minister here in 1965 that I learned Jodo Shinshu as a living religion. Our effort to become wise, loving and understanding is indeed important and precious. And yet in following this noble path in earnest, we hit a dead end but then we still receive unconditional compassion from the infinite light and the immeasurable life of Amida Buddha. In this Pure Land path, as we realize our foolishness, we subconsciously strive to live this life fully, manifesting lovingkindness, compassion and sympathetic joy to others.

In Jodo Shinshu, this person is compared to a lotus flower that has blossomed from the murky water. As I met numbers of people who were like lotus flowers in Hawaii, I remembered that my own grandmother had been a lotus flower.

Hawaii's Jodo Shinshu and the followers in Honolulu, Hilo, Kona, and Lihue taught me this Nembutsu path, which I will follow even after my retirement. My heartfelt appreciation goes to the numerous members of Honpa Hongwanji who faithfully learned Shinran's teachings and supported the Buddhist movement. This religious path has to become a major religious force in Hawaii.

My wife Edna joins me in thanking the members of Hawaii Betsuin for supporting us and for accepting me as a foolish person during my tenures as an Associate Minister in 1970's, as a Fuku-Rimban in 1990's, and as a Rimban from 2012 to the present.

Dharma Message: Rev. Yuika Hasebe

I hope that everybody is having a wonderful month of September. The weather is getting mild, and it is a good time to do outdoor activities. Recently, I began hiking. I used to dislike all outdoor activities other than camping, but as I got older, I started liking it. A couple of months ago, I went to Maunawili Falls. It took about an hour to reach the falls. I had to cross a river and climb up a lot of stairs. The mountain was beautiful, and I really enjoyed the hike.

When I finally reached the falls, I saw people swimming in the pond, and the water looked really cool and so good. I watched the falls and swimmers for a while. But I noticed that the sky was getting darker and darker. I didn't have any raincoat or an umbrella. I was afraid that the rain would drop soon, and if the rain came, the path would be muddy. So, I decided to head out. While I was rushing down the mountain, I could hear that the rain had started to drop. I wondered "Oh...Should I speed up? Maybe...

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Otherwise, I will be all wet!" I decided to speed up and was almost running. I only looked down to make sure that I would not fall. After awhile, I got tired and had to stop to take a breath. I found a big rock and sat down.

The place was really quiet and peaceful. I could hear the birds, river, and rain. Then suddenly, I realized that my body was not wet at all. I could hear the rain, but I didn't feel any rain dropping on my body. I looked up at the sky and realized that the tree branches and leaves were covering the sky. That's the reason I didn't get wet at all.

At that moment, I thought about Amida Buddha's Compassion and Wisdom. I realized that I was only watching my foot steps to make sure not to fall and didn't notice the tree branches blocking the rain. It didn't mean that the branches and leaves saved me from the rain. or Amida Buddha protected me from the rain. Those branches and leaves were just there. This incident taught me how blind I was. I was afraid to get wet, so I just hurriedly looked down and focused on getting to the starting point. I thought walking quickly was the best thing for me. But the branches and leaves were so thick, so I would not have gotten wet even if I had walked down the hill. I thought I knew the right way, but I did not. Shinran Shonin said "Although I, too, am within Amida's grasp, passions obstruct my eyes, and I cannot see the light; Nevertheless, great compassion is untiring and illumines me always." Amida Buddha's true intention is to save the ones who are lost in the dark and don't know it. Amida Buddha is always calling us, reaching out to us in various ways. But because of passions, we can't see the light. We don't notice the light. Yet, Amida Buddha never gives up on saving us. Namu Amida Butsu.



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clearly label the item with your name or the name of the organization and the event it will be used for. This will help the staff to designate what things may have been left intentional as opposed to forgotten. Your cooperation is much appreciated.

We will be doing a clean out of our lost and found annually around the time of Spring Bazaar, so if you do lose something, please make sure you check with us as soon as you realize you've lost it. The temple is always striving to be of service to our members and the community around us. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to stop by and see me at the business office or send me an email at execdir@hawaiibetsuin.org and I will try to address any issues.

Fujiko Motobu

Betsuin BWA News

Calendar Of Events For September

Sat: 19 BWA executive board meeting 10 am in dining room

Sun. 20 Hawaii Betsuin Autumn Higan service

OCTOBER

Sat. 3 BWA federation meeting 7:30-2:30

Sat. 10 BWA executive board meeting 10 am in dining room

Health Articles For Bwa Ladies

Wash new clothing before wearing them:

Dr. Steven Feldman, MD, PhD, and professor of dermatology at Wake Forest University School of Medicine pointed out that new clothes are not always unworn clothes. Other shoppers may have tried them on or even taken them home and then returned them. These clothes may be infested with all sorts of things, lice, scabies and bedbugs.

Dyes and resins that manufacturers apply to new clothing to give it a wrinkle free finish can cause allergic reactions, producing an itchy rash wherever a garment comes in contact with the skin. It is therefore best to wash the clothes before wearing them.

Beat the heat by staying hydrated:

Dash Holland, Dietetic intern and Dinner Kaimuki volunteer researched and found that 40% of heat related deaths in the U.S. were among people over 65 years of age. Why does this happen? *Sense of thirst decreases with age. *Medications contribute to dehydration. *Kidneys release more water as urine with age. *If it's hard to move around the home or no one is available to bring water, this can make it more difficult to get enough fluids. *Ability to notice changes in body temperature decreases with age. * Muscle holds water, so as muscle mass decreases, so does overall body water.

WHAT CAN I DO? *Use a water bottle to measure how much water you drink throughout the day. Talk to your doctor to make sure you are drinking the right amount, but typical amounts start at 48 ounces per day. * Drink a full glass with medications. * Keep water bottles or a water cooler close by so that it is easy to use. * If you don't like water, try other hydrating drinks such as decaf ice tea, cucumber and lemon water, milk or sports drinks. And * look at your urine. If it is dark, drink more. Light yellow means you are drinking enough.

submitted by Sharyn Sekine

ALL BWA LADIES, BE CAREFUL NOT TO FALL:

Recently many of our ladies have been getting hurt by falling. As we grow older (and most of us are already old), we need to be extra cautious. One of the reasons for falling is due to trying to rush. Here's a story. June, my friend, keeps her house nice and clean and orderly. One morning she walked into her recently nicely renovated kitchen and saw a cockroach trotting by. Her immediate reaction was to ram the horrible insect down with a blow, but she did not have anything to slam it down. She had a spray bottle nearby, so she sprayed the ugly roach, however, lo and behold, in trying to crush it down, she missed it and it trotted away in a split second. But, in her moment of rushing, she tripped and fell on the floor. She hurt her toes on her left foot, flopped down on her back, and hit her head sideways, luckily not flat on the back. Very fortunately she did not get hurt badly, and the roach probably stood in some corner and smiled at her.

June was certainly lucky in not being hurt seriously. When she told me her story, I could only reply that she was not listening to the sage advice that the Rev. Toshima often tells us. He says to remember three things:

1. Don't fall (kokeruna) 2. Don't burden yourself (muri suru na), and 3. Don't catch cold (kaze hikuna). And, overall, Don't rush. So what, if the roach runs away....you'll catch him at another time.

Dharma School News

Debbie Kubota

YBICSE 2015... "A life-changing event which exceeded all expectations, will never be forgotten, and promoted a deeper appreciation of Buddhism"



The 2015 Young Buddhist International Cultural Study Exchange (YBICSE) was held in Kyoto, Japan at the Jodo Shinshu Hongwanji-Ha in July. The Betsuin was represented by Cameron, Colin and Keri Kubota, and Tyler Yamanouchi, along with nine youth participants from Oahu, Big Island and Pacific Buddhist Academy. Chaperones were Reverend Ai Hironaka from Lahaina and Debbie Kubota from Betsuin. Hawaii joined international YBICSE participants from BCA, Canada and Brazil. Confirmation rites were offered during the program and

all Betsuin participants and chaperones were honored to take part in this prestigious ceremony at the Honzan, conducted by the Former Monshu Koshin Ohtani. Participants "loved being able to return to the roots of Jodo Shinshu Buddhism and visit some of the integral sites in Shinran's journey." A visit to Hiroshima Peace Park and Museum also enriched participants' historical experiences. A highlight of the YBICSE program was a homestay with host families near Kobe Betsuin. Everyone also enjoyed a joint ac-

tivity with students from Kobe Ryukoku High School. The Hawaii group was extremely fortunate to have additional sightseeing opportunities coordinated by the Kyodan and the Japan Travel Bureau with sightseeing in Tokyo and Osaka, along with visits to Tsukiji Hongwanji, Soai High School and Tsumura Betsuin. Comments from our Betsuin youth participants about their experiences:

 "YBICSE refreshed my view of Buddhism and strengthened my under

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Translation of a letter from Brazil: The First Buddhist Temple

Rev. Keizo Doi, Sao Paulo

Sukeichi Ito (1881-1976 Buddhist Name: SHAKU KU SHIN) was a lay person who helped propagate the teachings of Shin Buddhism. In 1954 he was ordained by his eminence Kosho Ohtani. Kafelanja KO MYO JI temple which is a famous temple in Noroeste area in Sao Paulo state is located In the Hirano Colony. The word "Hirano Colony" brings up the memory of the tragedy which occurred to the immigrants in Brazil and how the propagation of Shin Buddhism was in its early stage.

In 1914, Sukeichi Ito who was "Aki Mont" (Nembutsu follower of Aki, Hiroshima) emigrated to Brazil as a farmer. After his arrival, he began to propagate the teachings by walking around the plantation and the colony. From 1930, he dedicated himself to sharing the teachings, and he had a Ho On Ko service (Commemoration service

for Shinran Shonin, the founder of Shin Buddhism), borrowing a house in Hirano colony. Hirano colony had been going through hardships and sufferings since its beginning. 28 people died in the early pioneer stage and its average death age was under 20. (one person is unknown) In 1919, there were about 70 pioneers in Hirano colony, but all caught malaria and died. The project of reclamation of the forest also had resulted in failure. I cannot help but think how tragic and horrible it was in the colony in those days.

KO MYO JI temple kept a record of pioneers in Hirano colony in commemoration of 50 years of Unpei Hirano devoting himself to developing of the colony (1885-1919).

"When I came to the colony I was young and fine, so I just worked to earn money. Despite my efforts, I couldn't get



money, nor high status, and what was left was this super skinny body and miserable spirit. How could I return to my home country with this situation? ... Without the working of Buddha, who can calm this deluded passion and liberate me from this suffering?" (Hirano 25th history book, p. 31)

The Immigrants who agonized and lamented living in the defiled world, started a DO SHIN KAI group to have a monthly Dharma service led by Sukeichi Ito in 1933. In 1935, they built a wooden preacher house, which later became KO MYO JI temple, and it was the first Buddhist temple, SHIN SHU JI temple in Brazil.

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standing and belief in Buddhism. I now feel more strongly about Buddhism and have a better understanding of why I want to be a Buddhist."

- "I want to do a better job of helping out at the big church events and will actively spread the teachings of the Buddha by living in a way that would make even Buddha himself proud."
- "Visiting so many temples in different areas, being immersed in Japanese culture, relearning Buddhism, and making friends from around the world has truly changed me. Ultimately, it's made me not only rethink how I view myself, but also how I choose to live my life. I've made the decision to consciously incorporate Buddhism into my daily life, because it makes me a better person. It allows me

the space to learn and grow on my own while providing the right amount of support when I need it."

- "I bought three onenju, all different colors and I wear one each day as a reminder to feel a certain way throughout my days (calm + pure, creative). I use them when I say "Namo Amida Butsu" for moments when I am thankful. Overall, I have become more aware of little things in life that make me happy."
- "I now have a deeper appreciation for Buddhism. Going through programs such as YBICSE, YESS Camp, and Jr. YBA has really opened my eyes to become more aware of the things around me, and I share more gratitude towards everyday life. Each moment is a precious gift, and it should not be taken for

granted."

- "Throughout my daily lifestyle, I will have a more open mindset, appreciate the little things, and not stress about things that are not worth the time thinking about."
- "I will be more grateful and appreciative for every moment that I have."
- "I had an amazing time and I wish that I could do this every year. We did so many things, more than I imagined."

We encourage all Dharma School and Pacific Buddhist Academy students to participate in this incredible program and welcome any questions. We'd love to talk more about the program and share our photos!



BOY SCOUT TROOP 49

Douglas Yanagihara, Troop 49 Boy Scout

July Eagle

An Eagle Court of Honor was held on Saturday, July 25, 2015 to commemorate three Scouts who recently earned their Eagle Scout rank; Greg Hirose, Justin Kunimune and Jared Tomori. To earn the Eagle rank, a Boy Scout must progress through the ranks in the following order; Tenderfoot, Second Class, First Class, Star, Life and Eagle. He must also earn 21 merit badges, serve six months in a troop leadership position, plan, develop, and give leadership to a service project for any religious organization or any school or community, take part in a Scoutmaster conference and successfully complete an Eagle Scout board of review. As a Scout has to complete all these requirements,



New Eagle Scouts (L to R): Jared Tomori, Justin Kunimune, & Greg Hirose.

earning the Eagle Rank is indeed an accomplishment. After the ceremony, we adjourned to the Social Hall for dinner. We all enjoyed the food and the great slideshow of the Scouts as each of them progressed from Cub Scouts to Eagle Scouts. We were particularly impressed with the Eagle Scouts' lip sync performance along with their dance routine.

BWA Brings You the Laugh of the Day!

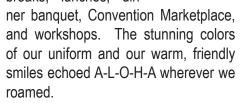
There was a little old lady, who tried to work on her computer, but something went wrong. Nothing moved and she didn't know what to do. In her frustration she looked out of her window and saw her neighbor's son, a ten year old boy. She quickly called him over and asked if he could check what was the matter with her computer. He came in and in a matter of a couple of seconds it was all corrected. The little old lady was simply delighted and asked him, "what did you do? What was wrong?" He answered her, "It was just a ID ten T problem". So she asked, what in the world is that? He told her to write it down and she did. It read "ID10T". Do you get it?



Impact of Our Purple Shirts & Leis Carol Ogino Our Betsuin BWA In Calgary, Canada

With our royal purple BWA shirts and golden-orange ilima lei that adorned our necks, the 200 Hawaii delegates

at the 15th World Buddhist Women's Convention in Calgary, Alberta's TELUS Convention Centre stood out among the crowd. At the two-day convention, you couldn't miss us as we sat together in uniformed rows at the formal service and meetings, and as we intermingled during breaks, lunches, din-



Several delegates from Japan, Canada, U.S., and Brazil admired our ilima lei, Oahu's island flower and were most ap-

preciative to receive one or exchange something for one. A super MAHALO to both Hanayo Shimabukuro for graciously making the 14 eyelash yarn ilima lei for the Betsuin delegates and to Michiko Okano for the yarn ilima lei attached to a nametag, which she gave to each del-

egate (30) departing from the Honolulu airport on May 28. What a thoughtful surprise! Like royalty, we regally wore the two lei proudly. While some were



given away in friendship during the convention, others were preciously kept for future events.

Curiously, some delegates peered closely at the circular monogrammed insignia on the upper left front side of our purple shirt. At the top of the circle printed in white were the words HAWAI'I and completing the circle in white were the words BUDDHIST WOMEN'S AS-SOCIATION at the bottom. The circle represents oneness and unity. Within the circle is the purple hanging double Wisteria Crest, symbolizing the Jodo Shinshu Buddhist Temples. The hanging intertwining vines represent humility and a welcoming heart-mind. The Wisteria flowers are symbolic of new beginnings and later the transitory nature of life and all things. Beneath that is the yellow hibiscus with green leaves, our state flower. In a brief story, it visually displays who we are and where we come from. Another super MAHALO to Tamayo Matsumoto for tirelessly working on all the logistics of our royal purple shirt. What an amazing feat!

Me Ke Aloha Pumehana!



My Convention Experience

What an impactful message Rev. Nana Yanase gave to a roomful of BWA members of the world...so full of tears and emotion welling over the hearts of many. The music Rev. Yanase composed and lyrics she wrote sent us the idea that we must go on when we meet traumatic challenges in life as she had gone through. "Makenai de" (do not give up). Through all she had gone through, Namu Amida Butsu was the only thing that sustained her. Music and writing made her realize that suffering does not end there. From deep suffering, go beyond and show and give compassion to others who may be experiencing challenges in life. Suffering becomes the seeds of caring (compassion) for others. Music seems

to be a significant basis of learning and helping people go beyond their suffering and difficulties. Compassion is the end result.

With her makanaide towel, she uplifts others (e.g. Fukushima earthquake victims). Not just one towel waving, but with many towels waving in unison and reciting Namu Amida Butsu. Thus, this will enable us to overcome suffering.

On the lighter side, but just as important, Dr. Andrew Ishikawa of Calgary, in his workshop, emphasized music as a way to bring children and adults out of psychological difficulties in school and life in general. Dr. Ishikawa (a Buddhist) is a music therapist. He did not

Mary Fujitani

mention it directly, but I surmise that with music, Jodo Shinshu can be more relevant to children and adults at our temple. At the Betsuin Dharma School, Debbie Kubota has composed many relevant songs for the children.

What a convention!!

As an aside, some of us visited the Calgary Buddhist Temple. There we met a young lady who said she was Lilliian Ono, daughter of Rev. Ono who passed away while serving as minister of Aiea Hongwanji. She left Hawaii with her mother and two siblings and now lives in Calgary. What a wonderful act of Karma to meet someone from the past ...in Calgary, no less! (MF)

Betsuin Project Dana Volunteers: Mahalo for all you do!



Photos By Ruth Tokukmi

Opens Fortes

Hawaiian Village food service department. A big mahalo to Dana for the fun class and to all of our Project Dana Volunteers! We couldn't do it without YOU!

On August 23rd, the Betsuin Project Dana Executive Board hosted our Annual Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon to say "Mahalo for all you do!" Last year, 2014, Betsuin Project Dana volunteers logged 17, 488 hours of service to the sangha assisting the elderly with shopping, transportation, friendly visits and other activities they could not do for themselves. Our Volunteer Appreciation Day consisted of bento lunches for the 30 plus volunteers who attended and a class on fruit and vegetable carving taught by Ms. Dana Hasegawa. Dana is a graduate of the KCC Culinary program and is employed by the Hilton



Hongwanji **Radio Programs SEPTEMBER 2015 KZOO 1210 AM** Japanese Language Saturday at 7:30 AM

- 5 Rev. Toyokazu Hagio
- 12 Rev. Satoshi Tomioka
- 19 Rev. Yuika Hasebe
- 26 Rev. Mariko Nishiyama

Betsuin Services Asaji Service 8 am

- 06 Rev. Yuika Hasebe
- 13 Rev. Tatsuo Muneto
- 20 Autumn Higan Service Rev. Shigenori Makino
- 27 Rev. Satoshi Tomioka

Adult English Services 10:00 AM

- 06 Rev. Toyokazu Hagio
- 13 Rev. Satoshi Tomioka
- 20 Autumn Higan Joint Service 9:30 am - Rev. Shigenori Makino
- 27 Rev. Arthur Kaufmann

Dharma School

- 06 No DS service
- 13 Rev. Yuika Hasebe
- 20 Autumn Higan Joint Service 9:30 am Rev. Shigenori Makino
- 27 Rev. Tatsuo Muneto

Nursing Home Services

- 03 Hale Nani Rev. Muneto Hale Ho Aloha – Rev. Tomioka
- 10 Maluhia Rev. Kaufmann Liliha - Rev. Hasebe
- 11 Hale Pulama Mau Rev. Tomioka
- 24 Nuuanu Hale Rev. Hagio
- 25 Leahi Rev. Kaufmann



In Memoriam 🔊 JUNE & JULY 2015

The Hawai'i Betsuin extends its deepest sympathy to the families of the following members who recently passed away. May the family members find solace and comfort in the Nembutsu. Namo Amida Butsu

> 5/27/2014 ONAKA, Yukio Joseph (83) 12/27/2014 MURAKAMI, Alice Harue (85)

June 2015

- 1 WATANABE, Janet Katsuko (87)
- 5 NOJIMA, Helen Yaeko (84)
- 6 KOMATSU, Leonard Osamu (80)
- 6 NAKAMA, James Seiji (57)
- 7 KAWAMOTO, Shigeko (101)
- 7 MORIKAWA, Yukitoshi (89)
- 7 SHIMIZU, Margaret Hatsue (91)
- 12 KAWAGUCHI, Laura Ayako (95)
- 13 KINOSHITA, Hatsumi (97)
- 14 HIRANO, Eileen Yoshie (77)
- 15 NISHIMURA, Grace Toshiko (96)
- 15 ODA, Calvin Haruto (59)
- 16 HIGA, Nancy Tsuruko (98)
- 20 MARUYAMA, Phyllis Shizuko (85)
- 20 TOMOMITSU, Jane Chizuko (89)
- 23 NAKATANI, Teruko (101)
- 23 TSUHA, Mitsuo (86)
- 23 YANAGI, Fumio [Mr.] (87)
- 24 OSAKI, Masao (87)
- 26 NAKAMOTO, Wallace Kiichi (80)

July 2015

- 3 KANETA, Frances Haruyo (87)
- 3 SUE, Chiyoko (99)
- 4 MORIMOTO, Margaret Sachie (79)
- 4 YAMAMOTO, Kikue (98)
- OMURA, Mildred Shizuyo (97)
- PANG, Ellen Aiko (72)
- 7 OTSUKI, Clara Chieko (91)
- 7 ODA, Thelma Toshiko (91)
- 9 MOMII, Jean Kiyomi (71)
- 11 YONEZAKI, Betty Hiroko (89)
- 15 OSHIRO, Lance Yoshiichi (51)
- 16 KOBAYASHI, Takeshi (87)
- 18 ISERI, Dorothy Y. (103)
- 18 NAGASAKO, Mitsuye (93)
- 18 NISHIO, Yoshie (95)
- 23 MATSUMOTO, Elinor Sadako (93)
- 24 NEDOROLIK, Kristofer Taiga Hachiro (17)
- 28 KAWASAKI, Masako "Bessie" (89)
- 29 TANABE, Toshiaki (94)
- 30 KURASAKI, Florence Tsuruyo (100)
- 30 SUGIHARA, James Midori (85)

2015 Memorial Service Schedule

2015 is the memorial year for those who passed away in:

2014 – 1 year	2003 – 13 year	1983 - 33 year
2013 – 3 year	1999 – 17 year	1966 - 50 year
2009 – 7 year	1991 – 25 year	1916 – 100 year



The great practice is to say the Name of the Tathagata of unhindered light. This practice, comprehensively encompassing all practices, is perfect and most rapid in bringing them to fullness. For this reason, it is called "great practice." Saying the Name then breaks through all the ignorance of sentient beings and readily brings all their aspirations to fulfillment. Saying the Name is in itself mindfulness; mindfulness is nembutsu; nembutsu is Namo-amida-butsu.

-Shinran Shonin