

O-Bon Services at Jodo Mission of Hawaii

August 21 Virtual O-Bon Service (No Attendance)

August 22 Hatsubon *In-Person* O-Bon Service

Due to Coronavirus, Jodo Mission of Hawaii has made many changes to our O-Bon Services, taking into consideration of social distance of 6 feet, everyone must wear a facial mask (covering your nose and mouth) and no touching of eyes, nose and mouth with unclean hands.

One Virtual O-Bon Service on August 21 at 6:00 pm (No Attendance)

All 500+ names will be read

Link to Zoom service will be on website jodo.us and also in August Bulletin

Hatsubon In-Person O-Bon Services (3) on August 22, 2020:

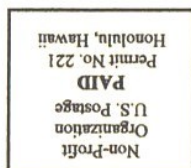
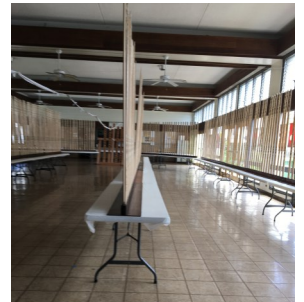
at 10:00 am, 2:00 pm and 3:00 pm (Limit of 42 people each service with social distance of 6 feet)

Hatsubon families—please call temple office at 949-3995 to sign up for one of 3 services with number of people attending.

Private O-Toba Services—Private O-Toba services will be held from August 10 to 22 (weekdays 10 to 4:30 pm and weekends 10 to 6:30 pm). Please call temple at 949-3995 to schedule a private O-Toba Service at your O-Toba. Each service may include 10 or less persons, everyone wears a facial mask with social distance of 6 feet. Services are one-half hour apart and only one service at a time.

If too many people are in the Social Hall, you may be asked to wait outside—safe distance of 6 feet and with mask. no long conversations, and no touching of eyes, nose and mouth with unclean hands.

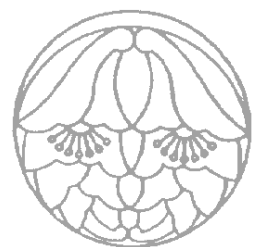
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Message by Bishop Kosen Ishikawa

Aloha Members and Friends,

Thank you very much for your support to our temple during this pandemic. I also thank you for your patience and understanding for the closure of our temple and our limited services. We restarted in-person Sunday Service by following the official orders and guidelines. Although what we can do for you is still limited, we try to do our best for you and for the community.



Last month, Governor Ige presented us the road map toward reopening Hawai'i. Although nothing is certain about this pandemic yet, it was at least good to know Hawai'i Businesses and activities were reopened slowly and steadily with care. Then I noticed an unusual word "New Normal" which imply something that was abnormal before, become commonplace.

Needless to say, we all wish to be back to normal life, and we wish to leave this abnormal life as soon as possible. But no matter how we miss life before this pandemic, no matter what we complain or what we hope, this hard reality won't be changed. It is through the actions that we can change our reality in the future.

I believe one of the right actions during this time is to follow the orders such as safer-at-home order, social distancing, wearing face covering, washing hands often, avoiding large groups and so on. Our Governor reiterated that Hawai'i continues to do great because most people are accepting personal responsibility toward the orders. He even assured that recent increase in cases was expected under the road map toward the new normal.

I remember TSA security screening at the airport before 9/11 incident, was easy, simple and quick. Everybody was allowed to go inside the terminal in order to send off or welcome our guests and families at the boarding gate. But 9/11 changed this normal forever. The screening became very strict and more time and restrictions were required for air traveling. Then non-passengers cannot access to the boarding gate anymore. All of a sudden, we were all forced to experience new normal which was unusual before. I recalled strict screenings at the airport was like a burden and I didn't like it. But it was also true that I was so accustomed to the new normal without knowing it.

Fortunately, we human beings have ability to get used to the new situation and passing time makes us forget what we didn't like. So we don't need to worry about this new normal in the future. And we should not stick to the old normal because old normal was not always good. Now is the time to build up better new normal with positive thoughts. I'm more than confident that Buddhist teachings will help us greatly to get over this difficult time.

One of the positive feedbacks I received from our members was my online Services. Because of this pandemic, I was able to know some of you and have new connections with them through the internet. Also I'm grateful that I had some chances to conduct memorial services to our members from Kauai. I will continue to provide online services and Buddhist teachings through my YouTube, SNS, and www.koloajodo.com. So if you need spiritual assistance, please feel free to contact me. I'll be more than happy to serve you whether online or in-person. Last, but not least, I pray for your good health and safety. And "Namu Amida Butsu" to you and to your beloved ones.

Gassho,

Bishop Kosen Ishikawa

Message by Rev. Kanjun Nakano

The late minister Rev. Narashiba and I would often have private seminars with only two of us. We often argued with each other. I learned a lot from Narashiba sensei.

This message is written by Rev. Nakano who learned a lot from Narashiba sensei.



Summary of 49 Days

When somebody passed away, the soul will never die. For the soul, there are two worlds to enter after the death. One is the world of Jodo or Pure Land of Amida Buddha. Another one is the world of reincarnation or Circling Life. If one falls into the Circling Life, the person has to take judgments every seven days and this must be done seven times.

The First judgment is as follows: On the way of 7 judgments, there is a river which is called San Zu no Kawa. San means three and Zu means ways. There are three ways to go across the river. They are a bridge, a shallow way and a muddy deep way. At the first 7th day service, we chant the sutra and ask Amida Buddha to take the deceased person to the bridge, which is the easiest one.

The Second judgment is as follows: At the end of the bridge over San Zu no Kawa, an old man and old woman are waiting for the person. They take off the clothes of the deceased person and hang them on a branch of a willow tree. If the branch bends down and if the clothes fall down, the person will fall into the Hell. At the 14th day service, we chant the sutra to ask Amida Buddha not to let the branch bend down.

Next, one will go to the Third judgment where one will be asked about adulterous thoughts and actions. If he did commit sin, the cat would bite to give suffering. If she did commit sin, the snake would bite to give suffering. By chanting the sutra, we ask Amida Buddha not to let any cat or snake bite him/her.

The Fourth judgment, one will be asked about the lies that one have committed. Then one finally reaches the Fifth judgment. There Judge Enma makes a judgment on all of your sins. In front of the person, there is a round shining mirror called “Jo-hari”. Judge Enma asks you about your sins one by one, and if you answer truthfully and admit your sin, you will be allowed to pass on. If you lie, the mirror shows you the past event as it actually happened like a video. Then Judge Enma pulls out your tongue and you are sent to Hell. At the 35th day service, we will ask Amida Buddha not to let the deceased give any wrong answer to Judge Enma.

The Sixth judgment is the easiest one among the seven judgments. It is the examination of documents up until this time. The judge will make sure there is no mistake in those reports. At the 42nd day service, we ask Amida Buddha not to let any mistake happen in those reports.

Finally one reaches the 49th day at the Seventh judgment. There will be six gates standing in front of the person. Each one of the gates is the entry to one of the six worlds. However, those gates are all the same in colors and shapes. In front of those gates, he is wondering which gate he should take. You have to choose one of these gates. It seems you choose the gate of future reincarnation by chance, but this decision is made by Judge Taisen from the very beginning. During this time, if someone (family and priest) sincerely pray for the deceased, Amida Buddha may take you to the Pure Land before you choose the gate. Therefore, it is very important to have the 49th day service on or before the actual 49th day. **However, what is more important is to practice Nenbutsu in our daily life, so that we don't need to go through the 7 judgments at all.**

Narashiba sensei, thank you very much. I appreciate your excellent teachings.

More Information About O-Bon

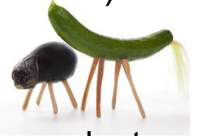
Visitations to Your O-Tobas in Social Hall: We ask for your kokua and patience when visiting your O-Tobas because of social distancing and not having too many people in our Social Hall at one time. Please allow extra time. You may be asked to wait if there are too many people inside the Social Hall. *Thank you for your cooperation and patience.*

Offerings at your Otoba: This year like last year the space allowed for each Otoba is approximately 4 inches width and 12 inches in depth. Many family members visit the Otobas and bring offerings. Some are very organized and stack their offerings neatly in layers. Most people will offer foods that the deceased liked, i.e. fruits, mochi, pastries, candies, somen for long generation life, juice, soda. **Since we will be indoors, we recommend that you please be careful with your potted plants and make sure there is a tray underneath the plant.**



Jodo Mission has vases or bottles you may use to put your cut flowers. They will be near the sink by the red gingers near the Hawaii Mission School wall (sea side).

Offerings of cucumber and eggplant: Some people will have a cucumber and an eggplant on wooden sticks telling our ancestors to quickly come back to this world via the cucumber (horse) and to slowly return to the Pure Land via the eggplant (cow) and see you again next year.



Offering of Rice: During O-Bon Services 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.

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

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We are in need of many volunteers during the two weeks the O-Tobas will be displayed in the Social Hall. Most of our volunteers are elderly but with COVID-19 we need the elderly, especially those with health issues, to take care of themselves. Volunteers needed for sanitizing, assisting people find their O-Tobas, monitors to make sure we do not have too many people in the Social Hall, directing people to restrooms, making sure people waiting outside have social distancing, and are wearing facial masks, etc. **If anyone has any time they can spare, please contact the temple office at 949-3995 with your contact info and someone will call you back**

Volunteers also needed on O-Toba Set Up Date (Aug 9 @ 8am) and O-Toba Kuzushi or Take Down Day (Aug 23 @ 8am). Please call temple office if you are able to help on those days. Thank you.

FACIAL MASKS: ***It is important that you wear facial masks and that you cover your nose too.*** By not covering your nose, you can inhale bad germs from a person next to you or close to you or someone passing by.

OBON CHUTOBA ORDER FORM

Virtual Obon Service on August 21 at 6:00 pm (No Attendees) at Jodo Mission of Hawaii

DEADLINE: July 16, 2020

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

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

NAME OF DECEASED (亡くなった方のお名前) :

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

Virtual Obon Service
Friday, August 21 at 6:00 pm
No Attendees

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

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

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

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Order accepted by : _____ Date accepted : _____ / _____ / 2020 (In person / Mail / By phone)

Received by : _____ Date paid : _____ / _____ / 2020 (Cash / Check # _____) Write _____

ORDER FORM FOR CHOCHIN (LANTERN、ちょうちん申し込み用紙)

DEADLINE: July 16, 2020

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

NAME OF DECEASED (亡くなった方のお名前) :

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

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



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

Membership Dues (Gojikai) (\$60) may also be included with your payment. Thank you.

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Hawaii Council of Jodo Missions 2020 Bon Schedule under Covid-19 outbreak

(As of June 17th, 2020)

Oahu Total 508 cases

Temple Name	2020 Bon Dance	Bon Service	Note:
Jodo Mission of Hawaii (808) 949-3995	Cancelled (Aug.21-22)	August 21 @ 6:00 pm Virtual O-Bon Svs—No Attend Aug 22 @ 10am, 2pm, 7pm Reserved Hatsubon Svs Aug 10 to Aug 22—Private Services	Haleiwa to accept Toba orders for virtual toro nagashi
Haleiwa Jodo Mission (808) 637-4382	Cancelled Bon Dance & Toro Nagashi (July 24-25)	July 11 to 25 toba prayer services in-person private appts or private appts via video streaming	

July 25 @ 6:00 pm Public video streaming

Hawaii Total 83 cases

Kurtistown Jodo Mission (808) 936-7828	Cancelled (Aug.1)	Aug 1 Bon Service by Miyazaki Sensei with no attendees	
Hilo Meishoin (808) 935-6996	Cancelled (July 19)	Modified O-Bon—O-Tobas displayed July 12-18; Miyazaki Sensei doing O-Bon Services by request July 19 O-Bon Service by Miyazaki Sensei—no attendees	
Hakalau Jodo Mission (808) 936-7828	Cancelled (Aug. 15)	Aug 15 Bon Service by Miyazaki Sensei with no attendees	
Hamakua Jodo Mission (808) 775-0965	Cancelled (Aug.8)	Aug 8 am Hatsubon Service by Wansa Sensei	
Kohala Jodo Mission	Cancelled (July 11)	July 11. Hatsubon & Toba by following CDC guidelines.	
Hawi Jodo Mission	Cancelled	Aug 1 am Hatsubon Service by Wansa Sensei	

Maui Total 120 cases

Wailuku Jodo Mission (808) 244-0066	Postponed (from June 12 to September.) Date: TBA	Postpone from June 12 to September. Date to be an- nounced later.	
Kahului Jodo Mission (808 871-4911	Cancelled (June 26-27)	Postpone from June to September. Date: TBA	
Lahaina Jodo Mission (808) 661-4304	Cancelled (July 1 & 2)	July 2-3. Only private prayer offerings will be held.	

Kauai Total 21 cases

Kapaa Jodo Mission (808) 742-7835	Cancelled (July 31- Aug.1) *KBC decided to cancel 2020 Kauai Bon Season on March 17 th .	July 26 @10:00 am. Planning to have a Bon service at Social Hall with more social distancing. Live stream service with a private link. Only Kotoba prayer will be done. O-Toba & Toro Nagashi will be cancelled.	*Grove Farm offer help for KBC to sponsor an event similar to Bon dance in Sept.
Koloa Jodo Mission (808) 742-7835	Cancelled (June 26 -27)	June 21 @10:30 am. Planning to have a live stream service without attendees. Only if large gatherings allowed, we invite members to attend.	Toro Nagashi discontin- ued for good.

Jodo Mission Office Hours:

Monday to Saturday:
8am—5pm

Sunday & Holidays:
8am—3pm

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Website: www.jodo.us



Bishop Kosen Ishikawa



Rev. Kanjun Nakano
Resident Minister



Rev. Myoko Takano
Resident Minister

EITAIKYO (Perpetual Memorial Service) for July

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|---|---|--|---|
| <p>1 Kichi Yanagisawa
The Yanagisawa Family
Yone Ishida
Yoshikazu Kakimoto</p> | <p>The Kaya & Shimazaki
Family
Keizo Nagata
The Nagata Family
Yojiro Yamashina
Ukichi Nakano
Fuji Kitagawa
Reginald Takahiro
Tengan
Yukiko Shimotsukasa</p> | <p>The Tanimura Family
Kome Nishiguchi
The Nishiguchi Family
Takiko Amakawa
Yumei Uyehara
Tomoe Yoshioka
Edwin Juichi Yagi</p> | <p>27 Sakutaro Koyama
The Koyama Family
Sayoko Takaoka
Hatsu Maruichi
Yoichiro Watanabe
Yone Tarumoto</p> |
| <p>2 Toyo Tojo
The Tojo Family
Tsune Uchiumi
Tomas Minoru Shigeta
Kikuyo Gonhata
Ellen Kimiko Hedani
Yuhei Kunimura</p> | <p>11 Toyo Nanbu
The Nanbu Family
Fusa Murakami (2)
The Murakami Family (2)
The Yamamoto Family
Shigeyo Ipponsugi
Iwao Asaumi
Nancy Yoshiko Ohara</p> | <p>18 Hisako Fujihana
The Fujihana Family
Seiji Nakagawa
Miyoji Aoki
Masutaro Kunihiisa
Tokio Masaki
Masaaki Maruichi
Okiyo Matsumoto
Matsu Sadoyama
Kimiko Yamagata</p> | <p>28 Koichi Ogi
Wallace Sadamu Iwamoto
Miyoko Ohara
Darin Sueo Furutani
Fumiko Iwamoto</p> |
| <p>3 Tamayo Yanagihara
Robert K. Yoshimura
Akiko Tamaki
Richard Takaichi Iwai</p> | <p>12 Hideo Higashi
Kamesaburo Gushiken
Akiyo Yano
Morio Yanagihara
Toshiji Oka
Wayne Shinichi Umemoto
Kim L. Yoshida</p> | <p>19 Thomas Tamotsu
Hamada
Misae Higashihara
Brian Itsuo Hashimoto</p> | <p>29 Kansuke Yano
The Yano, Konaka &
Hayashi Family
Mitsuo Sakakibara
Chiya Wada
Koto Kunimura</p> |
| <p>4 Setsuyo Sugihara (2)
The Sugihara Family
Sumiyo Yamanaka
The Yamanaka Family
Kajo Teruya (2)
Isami Yoshikawa
The Yoshikawa Family
Masaru Taira</p> | <p>13 Kazuichi Akimoto
Bunji Aoki
The Aoki Family
Toki Yamamoto
The Yamamoto Family
Setsuyo Nitta
Yai Ouchi Watanabe
Sadako Asaumi</p> | <p>20 Gonshichi Shintaku
Fukuji Ikeda
Katsumi Imada
Ayako Hibi
Bishop Yubun Narashiba</p> | <p>30 Noriaki Masuda (2)
The Masuda & Asamura
Family
Kinosuke Kitamura
The Kitamura Family
Toshisuke Iwamoto
Matsuo Charlie Hirayasu
Shutetsu Miyamoto
Shizue Ogomori
Yetsuo Higa</p> |
| <p>5 Asao Takara
Shige Ikeda
Fred Yutaka Sakuda
Haruko Donna Furutani
Hawayo Yamamoto</p> | <p>14 Takao Amano
Kanichi Morita
Fukutaro Nagata
Haya Kamimura
Kazuo Kamimura
Kanichi Morita
Kazue Ohara</p> | <p>21 Shigeru Nakata
Usuke Oda
Kamekichi Toyofuku</p> | <p>31 Haruo Nakano
Kameyo Hayashi
Usano Yamane
Evelyn Chieko Fujita
Katsumi Yano
Nobu Namba
Sachiko Taketa</p> |
| <p>6 Takaichi Hamada
The Hamada Family
Miki Ajimura
The Ajimura Family
Takezo Ishida
Yosuke Mitsutani</p> | <p>15 The Nakagawa Family
The Koike Family
The Fujisue Family
Doris Chiyoko Hayashi
Florence Satoko Lau</p> | <p>22 Keisuke Kimura
The Kimura Family
Takeo Matsunaga
Motohiro Tanimura
Matsuyo Miyagi
Loretta Kazuko Koizumi</p> | |
| <p>7 Hisa Akimoto
Taki Ishimoto
Seiji Ogawa
Kenneth Tsugio Ito
Richard Shunichi
Yoshida</p> | <p>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
Tetsuichi Umemoto</p> | <p>23 June Junko Yamashita
Keizo Oda
Sadako Kishimoto</p> | |
| <p>8 Yoshio Furumoto
Kamado Takara
Hiroshi Arakawa
Sueko Kiyama
Shigeko Shimamoto
Fusayo Saiki
Carol Chie Yanagihara</p> | <p>17 Ito Tanimura</p> | <p>24 Masako Narahara</p> | |
| <p>9 Kameichi Okamura
Matsuyo Kamioka
Kumataro Gonhata
Masashi Kimura
Elsie Teruno Murao</p> | | <p>25 Matsuno Mishina
The Mishina Family
The Weiss Family
(Stillborn)
Masuo Yanagihara
The Yanagihara Family
The Kimura Family</p> | |
| <p>10 Tatsu Yanagihara
The Yanagihara Family
Shina Kaya</p> | | <p>26 Naosuke Nakamoto
The Nakamoto &
Sakagawa Family
Toshio Fujimoto
The Fujimoto Family
Pauline Aiko Nakamura
Michelle Ayano Weiss</p> | |

Obituaries

The Jodo Mission of Ha-waii 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.

Sumie Sonoda	86
Betty Ayko Ishii	87
Jane Fujiko Yamauchi	95
Harriet Mikayo Nakatsuka	94

[9:30am Morning Service Everyday](#)

Note: Time may change due to
COVID-19 Schedule

July 2020

Jodo Mission of Hawaii

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Sunday Services —Every other week Bishop Ishikawa will do a Sunday Service from Koloa unless he physically comes to Betsuin						
5 10:00 Sunday Service	6	7	8	9	10	11
12 10:00 Sunday Service 11:00 Board Meeting	13	14	15	16 Deadline for Chutoba & Chochin orders	17	18
19 10:00 Sunday Service	20	21	22	23	24	25
26 10:00 Sunday Service	27	28	29	30	31	

EVENTS:

Aug 9 @ 8am O-Toba Set Up & Temple Cleaning
 Aug 10-22 O-Tobas displayed in Social Hall
 Aug 10-22 Private O-Toba Services (every half hour)
 Aug 21 @ 6pm Virtual O-Bon Service—*No Attendees*
 Aug 22 @ 10am, 2pm, 7pm *Hatsubon Service*
(limit 42 in temple each service)
 Aug 23 @ 8am O-Toba Kuzushi or Take Down
 Sept 13 Autumn O-Higan Service
 Oct. 11? Bazaar at Jodo Mission of Hawaii
 Dec 27 Mochitsuki—Mochi Making Class

Jodo Shu Calendar for July 2020: .It is vital for people to connect and support each other.

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

Bazaar Donations will NOT BE accepted temporarily.
Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

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