

O-Bon Services at Jodo Mission of Hawaii

July 19 to 21, 2024 (Hybrid—in person & virtual)

Jodo Mission will provide a Zoom link for all services, especially those who are not able to attend in-person:



Friday, July 19 @ 10:00 am -	Hatsu Bon families only*
Friday, July 19 @ 6:00 pm	Regular O-Bon Service
Saturday, July 20 @ 10 am & 6pm	Regular O-Bon Service
Sunday, July 21 @ 10:00 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-Toba will be read.

Zoom Link for all services:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84166083058?pwd=MIB5cEISbFVocjVMeXFtZHZQ3diQT09>

Meeting ID: 841 6608 3058

Pass Code: 271650

Masks are optional in the temple and social hall. *Thank you.*

Visitations to O-Tobas in social hall:

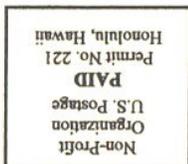
July 15 to 20 10:00 am to 6:00 pm.

July 21 until end of Final O-Bon service at 10 am, then cleanup



Private In-Person O-Toba Services—will be held in the temple or at your O-Toba from July 15 to 18 from 10 to 12:40 pm and 3 pm to 5:40 pm. As of the printing of this newsletter, there are not too many times left so please contact Jodo Mission office as soon as you able to schedule your private service.

[See pg 3 for more O-Bon info]

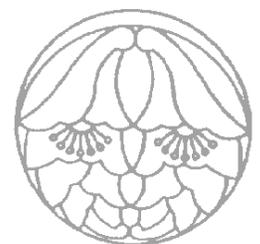


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JODO MISSION OF HAWAII

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Message by Bishop Kosen Ishikawa

Dear Members and Friends of Jodo Mission,

Some time ago, the temple's telephone rang at 1:30 am when I was about to sleep. Immediately, I had an intuition that someone passed away and rushed to take a phone call. I was right. It was a death notice from a man whose beloved one just passed away. I know some members try not to bother us at midnight and they call us in the morning instead. However, I would like to remind you that you can call us anytime 24/7 when your beloved one passes away. It is our ministers' important duty to offer prayer for the deceased no matter how late at night.



When I first served this temple from 1997 to 1999, we often received phone calls at night and bedside service was one of the frequent services. However, when I returned to this temple after 21 years on Kauai, I realized Makuragyo became much less frequent, and we hardly received a phone call at night. I understand that one of the reasons for this is the thoughtfulness that they don't want to bother us at night after office hours. At the same time, I realized this may be caused by the fact that we were losing a closer relationship between minister and member.

We had more opportunities to meet and talk stories with our members over 20 years ago. There were always members who wanted to talk to ministers. They also invited ministers to the meal after the memorial services. I felt like "Ohana" or "family". Because of this closer relationship, they probably didn't have much hesitation to call the temple at midnight. We naturally appreciated opportunities for services. Of course, there was no smartphone at that time but we used beepers to receive night calls. But now meals at restaurants are skyrocketing expensive and we haven't had many in-person gatherings since the Covid pandemic started. Not only situations but also long-time religious customs in Hawaii are changing.

When I was on Kauai, one of my biggest regrets was missing the opportunity of the last rite for our beloved member. A daughter of our member called me to tell me her mother was in the hospital. She told me, "It's not an emergency but when you have time, visit my mother." At that time, I had a separate appointment in Lihue the next day and I thought I could visit her after my appointment. To my regret, she passed away before my visitation the next morning. I truly regret prioritizing my convenience. But because of my regret, since then I always offer my visitation "now" or at my earliest convenience because no one can predict when to die.

Back to the midnight call, I received... Surprisingly, I soon found out that the man called the temple not because he wanted to have a prayer for his beloved one, but because he wanted to know whether his beloved one had space at his niche in our temple. I asked him if he surely doesn't need my service and he said no. He just wanted to know if he had space to place the urn in his niche immediately after the death. I asked him to call us again during the office hour but at the same time, I have realized the importance of informing our members about the guidelines on what families should do when a loved one is nearing the end of life.

Of course, we introduced guidelines by the late Bishop Narashiba on our bulletin from time to time. Perhaps, as a result of this, we have recently started receiving notifications for night vigil prayers again. However, since these guidelines were written 20 years ago, we will work on updating them and share the revised version with everyone in the future. But please remember that we, ministers and staffs of our Jodo Mission, are here to serve you. We welcome and appreciate your questions, opinions, suggestions, and talk stories!

The busiest season of Obon is just around the corner. We wish you and your family a very happy and safe Obon season and look forward to seeing you soon. Last but not least, thank you very much for your continued support.

Gassho,

Bishop Kosen Ishikawa

More Information About O-Bon

O-Bon is the time of the year when our ancestors' spirits return from the Pure Land and stay in this world. While here, we offer flowers, their favorite foods, fruits, candies, etc. to welcome them back for a short time. This O-Bon, Jodo Mission of Hawaii would like everyone to be safe. **Facial masks are optional in the temple and in the social hall.**

Registration for O-Bon Service will begin **1 hour before** 10 am & 6 pm services. Registration is by Sponsor's Name. At time of registration, your Otoba card or cards will be taken out to let the minister know you are here for that particular service. This is on a first come first serve basis. NO phone orders will be taken.

Once you register, you may go either to visit your Otoba or go inside the temple and wait for the service to begin.

O-Bon Service—During the O-Bon Service, please be aware when you hear “now we will begin O-Toba prayers”. When your Sponsor's name is called, please bow to Amida Buddha who is in the altar and go to the rear of the temple hall and offer incense at the Segaki-dan. After offering of incense, you may go to your Otoba for a final goodbye or you may return to your seat and when all the Sponsor names have been called, you may follow the ministers as they go downstairs to the social hall and go through each row of Otobas for the final blessing for this service. The Minister may give you an opportunity to offer incense while before the Otobas.



Offerings at your Otoba: You will have about 4 to 5 inches by 12 inches of space to place your offerings. Photo at right shows the length from the Otoba base to the edge of the table. Since the Otobas are indoors, we recommend that you please be careful with any potted plants and make sure there is a tray underneath the plant. Those with many families will have to coordinate the space available. Because of the limited space, smaller vases will be available for your flowers.



No Potted Mums Will Be Sold: Due to lack of manpower, Sr. YBA decided not to sell potted mums.

Offering of Rice: During O-Bon, it is customary to offer a bag of rice. However, monetary donations in lieu of rice are acceptable. “Rice” envelopes are available in the office. Thank you for your understanding and support.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

Otoba set up on **Sunday, July 14 at 9 am** and temple cleaning, Nokotsudo, polishing metal pieces, like candle holders, etc. Please come to set up the Otobas and help with polishing metal pieces in temple—good exercise!

Otoba take down or Kuzushi on **Sunday, July 21 after 10 am** service, probably around 11:45 am and 12 noon.

Help is needed in social hall (July 15-21) - to help people find their Otobas, or answer questions like where is restroom, where are vases, where is the water, or call temple office if you need help, etc.

Jodo Mission Bon Dance Saturday, August 17

Jodo Mission of Hawaii will have its Bon Dance on Saturday, August 17 from 5:00 pm to 9:30 pm. This is a one-day Bon Dance, and we would like it to be as safe and fun for everyone who attends.



Manpower is always a concern when we have a big event like Bon Dance. Any help you are willing to volunteer will be greatly appreciated. Please contact the temple office if you are available to help. We can always use your assistance. Thank you.

To prevent any accidents between vehicles and pedestrians, the traffic entering and exiting Jodo Mission of Hawaii property on August 17 will stop at 4:00 pm when the food booths open. This means anyone already parked by 4:00 pm will have to remain at Jodo Mission until the Bon Dance is over. We plan to have a designated handicap drop area. We did this last year, and we feel this is good for everyone.

Father's Day Service



Those who attended the Father's Day 'service were treated to ko-to, ukulele and guitar playing as



well as karaoke singing. Darin Miyashiro sensei announced Sophie Narashiba playing Tori no Yo-ni (Flying Like a Bird) on koto. Sally Lei and Hugh Ishikawa on ukulele and Darin on guitar singing Wahi-ne 'Ilikea, Hanalei Moon and Ue wo Muite (Sophie also joined in this last song). Wyatt Fujikawa said a few words on behalf of Sunday School and chocolate candies were passed to everyone present.



Haleiwa O-Bon Service, Bon Dance and Toro Nagashi

Jodo Mission of Hawaii will have a bus going to Haleiwa Jodo Mission on Saturday, July 27th. Bus will leave Jodo Mission at 4:00 pm and leave Haleiwa Jodo Mission at 9:30 pm. Anyone interested, please call Jodo Mission office (808) 949-3995. Priority will be given to dues paying members.



Nenbutsu Chanting—July 26 11 pm to 12 midnight Everyone welcome via Zoom—Meeting ID 868 4323 2215; Passcode: 842152

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86843232215?pwd=SlItNlBXd1h1My9uMUgwQ2x3WXQrZz09#success>

Hosted by Germany Community Jodo Buddhist Group.

Hawaii Jodo Shu Participated in 2024 Pan Pacific Parade June 9, 2024

Thank you everyone who participated in the 2024 Pan Pacific Parade on June 9th in Waikiki from Fort DeRussy to Kapiolani Park. Hawaii Jodo Shu participation as a beginning of the 850th Anniversary of Jodo Shu and 130th Anniversary for Jodo Shu in Hawaii.

There were about 50 people who participated—some walked the one mile parade and some rode the trolley. **The trolley was decorated with koinobori for the strength that the koi represents.** This idea was by Bishop Kosen Ishikawa and many Jodo Shu temples in Hawaii displayed Koinobori around Children’s Day. Bishop Ishikawa led the parade and was joined by other Hawaii Jodo Shu ministers, including Lahaina Strong was represented by its resident minister Rev. Gensho Hara who walked the entire route. Also in the parade were Rev. Wajira Wansa of Kohala Jodo Mission and Hawi Jodo Mission, Rev. John Hara of Jodo Mission of Wailuku and Kahalui Jodo Mission. Rev. Myoko Takano and Rev. Takaaki Tanabe who take turns going to Kauai and Betsuin. And all the supporters of Hawaii Jodo Shu. Each Hawaii Jodo Shu temple was represented with a temple photo and carried by someone in the parade. **Please look forward to the celebration on October 20th**



Sunday Service on July 28 @ 10 am Guest Speaker: Chieko Kimata, PhD, MPH, MBA

Our guest speaker on July 28th at 10 am will be **Dr. Chieko Kimata**. Dr. Kimata received her doctorate in biomedical sciences with a focus on clinical research from the University of Hawaii in 2008. She began her medical career as a public health nurse in Osaka, Japan. Her interests include preventing chronic diseases such as heart disease, stroke, and diabetes through exercise. In 2009, she obtained her Zumba Gold instructor certificate, enabling her to lead classes specifically designed for seniors and individuals with disabilities. She will introduce **Chair Zumba**. **Please come hear Dr. Kimata speak what a wonderful way to exercise by sitting on a chair.**

Her hobby is making **kanzashi hair pins and barrettes** which she will display. Very nice with kimonos at Bon Dance.



What is Perpetual Memorial Service (Eitaikyo)

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

Please contact temple office if you are interested..

Notice to Nokotsudo Visitors

(Sometimes referred to as the Niche rooms)

Many people call to see if the Nokotsudo/Columbarium (or sometimes known as Niche rooms) are open. We let people in if you come and ring the blue bell. **We recommend you wear a mask, use the hand sanitizer going in and coming out and go home and wash your hands with soap.** No more than 4 people at a time, with social distancing.

New Hours: 10 am to 5 pm Mon to Sat

12 pm to 3 pm Sunday*

10 am to 3 pm Holidays

*Sundays no one in office since we have Sunday Service

REMINDERS

Gojikai or Membership—\$80.00 per year

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

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

Maintenance donation \$5.00 per year per niche

Become a Jodo Mission Member!

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

Thank you for your understanding.

Memorial Years Observed

1 st year	2023
3 rd year	2022
7 th year	2018
13 th year	2012
17 th year	2008
23 rd year	2002
25 th year	2000
27 th year	1998
33 rd year	1992
37 th year	1988
43 rd year	1982
47 th year	1978
50 th year	1975
100 th year	1925

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.

お知らせ

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

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

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



Bishop Kosen Ishikawa



Rev. Myoko Takano
Resident Minister



Rev. Takaaki Kouken
Tanabe
Resident Minister

Jodo Mission Office Hours:

[New Hours]

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

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EITAIKYO (Perpetual Memorial Service) for July

- | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 Kichi Yanagisawa
The Yanagisawa Family
Yone Ishida
Yoshikazu Kakimoto | The Yanagihara Family
Shina Kaya
The Kaya & Shimazaki Family
Keizo Nagata
The Nagata Family
Yojiro Yamashina
Ukichi Nakano
Fuji Kitagawa
Reginald Takahiro
Tengan
Yukiko Shimotsukasa
Jensen Toshio Morimoto
Rev. Kanjun Nakano | Tetsuichi Umemoto
Geraldine Ayame Ohara | 26 Naosuke Nakamoto

The Nakamoto &
Sakagawa Family
Toshio Fujimoto
The Fujimoto Family
Pauline Aiko Nakamura
Michelle Ayano Weiss |
| 2 Toyo Tojo
The Tojo Family
Tsune Uchiumi
Tomas Minoru Shigeta
Kikuyo Gonhata
Ellen Kimiko Hedani
Yuhei Kunimura | 11 Toyo Nanbu
The Nanbu Family
Fusa Murakami (2)
The Murakami Family (2)
The Yamamoto Family
Shigeyo Ipponsugi
Iwao Asaumi
Nancy Yoshiko Ohara | 17 Ito Tanimura
The Tanimura Family
Kome Nishiguchi
The Nishiguchi Family
Takiko Amakawa
Yumei Uyehara
Tomoe Yoshioka
Edwin Juichi Yagi | 27 Sakutarō Koyama
The Koyama Family
Sayoko Takaoka
Hatsu Maruichi
Yoichiro Watanabe
Yone Tarumoto |
| 3 Tamayo Yanagihara
Robert K. Yoshimura
Akiko Tamaki
Richard Takaichi Iwai
Leslie Satoji Tarumoto | 12 Hideo Higashi
Kamesaburo Gushiken
Akiyo Yano
Morio Yanagihara
Toshiji Oka
Wayne Shinichi Umemoto
Kim L. Yoshida | 18 Hisako Fujihana
The Fujihana Family
Seiji Nakagawa
Miyoji Aoki
Masutaro Kunihisa
Tokio Masaki
Masaaki Maruichi
Okiyo Matsumoto
Matsu Sadoyama
Kimiko Yamagata | 28 Koichi Ogi
Wallace Sadamu Iwamoto
Alice Miyoko Ohara
Darin Sueo Furutani
Fumiko Iwamoto |
| 4 Setsuyo Sugihara (2)
The Sugihara Family
Sumiyo Yamanaka
The Yamanaka Family
Kajo Teruya (3)
Isami Yoshikawa
The Yoshikawa Family
Masaru Taira | 13 Kazuichi Akimoto
Bunji Aoki
The Aoki Family
Toki Yamamoto
The Yamamoto Family
Setsuyo Nitta
Yai Ouchi Watanabe
Sadako Asaumi | 19 Thomas Tamotsu
Hamada
Misae Higashihara
Brian Itsuo Hashimoto
Wallace Yoshio Kozai
Lawrence Nobuo
Takenishi | 29 Kansuke Yano
The Yano, Konaka &
Hayashi Family
Mitsuo Sakakibara
Chiya Wada
Koto Kunimura |
| 5 Asao Takara
Shige Ikeda
Fred Yutaka Sakuda
Haruko Donna Furutani
Hawayo Yamamoto | 14 Takao Amano
Kanichi Morita (2)
Fukutarō Nagata
Haya Kamimura
Kazuo Kamimura
Kazue Ohara | 20 Gonshichi Shintaku
Fukuji Ikeda
Katsumi Imada
Ayako Hibi
Bishop Yubun Narashiba | 30 Noriaki Masuda (2)
The Masuda & Asamura
Family
Kinosuke Kitamura
The Kitamura Family
Toshisuke Iwamoto
Matsuo Charlie Hirayasu
Shutetsu Miyamoto
Shizue Ogomori
Yetsuo Higa |
| 6 Takaichi Hamada
The Hamada Family
Miki Ajimura
The Ajimura Family
Takezo Ishida
Yosuke Mitsutani | 15 The Nakagawa Family
The Koike Family
The Fujisue Family
Doris Chiyoko Hayashi
Florence Satoko Lau | 21 Shigeru Nakata
Usuke Oda
Kamekichi Toyofuku | 31 Haruo Nakano
Kameyo Hayashi
Usano Yamane
Evelyn Chieko Fujita
Katsumi Yano
Nobu Namba
Sachiko Taketa
Michiyo Itagaki |
| 7 Hisa Akimoto
Taki Ishimoto
Seiji Ogawa
Kenneth Tsugio Ito
Richard Shunichi
Yoshida | 16 The Juichi Yamada
Family
The Fujii Family
The Shikata Family
The Nishii Family
The Okazaki Family
Haruo Okahara
The Okahara Family
Roland Toyoji Tominaga | 22 Keisuke Kimura
The Kimura Family
Takeo Matsunaga
Motohiro Tanimura
Matsuyo Miyagi
Loretta Kazuko Koizumi | |
| 8 Yoshio Furumoto
Kamado Takara
Hiroshi Arakawa
Sueko Kiyama
Shigeiko Shimamoto
Fusayo Saiki
Carol Chie Yanagihara | | 23 June Junko Yamashita
Keizo Oda
Sadako Kishimoto | |
| 9 Kameichi Okamura
Matsuyo Kamioka
Kumataro Gonhata
Masashi Kimura
Elsie Teruno Murao
Loretta Masue Matayoshi | | 24 Masako Narahara
Sato Saito
Akira Otani | |
| 10 Tatsu Yanagihara | | 25 Matsuno Mishina
The Mishina Family
The Weiss Family
(Stillborn)
Masuo Yanagihara
The Yanagihara Family
The Kimura Family | |

Obituaries

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.

James Gerard Murphy	78
Eric Spencer Lewis	34

[9:30am Morning Service Everyday](#)
 Note: Please contact temple office if you are attending.

July 2024

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7 8:30 am Fujinkai Mtg 10:00 Sunday Service	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 8:30 Board Mtg 9:00 O-Toba Set up & Temple Cleaning NO Sunday Service	15	16	17	18	19	20
		July 15 to 18 O-Toba Private Services			10:00 Hatsu Bon Service 6:00 O-Bon Service	10:00 O-Bon Service 6:00 O-Bon Service
21 10:00am Final O-Bon Service / Then O-Toba Kuzushi & Clean Up	22	23	24	25	26	27
	28 10:00 Sunday Service	29	30	31		
					11-12 midnite Nenbutsu Chanting	Haleiwa Jodo Mission Obon service, Bon Dance & Toro Nagashi PH: (808) 637-4382

Jodo Shu Calendar for July 2024:

Be someone who helps others.

Fujinkai Mtg
 7/7 @ 8:30
 am Ikoi Hall

NO MEETINGS OR CLASSES in July for YBA, Sewing Circle and Sunday School.

EVENTS:
 Aug 11 Yagura Set Up & temple cleaning Need Help
 Aug 13 @ 6:30-7:30 pm Bon Dance Practice (Aug 14?)
 Aug 17 5 pm Bon Dance
 Aug 18 Yagura Take Down
 Sept 8: Autumn O-Higan Service
 Sept 15 Bazaar Prep - HELP NEEDED
 Sept 15-21 Bazaar Prep—all week
 Sept 22 Jodo Mission Bazaar 8:00am—1:00 pm

Bazaar Donations - Please kindly call temple office (808) 949-3995, if you have Bazaar donations. Thank you.

Membership Dues (Gojikai) REMINDER: If you have not paid your membership dues (\$80) 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). Also please include any maintenance fee or fees. *Thank you.*