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Building Healthy Sanghas: Sharing Joy Together

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New Year's Greeting

Happy New Year, everyone! At the beginning of this New Year, I would like to extend my best regards to you all.

Over the last year, innumerable people worldwide have been affected by natural disasters, such as earthquakes, floods, and forest fires. I was particularly shocked by the wild fires that devastated the island of Maui in the state of Hawaii. This disaster completely destroyed the temple hall of Lahaina Hongwanji Mission and one temple member was reported to have lost his life. I would like to offer my deepest condolences to all who have perished in those calamities. I would also like to express my sympathies to those who are still coping with the dire situations. It is my sincere hope that all who have been affected will soon be able to return to a normal daily life.



The Russian invasion of Ukraine that began in February 2022 is still continuing. Not only that, conflict between Israel and Palestine has once again flared up from October 2023, embroiling nations concerned with victimizing a large number of people many of whom are civilians. Looking at the appalling state of the world, the following words of Sakyamuni Buddha come to mind. "Everyone fears violence and is scared of death. In consideration of all life, do not kill and do not make others kill."

Every one of us who has received life as a human being, no matter the reason, must be ensured equally of human rights, and no one's life should be threatened. In reality, however, conflicts and terrorist attacks have occurred everywhere in the world and for many people, their right to live and exist has been threatened. As Buddhists who aspire for peace, we must keep Sakyamuni Buddha's words seriously in our hearts and pursue our endeavor of contributing toward

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Calendar of Events

JANUARY 2024

Mon	1	10:00 AM	New Year's Day Service Installation of Board of Directors
Sun	7	9:00 AM	Family Dharma Service Birthday & Monthly Memorial
Thur	11	7:00 PM	Board of Directors Mtg. (via videoconference)
Sun	14	9:00 AM	Hoonko Service In honor of the passing of Shinran Shonin (pg. 13)
Sun	21	9:00 AM	Family Dharma Service Installation of LHWA Officers
Sun	28	9:00 AM	Family Dharma Service

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Sun	4	9:00 AM	Family Dharma Service Birthday & Monthly Memorial
Thur	8	7:00 PM	Board of Directors Mtg. (via videoconference)
Sun	11	9:00 AM	Family Dharma Service
Sun	19	9:00— 9:45 AM	Coffee Hour Come join us in the Social Hall for coffee, tea and refreshments before the seminar.
		10:00 AM	Nembutsu Seminar "Buddhism & Contemporary Music" by Rev. Satoshi Tomioka, Puna Hongwanji (page 15)
Sun	25	9:00 AM	Family Dharma Service
		11:00 AM	New Year's Party



Columbarium Hours

The Columbarium will be open **Tuesday-Thursday** from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm and on **Friday, Saturday and Sunday** 8:00 am - 5:00 pm . Please know that the Columbarium will be locked when Rev. Yagi is not present. Please call the office to be sure the Columbarium will be open when you want to visit.

Office Hours

Office hours for Rev. Yagi are as follows:
Monday: Day off

Tuesday - Sunday: 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Closed for lunch: 12 noon - 1:00 pm

If you wish to speak with Rev. Yagi, it is suggested that you call ahead for an appointment, as he may be away from the office on temple business.

The temple must be locked when Rev. Yagi is not available. Thank you for your understanding.

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world peace and security.

During the last year, we observed the Joint Celebration of the 850th Anniversary of Shinran Shonin's Birth and the 800th Anniversary of the Establishment of the Jodo Shinshu Teaching at Hongwanji, Kyoto for a total of 30 days, divided into 5 sessions during the period from March 29 to May 21. On this occasion, I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to those who came to Japan to attend, as well as those who supported it in various ways. This celebratory event could be realized only because our predecessors have cherished the Jodo Shinshu teaching as their spiritual foundation for many years no matter when or where they were, and carefully transmitted it to us today.

Let us, too, continue listening to the teaching as the center of our life while cherishing each day.

January 1, 2024

OHTANI Kojun, Monshu

Jodo Shinshu Hongwanji-ha

Message from Bishop Umitani

To welcome the New Year, I would like to extend my heartfelt greetings to you all. On behalf of the Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii, I would like to take this opportunity to express my appreciation to all of you for your support, dedication, and participation in our services and activities.

Since I took the Headquarters Office as the new Bishop last July, I have been able to visit some of your temples. I bow my head to the ministers, temple leaders, and temple members for their tireless effort in protecting their temples and sharing with others the joy of Namo Amida Butsu. Each temple has its challenges and opportunities. As a community of people joined together revering the teaching of Shinran Shonin, let us work toward the realization of a society in which everyone can live a life of spiritual fulfillment.

This year, the Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii will observe the Triple Celebration at Ala Moana Hotel on September 7-8, 2024. The Triple Celebration commemorates the 850th Anniversary of the Birth of Shinran Shonin, the 800th Anniversary of the Establishment of the Jodo Shinshu Teachings, and the 135th Anniversary of the Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii. The Steering Committee is working hard towards the two-day celebration event and its related programs. I would like to invite you all to attend this auspicious anniversary.



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Our Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii Theme and Slogan for 2024 is **“Building Healthy Sanghas: Sharing Nembutsu Moments.”** What are the “Nembutsu Moments”? These are the moments when the voice of the Nembutsu, “Namo Amida Butsu,” spontaneously flows from our lips.

The main body of *the Sutra on the Buddha of Immeasurable Life* explains the Forty-eight Vows of Amida Buddha, who undertook to establish a Pure Land for the enlightenment of all sentient beings. Shinran Shonin regarded that our act of saying “Namo Amida Butsu” is derived wholly from the working of Amida’s Vow. It means that the sound of “Namo Amida Butsu,” the promise Amida Buddha made to embrace and never abandon all beings, is already fulfilled and extended to all beings. It is the calling voice from the Buddha of Immeasurable Light and Life that holds the Buddha’s boundless empathy, concern, and compassion toward all beings. Such a message of universal compassion reaches into our hearts and minds, and flows from our lips spontaneously as “Namo Amida Butsu.”

What we experience in our daily lives could be the opportunities to ascertain and appreciate the truth of Boundless Wisdom and Compassion that embraces our lives. Let us experience, savor, appreciate, and share the Nembutsu moments with our families and friends in our daily lives.

May the sound of the Nembutsu flow from our lips. May the Wisdom and Compassion of Amida Buddha inspire and guide us always. Namo Amida Butsu.

Rev. Toshiyuki Umitani , Bishop
Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii

HHMH President’s New Year’s Message

Happy New Year! Akemashite Omedetou Gozaimasu! Hauoli Makahiki Hou!

I hope that you and your loved ones are healthy and in good spirits as we enter the New Year, 2024. The year 2023 was an eventful one. Many of our Sangha were able to attend the Joint Celebration (Commemoration of the 850th Anniversary of Shinran Shonin’s Birth and the 800th Anniversary of the Establishment of the Jodo Shinshu Teaching) at our Honzan in Kyoto on May 10, 2023. The Joint Celebration program was well organized and meaningful. The 17th World Buddhist Women’s Convention (WBWC) followed on May 11 and 12 at the modern (although 50 years old) Kyoto International Conference Center. These two events were a highlight of the year for those who were able to attend. I will always remember the warm welcome that we received from our



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hosts at the Honzan and at the World Buddhist Women's Convention.

Soon after our return from Japan, we said "Mahalo and Aloha" to outgoing Bishop, Rev. Eric Matsumoto, Mrs. Tamayo Matsumoto, Chika and Caden at a luncheon in July. In August we warmly greeted incoming Bishop Toshiyuki Umitani, Mrs. Yoshiko Umitani, and daughters Naho and Riho at a luncheon.

Then, the disastrous Maui Wildfires of August 8, 2023 destroyed the historic town of Lahaina. Our Lahaina Hongwanji Mission, located near the center of the town was not spared. The temple, social hall, and minister's residence burned to the ground. Only the columbarium appears to have survived the fire. Fortunately, Rev. Ai Hironaka and family along with many other temple members evacuated in time. However, we have learned that one temple member lost his life in that fire. It appears that 2023 will be remembered as the year of the Maui Wildfires and the year that Lahaina Hongwanji was lost to the fire. This was a great loss for Lahaina town and the entire Hawaii Sangha.

However, this was not the end of the story. Community, state and federal agencies rushed into action and are still on the ground in Maui, planning for the future of Lahaina town and helping those displaced by the fire. Maui temple ministers and Sangha have warmly supported Lahaina members displaced by the fire. The Hongwanji community statewide, nationally and internationally has responded with compassionate action in the form of postcards, letters, gifts and generous monetary donations. Like the recent "disaster" that affected us, the COVID-19 pandemic, we learned that we are adaptable and we are resilient. The Lahaina community, and Lahaina Hongwanji Sangha in particular, I believe will respond with grit and determination.

Our theme and slogan for 2024 is "***Building Healthy Sanghas: Sharing Nembutsu Moments***". We live with joy and gratitude for Amida's universal and unconditional compassion for us. Since we are connected with and care for the people around us, we *share our Nembutsu moments*, so that others may awaken to, and appreciate the Buddha's limitless Compassion. In this way, we can each contribute to *building healthy Sanghas*.

With Gassho,
Warren Tamamoto, President
Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii





Embracing Hope and Harmony in the New Year

Happy New Year!

As we stand on the threshold of a new year, it is with a heart full of gratitude and optimism that I extend my warmest New Year's greetings to each and every one of you. The passing year has been a journey of shared joys, challenges, and spiritual growth, and as we embark on the path ahead, let us do so with renewed hope and a sense of unity.

In the teachings of Jodo Shinshu, we are reminded of the boundless compassion of Amida Buddha and the infinite wisdom that guides us on our journey toward enlightenment. As we reflect on the past year, let us express our deep gratitude for the teachings illuminating our path and providing solace during times of uncertainty.

In the coming year, let us resolve to deepen our understanding of the Dharma and strengthen our connection with one another. Just as a tree flourishes with solid roots, our temple community thrives when we nurture the bonds of fellowship and compassion. Let us support each other on our individual paths, recognizing that we are all interconnected in the vast web of existence.

As we face the challenges that may arise in the new year, may we approach them with resilience and an unwavering spirit? Let the teachings of Jodo Shinshu be our guiding light, inspiring us to cultivate a heart of gratitude, humility, and kindness.

In the spirit of harmony, let us come together to celebrate the milestones and achievements of our temple community. Through shared moments of joy, we strengthen the fabric of our sangha and create lasting memories that sustain us through life's journey.

May the coming year be filled with peace, prosperity, and spiritual growth for each and every one of you. As we walk the path of the Nembutsu together, let our collective efforts contribute to the well-being of our temple community and the world at large.

Wishing you and your loved ones a joyous and fulfilling New Year.

In Gassho,

Rev. Shawn K. Yagi

Resident Minister

New Year's Message

LHM President, Lynne Matsumura

What am I getting myself into? I have thought that every single day since I told Carol Valentine that I would accept the position of President.

When my 3 year old granddaughter, Miley, wants to get someone to play with her, she taps them on the shoulder and says "TAG, You're IT!" She waits for them to react and chase her. If they don't, she's a bit disappointed. When Carol tapped me on the shoulder, I guess I decided to be IT and follow her.

Carol was IT for four of the most challenging years for our church. Nothing could ever be like the Covid Pandemic and the pivoting that she led. There was the departure of Rev. Kaufmann, the months without a minister, and preparing for the arrival of Rev. and Mrs. Yagi. She also served as Kauai Hongwanji Council President during the past two years. At the same time, administrative organization and several major temple improvements were accomplished during those years; of course, along with the hard work and leadership of many other people. She's assured us that she will continue to work on behalf of Lihue Hongwanji Mission in other capacities. I know that I speak for all of the members when I say that we truly appreciate all that Carol has done.

There's always more to be done and new challenges thrown at us. Rev. Yagi has been called upon by Bishop Umitani to oversee Kapaa Hongwanji Mission while they are without a resident minister. Sharing a minister is not new to us, but circumstances are different and we will all need to be patient and flexible. Rev. Yagi is young and energetic so I'm sure things will work out well.

I will follow "The Golden Chain" and try my best to fulfill the duties of the office. Please feel free to let me know your ideas. If you're good at something (no shame to boast) don't hesitate to volunteer. If I tap you on the shoulder and say "Tag, you're IT," please play with me. We must all work together to make our temple the best that it can be.

With humble appreciation, Namu Amida Butsu.

Lynne Matsumura

Flower Donations

Do you have flowers in your garden? The Hoshakai volunteers who clean the temple and arrange altar flowers on Friday morning are looking for flower donations. If you have any flowers you would like to donate, please bring them down on any Thursday afternoon and leave them in the bucket near the outside sink (near the Columbarium).

Thank you for helping!





MESSAGE FROM THE BISHOP

Return to Lahaina Hongwanji

As the re-entry restriction to zone 12B was lifted for the residents of Lahaina on Monday, November 27, 2023, Rev. Ai Hironaka, Business Manager Derrick Inouye, and I returned to the Lahaina Hongwanji Mission for the first time since the wildfire devastated the town of Lahaina on August 8, 2023.

Upon arrival at the temple, the three of us stood on the top of the stairs leading to the temple's front entrance. We placed our hands together in Gassho and chanted the sutra Sanbutsuge as we overlooked the debris-filled altar area destroyed by fire. The sound of the Nembutsu echoed through the quiet town.

We then entered the Nokotsudo (columbarium) building. The exterior seemed to have minor damages, such as cracks in the glass doors and some heat damage to the roof, but the interior, including all the niches and the altar, was intact. This is truly good news for the temple family, especially for those who have their loved ones interred in the Nokotsudo. We offered the incense and again chanted the sutra Sanbutsuge in front of the altar. It is indeed fortunate that the Nokotsudo was intact.

We then wore protective gear and began searching through the burnt rubble and assessing the situation. Although cloudy on the day, it wasn't easy to continue working with protective clothing for a long time. It was necessary to take breaks every 30 minutes or so to rehydrate. The temple building, minister's residence, garage, temple office, social hall, and the Japanese School building were all burned down, leaving only a few remnants, such as the stone pillars and walls. We carefully and respectfully searched the remains, especially in the altar area, while taking

photographs of the damaged area. It is truly regrettable to report that the *Gohonzon* (Amida Buddha's statue) and the other altar ornaments, such as picture scrolls of Shinran Shonin and Rennyō Shonin, *Daikin* bell, *Shumidan*, *Maejoku* table, pews in the *Gejin* area, etc., were all burned to the ashes. We discovered some altar ornaments, but they were all heavily damaged, and it was hard to identify what they were.

In the desolate scenery, the statue of Shinran Shonin was still standing firmly with great dignity. His back, blackened by fire, indicated the fierceness of the blaze that engulfed the temple. By the side of Shinran Shonin, the small tree that the Gomonshu planted during his official visit to Hawaii in 2017 survived the fire and sprouted some new green leaves. The blackened statue of Shinran Shonin and a humble tree with greenery symbolize our resilience and commitment to the future. The road to recovery has just begun. We never know what the future holds. But we will move forward together. The Lahaina Hongwanji's statue of Amida Buddha has disappeared, but in our own voice of the Nembutsu, the three of us clearly heard the voice of Compassion that still embraces and sustains us warmly. *Namo Amida Butsu.*

On behalf of Rev. Ai Hironaka, the Lahaina Hongwanji Mission, and the people of Lahaina, I would like to humbly ask for your continued support.

In Gassho,
Bishop Toshiyuki Umitani
December 4, 2023

Note: Go to the HHMH Website at <https://hongwanjihawaii.com/blog/2023/12/05/return-to-lahaina-hongwanji/> for some pictures and video we took during our visit on Monday, November 27,

2023, along with the link to the Maui News article and the Kyodo News video.

PERSONNEL MATTERS

Reverend Mieko Majima, the Resident Minister of Kapaa Hongwanji Mission, will resign from Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii as of December 31, 2023, and transfer her ministry to the Buddhist Churches of America. Rev. Majima has been serving Hawaii Kyodan as a Kaikyoshi Minister since March 2015. After Rev. Majima's departure, the Ministers of the Kauai District Ministers Association, chaired by Rev. Shawn Yagi, will oversee the Kapaa Hongwanji Mission during the absence of their Resident Minister.

Reverend Charlene Kihara received the letter from the Jodo Shinshu Hongwanji-ha on October 24, 2023, officially appointing her as a Kaikyoshi Minister of the Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii. Reverend Kihara, will be assigned to Honpa Hongwanji Hawaii Betsuin as its Associate Minister as of January 1, 2024.

Reverend Bert Sumikawa, a minister who currently serves at Moiliili Hongwanji Mission as a Retired Kaikyoshi Minister (Part-Time), will be relieved from his current assignment at Moiliili Hongwanji Mission as of February 29, 2024. Rev. Sumikawa will continue to guide the Kailua Hongwanji Mission (Windward Buddhist Temple), where Rev. Barbara Brennan serves as a Kaikyoshi-ho under the mentorship of Rev. Sumikawa.

Reverend David Fujimoto, the Resident Minister of Mililani Hongwanji Mission and the Overseer Minister of Ewa Hongwanji Mission, will be assigned to Moiliili Hongwanji Mission as its Resident Minister as of March 1, 2024. Rev.

Fujimoto will continue to serve Ewa Hongwanji Mission as its Overseer Minister.

Ministers of the Honpa Hongwanji Hilo Betsuin

will be assigned to oversee Honohina-Papaalooa Hongwanji Mission, Honomu Hongwanji Mission, and Papaikou Hongwanji Mission as of January 1, 2024. Reverend Kazunori Takahashi, the current Rimban of Honpa Hongwanji Hilo Betsuin, in collaboration and teamwork with Rev. Joshin Kamuro, temple presidents, and Hilo Betsuin staff, is responsible for making the necessary arrangements and providing service and guidance to the Hamakua Temples. Accordingly, ministers of the Hawaii District Ministers Association will be relieved from their responsibilities of overseeing the Hamakua Temples as of December 31, 2023.

KA LEO KĀHEA

The next issue will be distributed at the beginning of March 2024. If your temple has any updates for your member's information (new member/address change), please let the committee know by using the email address below.

You can also submit an article or temple report for the March issue. The deadline for submission is January 15, 2024. Please send it to newsletter@honpahi.org

Gail Tagashira, a member of Moiliili Hongwanji, will be the new chief editor for KA LEO KĀHEA from the next issue.

To read the complete newsletter, learn about workshops & seminars, and to see photos, please check on the Honpa Hongwanji website.

hongwanjihawaii.com

Does This Belong to You????

This Black and Decker battery and charger has been left at LHM. No identifying information was found. Did you leave it accidentally at LHM and have been looking for it? Did you leave it at LHM as a donation? Please settle our curiosity if you know the origin story of this battery and charger.

Email at lihuehongwanjimission@gmail.com or call 808-245-6262 if you have information.

Mahalo!



New Year's Day Service

Join us on New Year's Day for our service beginning at 10:00 am. The Japanese word for the service is *Shusho-e*, which means "a Gathering to Make Things Right." The gathering is a recognition that we can make things better when we realize that Amida Buddha is always guiding us and will never abandon us no matter how severe our faults may be. What better time to express gratitude to Buddha by coming together to recite the Buddha's name in gratitude for a new year and celebrate the new year ahead with friends and family.

Save The Date!

We will be having our New Year's Party brunch on **Sunday February 25, 2024**, beginning at 11:00 am.

There will be Food, Bingo, Lucky Number and Prizes! Save the date for an opportunity to see and socialize with dear friends again!

More details will be printed in next month's newsletter.





LHWA NEWS

New Members Welcome

2024

LHWA Meetings for 2024

Note that all meetings will begin at
10:00 am following Sunday service.

TBD

LHWA Officers for 2024.

Thank you for serving.

President: Carol Valentine

1st VP of Projects: Marian Ogata

2nd VP of Program: Lynette Mizuo

Treasurer: Yoko Takabayashi

Ass't Treasurer: Avis Hirahara

Recording Secretary: Lynne Matsumura

Corresponding Secretary: Gail Shibuya

Ass't Corresponding Secretary: Gladys
Fujiuchi

Auditors: Diane Fukuyama, Carol Ozaki

**Thank You from Lynette Mizuo,
former LHWA President**

Thank you to the LHWA members
for their generous donations and
kokua for Bodhi Day refreshments
and Clean-Up Day lunches. Special
thanks to Marian Ogata and Carolyn
Yamasaki for chairing each
committee respectively.

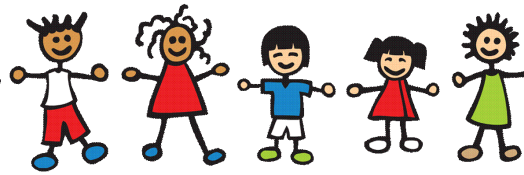
thank you!

Aloha and welcome to LHWA 2024. I have big shoes to fill after the presidency
of Lynette Mizuo. Please say yes when I ask you for your help this year.

With gratitude,

Carol Valentine

Happy New Year



HAPPY NEW YEAR

We hope everyone enjoyed the holidays!
 The children were very busy with Christmas activities and learning songs for our program and playing with each other.
 They were very excited when Santa came to see them!!
 Acknowledgements were received from The Lahaina Hongwanji Mission as well as The Maui Humane Society for our donations ..so thank you for your help.
 Happy New Year to all of you.

Our Thanksgiving Program!



Thanksgiving Potato Turkeys



Pajama Day!

Our Christmas Program!



Hoonko Service



The Hoonko service is the memorial service of our founder, Shinran Shonin, to recall and appreciate Shinran Shonin, and listen to the Nembutsu teachings.

Shinran Shonin passed away on January 16, 1263 at the age of 90.

After he passed away, many followers recalled Shinran Shonin, then they gathered together and had the service on his memorial day every year.

For Shinran Shonin's 33rd year memorial service, Kakunyo Shonin, the 3rd Monshu of Hongwanji, decided on the system of the ceremony and composed "Hoonko-Shiki" to praise Shinran Shonin's virtue. This is the beginning of the Hoonko Service. Since then, Jodo Shinshu followers have observed the Hoonko service on the memorial day of Shinran Shonin for approximately 700 years.

At the Hoonko service, we express our appreciation and gratitude for the life of Shinran, who really shows us that the Buddha dharma is found, not in monastic rules, severe discipline, endless meditation or scholastic study, but in our lives, right here, right now. All it takes is a change of heart.

Hoonko service at Lihue Hongwanji will be observed on **Sunday January 14, 2024.**

Bodhi Day

Kauai Buddhist Council island-wide Bodhi Day celebration was held on December 3 in the LHM Social Hall. The speaker for the celebration was Kahu Sherman Thompson, former chaplain at Kamehameha Schools. Refreshments were enjoyed after the service, with many people staying to talk story in groups. Old friendships were renewed and new friendships made as this was the first time we were able to meet in person since COVID and stay to enjoy each other's company.

Front: Rev. Kohtoku Hirao, Waimea Shingon; Kahu Sherman Thompson; Rev. Shawn Yagi, Lihue Hongwanji; Rev. Tomo Hojo, West Kauai Hongwanji

Back: Rev. Myoko Takano, Jodo Mission; Rev. Akiko Okada, Waimea Higashi Hongwanji; Rev. Scott Mangis, Kauai Soto Zen



LHM Board of Directors, 2024

At the General Membership Meeting, held on December 10, 2023, the following members were elected to the 2024 Board of Directors. Please give them your support this year.

President	Lynne Matsumura	One-Year Directors	Wayne Fujioka
Vice President Administration	Lynette Mizuo		Dennis Muffly Marian Ogata
Vice President Facilities	Morton Yamasaki	Two-Year Directors	Alton Amimoto Sandie Fujimoto Colleen Nonaka
Vice President Religious/Temple Activities	Gail Shibuya	Additional Members of the Board	
Secretary	Kris Nakamura	LHWA Representative (appointment per By- laws)	Carol Valentine (appointment TBD)
Assistant Secretary	Diane Fukuyama		
Treasurer	Caroline Ozaki		
Assistant Treasurer	Joy Hiraoka	Minister	Rev. Shawn Yagi
Immediate Past President	Carol Valentine	Ex-Officio Member	

General Clean-up



Mahalo to everyone who came out to help with the LHM General Clean-up on December 10. This was the first time we have been together for a General Clean-up since 2019 so we appreciate all of the help! It does indeed take a village. Thank you to the many hands that helped to clean and polish in the temple, the social hall, the kitchen, the preschool and the conference room. Everything looks so clean and shiny.

Thank you to Morton Yamasaki for organizing the General Clean-up. Thank you to Carolyn Yamasaki for organizing the bento refreshments for everyone.



If there are errors please email us at: lihuehongwanjission@gmail.com or call the office at 808-245-6262.

MEMORIAL DONATION:

In memory of Charles Niitani
Janet Niitani & Family

COLUMBARIUM DONATION:

Guy & Lori Toyofuku
Natsue Onishi

EITAI-KYO SERVICE DONATION:

Setsuo & Edith Ushio
Glenn & Gail Shibuya
Wayne Fujioka & Carol Valentine
Arlene Fujikawa
Hiroko Kurashige
Winston & Marian Ogata
Diane Fukuyama
Morton & Carolyn Yamasaki
Roy & Carol Fujioka

SPECIAL DONATION:

Alice Inouye

MAJOR PROJECT DONATION:

Robert & Alma Yotsuda

SOCIAL CONCERNS:

Janet Niitani
Karen Nishimoto

*Thank
You*

Nembutsu Seminar with Rev. Satoshi Tomioka

Title: Buddhism and Contemporary Music

Guest Speaker: Reverend Satoshi Ka'imipono Tomioka, Puna Hongwanji

Date: Sunday, February 18, 2024

Time: 10:00 am (HST)

Platform: Hybrid (Lihue Hongwanji Mission & Zoom)

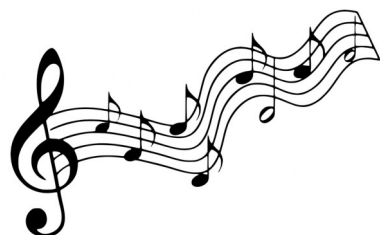
Join us at Lihue Hongwanji for in-person session or by Zoom.

Registration is **required** for both in-person and Zoom. Please go to the link <https://forms.gle/HVVa9sXCCRq4ZrSc7> and fill out the information.

Registration deadline for in-person and Zoom is **February 11, 2024**.

When you complete the seminar registration, you will receive an automatic confirmation email from Google forms.

Please join us for Coffee Hour at 9:00 am in the LHM Social Hall before the Seminar.



Enlightenment is not about becoming divine. Instead it's about becoming more fully human...it is the end of ignorance.

MEMORIAL SERVICE (HOYO)

JANUARY-FEBRUARY

The following is a list of members who passed away during the months of January and February. In Jodo Shin Buddhism, memorial services are observed to remind the family members of the compassion of Amida Buddha in memory of the deceased. Lihue Hongwanji Mission recommends that the families and relatives of the deceased members listed below contact the temple office at 245-6262 for an appointment.

1st YEAR MEMORIAL SERVICE—2023

2023 NONE

3rd YEAR MEMORIAL SERVICE—2022

2022 January 4 Ann Yotsuda

7th YEAR MEMORIAL SERVICE—2018

2018 January 19 Yoshiko Tamura

13th YEAR MEMORIAL SERVICE—2012

2012 NONE

17th YEAR MEMORIAL SERVICE—2008

2008 January 17 Kimie Matsuyoshi

2008 January 18 Chieko Takeuchi

2008 January 22 Hideo "Legs" Ibe

25th YEAR MEMORIAL SERVICE—2000

2000 January 21 Asako Tomita

2000 February 2 Genso Fukunaga

33rd YEAR MEMORIAL SERVICE—1992

1992 January 4 Betty Matsue Sasaki

1992 February 5 Roland Kawaguchi

50th YEAR MEMORIAL SERVICE—1975

1975 January 29 Matsuyo Yamasaki

1975 January 31 Katsuyo Miyabara

1975 February 21 Sagano Yamaguchi

1975 February 22 Kimiyo Yamasaki

1975 February 28 Thomas Kuboyama

Hoonko Service
(honoring Shinran Shonin)
Sunday, January 14 at 9:00 am
(see page 13)



Nembutsu Seminar with Rev. Satoshi Tomioka
Buddhism and Contemporary Music
Sunday February 18, 2024, 10:00 am
Coffee Hour at 9:00 am
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