



ONENESS

KAPAA HONGWANJI BUDDHIST TEMPLE

February 2021

Happy New Year from the Buddha

The Buddha revealed the best ways to lead our life. His main motive is to liberate ourselves from suffering, in other words, to share joy and peace with others. If we all live by the Buddha Dharma, the world will be very peaceful, like the Pure Land. You would have come across many Buddhist messages throughout your life, and we share some for the new year.

- * We are what we think. Everything arises from our thoughts. With our thoughts, we make our world.
- * Pain in our life is inevitable, but suffering is not. Pain is what the world does to us. Suffering is what we do to ourselves. Pain is inevitable. Suffering is optional.
- * Although we cannot reverse the past, anyone can start from now and make a new ending.
- * Every new beginning comes from some other beginning's end.
- * Reverence, humility, contentment, gratitude, and hearing the Buddha Dharma are the best things that happened to our lives.

These messages tell you not to dwell in the past or dream about the future. Instead, to focus on the present and see things as they are. The Buddha sent his messages to the world 2,500 years ago, and he is still inspiring us. These messages will improve us in all aspects of life once we heard of them.

The Buddha left many messages for us to treasure, and Amida Buddha's light always embraces us. Let us welcome the new year with appreciation. There are many things that we have never seen.

From the Minister

I would like to express my gratitude to you for your generous gift of a new Gojo robe. I am honored to receive a new Gojo robe at the 2021 installation service. This Gojo is handmade from weaving threads and took almost 10 months to make it. I will feel the warmth and everyone's love every time I wear it. Thank you again for your support of the Kapaa Hongwanji Mission.

Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii

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2021 HONGWANJI SLOGAN

Nurturing Empathy and Respect

We are in the second year and slogan for our five-year theme: **Building Healthy Sanghas.**

2020: Building Healthy Sanghas: Embracing Generosity and Openness

2021: **Building Healthy Sanghas: Nurturing Empathy and Respect**

2022: Building Healthy Sanghas: Connecting with Others

2023: Building Healthy Sanghas: Sharing Joy Together

2024: Building Healthy Sanghas: Sharing Nembutsu Moments

The third jewel of Buddhism, the Sangha, is our Dharma centered family and community that are our fellow travelers on this journey of life. As such, in a **Healthy Sangha**, every member is a precious companion to be **respected** and treasured. This is because in Shin Buddhism, in deep self-awareness, we understand that we are ordinary human beings with both strengths and weaknesses. Therefore, in this interdependent reality, we journey through life supporting each other with our strengths and giving and accepting help from each other and working through our weaknesses. And all of this happens within the ever abiding loving and supportive presence of Amida Buddha. Ultimately it is the working of Amida Buddha that brings us together as a Sangha and our grateful response is to strive to **empathize and respect each other**. And in this way, we honor the perfect wisdom and compassion embodied by Amida.

Rev. Kevin Kuniyuki

Director, Office of Buddhist Education, and the HHMH Commission on Buddhist Education

2021 Installation Service

February 21 at 9:00 am

We observe the installation service on February 21 at 9:00 am. Although we cannot offer refreshments, it will be a truly joyous gathering. You will meet a new board member.

Please contact us if you are planning to have a private service or visiting the gravesite at 808.822.4667. Thank you again for your kind support to keep our temple alive.

Namo Amida Butsu

THE NEW GOVERNING BOARD OF JODO SHINSHU HONGWANJI-HA

The Hongwanji Sokyoku has announced the members of the new Governing Board of Jodo Shinshu Hongwanji-ha effective on December 22, 2020 at the Special Session of Jodo Shinshu Hongwanji-ha diet. There are no changes from the last Governing Board.

Governor General	Bishop Chiko Iwagami
Governor	Reverend Kuson Takeda
Governor	Reverend Rigaku Mitsuoka - in charge of International Department
Governor	Reverend Zensho Ashikaga
Vice Governor	Reverend Shoshin Kumona
Vice Governor	Reverend Kenyu Takaya - in charge of International Department

2021 LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY SCHEDULE

February 11, 2021 (Thursday)

9:00am	Hawaii Kyodan Board of Directors Meeting
1:30pm	State Ministers Association Meeting
5:30pm	Rap Session

February 12, 2021 (Friday)

8:30am	Legislative Assembly Opening Service
10:00am	Plenary Session
5:00pm	Recess for day

February 13, 2021 (Saturday)

8:30am	Morning Service/Officers Installation
9:30am	Resumption of Plenary Session
11:00am	Adjournment

*The schedule is subject to change.

All meetings and events will be held virtually via Zoom.



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January 15, 2021

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Donor Drive for Paul Goodman

Young Man of Jewish (Ashkenazi) and Japanese Descent in Urgent Need
of Bone Marrow Transplant

Honolulu – Be The Match Hawaii continues its search to find a donor for Paul Goodman who lives in Orange County, California. Paul is of Japanese and Jewish (Ashkenazi) descent, which makes it even more difficult to find a bone marrow donor.

Hawaii is one of the most culturally diverse communities on the planet. But did you know that ONLY 41% of Asian Pacific Islanders are able to find a bone marrow donor? And that all people of mixed heritage face similar challenges.

Paul is among thousands of patients with life-threatening blood diseases and cancers nationwide who are searching for that miracle donor match. Paul's leukemia has come back after remission, and now a bone marrow transplant is his only hope. Please support for Paul and his 'ohana by adding your name to the Hawaii donor registry.

Potential donors must be between the ages of 18 to 44, meet our health guidelines and be willing to donate to anyone in need of a bone marrow or blood stem-cell transplant. The online registration process includes a short form to complete along with a mouth/cheek swab sample.

You can save a life by registering today!

You can register online anytime at no cost:

join.bethematch.org/Aloha4Paul or text **Aloha4Paul to 61474**

*You can also support **Be The Match Hawai'i** by volunteering or hosting a live event. To help, please contact Be The Match Hawaii at 808-547-6154 or by visiting www.bethematchhawaii.org.*

Since 1989, Be The Match Hawai'i has helped facilitate more than 450 life-saving stem cell or bone marrow transplants to patients with leukemia and other life-threatening blood diseases. Over 73,000 donors are registered in Hawaii though more are needed. Since matches are typically found within the same ethnic background, Hawaii donors offer hope to patients in Hawaii and all over the world.

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from the president's corner...

Aloha Everyone!

*We welcome the month of February by wishing you love, peace and joy.
You have the power to change someone's day with a warm smile.*

Vaccinations - Thankfully the vaccinations have begun in Hawaii. If you need help to make an appointment and go to the site, please call 822-4667 to let us know. We hope all our seniors will take this opportunity to be safe. Seniors 75+ can receive the vaccine.

2021 Honpa Hongwanji Mission Calendar We are distributing the calendars to our members. We will be mailing the calendars to some members on Kauai, Oahu and California. If you have not received your calendar, please call to let us know.

109th Legislative Assembly

Rev. Majima and I will be participating in the Zoom Legislative Assembly which will be held on February 12-13, 2021.

General Membership Meeting & New Year's Party

We will not be able to have our General Membership Meeting and New Year's party due to the ongoing Covid concern. You will be receiving the general membership information with a ballot to vote on the 2021 Officers/Directors, 2021 Budget and ratification of the Board's 2020 actions.

Please complete the ballot by voting to agree/disagree and return it in the addressed envelope which is provided.

Installation Service & Gojo Presentation - February 21 @ 9:00 a.m.

You are cordially invited to join us for the Installation Service and Gojo presentation to Rev. Majima. We extend our special thank you for your thoughtful and generous donations which helped to purchase the memorable gift for our minister.

Women's Association

We are currently recruiting new members for the Women's Association. We have only three active members who attend Zoom meetings and support the activities of the temple. We would love to have the younger generation join us in sharing their fresh ideas, assisting with activities and carrying on the legacy. The BWA membership forms will be sent out soon.

Jr. YBA

Our Jr. YBA is made up of 3 young, energetic and responsible high school students, The 2021 officers are President, Taryn Ramil, Vice-President & Treasurer, Madison Doo and Secretary, Isabella Kaspryzk. They kindly volunteer their services to support the activities of the temple. They are also engaged in the State Federation Zoom meetings, conventions and their Kapaa Unit Zoom meetings to plan community services and fundraising events.

Offering Assistance to Seniors - The Jr.'s would like to assist the seniors by running errands such as grocery and other kinds of shopping. Please do not hesitate to call 822-4667 if anyone needs their assistance. It's wonderful that they are kind, caring and want to assist our seniors.

Mahalo for Your Contribution and Support
December 22- January 21

Memorial Service

In memory of...

Hazel Yanagida
- Linda Naea
Toshio Nakamura
- Ken & Michelle Nakamura

In memory of...

Kenzo Kawamoto
-Raymond Kawamoto
Yasu & Sue Nakamatsu
-Baron Nakamatsu
Takamatsu & Masano Takahashi
-Kenneth Takahashi
Takeshi Yamamoto
-Marcia Shimokawa

Major Services

Eitaikyo - Sidney Yanagawa
New Year's Eve - Ralph Kitashima,
Ray Paler, Sidney Yanagawa
New Year's - Gloria Shimizu,
Calvin & Rona Sakai
Sidney Yanagawa
Hoonko - Nancy Masada

Services

Clyde & Kay Takekuma

Membership 2020

Arlene Iida
Lane Sunada

Membership 2021

Amy Isobe
Ruth Kano
Edwin Kawamoto
Ralph Kitashima
Richard Kubota
Haven Kuboyama
Nancy Masada
Ronald Matsumura
Ethel Aiko Oda
Hidemi Okamoto
Hiroko Oshima
Carol Saiki
Calvin & Rona Sakai
Mae Sakamoto
Eleanor Seshiki
Joan Slingerland
Camilla Sone
Dennis Sunada
Roy Taogoshi
Betty Yamamoto
Sid & Roberta Yanagawa

Donations

Sharon Contrades
Jonathon Kato
Edwin Kawamoto
Richard Kubota
Hisao Maeda
Katherine Matayoshi
Ethel Aiko Oda
Brian Okamoto
Hidemi Okamoto

Calvin & Rona Sakai
Carole Seshiki
Eleanor Seshiki
Joan Slingerland
Barbara Tsunehiro
Kathleen Yamamoto
Sidney Yanagawa
Teri Yanagawa
Reuben Yoshida
Jill Yoshimatsu

Volunteer Support

Marie Hashimura
Stanford Iwamoto
Ralph Kitashima
Haven Kuboyama
Rev. Mieko Majima
Milton Nakamura
Francis Nishizawa
Ray Paler
Carol Saiki
Calvin & Rona Sakai
Gloria Shimizu
Pearl Shimizu
Joan Slingerland
Dennis & Sadie Sunada
Leslie Tada
Clyde & Kay Takekuma
Sidney Yanagawa
Sr. Buddhist Association



2021 Sunday Service Schedule

February 2021– December 2021

1st Sunday Monthly Memorial Service
2nd Sunday Family Sunday Service
3rd Sunday Special Service (Major Service)
4th Sunday Shoshinge Chanting
5th Sunday No Service

Sunday Service Schedule

February

2/7 Monthly Memorial Service
2/14 Family Sunday Service
2/21 Installation Service
2/28 Shoshinge Chanting

Memorial Service

February				March			
Yasuko	Watanabe	3rd	2/2/2019	Shiyo	Tone	27th	3/3/1995
Saeko	Kakimoto	3rd	2/9/2019	Kesa	Takahashi	3rd	3/4/2019
Kenzo	Kawamoto	1st	2/9/2020	Satsuki	Kodani	1st	3/5/2020
Hiroko	Wakumoto	1st	2/14/2020	Fusano	Sugita	50th	3/6/1972
Chusuke	Gushiken	50th	2/15/1972	Yukiko	Iwamoto	27th	3/7/1995
Ruth M.	Oshita	33rd	2/16/1989	Shizuo	Higashiyama	7th	3/11/2015
Mitsuyo	Morita	17th	2/18/2005	Kiyoshi	Kawamura	3rd	3/13/2019
Miyako	Takenaka	13th	2/19/2009	Yoshito	Yamaguchi	13th	3/14/2009
Tamura		33rd	2/21/1989	Machie	Kubota	3rd	3/15/2019
Emiri	Murakami	17th	2/22/2005	Kikuyo	Nishimoto	50th	3/17/1972
Zenichi	Muraoka	50th	2/23/1972	Nisaburo	Nishizawa	23rd	3/22/1999
Yuka	Seshiki	23rd	2/23/1999	Sakai	Osaki	27th	3/26/1995
Masao	Kawamoto	17th	2/25/2005	Satomi	Hadama	3rd	3/31/2019
Shizuno	Hiranaka	27th	2/26/1995				
Ichino	Fujita						



Temple Cleaning & Flower Arrangement

Group 6	2/6/2021	Mr. & Mrs. Keith Tsukamoto - Chair Mr. & Mrs. Brian Yamamoto, Mr. Winston Kawamoto	Ruby Ishida
Group 1	2/13/2021	Mrs. Marie Hashimura - Chair Mr. & Mrs. Robert Hiraoka, Mr. Milton Nakamura, Mr. Ray Paler	Joan Slingerland
Group 2	2/20/2021	Mr. Francis Nishizawa - Chair Mrs. Yasuko Murakami, Mr. Clint Saiki, Mr. & Mrs. Sidney Yanagawa	Kay Takekuma
Group 3	2/27/2021	Mr. & Mrs. Clyde Takekuma - Chair Mr. Stanford Iwamoto, Mrs. Erin Takekuma, Ms. Madison Doo, Mrs. Tami Ramil, Ms. Taryn Ramil	Rona Sakai
Group 4	3/6/2021	Ms. Gloria Shimizu - Chair Mr. Haven Kuboyama, Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Sunada, Mrs. Pat Yamamoto	Ruby Ishida
Group 5	3/13/2021	Mr. & Mrs. Calvin Sakai - Chair Mr. Leslie Tada, Ms. Carol Saiki	Joan Slingerland

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*In Memoriam
of
Your Loved One...*

Kapaa Hongwanji Mission extends its
deepest sympathy to families who have
recently lost their loved ones.

Namo Amida Butsu.

