

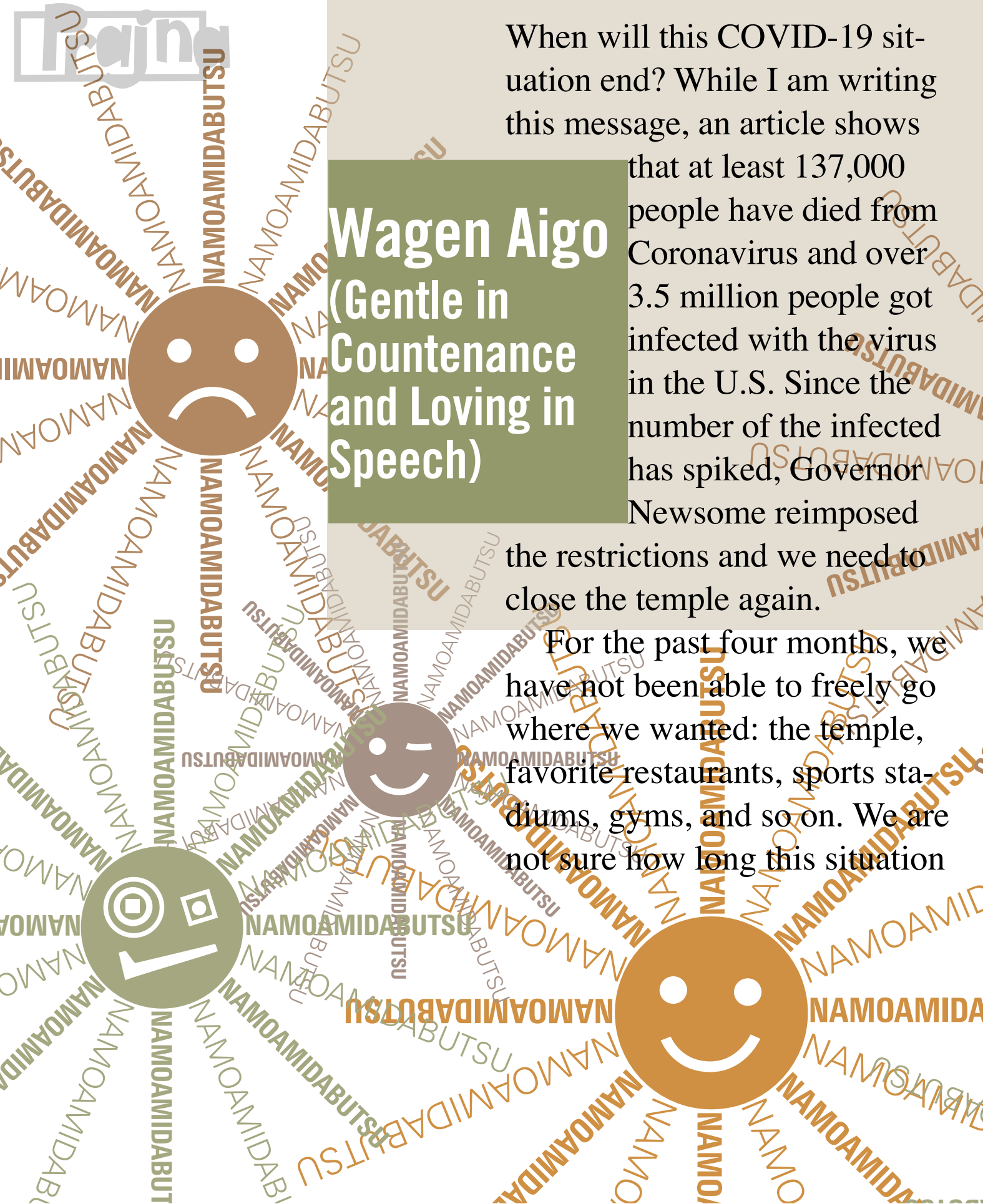
When will this COVID-19 situation end? While I am writing this message, an article shows

that at least 137,000 people have died from Coronavirus and over 3.5 million people got infected with the virus in the U.S. Since the number of the infected has spiked, Governor Newsome reimposed

the restrictions and we need to close the temple again.

For the past four months, we have not been able to freely go where we wanted: the temple, favorite restaurants, sports stadiums, gyms, and so on. We are not sure how long this situation

Wagen Aigo (Gentle in Countenance and Loving in Speech)



will last or when the vaccine will be ready, so most people feel uneasy.

When we feel uneasy, there are several Buddhist tips that we can take to deal with it. Buddhism is the teaching to change our inside, not our outside. We cannot control the viruses, so what

we can do is change our way of thinking to live with this uneasiness.

1. To become one with uneasiness.

2. To think it is okay and do not judge it.

3. To think uneasiness is delusion.

4. Just smile.

1. if you and uneasiness are separated, you need to think about it and you will be worrying about it, but if you become one with it, you no longer have to think about it. A monk said, “When it is hot, become one with hot,” It is like fire, fire itself does not feel it is hot. If you think uneasiness is a part of your life, you and uneasiness are not separated.
2. When you feel uneasy, think “it is okay.” You just recognize uneasiness is occurring in your heart and mind. But try not to judge it either good or bad. If you do not judge it, uneasy is just uneasy. It is not wrong or right, so it will be no problem.
3. The legendary Zen founder Daruma Daishi (Bodhidharma), told his disciple, “Show me your uneasiness and I can destroy it for you.” The disciple awakened, “uneasiness is a delusion. Where is it? I was worrying about something I made up by myself.”

4. To just smile is one of the methods. According to the Larger Sutra, smiling was the practice of Dharmakara Bodhisattva, previous state of Amida Buddha. It is called “*Wagen Aigo* (Gentle in countenance and loving in speech).” This practice was one of the practices among countless practices that Dharmakara did to become a Buddha. As the *nembutsu* followers who receive Amida Buddha’s virtue, we can also smile like Dharmakara Bodhisattva. When we feel uneasy, just smile and recite the *nembutsu*.

I often try 4. During this Stay-at-home order period, I take a walk as my daily exercise. When I see other people, I try to smile and say hello to them. When I smile, other people also smile. At that time I feel I can connect with other people and we can feel the sense of oneness or togetherness and we can feel at ease.

If we can smile naturally from the bottom of our heart, it is great. But sometimes, we don’t want to smile and we may fake a smile. But even a fake smile is better than showing an angry look or a grumpy face.

If we show our true feelings on our faces, we get into a lot of trouble, so the fake smile is less harmful. Also, when we are smiling, our brain is deceived and we may feel happy. “*Aigo* (Loving Speech)” means kind and considerate words. If we can say kind words naturally from the bottom of our

heart, it is great. But sometimes that is not possible. However, if we say what we truly think to others, it may cause a lot of trouble, so even fake kind words might be better.

We are full of *Bonno*, so it is difficult to do like Dharmakara Bodhisattva. But as the person who is receiving the virtue of Dharmakara Bodhisattva/Amida Buddha, we can try *Wagen Aigo*. It will help to deal with our uneasiness as well as others.

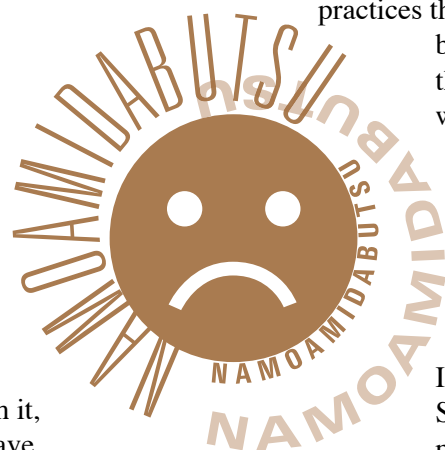
Our *Gomonshu* (Head Priest of Hongwanji), Kojun Ohtani states in “Our Pledge,” “Breaking out of my

shell, I will share a warm smile and speak gentle words, just like the kind Buddha.”

It seems like this restricted life will last longer, so let’s try *Wagen Aigo* and live with peace.

Namoamidabutsu.

REV. RYUTA FURUMOTO



和顔愛語 古本龍太

このコロナウイルスによる自粛生活はいつ終わるのでしょうか？ ウイルス感染者の数が多くなり、お寺やお店などは再び閉めることになってしまいましたし、ワクチンがいつできるのかもはっきりしませんので先行きが不安です。

この状況がもう四ヶ月近くも続き、インターネットを使用する時間が多くなりました。みんな家にいるので、メールを受け取る数が増えましたし、そのやりとりも増え、それによってさらにメールが増えます。日曜法座や葬式、法事はズームなどのインターネット会議プログラムを使用して行っています。また法要だけでなく、ミーティングや勉強会もインターネットで行い、常にコンピューターの画面を見ているような気がします。

ほとんどの時間をコンピュータースクリーンを見て過ごしていると、姿勢も悪くなりがちで、頭がぼーっとします。それで散歩をよくするようにしています。家の近所をだいたい1マイルくらい歩きますが、私と同様、コンピューターから離れ

散歩をされている方々とき、私はできるだけ笑顔で挨拶するようにしています。それは「和顔愛語（わげんあいご）」とおだやかな顔で思いやりのある言葉をかける仏の行、の真似事です。が、笑顔で挨拶をして返してくださる方が多く、その方と心が通じ

たように思えて嬉しく思います。

浄土真宗の根本経典である大無量寿經に阿弥陀如来が法蔵菩薩の位の時にされた修行が記されており、その一つが和顔愛語だったとあります。また、仏教徒のたしなみである

お布施には、財物を施すほか、精神的、身体的なサポートを施すものがあります。それらの中に、和顔施（わげんせ）と言辞施（ごんじせ）があり、心をやわらかくするようにこやかな顔で人に接すること、思いやりのある言葉や挨拶をかけることがすすめられています。そのことによって人と人、そして社会のハーモニーをつくりだすことができ、平和に暮らすことができるので、昔から仏教の大切な行として実践されてきたのです。

心からの笑顔と思いやりのある言葉が出てくるのが一番いいですが、なかなか難しいもので、見せかけだけの笑顔や、思ってもない思いやりの言葉などを発してしまい、人を不愉快にさせることもあるかもしれません。

けれども、本当に思っていることを言ったり、顔に表したりすると、とんでもないことになること

が多いので、どちらかというと、作り笑顔の方が社会への害は少ないように思えます。また作り笑顔でもやっているうちに脳が騙されて本当に楽しくなってくるということもあるかもしれません。

悪口を言うのを我慢して、その代わりに感謝の言葉や思いやりのある言葉などを言うようにすると、争いは起こりにくく、心安らくなるのではないのでしょうか。

散歩をされるとき、またコンピューターのスクリーンに向かっていても、和顔愛語を実践してみるとよいと思います。先行きが見えずに不安ですが、そういうときこそ笑顔になるようつとめ、自分やまわりの人々ができるだけ明るくなればよいですね。

南無阿弥陀仏



Monthly Memorial AUGUST Virtual Shotsuki Service August 2 at 10a

We are planning to hold the August *Shotsuki* Service on Sunday, August 2 at 10a. Please find the information to join the virtual Sunday service from your home in this *Prajna* (“One Click Away”).

The monthly memorial service is usually held on the first Sunday of each month in memory of those who have passed away in that month. At the service, the list of names of the deceased, the person observing the memorial and the person’s relation to the deceased is read. The Monthly Memorial List is also published in the Prajna newsletter. To have a name entered into the Monthly Memorial List, please call the office as names may not automatically be entered after a funeral.

SESHU (OBSERVANT)	DECEASED’S RELATION TO OBSERVANT	DECEASED
Akahori, Julie	Grandfather	Uyetake, Senichi
Domoto, Lily	Father-in-law	Domoto, Eiichi
Domoto, Lily	Cousin-in-law	Domoto, Tsutomu
Ebata, Donna	Mother-in-law	Ebata, Emiko
Higa, Dorothy	Father	Kuwaki, Masao
Ishizuka, Karen	Brother	Ishizuka, Tadao Kirk
Isomoto, Glen	Grandmother	Isomoto, Sakuyo
Isomoto, Glen	Grandfather	Isomoto, Ikusuke
Isomoto, Kiyoko	Father	Kurokawa, Kiyoshi
Kanda, Susan Kiyoko	Husband	Kanda, Mamoru
Kanda, Lynn	Father	
Gleeson, David	Father-in-law	
Gleeson, Paiton, Emery, Montgomery	Grandfather	
Kiriyama, Iku	Husband	Kiriyama, George
Kitano, Jane	Father	Otamura, Masao
Kodama, Nancy	Husband	Kodama, Malcolm
Kojima, Chikako	Mother-in-law	Kojima, Natalia
Kojima, Chikako	Aunt	Kojima, Bonnie
Kuwata, Tom	Grandmother	Kuwata, Kogiku
Marubayashi, Roy	Mother	Marubayashi, Setsuko
Matsumura, Henry	Grandfather	Matsumura, Kunishiro
Matsumura, Henry	Uncle	Matsumura, Kuniyoshi
Minami, Jean	Father	Yokomi, Itsuto
Mori, Johnny	Grandmother	Ishigaki, Tane
Murakami, Eugene	Grandfather	Inouye, Kenso
Murakami, Eugene	Grandmother	Inouye, Komina
Nakashima, Jean	Mother	Shigeyasu, Emiko
Nakawatase, Richard	Grandfather	Nakawatase, Suyekichi
Nakawatase, Richard	Aunt	Inahara, Toshiko Lily
Okita Family	Father	Okita, Kiyoshi
Ono, David	Father	Ono, Akira
Rooks, Mariko	Friend	Hearn, Bobby
Sakakura, Michiko	Father	Sakakura, Kotaro
Shimada, Satsuki	Husband	Shimada, Saburo
Shirasago, Paula	Father	
Takashima, Wilbur	Uncle	Taniguchi, Mitsuo
Tanaka, Lillian	Father	Shiosaki, Rodney
Tanezaki, Barbara	Mother	Kakita, Hisako
Toji, Suzanne	Husband	Toji, Robert
Torio, Taye	Father	Sugimoto, Heiji
Toyama, John	Brother	Toyama, George
Wakinaka, Bernice	Sister	Yamada, Chiyoye
Yamashita, Betty	Mother	Takahashi, Nancy

Hatsubon Service Sunday, August 9, 2020

The *Hatsubon* Service is a special service dedicated to the memory of those who have passed away during the past year (from *Obon* to *Obon*). This service usually takes place at the end of June or the beginning of July before the *Obon* Dance. This year, due to the COVID-19 situation, the date was changed.

The service will be held on **Sunday, August 9th, at 10am**. This will be an online streaming service, so please join from your home using the internet.

This service is usually by invitation only due to the size of the *Hondo*. However, this year, *Hatsubon* families, their friends and temple members can join the service.

初盆法要は8月9日（日）、午前10時から営みます。このコロナウィルスの状況で、インターネットでの法要となりましたので、ご自宅からお参りください。通常は初盆のご家族だけがお参りされますが、今回はインターネットでの法要ですので、お寺のメンバーの方もお参りください。

August Schedule

There will be two Sunday services in August.

August 2, *Shotsuki* and Family/Friends Service

August 9, *Hatsubon* Service (Hatsubon Family, Temple members and friends can join)

The COVID-19 situation is unusual, but let’s take time for the Harvest this year as usual.

We will close for Harvest from Sunday August 16 through Sunday September 6.

There will be no ABA rummage Sale nor Temple picnic this year. The Temple Clean-up is postponed.

We will restart virtual Sunday services on Sunday September 13.

Dial the Dharma

With the Coronavirus crisis, BCA created “Dial the Dharma.” By calling “Dial the Dharma” 800-817-7918. You can listen to Bishop Rev. Harada’s Dharma message in English or a Japanese Dharma message by various Japanese speaking ministers. Both English and Japanese messages will be renewed every other week on Wednesday. For English, press 1 and for Japanese press 2.

ダイヤルザダルマに日本語法話

現在、BCAでは電話をすれば5分間の法話を聞くことができるプログラムを始めていて、コンピューターをあまり使わない門信徒の方から好評を得ています。5月からは日本の法話を聞くことができるようになりました。（800）817ー7918に電話すると、原田総長の声で英語の方は1を日本語の方は2を押すように言われますので、2を押してください。日本語の法話は2週間に一度、水曜日に更新されます

Funerals and the memorial services will be conducted with some restrictions. Please contact Rev. Furumoto if you would like to schedule the services.

8月のスケジュール

8月は二回日曜礼拝を行います。8月2日祥月法要と8月9日の初盆法要です。8月16日から9月6日は日曜の礼拝はお休みで、9月13日から再開いたします。ラメッジセール、ピクニック、大掃除は今年は中止となりました。葬儀や法事は行えますので、古本開教使にご連絡ください。



Listed are donations handled by the Regular Treasurer:
Special: donation received with no specific reason given
Orei: donation for use of temple facilities, equipment, etc.
Nokotsudo: donation by families who have family cremains in the **Nokotsudo** (columbarium)
The Regular Treasurer is required to send receipts for donations of \$250.00 and over. Receipts for all other donations will not be sent unless requested by the donor.

JUNE 2020 DONATIONS

06/02/20	Miki Fujimoto Fujimoto Family Senshin Wasabikai Debra Nakatomi Garren, Stephanie Mizutani Don & Lynn Akamine	Father's 98th Birthday Father's 98th Birthday <i>Orei</i> Dana Covid-19 donation Covid-19 donation
06/08/20	Koko Doami	Dana, Paypal in memory of Kazumi Takemoto
06/09/20	Matsuko Uyeno Miki Fujimoto Donna Ebata Kiyoko Yoneda Catherine Hisamuna Lori Nishida Kiyoko Isomoto Derek & Airi Oye Tak Yamashita Merrie Nishisaka Madalyn Adams Marilyn Okano Mr.& Mrs Yoshio Miyagishima Masao Kodani Yoshiko Takeuchi Suzanne Toji Suzanne Toji Richard Kodani Lauren Ohata Beverly Rogers Russell Nishida Miki Fujimoto Ted & Miki Fujimoto Michael Tsutsui Arlene Yokoyama Richard Kok James Harada Wilbur & Iris Takashima Eiko Masuyama Masao Kodani Matsuko Uyeno Jean Minami Doug Matsuda	Memorial for Agnus Nakamura In memory of Roy Loggins Donation In memory of Tsugi Yoneda In memory of Shizuye Fujita Wedding <i>Nokotsudo</i> Donation Dana In memory of Yukimasa Sanada On-line service, <i>Osaisen</i> Dana Covid-19 Dana Covid-19 Dana <i>Nokotsudo</i> Dana Covid-19 Birth of Grandson Xavier Dana Dana Covid-19 In memory of Parents Chitose & Soichiro Nishi In memory of Kinai Yamaguchi Dana Covid-19 In memory of Loraine Brannen Donation, Chicken Teriyaki Donation, Chicken Teriyaki Donation, Chicken Teriyaki Donation, Chicken Teriyaki In memory of Kazumi Kay Takemoto In memory of Kazumi Kay Takemoto In memory of Kazumi Kay Takemoto In memory of Kazumi Kay Takemoto In memory of Kazumi Kay Takemoto In memory of Kazumi Kay Takemoto

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SHOTSUKI HOYO JUNE 2020

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UPDATE Reopening Senshin

It's amazing how quickly things can change, but I guess by now we should be used to it, right? Impermanence. . .

Last month the committee for Reopening Senshin outlined certain conditions and protocol that would be taking place as we prepared to return for live services at the temple. We hoped that we would reopen in September with the disclaimer that we were moving slowly and cautiously while paying attention to COVID's current status in the city. Now a month later, infections are on the rise. This does not change our course, but it definitely changes our timeline.

Everything is in place for reopening. The temple is ready, but the consensus was clear that the members are not ready to return as we see that the virus is still so prevalent without any sign of control anytime soon.

Funeral and memorial services can be scheduled with a maximum attendance of 10 people with an option for the service to be streamed. However, as far as regular Sunday services, it's so disappointing to say, but it appears that we will remain closed until the end of the year at least. Streamed Sunday services will continue even after we do eventually reopen.

最近の急速な物事の変化に少しは慣れてきましたか？ 全ては流転と言われますがまさにその通りですね。

先月、洗心寺再開準備委員会が、お寺の行事再会に備えるガイドラインを作成しました。その時点では段階的にですが用心しながら9月の再会を目指していました。

ところが現時点ではまたコロナ感染者数が増加し始めて、その時期を変更せざるを得ません。お寺としては再開の準備はできていますが、バイラスの抑制がいまだ可能でないままでは、会員の方々の法要／行事の参加は認められません。

葬儀／法事は最大10名の参加者にられています。ネットで映像を流すこともできます。しかし日曜日の法要は残念ながら、少なくとも今年中の再開は無理のようです。今行われているヴァチャルサービスは、お寺が再開した後も続きます。

再開準備委員会は衛生的で安全な環境を整えるための基準を用意しています。今後お寺が再開する折、自分の為はもちろん、他のメンバーの方々の健康の為にも、どうかこのガイドラインを順守してください。

今後も必要に応じて報告をします。皆さんのご理解とご協力をお願いします。どうぞお体に気をつけて、そして何よりも、お互い緊密に連絡をとりましょう。

The Reopening Committee has done its' best to follow multiple sets of guidelines to prepare a safe and healthy environment. We now trust that when each person decides they're ready to return to the temple that s/he will respect and follow the protocol to assure not only their health and safety, but the health and safety of others.

We will keep you posted as things evolve. Thank you for your understanding and patience. Take care. Stay safe and well. And most importantly, stay connected.

Senshin Mask Project

Early in the State's Stay at Home order a small group of volunteers began sewing cloth masks for our Senshin members and friends. The goal is to provide complimentary masks to any member who needs masks. To date, approximately 200 masks have been distributed. Masks are still available. Please contact Debbie Hiramoto if you are interested.

Our gratitude to the generous donors to this project, Karlyn Nakano, Deb Nishida, Linda and Koichi Uyemura, Jo and Neil Komai, Erica and Ramon Calzadias and John Hiramoto for funding materials and postage and to our mask makers, Harumi Kawaguchi, Ann Saneto, Patty Ogawa Yamano, and Debbie Hiramoto.



Vehicle Donation

This is a reminder that Senshin will take any vehicle as a donation to the temple.

For information please call Jean Minami (323) 938-0048 or Wilbur Takashima (310)398-9558.

Updates & ANNOUNCEMENTS!

Board News

On behalf of the Board, I hope everyone is safe and healthy. We ask for your continued support to keep the temple functioning during the COVID-19 closure.

Here is some of what is going on at the temple even though we are closed.

- I would like to thank Debbie and John Hiramoto for a successful obon raffle with many prizes donated by the Sangha and various organization groups. Thank you again!
- A new parking lot was completed and I would like to thank Ron Ohata and James Okazaki for a job well done.
- New guidelines are still in the works regarding opening up the temple so until further notice, the temple is still closed.
- We are in the process of getting a new security system for the temple. Stan Fukawa will be in charge of this project. Thank you.
- We will not open the parking lot for any USC football game fundraisers this year.
- Wilbur Takashima will be contacting termite companies to take care of infestations found in the temple facilities. Thank you Wilbur.

Again, everyone please be safe and healthy.

Gassho,

CHIKAKO KOJIMA.

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New funding program by the Southern District Buddhist Women's Association:

To All Senshin Organizations (Members-at-large, ABA, Jr. YBA, Dharma School, Kinnara, and Wasabikai) The Southern District organization of BWA chapters, SDBWA, is pleased to announce a new funding program to support religious programs for the benefit of the SD Temples. The goal of the grant program is to promote the dissemination of Jodo Shinshu teaching in our SD Temple communities, via new programs or event content which can serve your current Temple members or used to reach out to

non-Jodo Shinshu individuals. The annual grant funding will award up to a maximum of \$2,500 for just this year and can be awarded to one or several applicants. If you do not officially belong to a Senshin organization, you can apply as an individual. Requests should not be restricted to the traditional Dharma lecture format. We hope this new grant money will help implement your great ideas for spreading the Dharma.

Application Schedule for 2020:

- Request for Applications mailed to Southern District Temple Ministers, Presidents, BWA Presidents, **June 26, 2020**
- Application deadline, **August 28, 2020**
- Assessment of Applications by Review Committee completed **September 26, 2020**
- Announcement of Grants at Virtual SD Buddhist Conference, **October 3, 2020**

Please complete the application form and ask Reverend Furumoto to approve your request. The application is very simple and intended to make the process easy. The application file will

Congratulations Erin and Mina! Kikuo and Kaoru Ogawa Scholarship 2020 Awardees

Scholarships have been awarded here at Senshin, under the auspices of the Kikuo and Kaoru Ogawa Memorial Scholarship program. A \$1,000 scholarship was awarded in each of two categories. The first category included graduating senior high school students, while the second category encompassed those who might wish to pursue an advanced degree or who might wish to change her/his direction in life by pursuing further education in a chosen field.

In the high school category, the scholarship was awarded to Erin Akamine. Beginning this Fall, she will be attending the University of California Santa Cruz with the hope of finding a place in the publishing industry.

In the second category, the scholarship was awarded to Mina Mizutani. She will begin Fall classes at the Teachers College of Columbia University to pursue an MA in Higher and Postsecondary Education, with her ultimate aspiration being to work with students in university settings to help them navigate their academics and succeed in receiving their degrees.

We congratulate both Erin and Mina for their achievements to this point, and hope that they each will be able to attain the goals that they have set for themselves. We hope as well, that they will be able to overcome the educational challenges that have been created by the Covid-19 environment.

be directly emailed to all organization leaders. If you have any questions, please call Debbie Hiramoto at 626.232.4736 or debhiramoto@gmail.com. Completed applications should be sent to Debbie by August 27 so we can submit all the applications from our Temple together.

Please share this plea with your organizations and members and encourage them to apply. We know there are many wonderful and imaginative ideas out there and the SDBWA would like to help get them started!

BWA gratefully acknowledges the generous dana of our member, Ikuko Matsubayashi, *Special*

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With so much turbulence in our lives, it's very difficult to navigate between what to believe and what not to believe, what is good and what is bad.

Thank you for Supporting the 2020 Obon Raffle

Our gratitude to everyone for your generous support of our annual raffle. Through your donations for tickets and prizes, as well as generous in-kind donations, this year's fundraiser was a success. We realize this is a difficult time and in spite of it, so many generous donations were received. Because of your kindness we are able to continue funding the important religious programs at Senshin.

Additional thanks to the following business friends and individuals who generously donated many wonderful prizes and in-kind items:

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This month, Jrs. were very fortunate to have a Dharma talk via Zoom with Rev. Mas and Rev. Furumoto. Rev. Mas explained his view on the Black Lives Matter movement. He explained that, although Asian Americans, Japanese Americans in particular, are not directly affected, it's important that we stick up for other minorities rather than sit in silence. He also explained how these events go to show just how interconnected the world is. BLM has become more than a movement for blacks against racial discrimination—it is now an opportunity for all American citizens, no matter their race, gender, age, or religion, to band together and fight for equal rights.

Though it's a conversation that some people may not see as a Buddhist topic, being able to support and understand others is the core of our teachings. As young people, hearing the history of how Senshin members

have contributed in other civil rights movements is something very special and powerful, especially in a time where it is easy to turn a blind eye and stay silent. We hope that as the next generation, we can continue to learn and grow in times of injustice, while staying true to the teachings of the Dharma.

"Let us live happily then, hating none while in the midst of those who hate. Let us dwell free from hate while among men who hate."
- Dhammapada

For information on Jr. YBA, please contact Debbi Fukawa at debfukawa@gmail.



The July *Prajna* featured an article on the *Goinkyo Yakimo-no* class directed to retired members of

our Sangha. One of the members of the group is Ruby Kiyohara. Ruby has always shown an interest in the arts as you can see in the photo.



洗心仏教会

6月感謝録:

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7月供花:T&J赤堀,K&I松林,T&D松原,Y竹内,B山下,A横山

8月法要スケジュール:

2日(日)午前9時半 ヴァチャル納骨堂法要
9:45 ヴァチャルキッズお話
10時 Webinar祥月法要
6日(木)午後7時 ヴァチャル理事会
9日(日)午前10時 Webinar礼拝/初盆法要
16日(日) おやすみ
23日(日) おやすみ
30日(日) おやすみ

8月のお花当番:1日S.Aguilar,8日I&K松林,15日J磯本,22日C家村,29日S.Lovall

お寺の法要は、Stan Fukawaさんが設置されたサイト“Join Webinar”を通して行われています。コンピューターをお持ちの方は、メールアドレスを古本先生に知らせ、ぜひ登録してください。

“離れても一緒”だという体験を味わえます。

今後のスケジュールは州、郡、市の指示いかんによって変わりますので、その節には通達します。

9月の予定:

9/6 おやすみ、9/19ヴァチャル秋のお彼岸セミナー、9/20ヴァチャルアキノのお彼岸法要

Aruku-Kai “Let’s Walk” Club!

Aruku-Kai "Let's Walk" Club: *Walking Together, Apart!*)

While Aruku-Kai members cannot *aruku* "walk" together, we can *aruku* apart, together. We encourage all Sangha members to walk, breathe fresh air, and take in your surroundings. If space allows, we may be able to share our photos from our walks

apart, together in future *Prajnas*. Please share photos for inclusion, to Lauren.Ohata@gmail.com.

Following Activities have been cancelled

Beginning Yoga Class for Senshin Sangha online class continues Mondays 10a

Exercise Class / TBMM

Tuesday & Thursday, 9:30–10:30a

Karate Club Wednesdays 4:30p

Aruku-Kai “Let’s Walk” Club Kinnara Gagaku/Bugaku Classes Kids' Taiko

Taiko WasabiKai Organizational meetings

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9:30a Virtual Nokotsudo Service 9:45a Virtual Kids' Talk 10a Webinar Monthly Memorial Service/ Shotsuki Hōyō	10a Virtual Yoga Class			7p Virtual Temple Board Meeting		
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
10a Webinar Sunday Service/Hatsubon Service	10a Virtual Yoga Class					
16 No Service	17	18	19	20	21	22
	10a Virtual Yoga Class					
23 No Service	24	25	26	27	28	29
	10a Virtual Yoga Class					
30 No Service	31	Sept 1	Sept 2	Sept 3	Sept 4	Sept 5
	10a Virtual Yoga Class					



AUGUST TOBAN:

August Service Toban Temple
August Hondo Toban T B A

AUGUST Onaijin Flower TOBAN:

The flower *toban* has been reactivated, but in a modified version. To comply with Covid 19 restrictions, just one person will do the *toban*, with the exception if both members live in the same household

August 1 Sandra Aguilar
August 8 Ikuko & Kazuo Matsubayashi
August 15 Joyce Isomoto
August 22 Cathy Iyemura
August 29 Sheri Lovall

UPCOMING IN SEPTEMBER 2020

September 6 No Service
September 19 Virtual *Fall Higan* Seminar
September 20 Virtual *Fall Higan* Service

THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES HAVE BEEN CANCELLED:

- Yoga (available online), karate and exercise classes
- Taiko, Kids' Taiko, gagaku and bugaku
- Wasabi-kai
- Organization meetings
- Board and committee meetings will be conducted virtually.