



Right Attitude toward the Nembutsu Teaching

*Listen to the Buddha's teaching, even if you
must take time out from your daily business.
To believe that you will listen when you have
some spare time is shallow thinking. There
is no tomorrow in listening to the teaching...*

(RENNYO SHONIN, SENSIN SERVICE BOOK P.53)

These are Rennyo Shonin's words printed
in our service book. Originally, this is from
“*Rennyo Shonin Goichidaiki Kikigaki*”
which is the record of the words and deeds
of Rennyo Shonin (1415-1499). This quote

teaches us “Dharma is the first priority,” which is the true Buddhist attitude.

Some Senshin members have this attitude to respect the *Nembutsu* teaching. Thanks to such members, we can continue our temple as a Dharma-centered temple and to keep the temple a

true temple. A temple has to be Dharma-centered, but some or a few temples tend to be cultural-centered or community-centered, more than Dharma-centered. And sometimes, or in a few cases, we ourselves may make light of the *Nembutsu* teaching. If such a thing happens, we should remember Rennyō Shonin’s words to have the right attitude toward the Dharma and the temple.

Here is a story that tells us about the right attitude toward the Dharma, going along with Rennyō Shonin’s words.

About a hundred years ago, in Mie prefecture in Japan, there was a minister, Josho Murata *sensei*. He

was famous for loudly and continually repeating the *Nembutsu*. He repeated the *Nembutsu* three different times in a day. Daily, for a total of 11 hours, he and his temple’s followers recited the *Nembutsu*. The followers respected the *Nembutsu* teaching and deeply understood the teaching.

One day, the station master of Murata *sensei*’s village visited the temple and asked Murata *sensei* if he could join the Dharma gathering to listen to the *Nembutsu* teaching. The station master said, “Many passengers are always repeating the *Nembutsu* audibly while waiting for the train to arrive. Their faces are peaceful, and

they appear generous and broad minded. I began to think that I wanted to be like them. They told me they were taught by you. So, please teach me the *Nembutsu* teaching.”

Murata *sensei* stared at him for a while and he said, “You can come to listen to the teaching, provided that you quit your job.”

The station master was shocked and said “I can’t do that.” Murata *sensei* replied, “If you cannot, you are not allowed to come to the temple.”

The station master begged him, “If I quit my job, I cannot support my family. Are there any other ways that I can listen to the *Nembutsu* teaching

仏法を中心とした生活

古本竜太

「仏法には世間のひまをかきてきくべし。世間の隙をあけて法をきくべきやうに思ふこと、あさましきことなり。仏法には明日といふことはあるまじきよしの仰せに候ふ。」

蓮如上人御一代記聞書という、第八代ご門主の蓮如上人(1415-1499)

の言行録にあるお言葉です。

「仏法は世間の用事を差しおいで聞きなさい。世間の用事を終え、ひまな時間をつくって仏法を聞こうと思うのは、とんでもないことである。仏法においては明日ということがあってはならない」

と、仏法を聞くコツを教えてください。仏法を中心とした生活をするのが大切なことだと言われるのですが、この蓮如上人のお言葉を実践された念仏者の方がおられます。

約100年前に現在の三重県の一宮田という町におられた村田静照和上という僧侶が、「仏法を聞いてみたい」と言われた方に説かれたお話です。

村田和上のお寺ではいつもいろいろなところから人々が集まって聴聞されており、皆が大きな声で念仏をとなえておられたそうです。

その村田和上の町の駅長さんが、自分も聴聞してみたいと思い、村田和上をたずねました。「私はこの町の駅の駅長をしています。駅で

は汽車を乗り降りする人の中に、なもあみだぶつ、なもあみだぶつ、と大声で念仏をされている方をよく見かけます。それを見て笑う人もいますが、みんな平気な顔で念仏をとなえられているのです。私も、そのような気持ちになってみたい、無我の気持ちになってみたい、と思ったのです。それで、念仏をとなえている人に聞いてみたら、皆、村田和上のところに行くように勧められるのです。どうぞ仏法を聞かせてください。」

そのような駅長さんに、村田和上が言われたのは、「それなら、駅長をやめてから聞きにきなさい」でした。駅長さんは「いえ、それは困ります。家族がいますので、妻と子供を養わないといけません」と。

村田和上は、「それなら来なくていい。もう帰りなさい。仏法はそんな安っぽいものではないのじゃ。」と言われて、目を閉じて、なもあみだぶつ、なもあみだぶつ、ととなえられ、駅長さんは何も言えず、お寺をあとにしました。

それから十日ほどして、駅長さんがお寺に来られたのです。そして、村田和上に、「もう駅長をやめる決心ができました。どうぞ、仏法を聞かせてください。」と言われました。

村田和上は、「そうか、それは結構。駅長さん、それでは今晚からここへ来なさい。それで夕方6時頃までは駅でここに来るまでの時間を待っておく、というつもりで駅長を続けなさい。仏法を生活の中心にした気持ちを持ちなさい。」それから駅長さんは聴聞をはじめられ、熱心な念仏者になられたそうです。

このお話は、真剣に聴聞するよう心がけなさい、と蓮如上人のお言葉を実践された一つの例です。仕事や学校をやめる必要はないけれども、世間の用事を終わって、暇なときに仏法を聞こう、という態度ではなかなか教えが身につかないので、仏法を中心とした生活をする思いを持って、聴聞するようにしなさい、と、教えてください。ありがとうございます。

南無阿弥陀仏

RIGHT ATTITUDE cont'd
without quitting my job?”

“Don’t make light of the *Nembutsu* teaching,” Murata *sensei* said calmly and repeated the *Nembutsu* with his eyes closed. The station master was speechless as he left the temple.

Ten days later, the station master visited Murata *sensei* again and said, “During these ten days, I had been thinking about what you said to me. I made up my mind. I will quit my job.”

After a while, Murata *sensei* replied, “That’s good. I wanted to hear that. We welcome you to come to the temple to learn the *Nembutsu* teach-

ing. Starting tomorrow, you can come here at night. So, during the day, why don’t you kill time at the station as the station master?”

After this incident, the station master began to listen to the *Nembutsu* teaching earnestly and became a devoted *Nembutsu* follower.

Murata *sensei*’s words, “Don’t make light of the *Nembutsu* teaching” were very severe and disciplined for the station master. In those days, a position as a station master was a high salary job. But he decided to give up a good position to listen to the teaching. In the end, he did not have to quit his job, but

he was taught the right attitude toward the Dharma.

We do not have to quit our job or school to listen to the teaching. But if we place the *Nembutsu* teaching as our second, third or fourth priority, it will be difficult to deepen our understanding of the teaching and there would be a possibility the temple will no longer be a true temple. Let’s try to have the right attitude toward the *Nembutsu* teaching and keep the temple a true temple.

Namoamitabutsu.

REV. RYUTA FURUMOTO



Monthly Memorial SEPTEMBER
Virtual Shotsuki Service September 12 at 10a

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, Ted	Wife	Akahori, Tomi
Akahori, Ted	Brother-in-law	Miyazaki, Dr. Fred
Harada, James	Father	Harada, Tom
Hayamizu, Sumiko	Husband	Hayamizu, Robert T.
Ito Family	Mother	Ito, Toshiye
Kitayama, Glen	Mother	Kitayama, Kimiko Esther
Kitayama, Glen	Grandmother	Kitayama, Kimiko
Kitayama, Glen	Grandmother	Nakagawa, Ritzu
Kok, Richard	Father	Kok, Yoke Chuan
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Kunitake, Kimiyo	Grandmother	Yamada, Tsugi
Miyata, Satoshi	Mother	Miyata, Taka
Mori, Johnny	Mother	Mori, Tsutaye
Murakami, Eugene	Brother	Murakami, Raymond
Nakamura, Bob	Father	Nakamura, Harukichi
Nakawatase, Helen	Sister	Hosaka, Anna Lew
Nishikawa, Kelvin	Grandfather	Yoshida, Frank Eiichi
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Sawada, Keith	Grandmother	Oshita, Umeko
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Shirasago, Gary and Dale	Brother	Shirasago, Glenn
Shirasago, Gary and Dale	Father	Shirasago, George
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Takashima, Iris	Father	Jinde, Seichi
Takashima, Wilbur	Great Grandmother	Takashima, Haru
Takeuchi Family		Takeuchi, Yoshiko
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Tsunoda, Satsuko	Father-in-law	Tsunoda, Yaichi
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Wakinaka, Bernice	Son	Wakinaka, Lester
Yoneda, Kiyoko	Husband	Yoneda, Kazuo

Senshin
Fall Ohigan
Seminar and Service

Our Fall Ohigan (Equinox) Seminar will take place on **Saturday September 25, from 10:30am**. The speaker will be **Rev. Mas Kodani**, BCA Minister Emeritus. The topic of the seminar is, *“What we should talk about.”* Some of the topics are: the Covid-19 situation, the future of the temple, why Buddhists should not make statements of social issues, etc. The lecture and the service will be streamed online.

The Ohigan Service will be on **Sunday, September 26 at 10:00am**. The link to join the seminar and the service will be sent via email. If you have not received the link by September 24, please contact the temple.

秋のお彼岸セミナー並び
にお彼岸法要のご案内 **Fall Ohigan Seminar,**
9月25日（土）にお彼岸 **Saturday, September 25**
セミナーを行います。セ **Guest speaker Rev. Mas Kodani**
ミナーのご講師は小谷政 **10:30am** Opening service
雄名誉開教使です。セ **10:40am** Lecture
ナーはオンラインスト **Ends before noon**
ーミング形式で行う予定
です。参加のためのリン **Spring Ohigan Service,**
クは後にemailで送りま **Sunday September 26**
す。お彼岸法要は9月26 **Guest speaker Rev. Mas**
日（日）10時からです。 **Kodani**
こちらオンラインスト **10:00am** Ohigan Service
ーミング形式で営まれ
ます。もし9月24日（
金）までにリンクが送ら
れない場合は、お寺に連
絡してください。

2021 Kikuo and Kaoru
Ogawa Memorial
Scholarships

Two scholarships have been awarded for this year. One is for a senior who is graduating high school and moving on to higher educational pursuits, and the other one is for an individual who is seeking further education as a means to change course in life.

The recipient for the high school category is **Halle Fukawa**, a very active member of the Senshin Jr. YBA. She graduated from Gabriellino High School where she served as Editor-in-Chief of the school paper. Her other activities included membership in Kitsune Taiko and Taiko Project, as well as being a participant in Hula dancing. Halle will attend the University of California at Berkeley's College of Letters and Sciences, where she will major in English with a double minor in Journalism and Japanese. While there, she will continue Hula dancing with the Cal Hawai'i Club and try out for the Cal Raijin Taiko group.

In the continuing education category, the awardee is **Jana Yokoyama** who had graduated from Alhambra High School and UCLA. During her high school years, Jana was a debate captain, actively involved with basketball and Girl Scouts, and was a lead cartoonist for her school paper. She received a degree from UCLA in International Development Studies and had a minor in

Global Studies of cultural and political systems. Jana also served as a counselor for the Uni-Camp program at UCLA, was active in odori and taiko groups, and has diverse experiences as a children's party coordinator, a waitress and a phlebotomist. After beginning as an assistant preschool teacher at the Nishi Center, she is now the Center's kindergarten teacher. She is now

pursuing a multi-subject teaching credential at Cal State Los Angeles in order to work with students in the K – 8 grade levels. Congratulations to both Halle and Jana!



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SHOTSUKI HOYO JUNE 2021

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Our gratitude to everyone for your generous support of our 2021 Obon Raffle fundraiser. Through your monetary and in-kind donations, this year's fundraiser was a success. 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 amazing prizes, cash and in-kind items.

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Matsubayashi, Kazuo and Ikuko	Yee, Greg	Taketomo, Lynn
Mikkleson, Dawn and Eric	Yokota, Carole	Terakawa, Alan
Minami, Jean	Yokoyama, Arlene	Umemoto, Kathie
		Watanabe, Wendy
		Yamada, Juriko
		Yokoyama, Diane

Donation College Savings 529 Plan

Senshin has a College Savings 529 Plan to help with the costs of higher education for our minister's family.

Contributing to this fund will provide tax-free income for the minister's children when they are college age. In eight years at 7%, monies put in today could almost double by the time they are ready to

go to college.

If you would like to contribute, you have two options:

1. Write a check out to Senshin Buddhist Temple along with a memo or note indicating you would like to contribute to the 529 account.
2. You can write a check out to MESP (Michigan

Education Savings Program) and mail it directly to PO Box 55925, Boston, MA 02205-5925. Be sure to send a note indicating the contribution is to go to the Senshin Buddhist Temple, Account #9393725.

If you write a check to Senshin, there is no minimum. If you write a check to MESP, the check

Vehicle Donation

We take any vehicle (car, pickup, truck, motorcycle, and even boat) as a donation to the temple. Donors can report the full amount of funds received from the vehicle donation as a deduction on their tax returns.

We work with Harold's Car Donation Service (HCDS) to have vehicles picked up, processed and refurbished as necessary to bring in the highest sale amount for the donated vehicle.

Once the proceeds from the vehicle donation are received by Senshin, a letter is sent to the donor to acknowledge the vehicle donation. The letter includes details of the donated vehicle and the amount for which the vehicle was sold or salvaged. All donors will be acknowledged in the *Prajna*.

If you have any questions about the program, or wish to donate a vehicle, please contact either Jean Minami (323) 938-0048, or Wilbur Takashima (310) 398-9558.

must be \$25 or more.

Owned by the temple, the intention of the fund is to provide additional support to its minister and family. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Eugene Murakami at (909) 861-0697 or genemura@roadrunner.com.

Updates & ANNOUNCEMENTS!

Message from the Board

Welcome back from the harvest! I hope your crop yield was better than what I got from my experimental potted vegetable garden.

During our August Board of Directors meeting we discussed reopening on September 12 and acknowledged that this summer's COVID Delta variant surge may dash our hopes. We will continue to move forward toward reopening and monitor the situation closely. During our September 2 Board meeting we will make some decisions and announce our plans on senshintemple.org and email them directly to those on the Sunday Zoom distribution list. We plan to continue zooming services in any case.

We are still planning for Senshin's 70th Anniversary celebration on Sunday, November 21 and Mochitsuki on December 11. More on those events as their dates draw near.

During our closure many construction and maintenance projects were completed. Our next project is to upgrade the shelving in the Nokotsudo (see related article) thanks to a generous donation by Yo Takeuchi's estate. There is an opportunity for you to take home your family's urns during construction if you wish.

Join us on Sundays on Zoom. At 9:45am Aki-Sensei gives a Virtual Kid's Talk that young and older will enjoy. 10:00am is our regular service.

Please check out our new website at senshintemple.org for the link to Sunday services, the calendar, links and content that might interest you..
In Gassho,
RUSSELL NISHIDA

B W A

We've been away from the temple for a year and a half. It's been such a surreal and challenging time not to be able to gather with each other in person. However, even though it's all been virtual, we've been able to stay in touch through email chains, monthly meetings and bi-weekly Zoom chats. Kudos to our Super Seniors for conquering the technology and zooming with us! The really amazing thing has been that throughout the pandemic and probably due to some extent because of the pandemic, we all feel more connected than ever. Because we weren't so busy with our many responsibilities at the temple, we had the time to talk and really got to know each other so much better. We've supported one another throughout the pandemic and really strengthened our friendships. There's been a

long-standing "myth" that BWA is all about cooking and working. We haven't been in the kitchen for the past 18 months which has given us the opportunity to realize our most important responsibility—to support the temple "in a spirit of mutual friendship and cooperation." That emotional and spiritual hug is really what Senshin BWA is all about.

We're tentatively scheduled to reopen the temple in September. This would be a wonderful time to consider becoming a BWA member. It's an amazing sisterhood. If you're interested in joining, please contact either Sandra Aguilar at sandrajoylee@gmail.com or JoAnn Komai at jkymai55@gmail.com. We've been great virtually and we'll be even better in person. Hope you'll come aboard.

We gratefully acknowledge the following for their generous dana.

- Ann Ogawa *Special*
- Kathie and Marty Umemoto *In memory of mother, Mitsuko Umemoto*
- Saneto Family *In memory of Motoko Saneto*
- The Late Mrs. Edith Nishikawa *Special*
- Debra Nakatomi *Special*
- Lisa Warshal *Special*
- Debbie Hiramoto *Hanamatsuri*

A B A

ABA had another successful Zoom Bingo on August 14th. Many thanks to those who donated prizes and to Debbie Hiramoto for her help.

Nokotsudo Closed for Renovation

Thanks to a generous bequest from Mrs. Yo Takeuchi, the **Senshin Nokotsudo** is now closed and is being renovated. By the time you read this article, the urns will have been moved to a secure location. If you wish to keep your loved one's urn at home until the renovation is completed, please contact Rev. R. Furumoto via email at rontai48@gmail.com with a cc: to Fujie Ohata at fuji2va@gmail.com. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation during this renovation period.

洗心仏教会

6-7月感謝録:

寄付: Q山下&C駒井,D&C.Huey,K.Hatal,L竹本
G.Wong,K小川一家,D白砂,M小谷,J藤本,
B竹本,H&K松川,S小川,D.Trihey,D平山,
葬儀: 故L堂本-L前田,C広田,D岡部
故Y.Jung-K.Jung,故K神田ーL神田Kelly
故T武藤ー武藤一家,L古本
納骨堂: J紫垣,D&M宮本,G&J磯本,K磯本,M筒井
S東司,S臼井,K松林,
お祝い: 孫一歳誕生日ーS東司
仏教学院: V脇中
お寺の車: D.Trihey
お賽銭: B山下,M.Adams
メモリアルデイ: L西田
故E西山追悼: J臼井

故D紫垣追悼:J紫垣
故M実藤49日:D平山,J&K平山
S實藤,B平山,D實藤一家
故L堂本49日:堂本一家
故F中野追悼:B&K中野
故M実藤追悼:L&L.Jackson,O&H森
L松山,J渡,D實藤一家,
故N田中追悼:G上島
故K&Y高島&S&P神出ーW&I高島
故S島田追悼:島田一家,G&P白砂
故J長野追悼:L長野
故J加藤追悼:D加藤
故D紫垣3回忌:K&M島袋
故G西田3回忌:L&V西田,T山口
故K.H村上50回忌:E&E村上,K小田村

9月法要スケジュール:

1日(水)	午後6:30	洗心仏教学院
2日(木)	午後7:00	ヴァチャル理事会
4日(土)	南部JrYBL会議、ホストーアリゾナ, Zoom	
	午後2:00	USC-San Jose フットボール、駐車場
5日(日)	お休み	
11(日)	午後7:30	USC-Stanford フットボール、駐車場
12日(日)	午前8:30 9:45 10:00	ヴァチャル婦人会例会 ヴァチャルキッズお話 ヴァチャル祥月法要
19日(日)	午前9:45 10:00	ヴァチャルキッズお話 ヴァチャル家族礼拝
25日(土)	TBD 午前10:30	USC-Oregon フットボール、駐車場 ヴァチャル秋のお彼岸セミナー 小谷正雄名誉開教使
26日(日)	午前9:45 10:00	ヴァチャルキッズお話 ヴァチャルお彼岸法要 小谷正雄名誉開教使

4月供花: T&J赤堀,C小島,K西川,R清原,T&D松原,M西坂,J南,C久宗,S東司,M富田
G&P白砂,M島袋,菅野,K松林、匿名

9月のお花当番:4日M.宮本,11日Y&R宮川,18日Y&K西川,25日D&J平本,10/2日Q山下
もしお花当番ができない場合はIris(310-951-0160)にお電話ください。

お寺当番: ABA

本堂当番: D松田,J岡崎,N永谷,W永谷

2021年9月

We are looking forward to the Temple Reopening and seeing everyone in person soon.

Jr Y B A

The Jrs. are back to school in person, and hopeful for a better school year. We will be attending the Southern District Jr. YBL Conference on Saturday, September 4, hosted by Arizona Temple via Zoom. Hopefully this will be the last conference we attend virtually, but will be prepared for whatever comes our way. We usually meet the 2nd Sunday of the month, so if any high school students would like to join us, please contact our parent advisor, Joyce Yamashita at kyokosam@aol.com for more information.

USC Parking Fundraiser

Welcome back everyone! We are happy to resume many of our Temple activities. One of our fundraisers is selling parking spaces for the USC football home games. We are looking for volunteers for any of the scheduled 7 home games to help guide cars into the parking lot. Lunch or dinner will be provided and it's a lot of fun. Please contact Wilbur Takashima at wktakashi@aol.com or 310.994.1627 if you can help at any of the games! THANK YOU!

All games are on Saturdays
September 4, day game
September 11, night game
September 25, tbd
October 9, day game
October 30, day game
November 20, day game
November 27, tbd

Social Media

Instagram: Users are now able to not only follow accounts, but hashtags. You can follow **#SenshinEverything** and also tag your posts of Senshin with the hashtag if you'd like others to see solely your Senshin pics.

That's #SENSHINEVERYTHING.

You can now view the **Senshin Google Calendar here: <https://bit.ly/2Gbhcz7>**

If you would like to add the Senshin Calendar to your iPhone or iPad:

1. Launch the Settings app on your iPhone or iPad.
2. Tap on Mail, Contacts, Calendars.
3. Tap on Add Account...under the Mail section.
4. Tap on Other.
5. Tap on Add Subscribed Calendar under the Other section.
6. Enter or copy in the following link: **<https://calendar.google.com/calendar/ical/jr9b2e26vovo0a0rhht9kt6i0k%40group.calendar.google.com/public/basic.ics>**

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Senshin Activities

THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES CONTINUE ONLINE

Thinking Body/Moving Mind TBMM
Movement technique/exercise class continue on Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 9:30a via Zoom. For information please contact Young Ae at dancejourneyhome@yahoo.com.

Aruku-Kai "Let's Walk" Club
Walking together, apart. We encourage all Sangha members to walk, breathe fresh air, and take in your surroundings. Contact Lauren.Ohata@gmail.com for more information.

THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES HAVE BEEN CANCELLED UNLESS OTHERWISE INFORMED:
Senshin Sangha Beginning Yoga Karate Club
Kinnara Gagaku/Bugaku Classes
Kids' Taiko, Taiko
Organizational meetings

WasabiKai will continue in-person studio activities unless otherwise informed.

Senshin Jr YBA



Sago Palm Fundraiser

Donated by
Mrs. Uyeno

For information, please contact
Jr YBA Advisor, Joyce Yamashita



Approx. size
5.5 ft tall x 6 ft wide

\$150

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4
			6:30p Senshin Bukkyo Gakuin Virtual Basic Jodo Shinsh Class	7p Virtual Temple Board Meeting		SD Jr YBL Conference Hosted by Arizona by Zoom 2p game: USC Football Park- ing (USC vs San Jose)
5 No Service	6	7	8	9	10	11
		9:30a Virtual Exercise Class 10:30a-2p WasabiKai Open Studio		9:30a Virtual Exercise Class 10:30a-2p WasabiKai Open Studio		7:30p game: USC Football Parking (USC vs Stanford
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
8:30a Virtual BWA Reikai 9:45a Virtual Kids' Talk 10a Virtual Monthly Memorial Service/Shotsuki Hōyō		9:30a Virtual Exercise Class 10:30a-2p WasabiKai Open Studio		9:30a Virtual Exercise Class 10:30a-2p WasabiKai Open Studio		
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
9:45a Virtual Kids' Talk 10a Virtual Sunday Service	7p Virtual <i>Zadankai</i>	9:30a Virtual Exercise Class 10:30a-2p WasabiKai Open Studio		9:30a Virtual Exercise Class 10:30a-2p WasabiKai Open Studio		Game time TBD: USC Football Parking (USC vs Oregon St) 10:30a Virtual Fall Ohigan Seminar, Rev. Masao Kodani, guest speaker
26 Fall Ohigan Service	27	28	29	30	31	
9:45a Virtual Kids' Talk 10a Virtual Fall <i>Ohigan</i> Service , Rev. Masao Kodani		9:30a Virtual Exercise Class 10:30a-2p WasabiKai Open Studio				

SEPTEMBER TOBAN:

Service Toban: A B A

Hondo Toban: Doug Matsuda,
James Okazaki, Nick Nagatani,
Wendy Nagatani

SEPTEMBER Onaijin Flower TOBAN:

Sept 4 Marilyn Miyamoto
Sept 11 Yoko/Richard Miyagawa
Sept 18 Yoko/Kelvin Nishikawa
Sept 25 Deb/John Hiramoto
Oct 1 Qris Yamashita

(Note: If you are unable to fulfill the week you
are scheduled, please contact Iris at (310) 951-
0160 or itakashima@aol.com)

OCTOBER UPCOMING EVENTS

**October 24, Eshinni-ko, Kakush-
inni-ko, Lady Kujo, BWA Memorial
Service,** Guest speaker, Rev. Candice
Shibata (Stockton)

SENSHIN ACTIVITIES

*The following meetings and classes
will be conducted virtually unless
otherwise informed.*

Board and committee meetings
Organization meetings
Virtual Exercise

*The following activities are cancelled
unless otherwise informed.*

Taiko, Gagaku, Bugaku
Karate, Surfing

Wasabi-kai Open Studio continues unless
otherwise notified.

**Senshin Jr. YBA
Scrip Order Form**

Send to Harumi Kawaguchi 626/230-1433 SenshinScripSale@gmail.com
3170 Bear Creek Drive, Newbury Park, CA 91320

Name	Order Date
Address	Phone Number.
	Email Address

Clothing & Accessories	QTY	Total
Bloomingdale's \$25 \$100		\$
Kohl's \$25 \$100		\$
Macy's \$25 \$100		
Nordstrom \$25 \$100		
Old Navy \$25		
TJMaxx/HomeGds/Marshalls \$25		\$
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Dining - Casual	QTY	Total
Applebee's \$25 \$50		\$
Baja Fresh \$25		\$
California Pizza Kitchen \$25		\$
Chipotle Mexican Grill \$10 \$25		\$
Coffee Bean & Tea Leaf \$25		\$
El Pollo Loco \$10		\$
Islands \$25		\$
Olive Garden \$25		\$
Panera Bread \$10 \$25		\$
Rubio's Restaurants \$25		\$
Starbucks \$10 \$25		\$
Subway Restaurants \$10		\$
Taco Bell \$10		
Discount Store & Outlets	QTY	Total
Sam's Club \$25 \$50 \$100		\$
Target \$10 \$25. \$100		\$
Walmart \$25 \$100		\$
Electronics & Office	QTY	Total
Best Buy \$25 \$100		\$
GameStop \$25		\$
Office Depot / Office Max \$25		\$
Staples \$25 \$100		\$
Entertainment	QTY	Total
AMC Theatres \$25		\$
Barnes & Noble \$10		\$
Fandango \$25		\$
Regal \$25		\$
Gas & Auto	QTY	Total
76 Gas \$25 \$100		\$
ARCO \$50 \$100		\$
Chevron CA Only \$50		\$
Exxon \$50		\$
Jiffy Lube \$30		\$
Mobil \$50		\$
Shell \$25 \$100		\$

Grocery	QTY	Total
Albertsons/Pavillions/Vons \$25		\$
Albertsons/Pavillions/Vons \$100		\$
Smart & Final \$25 \$100		\$
Sprouts Farmers Market \$25.00		\$
Health & Beauty	QTY	Total
Bath & Body Works \$10 \$25		\$
CVS Pharmacy \$25 \$100		\$
Sally Beauty \$25		\$
Rite Aid \$25		\$
Sephora \$25		\$
ULTA \$25		\$
Wagreens \$25 \$100		\$
Home Improvement	QTY	Total
Ace Hardware \$25 \$100		\$
Home Depot® \$25 \$100		\$
Lowe's \$25 \$100		\$
The Home Depot® \$25 \$100		\$
Online Shopping	QTY	\$
Amazon.com \$25 \$100		\$
Apple Store \$15 \$25		
Groupon.com \$25.00		\$
Zappos.com \$25 \$100		\$
Specialty Retailer	QTY	\$
Bed Bath & Beyond \$5		\$
Container Store \$25		\$
Disney \$25		\$
Jo-Ann Fabric \$25		\$
Michaels \$25		\$
PetSmart \$25		\$
See's Candies \$25		
Sporting Goods & Outdoors	QTY	\$
Bass Pro Shops \$25		\$
Dick's Sporting Goods \$25		\$
REI \$25		\$
Universal Prepaid Cards	QTY	\$
VisaGiftCd No Activatn Fee \$50		\$
VisaGiftCd No Activatn Fee \$100		\$