#### Message by Bishop Kosen Ishikawa

Dear Members and Friends of Jodo Mission,

Thank you very much for being ongoing supporter of Jodo Mission. I cannot believe it's already middle of April as I feel we just celebrated a new year. Japanese often says "Ichi-gatsu Iku, Ni-gatsu Nigeru, San-gatsu Saru" meaning "January goes by quickly, February can run away and March leaves in no time." I always think it's so true these three months pass so quickly.



Now we are very excited to start a new event called "Koinobori Celebration" to celebrate all lives here at the Jodo Mission in the month of May. I have to thank those who became sponsors of "carp streamers." Honestly, I was overwhelmed by many good responses and donations for this celebration. Thank you so very much! We were able to purchase more than 300 Koinobori which will be all displayed in our front yard of the temple soon. With our deep appreciation to our sponsors, koinobori cards with your names and messages are now displayed at the hallway. Also I'm planning to livestream the images of Koinobori at my YouTube channel for those who live far from us.

Just one Koinobori looks alone and not outstanding. However, if many Koinobori get together, it must be something. Our human being is the same. We are individually lonely and weak but by caring and helping each other, we can be stronger. It is our hope by displaying many spirited Koinobori to our community, we can give inspiration and encouragement to the people. And I'm sure many more people will join us in sponsoring Koinobori to celebrate all lives.

Once again, Mahalo nui loa for your support. I will continue to work harder for Jodo Shu and the community. I will be very happy if you can come to attend our services whether in-person or online. Please stay safe. Happy Children's Day and also Happy Mother's Day to you all!

Gassho, Bishop Kosen Ishikawa

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#### **Thoughts on Peace** By Bishop Kosen Ishikawa



One Island, Many Peoples, All Kauaians—This is the saying I used to see in front of the Fire Station in Poipu, Kauai. Now, they have a roundabout there and it's almost impossible to notice this sign while driving. But before installing a roundabout, traffic was always busy and all vehicles had to stop in front of this sign at the Tjunction on the way back to Koloa. The more I saw this sign, the more I got interest-

ed and attracted. Later, I was so moved to know such a simple saying with only 6 words was telling the truth about peace. Of course, this saying is written in so-called Pidgin English which is grammatically not correct.

The greatness of this saying is the fact they created a new word "Kauaian." Although you may guess the meaning of the word "Kauaian", it is not in the dictionary. It is truly amazing such a simple new word can satisfy everyone who lives on the island. It doesn't matter whether you are American, Japanese, Chinese, Hawaiian, Filipino or not, everyone who lives on the island can be "Kauaian" without fail.

If we stick to the country where we came from, we see differences which can be the source of argument and fighting. But what if we can create a new word, new idea or new ideology which could satisfy everyone?

The idea of "Kauaian" can be a great example of how we can have peace among different people. Whenever we have argument and difference, instead of sticking to the old words and old ideas, we should create a new word or idea that can apply to everyone. By having the same understanding under the new idea, we don't need to argue with each other because we all can be Ohana or family from the bigger viewpoint.

It is extremely sad and horrible what's happening in the Ukraine right now. We tend to hate Russia and would like to support Ukraine. But what we should support is nothing but peace, not the specific country. It is true this war was started by Russia but Ukraine is also fighting back. This has caused more people died and many buildings destroyed. There is no winner in war. Whether Ukrainians or Russians, many precious lives were lost and cannot return.

Once again, as long as we stick to the narrow understanding, war can happen anytime. We need to transcend the old concepts and ideas and should seek the new way to satisfy everyone in the world. Just like the word Kauaian, it is very important to realize we can be the same people who all live in our mother planet Earth. Yes, we can be all be called "Earthians" or "Earthlings."

Let us all pray. May peace prevail on Earth. Namu Amida Butsu.

Gassho,

Bishop Kosen Ishikawa

#### Jodo Mission O-Bon Services—New Dates—July 22-24

Jodo Mission of Hawaii has changed the O-Bon Services from July 15-17 to July 22-24. In-person Hatsu Bon Service will be tentatively held on July 22 at 10 am. All other in-person O-Bon services will be tentatively held Friday, July 22, at 6 pm, Sat, July 23 at 10 am and 6 pm and final service Sun, July 24 at 10 am, then take own and clean up. More details later.



In-person private O-Toba services may be scheduled tentatively from Mon, July 18 to Thurs, July 21 between 10 am and 1 pm and again from 3 pm to 6 pm. Please call the temple to schedule the private O-Toba service—it can be either in the temple or in the social hall (if many people, we suggest in the temple).

Volunteers Needed from July 18-24: Volunteers needed to help in the social hall as we cannot leave it unattended. Visitation to Otobas may be set at 9 am to 6 pm depending on volunteer help. Please call temple office (808) 949-3995 if you are available and the times available. Your help is very much appreciated. *Thank you.* 

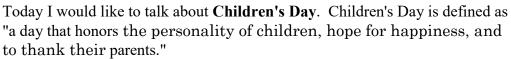
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#### Message by Rev. Myoko Takano

Since Bishop Ishikawa suggested the Koinobori project, Jodo Mission of Hawaii Betsuin will carry out this project each year to display 300 carp streamers on the temple lawn for Children's Day.



300 carp streamers will be displayed on the front lawn area of the temple, and people who come to the temple as well as people from the freeway will be able to enjoy watching the carp streamers.





The Jodo Mission Sunday School, which I am in charge of, will also hold the Children's Day on May 1st with the slogan "Celebrate the growth of children and let them thank their mothers."

There are various customs on Children's Day. One of them is to display the carp streamer. It is said that people began to use the flying carp streamer in connection with the auspicious Chinese story that "a carp that has climbed a waterfall becomes a dragon."

It is also customary to decorate armor and helmets. Armor and helmets represent protection of the child's body. People decorate it with the wish to grow safe and healthy children.

There is also a habit of eating "kashiwa mochi" and "chimaki".

Kashiwa is a good luck plant that is said to lead to "prosperity of offspring"



because old leaves do not fall even during the winter until new sprouts grow, so people eat Kashiwa-mochi on Children's Day.

Sunday School will make Kashiwa mochi on Children's day. Of course, Sunday School will give away Kashiwa mochi to those who join our Sunday Service. Since it is difficult to get Kashiwa leaves in Hawaii, we use Ti leaf as a substitute for making Kashiwa mochi at Sunday School.

Chimaki is a rice cake with a sweet taste, the taste is like the chichi dango, but chimaki doesn't have color, it is plain white. And Chimaki is wrapped with bamboo leaf. The bamboo leaf has a strong smell. And it is considered the strong smell can ward off the evil spirit, so customarily people eat chimaki to dispel the evil thing.

Finally, let us review Children's Day,

- Display carp streamers
- Display armor and helmets
- · Eat chimaki and kashiwa mochi.

Each of these customs has the meaning of celebrating the growth of the child. On Children's Day, May 5th, it would be great if you tell your children or grandchildren, the meaning of those customs, and then celebrate the growth of Children.

Of course, Amida Buddha, Jodo Shu main Buddha, always bless and protect children with his love and compassion.

Gassho,

Rev. Takano

#### The 17th 24-Hour Ceasless Nenbutsu Chanting Relay

The Jodo Shu head temple, Zojoji in Tokyo will host the 17th 24-Hour Non-Stop Nenbutsu Chanting Relay, which will be held and livestreamed at various temples in the world, from Friday, May 20th at 6:00pm to Saturday, May 21st at 6:00 pm. The Jodo Mission of Hawaii will join them in chanting "Namu Amida Bu(tsu)" on Saturday, May 21st from 9:00 –10:00 am. Please come to join us for any minutes to recite Nenbutsu. For more information, please visit our HCJM's website, Www.hawaiijodo.net

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#### Hawaii Buddhist Council Buddha Day Celebration 2022

We were very honored to host 2022 Buddha Day Celebration "Hanamatsuri", sponsored by Hawaii Buddhist council, here at Jodo Mission on Sunday, April 3, 2022. 20 ministers including Bishops and 14 representatives of 7 sects got together for the first time since this Pandemic started and the entire service was livestreamed on both YouTube and Zoom. The guest speaker, Dr. Glenda Nogami Streufert who was a former manager of the Kauai Civil Defense Agency, did a wonderful presentation about interaction with others at the time when we need to respond to the uncertain situations. Edited video is now available at the HBC YouTube Channel. For more information, please visit our HCJM's website, www.hawaiijodo.net.



#### Hawaii Buddhist Council's Memorial Day Service

Hawaii Buddhist Council will have its Memorial Day Service at Punchbowl Cemetery at 9:30 am.

**Hawaii Buddhist Council** is made up of seven (7) Buddhist denominations: Higashi Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii, Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii, Jodo Mission of Hawaii, Koyasan Shingon Mission of Hawaii, Nichiren Mission of Hawaii, Soto Mission of Hawaii and Tendai Mission of Hawaii.

#### HAWAII STATE JODO SHU FUJINKAI SCHOLARSHIP Namiye Nakamura Scholarship

The Hawaii State Jodo Shu Fujinkai offers a \$1,000 Namiye Nakamura Scholarship to a Hawaii high school graduate or a member of the temple who wishes to further his/her education toward a degree or advanced degree in an accredited college, university or institution of higher learning.

The applicant for the scholarship must meet the following criteria:

- 1. Priority is given to an applicant who participates regularly in his/her Jodo Mission temple activities.
- 2. Be an active member of his/her respective temple.
- 3. Possess good moral character and leadership potential.
- 4. Be accepted at an accredited university or institution of higher learning.
- 5. The applicant should be a student graduating from a high school in Hawaii. If there are no graduating students applying, any applicant continuing his/her education may receive the scholarship.
- 6. Applications submitted must be postmarked by June 15, 2022 and mailed to

Iris Nitta, State Fujinkai President 2260 Vineyard St., Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

The family or legal guardian of the applicant must currently be a member of his/her respective Jodo Mission. Financial need will be considered. Determination of the scholarship recipient will be made by a Scholarship Committee.

If there are any questions about the scholarship or scholarship application forms, please consult Temple ministers: Bishop Kosen Ishikawa or Rev. Myoko Takano or Honolulu Jodo Shu Fujinkai President Sally Hayashi at (808) 949-3995.





#### Announcements



#### May 8th Is Mother's Day (Haha No Hi)

Mother's Day is celebrated as an expression of love and appreciation to our mothers.

Our Sunday School may have a wonderful program.

Please come to our Mother's Day Service and bring your mothers and grandmothers on May 8 at 10 a.m.

#### Jodo Mission Hanamatsuri Service

On Sunday, April 10, Jodo Mission had a Hanamatsuri Service. The children from our Sunday School with their parents put together the beautiful **Hanamido** (see photo) with Baby

Buddha in it.
Sunday School
students
Kokone
Shinozaki,
Sally Ishikawa
and Sophie
Narashiba
helped decorate the Han-



amido. Isn't it beautiful!

Crafters—Are there any temple members who are interested in teaching your craft. We love hear from you. Please call temple office at 1(808) 949-3995.

#### Flowers Needed for Temple Lei Making Project, Friday, May 27

Please bring plumeria, crown flowers or other small flowers for leis or even the beautiful bougainvillea flowers, as well as greenery like the branches pictured here to Jodo Mission on Thurs, May 26. Any amount of flowers and greenery will be greatly appreciated. Every little bit counts.



Everyone is invited on May 27 at 9 am in Ikoi Hall for lei making to help sew leis for our veterans at Punchbowl Cemetery and at the same time enjoy the fellowship for this wonderful event! It can be very relaxing concentrating on your lei making. This event was sponsored by the Sr. YBA and has been taken over by the Temple so please come. Thank you!

Please call Jodo Mission at (808) 949-3995 if you have any questions.

#### Temple Bazaar – Need for a coordinator

Many people call to see if Jodo Mission of Hawaii will be holding its annual Bazaar. Are you tired of reading each month that we are not accepting donations for a bazaar?

We are in search for HELP. If you know of someone who is willing to help coordinate this event, and it does not have to be a large Bazaar like we normally have. It could be one that lasts a few hours. But it takes time and energy. Time has passed with Covid and many of our volunteers are elderly and two years is a long time and people have gotten older.

Once we find one or two persons who can coordinate this event, not necessarily a big Bazaar, but one that can bring people out to shop and see, then we will be able to accept your donations. We are thankful that some of you are waiting for us to accept your donations.

Any volunteers? Please contact the Jodo Mission of Hawaii office with your suggestion.

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#### What is "Perpetual Memorial Service?" (Eitaikyo)

This record of a perpetual memorial service is called *Eitaikyo* in Japanese. When the date of death occurs for a person listed on this record, the ministers pray for that individual during the morning service. The prayers will continue each year for as long as Jodo Mission exists.

Anyone can be included in it. You may put your own name on the list, too. This also helps when it is difficult to have memorial services. We also welcome you to attend the morning service at **9:30am**. (Note time change due to Covid-19, please call temple if you plan to attend.)

#### How to apply

Stop by the office, and fill out the application form. Each name costs \$200. After the application is accepted, the name will be listed on the record.

#### 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 have been letting people in if you come and ring the blue bell. You must wear a mask, use the hand sanitizer going in and coming out and go home and wash your hands with soap. No more than 4 people at a time, with social distancing.

**New Hours:** 10 am to 5 pm Mon to Sat

12 pm to 3 pm Sunday\* 10 am to 3 pm Holidays

\*Sundays no one in office since we have Sunday Service

#### 2022 Memorial Years Observed

1 <sup>st</sup> year	2021
3 <sup>rd</sup> year	2020
7 <sup>th</sup> year	2016
13 <sup>th</sup> year	2010
17 <sup>th</sup> year	2006
23 <sup>rd</sup> year	2000
25 <sup>th</sup> year	1998
27 <sup>th</sup> year	1996
33 <sup>rd</sup> year	1990
37 <sup>th</sup> year	1986
43 <sup>rd</sup> year	1980
47 <sup>th</sup> year	1976
50 <sup>th</sup> year	1973
100 <sup>th</sup> year	1923
50 <sup>th</sup> year	1973

Email Monthly
Bulletin—Please
advise if you wish to
have your monthly
bulletin via email
instead of U.S. mail.
Please also keep
Jodo Mission
advised of your
current address &
phone number.

Mail forwarded adds additional costs. Thank you for your cooperation.

#### REMINDERS

Gojikai or Membership—\$60.00 per year

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

Niche owners should continue their Membership or Gojikai each year \$60.00

Maintenance donation \$5.00 per year per niche

#### お知らせ

■1年間における護持会費、又はメンバーシップ は60ドルになります。同世帯の家族)世帯が別 ■の場合は個々にメンバーシップが必要です。

■納骨堂を所有の方は別途、5ドルの年間管理費■をお納めください



Bishop Kosen Ishikawa



Rev. Myoko Takano Resident Minister



Rev. Takaaki Kouken Tanabe Resident Miinister

#### Jodo Mission Office Hours:

[New Covid Hours]

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#### **EITAIKYO** (Perpetual Memorial Service) for May

- 1 Tome Iwamoto Tome Toishigawa The Ochiai Family Kenneth Akiyoshi Murao
- 2 Bishop Buntetsu Miyamoto Etsuo Nakagawa Fusaye Mizuta
- 3 Mitsuyo Nakahara The Fukunaga Family Mitsuko Sakai Carole Masako Yano
- 4 Eikichi Hirouji The Miyamasu Family Tamotsu Takaoka Toshio Yoshioka James Mitsuyoshi Uesugi
- 5 Sadaichi Mito The Mito Family Michie Makino (2) The Makino & Okamura Family Morita Kokubun Miyoko Sasuga
- 6 Tokusaburo Fukuda (2)
  The Fukuda Family (2)
  Tora Kanayama (2)
  The Kanayama Family
  Hitoshi Nitta
  Kamato Uyehara
  Florence Tamayo Matsumori
  Laurie Tomie Cho
  Kazuo Karimoto
  Kuma Tatei
  Masaru Morimoto
- 7 Minetaro Katagiri The Katagiri & Imamiya Family Tsuyako Kishii Ross Kiyoshi Hirano Satoru "Sugar" Miura
- 8 Toshiko Kusunoki
  The Kusunoki Family
  Tami Kawasaki
  The Kawasaki & Nakagawa
  Family
  Tsuru Kitamura
  The Kitamura Family
  Yasuo Kagihara
  Seki Tamura
  Shigeru Gushikuma
  Betty Ayako Ishii
- 9 Roy Shigeyoshi Kawafuchi
- 10 Sada Kurihara The Kurihara Family The Ajimura Family The Ito Family (Stillborn) Shinichi Takenouchi Minokichi Oshiro
- 11 Masataka Fukuda
  The Fukuda Family
  Shuzo Mitsutani
  The Mitsutani Family
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  Kenzo Hashimoto
- 24 Zensuke Yokomichi
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  Kaizo Goto (2)
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- 31 Hideo Kuniyuki Ichiro Obara Tahei Harada Violet Sui Fun Murakami

#### 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.

Diane Naomi Okubo 65
Betty Miyoko Teruya 87
Charlotte Sachiko
Watanabe 68
Doris Kimiye Okubo 92

9:30am Morning Service Everyday

Note: Time may change due to COVID-19 Schedule

# **May** 2022

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## Coming Events:

June 3-5 State YBA Convention in Hilo CANCELLED

July 17: General Cleanup & O-Toba Set up in Social hall July 22-24: O-Bon Services (tentative)

July 24 Final O-Bon Service: 10:00 am (tentative)

Aug 19-20: Jodo Mission Bon Dance (tentative)

Sunday School: May 1st at 9:20 am

# No Meetings or Classes for May for

Fujinkai, YBA, Sewing Circlel

Temple Lei Making Project May 27@ 9 am Ikoi Hall

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.