

By Rev. Dr. Kenji Akahoshi,
And Karen Akahoshi

Karen Akahoshi – Looking Back

The outpouring of good wishes and wonderful gifts has made the reality of our retirement finally hit home. It is a bittersweet parting. We have loved being a part of the San Diego Sangha but our grandsons, who are now 1 and 6 and my mom, who will be 102 in December beckon us back to San Jose.

Words are inadequate to express what our 8 years in San Diego have meant to us. Many of you have heard the story that I told the bishop at the time, Rev. Umezu that I would kiss his feet or kiss his ring to thank him for this wonderful assignment to the Buddhist Temple of San Diego. And in his always good-humored way, he said for me to just “kiss his ojuzu”.

As a new “okusan” (minister’s wife) I learned a lot from you. You have shown me what it means to give so selflessly and tirelessly of yourselves to benefit the Sangha and those in the greater community. You have shown me what it means to be open minded and open hearted as we marched in our BTSD float at the Gay Pride parades. And on a more personal note, you have shown me what compassion and support look like when Kenji became ill and our son Kirk, fought and lost his battle with cancer. The visits, the food, the 1000 cranes, the sukiyaki lunch fundraiser, the warm hugs helped me through the most challenging time of our lives.

The words “thank you” are inadequate to express my appreciation. But Namo Amida Butsu not only expresses my deep and profound gratitude to all of you but also shows me that no matter where I am, we will all be interconnected and that you will be held in my heart by Amida’s great compassion and light.

Kenji Sensei – Moving Forward

As my tenure in San Diego ended in October, I would like to clarify our ministerial situation. We are experiencing a huge shortage of ministers in BCA. Therefore, we will not have a new resident minister until some future time, perhaps after next summer. In the interim, Rev. Greg Gibbs, of the Pasadena Buddhist Temple, will be our supervising minister. To carry out daily responsibilities, we are fortunate to have several of our members who are qualified to be minister’s assistants.

We have three certified minister’s assistants in Laverne Imori, Smitty Smith, and Noriko Kawai. Laverne and Smitty have their Tokudo ordination. Yukari Williams has been assisting them and is completing her Correspondence Course which is required for certification. We asked Sharon Sasaki and Arturo Rubio to be minister’s assistants in January since they have been helping in various areas including Dharma talks.

We have two members who were in the program before I arrived and have been assisting the temple in various religious capacities. I have asked Kaytee Sumida to be recognized again, as a minister’s assistant, as she has been active conducting the Introduction to Buddhism class every month, helps in Buddhism 123, is our representative in the IRC (Interfaith Religious Council), is on our Board, dana group, EcoSangha, and helps in many other ways.

Bill Teague has completed all the requirements necessary to be certified as a minister’s assistant, including the Correspondence Course. Bishop Harada has certified him as a Certified Minister’s Assistant at our 95th Anniversary service. Bill is on the Board, is chair of membership, is webmaster, is part of the social media group, and handles the library and Obutsudan sales. He handled the MCRD by himself for many years. He manages most of our educational activities, including Buddhism 123, classes for universities, and has a depth of knowledge of Buddhism which includes his work with BDK. And he has recorded and managed all of my Dharma talks. Since he is involved with almost everything, I have asked Bill to be the central coordinator for the temple. He will interact with Rev. Gibbs and direct information to the various groups, aided by the other MAs, our secretary, Linda, and many others.

I appreciate the help of these minister’s assistants and know that they will be able to carry on during the interim. I’ll summarize by expressing how the Primal Vow might be experienced in our sangha. “Appreciating that the efforts of Others awaken us to this present moment, we are inspired to work for the benefit of others.”

Gassho, - Kenji Sensei



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NOVEMBER CALENDAR

All religious gatherings and meetings, and most social events will continue to be offered virtually on the temple's Zoom (Z) live and YouTube (YT) channel platforms. Please continue to take advantage of such opportunities and share the sessions with individuals who do not have computer internet access. Here is the November calendar (Dates and times are subject to change):

- 3 – Taiko practice, 6:45 p.m. (parking lot), Buddhism 1-2-3, 7 p.m. (Z)
- 4 - Tai Chi, 10 a.m. (Annex Hall)
- 6 – Sutra Chanting, 1 p.m. (Z)
- 7 – Shutsuki Hoyo monthly memorial and Dharma messages: English and Japanese (YT), DS Staff meeting, (Z), Qigong, 9 a.m. (Z), All-Dharma School service, 10 a.m. (Z)
- BWA Meeting, 10:30 a.m. (Z), Taiko practice, 11:45 a.m. (parking lot)
- 9 – Ways and Means meeting, 7 p.m. (Z)
- 10 – Taiko practice, 6:45 p.m. (parking lot), Buddhism 1-2-3, 7 p.m. (Z)
- 11 – Tai Chi, 10 a.m. (Annex Hall), BOD meeting, 7 p.m. (Z)
- 12 – Southern District Council meeting, 7:30 p.m. (Z)
- 13 – Sutra Chanting, 1 p.m. (Z)
- 14 – **EITAIKYO/Lady Eshinni Memorial**, Guest speaker: Rev. Hibiki Murakami (Los Angeles Betsuin) (YT), Qigong, 9 a.m. (Z), All-Dharma School service, 10 a.m. (Z), Jr. YBA meeting, 11 a.m. (Z), Taiko practice, 11:45 a.m. (parking lot)
- 17 – Taiko practice, 6:45 p.m. (parking lot), Buddhism 1-2-3, 7 p.m. (Z)
- 18 – Tai Chi, 10 am (Annex Hall), Activities meeting, 7 pm (Z)
- 20 – Sutra Chanting, 1 p.m. (Z)
- 21 – Adult Service and Dharma message (YT)
Qigong, 9 a.m. (Z), All-Dharma School service, 10 a.m. (Z), Taiko practice, 11:45 a.m. (parking lot)
- 24 – Bussei Script mailing, 9:30 a.m., Taiko practice, 6:45 p.m. (parking lot), Buddhism 1-2-3, 7 p.m. (Z)
- 25 – **HAPPY THANKSGIVING** (temple closed)
- 27 – Sutra Chanting, 1 p.m. (Z)
- 28 – Adult service and Dharma mess. (YT), Qigong, 9 am (Z)
All-Dharma School service, 10 a.m. (Z), Taiko practice, 11:45 a.m. (parking lot)



The Spanish-language Dharma message, presented by Arturo Rubio, will be posted on the temple's YouTube channel.

Office hours: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday-Friday. There is limited staff coverage on weekends. The temple is closed on Mondays.

More information: Call the temple at 619-239-0896. Please leave a message if your call is not answered and staff will respond as soon as possible. Email the temple at info@btsd.net or check the BTSD website <http://www.buddhisttemplesandiego.org> for updates.

MOCHITSUKI CANCELED

The aroma of steamed cooked sweet rice, the shaping of small circular rice cakes and the social gathering of making mochi will be missing in December.

It is with deep regret to announce that the 2021 Mochitsuki scheduled for Sunday, Dec. 19 has been canceled. Disruptions from the COVID-19 pandemic and the Delta variant have caused the popular year-end event not to take place for the second straight time.

Event co-chairs recommended to the temple Board of Directors that there are too many risk factors involved to conduct this year's popular activity. Health and safety measures for the Sangha and friends are first and foremost. It is one of the factors in determining its cancellation.

Thank you for your understanding.

The temple anticipates Mochitsuki to return in 2022.
Gassho, Ralph Honda and Glenn Negoro, co-chairmen



Volunteers 2019 Mochitsuki

WBWC 2023 CONVENTION & JAPAN TOUR

The 17th World Buddhist Women's Convention (WBWC) will take place May 10-12, 2023 in Kyoto, Japan. The convention will be held in conjunction with services commemorating the 850-year anniversary of Shinran Shonin's birth and the 800th anniversary of the establishment of the Jodo Shinshu teachings.

In anticipation of the festivities, BTSD has the opportunity of forming a group to attend the convention and tour Japan.

With the convention 18-months away, the temple is inquiring to see if there are Sangha members interested in making the pilgrimage to Japan. Interested individuals are asked to contact the temple between now and Dec. 1. This will help the committee determine whether or not BTSD will be able to move forward in planning its own tour group. If the group is small, the option will be to join another BCA temple/church. Prospective travelers – men included - are not required to be members of the BTSD BWA to participate in the conference and tour.

San Diego has participated at many WBWC events including the previous two in Calgary, Alberta, Canada in 2015 and San Francisco in 2019.

Committee members are working with the Kintetsu Travel Agency on prospective itineraries. The per person price, which will include travel and tour, has not been established at this time.

ACTIVITIES

It was such a pleasure seeing so many Temple Sangha members at the 95th Anniversary drive thru event last month. Those of you able to participate were able to say so long to our retiring Kenji Sensei and Mrs. Karen before they move back to San Jose. The Akahoshi's were able to greet everyone, masks in place as they passed through the drive thru on their way to pickup the delicious 95th Anniversary Obento. As a reminder, the temple will be having an in person farewell party for the Akahoshi's in the near future when we will be able to gather and celebrate! Coming up on December 4th will be our winter Yasukochi CSA vegetable and fruit box event. The deadline to submit your order is November 21.

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PRESIDENT' S MESSAGE

By LuAnn Lee, Board President

Fall is here, this cool October morning. I actually had to put on socks and a light jacket.

Luckily, on October 10th it was a beautiful day while people drove their cars through the BTSD parking lot picking up bentos, dropping off stuffed animals, waving and saying farewell to Kenji Sensei and Karen Akahoshi. People saw the displayed quilt made with love from some BWA members and friends.

They were able to spend some quality time with Temple friends as they moved from car to car visiting.

Although there wasn't much down time, they were able to sit down on matching leather chairs under a tent decorated with retirement and we are "off the clock" streamers, lanterns and cardboard signs. The smiles on their faces as they would recognize the driver and passengers said it all. They will be missed, and fond memories of our time together will be with us always.

We also celebrated the 95th Anniversary of the Temple on the same day. What a milestone. We were able to provide a zoom service to commemorate this special occasion. Thank you to Dr. Reverend Kenji Sensei for his guidance, Reverend Smitty for organizing the service, Brian Sasaki for chairing, Bishop Marvin Harada for his well-received message and to Reverend Laverne Imori for assisting. We give our deep appreciation to all the groups who provided entertainment and to Kimberly Kruse and Bill Teague for lending us their technical abilities so we could view the video. I think the founding families of our Temple would be proud of our efforts to provide a place to gather and share the Dharma through services, events and our emphasis of Dana.

Thank you to everyone that made this day special by volunteering for all the many duties. Many of you received a 95th Anniversary pen but if you haven't, please come to the Temple office and accept a small token of our appreciation for your support. We hope you will share some of your Temple memories with us so we can preserve them for generations to come.

Beginning on November 1st, Reverend Gregory Gibbs from Pasadena Buddhist Temple will be our supervising minister. We welcome him as part of our Sangha and look forward to having him visit us in person.

In closing, I want to thank everyone for supporting the Temple, keeping it financially sound as we make our way through the pandemic. Many of us feel that we are on our way to getting back to having in person services and events. When we do, we know the Sangha will do it safely, respectfully and will take care of one another.

Gassho, LuAnn Lee

Rev. Mukojima's Japanese message does not appear in the printed edition due to space limitations. If you wish to receive his article, a printed copy can be mailed to you. Mukojima Sensei's message can be found online on the electronic version of the Bussei Script. Thank you for your understanding.

BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

The Board of Directors met on October 14th -

1. Kenji Sensei provided his final monthly report to the Board as the temple's resident minister. Services, phone visitations, training and classes, activities, meetings and planning for the ministerial transition were reviewed.
2. Rev. Gregory Gibbs, Pasadena Buddhist Temple, will supervise San Diego until a permanent resident minister is assigned by the BCA. Rev. Gibbs joined the meeting and was welcomed by Board President LuAnn Lee.
3. A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the Supervising Minister was approved. It will be reviewed after 6 months.
4. It was agreed to leave the minister's residence vacant to correspond to the length of the MOU. The house will be available for lodging for Rev. Gibbs or other guests as needed.
5. The Board ratified the e-mail vote for a monetary retirement gift for the Akahoshis.
6. All standing committees and affiliated organizations provided updates on their activities.
7. Thank you to all of the volunteers who made the 95th Anniversary observance and the Akahoshi's farewell a memorable day.
7. The Board thanked Rev. Akahoshi for his spiritual guidance, leadership, and commitment to the Sangha and the greater San Diego community for the past 8 years.

BWA NEWS

The 95th Anniversary Zoom Service and the Going Away event for Reverend and Mrs. Akahoshi were memorable and heart-warming. From Bishop Marvin Harada's impressive power point presentation of our Temple's history to the Dharma School line dancing and gift giving videos, and finally, the Good-Bye drive through. It was a day filled with warmth and sincerity expressing our love and heartfelt good wishes for Karen and Kenji Sensei. The BWA presented them with a beautiful hand-made kokeshi doll print quilt and monetary gifts. We will greatly miss their presence here at the Temple.

The BWA Paso Almond Sale is in full swing. Please order soon before items run out. The order form is on page 9 of the Kaiho, or you can go to our website. It will make a delicious treat for the upcoming holiday season.

Although the World BWA Convention in Japan will not be held until May 10-12, 2023, the tour companies are encouraging us to think about our plans to attend.

The Southern District BWA Conference held on Oct. 9 by the Gardena Buddhist Church was very interesting and informative. There were over 170 participants from all over the world in attendance. Three of our ladies were able to view the conference at the Temple through the help of Ralph Honda, Sue Moribe, Junko Kajita and Akie Tomiyama. This way we made the internet safe and accessible for those who do not have access to Zoom events.

In gassho,
Mani Ryan

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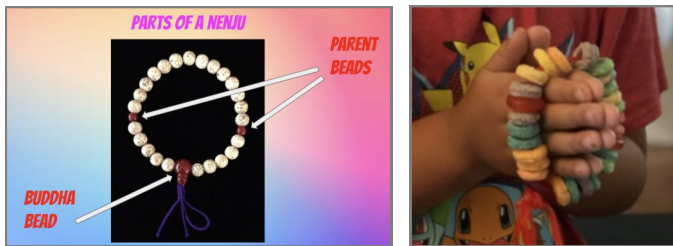
I would encourage you to place your order electronically via the Temple web site if possible. In conjunction with the Yasukochi event will be the Temple Tee Shirt Sale. With the Covid situation, we decided not to have our traditional "Obon" Tee Shirt but rather a "Temple" T Shirt this year. The deadline for placing your order is November 21 and can be ordered on line as well. For more information, go to the Temple web site.

In Gassho, Glenn Torio and Ann Ong

DHARMA SCHOOL NEWS

Did you know that over one million people, including over 284,000 children, are currently facing hunger in San Diego County? Some Dharma school families, teachers, and staff along with some temple members participated in a community service project at Feeding San Diego. They cleaned and packed 5,000 pounds of apples for various programs like the School Pantry Program that serves local San Diegans experiencing hunger.

Do you know how to make a Nenju? The K-3 class learned about the parts of a Nenju and made their very own Nenju out of candy!



Students deepened their understanding of Impermanence and Interdependence from two Dharma talks last month. Smitty Sensei reminded us about the importance of Interdependence by explaining how many people it takes to make a pizza! Sharon Sasaki's Dharma talk titled, "Think BIIG" focused on the Four Marks of Existence:

- Life is a **B**umpy Road
- Life is **I**mpermanent
- Life is **I**nterdependent
- Life Can Be **G**reat!

On October 31, we celebrated our second spooktacular Halloween Party via Zoom. Our Halloween service was chaired by the 4th-8th grade class in their costumes and the Jr. YBA put together Halloween party bags and led the games. We enjoyed all the costumes as the kids received virtual candy. Although we could not have a potluck or play musical chairs-like in a normal year - we all enjoyed ourselves.

On behalf of the Dharma School, we wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving!
In Gassho,
Lisa Umekubo

ALL LIVING BEINGS MEMORIAL

This year, we are observing our "All Living Beings" Memorial Service on Sunday, December 5th. We invite anyone who wishes to honor a pet or other living being at this memorial service to send in, via mail or email, a photo, name and a short memory to the temple office by November 30th. (Anything after that, will not be received in time to add to the service).



2021 Winter Clothing Donation Drive



The Buddhist Temple of San Diego / Dana Group is supporting Streets of Hope, an organization with a vision to give hope to those who live on the streets of San Diego.

We will need gently used warm clothing items such as jackets, sweaters, sweatshirts, thick socks, etc. Please drop off your donations at our temple during the month of November.

ANNUAL HOLIDAY FOOD DRIVE

Sponsored by BTSD Jr. YBA

Donations accepted:
Non-perishable food and monetary gifts. (Make checks payable to SD Jr. YBA). Monetary gifts may be mailed to the temple, or



Drop off your donation **DECEMBER 4 During the Yasukochi Farms Drive Through**

This Dana Project, now in its 46th year, enables families in need to have an enjoyable holiday season. Last year we provided 5 baskets for families in need.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT!

DONATIONS

The Buddhist Temple of San Diego is grateful to the following individuals and organizations for their donations to the Temple and its affiliated organizations. "IMO" means "In memory of." For a correction, please contact the temple 619-239-0896.

BUDDHIST TEMPLE

Kawasaki, Mildred & Trace
Memorial Service -
Pauline & Sam Nakamura
IMO Sanroku Kawasaki
IMO Edward Yamashita
IMO Toshitaro Yamashita
IMO Florence Yamashita
IMO Kotono Takahashi
Thank You for
Hanamatsuri Flowers
Martinez, Nancy - Dana
Group - Asylum Seekers
Shigehara, Wilbur & Janice
Otsuji, Dennis & Elaine
Tsuneyoshi, Motoo & Angie
IMO Jukichi Yamasaki
Kitano, Margie
Morinaka Family
Aoyama, K. Alice - 3rd Year
Service Rev. Aoyama
D'Orsi, Ruby -Mem. Service
Shigeo Yamamoto Family
Yoshiye Yamamoto
Elaine Yamamoto Melin
Honda, Ralph & Avis - Dana,
Asylum Seeker Donation
Offering
IMO Rev. Aoyama
Aoyama, Tessho & Joy -
3rd Year Memorial -
Rev. Tesshi Aoyama
Anonymous
Onaka, Jun -
3rd Year Mem. Service
Yoko Onaka
Okuhara, Roy & Karen
Honda, Mikiye
IMO Mas Asakawa
Uyeji, Masako
IMO Micky Kitagawa
IMO Zentaro Asamen
Hill, Miyo - Scouts
Stuffed Animal Drive
Smith, Maribeth "Smitty"
Stuffed Animal Drive
Hashiguchi, John & Tsune
Stuffed Animal Drive
Kuwada, Howard Kanji &
Kaneko
Sugiyama, Yukiko
IMO Yasaku Nakamura
Offering
Yamamoto, Jane
Cary, Daniel & Jane
IMO Roy Yonekura
IMO Mary Tomiyama
IMO Steven Tomiyama

Ogasawara, Michiko - 1st Yr
Mem.-Arikazu Ogasawara
Demello, Sharon L - IMO
Dear friend Tomiyo Ota
Moncrief, Mayko

95th ANNIVERSARY

Yoshida, Laura
Ochi, K. Kay
Driscoll, Christine
Yonekura, Susan
Nakamura, Jake K. & Patty
Kaneko, Richard
Ohara, Ann
Benson, Agnes
Koga, Florence
Kawamoto, Mitsuko
Gladsjo, Julie
Ochi-Fontanott, Janet
Uchiyama, Tissa & Chris
Torio, Betty
Matsumoto, Richard
Martinez, Nancy
Tsuji, Masako
Teague, Bill & Joyce
Ohara, Fumiko
Uyeji, Masako
Honda, Ralph & Avis
Estes, Carol
Yamamoto, Koichi & Joyce
Hashiguchi, John & Tsune
Negoro, Glenn
Aoyama, K. Alice
Furuya, George Jr & Gail
Tsuneyoshi, Motoo & Angie
Torio, Glenn & Janet
Shigeoka, Blanche
Himaka, Michio & Naomi

BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS

Ochi-Fontanott, Janet
Kaneshiro, Gale

COVID -19

Kawasaki, Mildred & Trace
Sasaki, Brian & Lorin

BCA DANA

Kawasaki, Kiyo & Aileen
Otsuji, Dennis & Elaine

EITAIKYO FUND

Liss, Kathryn Moriyama
IMO Miki Moriyama 2/1988
IMO James Niklos Link 2/93
IMO Sakuhichi Yano 3/1954
IMO Chieko L. Moriyama
10/28/2020

IMO Chiyo Yano 11/15/1936
Bobrowich, Mary Laing
IMO Tomiyo Ota

GENERAL MAINTENANCE

Anonymous

MEMBERSHIP PLEDGES

*Thank You for your
recent renewals:*
Tanizaki, Gary
Torio, Glenn & Janet
Guiang, Cynthia & Orlando
Kitano, Margie
Negoro, Glenn
Rubio-Torres, Arturo
Seymour, Leslie

OHIGAN

Nakamura, Jake K. & Patty
Koga, Florence
Gladsjo, Julie
Kashima, Jeanie
Graeber, Kiku
Shigeoka, Blanche

SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Kitano, Margie

SHOTSUKI HOYO

Yanagihara, Sumi
IMO Tom Yanagihara
Kawamoto, Mitsuko
IMO Tomio Mayumi
Martinez, Nancy
Ohara, Fumiko
Estes, Carol
IMO Aiko Muraoka

Suyenaga, Irene
IMO Mary Suyenaga
Hashiguchi, John & Tsune
IMO Kasuke Hashiguchi
Voorhies, Ruth
IMO Kotono Takahashi
10-11-1980
Honda, Mikiye - October
Kuwada, Howard Kanji &
Kaneko
IMO Tomoyo
Liss, Kathryn Moriyama
IMO Miki Moriyama 2/1988
IMO Sakuhichi Yano 3/1954
Moriyama Family
IMO Chieko L. Moriyama
10/28/2020
Kida, Katsumi
IMO Nobuzo Kida
IMO Koichi Fujii
Kawamoto, Mitsuko
IMO Takashi Mayumi - Oct.
Takashima, Wilbur
IMO Katsue Takashima
IMO Tatsuo Richard
Takashima
Himaka, Michio & Naomi
IMO Kazuye Himaka- Oct
IMO Rev. Jim Yanagihara
IMO So Yamada - Sept
Correction from October:
Sugiyama, Yukiko
IMO Yasuyuki Sugiyama
Yano, Michael
IMO Tad Yano
IMO Toki Yano

Stuffed Animal Drive

Thank you to everyone for your generous donations to our Stuffed Animal Drive from the Scouts. We received 86 stuffed animals and \$400 in monetary donations that will go to the Ronald McDonald House and help comfort many kids. We are incredibly grateful for everyone's kindness and generosity. Thank you to Ms. Nancy, Sensei Laverne, and our parents for helping us along the way. *Thank you!*

In Gassho,
Andrea Covarrubias and Cassidy Muraoka



EITAIKYO (Perpetual Memorial)

Dear Sangha Members and Dharma Friends:

The Buddhist Temple of San Diego (BTSD) will hold its annual Eitaikyo (Perpetual Memorial) Service on Sunday, November 14. The service will be pre-recorded and can be accessed electronically via the internet on the temple's YouTube channel. Please contact the office for the YouTube link.

Reverend Hibiki Murakami, resident minister of the Los Angeles Homba Hongwanji Buddhist Temple will deliver the Dharma messages in both English and Japanese.

Established over 60 years ago, Eitaikyo honors all dedicated members and Dharma friends whether known or unknown, in perpetuity, who devoted themselves for the spiritual welfare of BTSD. A list of all Eitaikyo honorees appear on pages 7-9.

Today, BTSD encourages that Eitaikyo be established, not only for deceased loved ones, but for the living as well. Such a practice enables the Sangha to chant the sutras and to receive the Buddha-Dharma with deep appreciation and gratitude. New participants are invited to start an Eitaikyo Fund at any time.

A suggested minimum contribution of \$100.00 is required to record a new name earmarked for Eitaikyo remembrance. Future donations towards the fund will be accepted with the deepest amount of appreciation and gratitude.

The Eitaikyo Fund is constrained so that it cannot be used for general temple operations. Funds may be used for the sole purpose of maintaining of religious articles in the Onaijin (center of worship) or in case of an extreme emergency.

Included with this mailing are two envelopes. Please use the blue envelope for your donation to the Eitaikyo Fund. The white envelope is for your Eitaikyo Service offering.

Thank you for your heartfelt consideration and continued support towards Eitaikyo. We look forward to your participation.

In Gassho,
Buddhist Temple of San Diego

EITAIKYO FUND FORM

Name of Donor: _____

New Account? YES or NO (Circle) - For BOTH YES and NO, please fill-in the information below

Donating for (Name): _____ Relationship: _____

Donating for (Name): _____ Relationship: _____

Donating for (Name): _____ Relationship: _____

Donating for (Name): _____ Relationship: _____

Date: ____ / ____ / _____ Donation Amount: \$ _____ Check #: _____

Credit: Visa MC Card No.: _____ Exp. Date: _____

Mail form (and donation) to: Buddhist Temple of San Diego
2929 Market Street
San Diego, CA 92102

EITAIKYO LISTING 2021

Below is a list of names that have been recorded in the Buddhist Temple of San Diego's Eitaikyo (Perpetual Memorial) book, as of October 2020. The temple apologizes for any errors or omissions. To help keep our records up-to-date, please contact the temple with any corrections. The annual Eitaikyo letter precedes the listings. The temple looks forward to your participation with the annual Eitaikyo observance. Note: Newest additions are at the end of this list.

LAST	FIRST
AKIYAMA	Yasu
AMANO	Mitsuru
AMANO	Sam
AMANO	Takeko
AMANO	Momoyo & Shigeo
AMANO	Osamu
AMANO	Shigeto & Yaeno
AMANO	(Ancestors)
ARAUMI	Shin
ARAUMI	Zentaro
ARAUMI	(Ancestors)
ASAMEN	Eda & Zentaro
ASAMEN	George
ASAMEN	Kumiko
ASAMEN	(Family)
AZUMA	Sueichi
AZUMA	Tora
AZUMA	(Ancestors)
AZUMA	(Parents)
BABA	Chosuke
BARRETT	Max. E.
BARRETT	Elaine Matsumoto
BENSON	John E.
BLOOM	Tony
CHEEKS	Sumie Otani
CHIYOJI	George
COPPOCK	(Family)
DAMESHIKI	Francis
DATE	Akira
DATE	Kimiye
DATE	Ofuji
DATE	Tamotsu
DATE	(Family)
DOI	Hidekichi
DOI	Kurume
DOI	Shiruno
DOI	Terry
DUTTON	Jeanette M.
EEJIMA	Richard Jr.
EEJIMA	Richard Sr.
ESTES	Donald H.
FUJII	Koichi
FUKAMIZU	Frank
FURUYA	George Sr.
FURUYA	Iwa
FURUYA	Shigeyuki
FURUYA	Takaye Shiz
FURUYA	(Family)

LAST	FIRST
GRAEBER	Kikue
HAGIO	Leo
HAGIO	Yuruko
HAGIO	Shie
HAMADA	Leora
HAMAGUCHI	Teikichi
HANANO	(Family)
HASHIGUCHI	(Ancestors)
HASHIGUCHI	Fusi
HASHIGUCHI	Kasuke
HATASHITA	(Ancestors)
HATAUYE	Gitaro
HATAUYE	Kura
HAYASHI	Haru
HAYASHI	Taroueman
HIDINGER	Ron
HIDINGER	Holly
HIMAKA	Chosuke
HIMAKA	Haru
HIMAKA	Kazuye
HIMAKA	Osao & Setsuko
HIMAKA	(Family)
HIRAKAWA	Kenichi
HIRAKAWA	Shigeno
HIRAKAWA	Toshi
HIRAKAWA	Wataru
HIRATA	(Family)
HIROSHIGE	Hiroichi
HIROSHIGE	Fusae
HONDA	Mikiye
HONDA	Ben
HONDA	Hachiro & Fumino
HONDA	Masami & Yaeko
HONDA	Nobuo
HONDA	Ralph
HONDA	(Ancestors)
HOSAKA	Minetaro
HOSAKA	Roy S.
IGUCHI	Haruko
IGUCHI	Mariko
IKENOUE	(Family)
IMAI	Hiroshiga
IMAI	Ichigoro
IMAI	Mine
IMAI	(Parents)
INOUE	Eijiro
INOUE	Hiroyuki
INOUE	Ume
INOUE	(Family)

LAST	FIRST
ISHINO	Kosaburo
ISHINO	Matsue
ISHISAKI	Eikichi
ISHISAKI	Ronnie
ISHISAKI	Toriyo
ISHISAKI	Tsugiye
ISHIZAKI	Joseph R.
ISHIZAKI	Priscilla M
ISHIZU	Masaichi
ISHIZU	Osamu
ISHIZU	(Family)
ITAMI	Umeko
ITO	Bob
ITO	Elwood
ITO	Harry
ITO	Hazel
ITO	Emiko
ITO	Ikichi
ITO	Kitsu
ITO	Matsu
ITO	Tsuzuki
ITO	Tsuzuki (Parents)
ITO	Tazuki
ITO	Nobuko
ITO	Usaburo
ITO	Onoe
ITO	Family (Ancestors)
IWASHITA	Zembei & Tamiko
IWASHITA	(Family)
IWATA	Hideo
IWATAKI	Yoshiko
IWATAKI	Masami
JONES	(Family)
KADO	Susan
KAMIMURA	Ei
KAMIMURA	Funauyemon
KAMIMURA	(Family)
KANEKO	Kakuaki
KANEKO	Shuji
KANEKO	(Family)
KANESHIRO	Eijiro
KANESHIRO	Gale
KANESHIRO	(Family)
KASAKISAKO	(Family)
KASHIMA	Jeanie
KASHIMA	Tetsuyo
KASHIMA	(Family)
KASUBUCHI	James
KASUBUCHI	James (Family)

LAST	FIRST
KAWAKAMI	Mine
KAWAMOTO	Harry
KAWAMOTO	Ito
KAWAMOTO	Imataro
KAWAMOTO	Michael
KAWAMOTO	Mitsuko
KAWAMOTO	Yukio
KAWAMOTO	Sakayo
KAWAMOTO	Shinshichi
KAWAMOTO	Tsuruyo
KAWAMOTO	Umeko
KAWASAKI	Kikuyo
KAWASAKI	Seki
KAWASAKI	(Family)
KINOSHITA	Kijiro
KITAGAWA	Michiko
KITAGAWA	(Ancestors)
KITANO	Kimiko
KITANO	Tadashi
KIYONO	Ichinosuke
KIYONO	Kazuo
KIYONO	(Family)
KOBA	Haruki & Michiko
KOBA	Masanori (Family)
KODAMA	Family
KODAMA	Chieko
KODAMA	Chiyeno
KODAMA	George Yukio
KODAMA	Takeko
KODAMA	Kojiro
KODAMA	Kaijiro
KODAMA	Toichi
KODAMA	Yukino
KOGA	Irene
KOGA	Kazuo
KOGA	M.T. (Family)
KONDO	Otokichi
KONISHI	Jon I.
KOSHIKI	Kuwada
KUROYE	Masashige
KUROYE	(Family)
KUSAKA	(Ancestors)
KUWADA	Koichi
KUWADA	Mitsuko
KUWADA	Tomoyo
KUWADA	(Family)
MAMIYA	Tami
MAMIYA	Tatsuo

LAST	FIRST
MAMIYA	Yoshigoro
MAMIYA	Yoshio
MATHEWS	Hisako
MATSUDA	Fujitaro
MATSUDA	Totaro
MATSUI	Akito
MATSUI	Hanano
MATSUI	Taro
MATSUI	(Family)
MATSUMOTO	Dorothy S.
MATSUMOTO	Harry Tokio
MATSUMOTO	(Family)
MASUMOTO	Koichi
MASUMOTO	Shigeru
MASUMOTO	Yuki
MASUMOTO	Family
MATSUSHITA	(Ancestors)
MAYUMI	Manae
MAYUMI	Hiroshi
MAYUMI	Kiyoji
MAYUMI	Takashi
MAYUMI	Tamio
MIYAMA	Isamu
MIYAMA	(Family)
MIYAMOTO	Koichi
MIYAMOTO	Shika
MIYAMOTO	Eihachi
MIYAMOTO	Yoshi
MIZUKI	Masato
MIZUKI	Florence
MIZUKI	Tamiko
MIZUSHIRO	Masato
MOMITA	Asao
MOMITA	Fumiko
MORIBE	Chieno
MORIBE	Hiromi
MORIBE	Susan
MORIBE	(Family)
MORIMOTO	Zeiichiro
MORINAKA	Asako
MORINAKA	Dennis
MORINAKA	Roy
MURAOKA	Aiko
MURAOKA	Haruko
MURAOKA	Kiyoji
MURAOKA	Saburo
MURAOKA	Unjiro
MURAOKA	(Ancestors)
MURATA	Tamotsu
MURATA & UCHIDA	(Family)
NABETA	Ritsuko
NABETA	Fred Fukumi
NAKAGAWA	Kichizo
NAKAGAWA	Yasu

LAST	FIRST
NAKAGAWA	Kou
NAKAGAWA	Seki
NAKAMURA	Utako
NAKAMURA	Yasaku
NAKAMURA	Hanako
NAKAMURA	Kinjiro
NAKAMURA	Koyoshi
NAKAMURA	Tamayo
NAKAMURA	Pauline
NAKAMURA*	Isamu
NAKAMURA	Fuji
NAKAMURA	Fukumatsu
NAKAMURA	Hamako
NAKAMURA	Yoshiko
NAKAMURA	Minoru
NAKATA	Katae
NAKATA	Kazue
NAKATA	Yonesuke
NAKATA	Yoza
NEGORO	Glenn M.
NEGORO	Yukiko
NEGORO	Yaguro
NIMURA	Tamizo
NIMURA	(Ancestors)
NIMURA	(Family)
NISHII	Gen
NISHII	Rev. Guzei
NISHII	Nobue
NISHII	Masaru
NISHIUYE	Midori
OCHI	Akiji
OCHI	Ichiye
OCHI	Hideo
OCHI	Hisa
OCHI	Kizo
OCHI	Masa
ODATE	Abe (wife's parents)
ODATE	Frank
OGATA	Kasuke
OGAWA	Toshino
OGAWA	Zenichi
OGAWA	(Ancestors)
OGAWA	(Family)
OHARA	Buyemon
OHARA	Kisae
OHARA	Mitsu
OHARA	Takenori
OHARA	Takeyoshi
OJIRI	David T.
OKUMA	Yukichi
OKUMA	Mitose
OKUMA	Keisuke
OKUMA	Yoshie
OKUMA	(Family/Parents)
OMORI	Giiichi (Family)
OMORI	Kiyoko

LAST	FIRST
OSAKI	Kiyotaro
OSAKI	Wasa
OSAKI	Earl Isoki
OSAKI	Louise Tsuruko
OSAKI	(Ancestors)
OSUMI	Yukichi
OTO	Shigeru
OTO	Motono
OTO	Jeffery Akira
OTO	(Ancestors)
OTSUJI	Ayako
OTSUJI	Dennis
OTSUJI	Elaine
OTSUJI	Haruhiko
OUCHI	Kaizo
OUCHI	Masu
OUCHI	Tayo
OUCHI	Kingo
OUCHI	Michie
OUCHI	(Ancestors)
OYA	Fujie
OZAKI	Hisashi
PRESTIGE	(Family)
RUSSELL	Ruwena
SAITO	Jinsaku
SAKAMOTO	Komeno
SAKAMOTO	Shunzo
SAMESHIMA	Tsuneichi
SAMESHIMA	Yukino
SANTOHIGASHI	Taiji
SANTOHIGASHI	Sachiko
SANTOHIGASHI	Kiyoko
SANTOHIGASHI	Masao
SATAKE	Shigeo
SEGAWA	Lillian
SHIMADA	Ichi
SHIMADA	Kikue
SHIMADA	Kikushige
SHIMIZU	Christine
SHIMIZU	Paul & Emi H.
SHIMIZU	Seiichi & Shizuko
SHINOHARA	Jimmie
SHINOHARA	Masako
SHINOHARA	Matsu
SHINOHARA	Natsue
SHINOHARA	(Ancestors)
SUGITA	Sam
SUGIYAMA	Uta
SUGIYAMA	Saburo
SUGIYAMA	Mine
SUGIYAMA	Yoshio
SUGIYAMA	Misono
SUGIYAMA	Yukiko

LAST	FIRST
SUGIYAMA	Yasuyuki
SUGIYAMA	Kuzo (Family)
SUGIYAMA	Hideo
SUGIYAMA	Kuzo
SUMIDA	Floyd & Kathleen
SUYENAGA	Hideo
SUYENAGA	Mary
TACHIKI	Naminosuke
TACHIKI	Tetsu
TACHIKI	Frank
TACHIKI	(Family)
TAKASHIMA	(Ancestors)
TAKASHIMA	Katsue
TAKASHIMA	Sandra Sachiko
TAKASHIMA	Yoshiko
TAKASHIMA	Katsumi J.
TAKASHIMA	Richard Tatsuo
TAKASHIMA	Tsume
TANAKA	Mitsuko
TANAKA	Shigeru
TANAKA	Tsukiye
TANAKA	Tsuruye
TANAKA	Brian R.
TANIZAKI	Hamano
TANIZAKI	Katsu
TANIZAKI	Masaaki
TEAGUE	Betty Harvey
TEAGUE	J. Richard
TERUSAKI	George Hideo
TERUSAKI	Lily Yuriko
TERUSAKI	William, "Bill" Kenji
TOKUNAGA	Ron
TOMIYAMA	Sayoko
TOMIYAMA	Akie
TOMIYAMA	Steven
TOMIYAMA	Noboru
TOMOYO	Lin
TORIO	Charley
TORIO	Suna
TORIO	Yoshichiro
TOYOMARU	Chiyoki
TSUBAKIHARA	Sumiko
TSUNEYOSHI	(Family)
TSUNEYOSHI	Motoo & Angie
TSURUDOME	Peggy
TSURUDOME	Shigenori
UCHIDA	Setsuko
URATA	Goki
URATA	Mitsuyo
UYEJI	Magotsugu "Kottie"
WATAMURA	Heitaro
WATAMURA	Hideo B.
WATAMURA	Rose

LAST	FIRST	LAST	FIRST	LAST	FIRST	LAST	FIRST	LAST	FIRST
WATAMURA	Tokuyo	YAMAMOTO	Noboru	YAMASHITA	Chiyo	YANAGIHARA	Tosaburo	YONEKURA	(Ancestors)
WINTER	Michelle J.	YAMAMOTO	Sachiye	YAMASHITA	Chozaburo	YANAGIHARA	(Family)	YONEKURA	Hashio
YADA	Tome	YAMAMOTO	Shizue	YAMASHITA	Florence	YANO	Chiyo	YONEKURA	Tatsujiro
YADA	Motoji	YAMAMOTO	Steven	YANAGIHARA	Harue	YANO	Sakuhichi	YONEKURA	Tom
YAMADA	Harry	YAMANISHI	Jukichi	YANAGIHARA	Ichi	YANO	Tokihira	YONEKURA	Yoshie
YAMADA	Rosie	YAMANISHI	Matsu	YANAGIHARA	Kotaro	YANO	Tadashi	YONEKURA	Ryu
YAMADA	Suzy	YAMANISHI	Sawa	YANAGIHARA	Rino	YANO	George Chiyoji	YONEKURA	Glenn Toshiharu
YAMAGATA	Chiyo	YAMASAKI	Jinkichi & Tetsu	YANAGIHARA	Senkichi	YANO	Hajime	YOSHIHARU	Ronnie
YAMAMOTO	Eiichi	YAMASAKI	Shinkichi	YANAGIHARA	Shizuko	YANO	Yoshiharu	YOSHISAKA	Tamayo
YAMAMOTO	Hisano	YAMASAKI	Shinkichi	YANAGIHARA	Tom Sr.	YANO	(Family)	YUKICHI	Mitose
YAMAMOTO	Irene	YAMASHITA	Shozo	YANAGIHARA	Masaru	YASAKI	Jinkichi	IWATAKI	Masami
YAMAMOTO	George								

BUDDHIST EDUCATION THIS MONTH

Welcome Reverend Hibiki Junkyo Murakami!

The Temple welcomes Murakami Sensei as our guest speaker for our combined Eitaikyo Service and the BWA Eshinni and Kakushinni Memorial on Sunday, November 14. The service will be shared by video.



The Eitaikyo Service, or Perpetual Memorial Service, focuses our commitment to keep the Dharma and the Temple going into the future. Eitaikyo translates as “perpetual chanting of the sutras.” It reminds us of our spiritual commitment as continually (perpetually) present.

The Buddhist Women’s Association Eshinni and Kakushinni Memorial is dedicated to the memory of the women who contributed to the founding of our Jodo Shinshu tradition, specifically Eshinni, who married and supported Shinran Shonin, and Kakushinni, their daughter, who was instrumental in keeping Shinran’s teachings and legacy alive after his death.

About Rev. Murakami

Murakami Sensei was born and raised as the oldest son of Jonen-ji Temple in Kitakyushu, Fukuoka, Japan. He received a bachelor’s and a master’s degree in letters of Shin Buddhism at Ryukoku University in Kyoto in 2016 and 2018. Rev. Murakami received Tokudo ordination in 2013 and Kyoshi certification in 2015. His Buddhist name is Shaku Junkyo.

At the Jodo Shinshu Center in Berkeley, he completed the orientation program for ministers coming from Japan, known as IMOP (International Ministerial Orientation Program) in January 2018. Since then, he has served the Los Angeles Homba Hongwanji Buddhist Temple.

Appropriate to a Los Angeles lifestyle, his hobby is his car. He owns and continues to fix up his MINI Cooper.

CALLING ALL REPORTERS

If you’d like to help the Sangha learn more about what your affiliated organization or group is doing, the Social Media Committee is happy to train you to

- Leverage Kaiho Articles for News Articles on the Website
- Leverage News Articles on the Website for Facebook and Instagram
- Use the Temple’s Google Drive for Google Forms

Are you interested? Contact the Temple and we will set up time for training in a personalized Zoom session.

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Orders will be available for pickup on December 4, or for an early pickup, November 18 or after, contact the temple at 619-239-0896



NOVEMBER SHOTSUKI LIST

The Temple & Sangha offers sincere condolences to the family and friends of:

Masato Asakawa passed away on Sept. 24, 2021

Tomíyo Ota passed away on October 5, 2021

Míyo Hill passed away on October 22, 2021

This month's monthly memorial service will be posted to our YouTube channel on Sunday, November 7. Families and friends of anyone who passed away in November are urged to watch the video, burn incense at your home O Butsudan and Gassho in memory of your deceased loved ones. Gassho.

DECEASED

FAMILY MEMBER

Tsugi Imaizumi (11-16-1924).....Imaizumi Family
 Shintaro Morikawa (11-21-1933).....Sekishiro Family
 Shinyemon Honda (11-6-1934).....Yagade Family
 Chiyo Yano (11-15-1936).....Moriyama Family
 Suye Kato (11-23-1938).....Otsuji Family
 Setsuko Mizoshima (11-10-1939).Shintaro Matsumoto
 Shika Masumoto (11-24-1939).....Chiyoko Masumoto
 Kiemon Shinden (11-11-1942).....Ohara Family
 Eijiro Inouye (11-18-1943).....Inouye Family
 Mine Sugiyama (11-7-1944).....Sugiyama Family
 Kanejiro Kondo (11-24-1945).....Ruth Voorhies
 Yasuo Murata (11-4-1946).....Hamae Murata
 Masashi Ito (11-13-1952).....Hiroko Ito
 Imataro Kawamoto (11-24-1953).....Kawamoto Family
 Hamako Nakamura (11-21-1954).....Yukiko Sugiyama
 Okiku Sakamoto (11-21-1954).....Emily Marumoto
 Asano Iguchi (11-8-1955).....Iguchi Family
 Hatsuno Tsuji (11-12-1956).....Tsuji Family
 Motoji Yada (11-27-1956).....Yada Family
 Nao Taketa (11-20-1957).....Shiraishi Family
 Lillian Segawa (11-20-1957).....Segawa Family
 Steven Torio (11-13-1959).....Betty Torio
 Shinobu Takeshita (11-21-1966).....Randy Takeshita
 Taira Hosaka (11-22-1967).....Frank Hosaka
 Kiyoji Mayumi (11-13-1969).....Mayumi Family
 Sonojo Sameshima (11-26-1972)....Takashi Sameshima
 Iwa Furuya (11-4-1976).....George Furuya Jr.
 Isao Nishiguchi (11-16-1979).....Sylvia Nishiguchi
 Shigeru Masumoto (11-27-1979).....Chiyoko Masumoto
 Tora Azuma (11-7-1980).....Shizuka Azuma
 Umeno Itami (11-11-1980).....Chikaye Mary Itami
 Kiku Sueyoshi (11-1-1984).....Sueyoshi Family
 Chiyo Yamashita (11-19-1984).....Emiko Yamashita
 Zensuke Sueyoshi (11-3-1987).....Sueyoshi Family

DECEASED

FAMILY MEMBER

Fujiye Sakamoto (11-8-1987).....Sakamoto Family
 Kimi Ikenouye (11-20-1987).....Iwashita Family
 Richard Eejima (11-4-1988).....Margie Nishiguchi
 Giichi Omori (11-7-1989).....Shirley Omori
 Aiko Hamatake (11-2-1990).....Masako Prestige
 Katsuyo Hamaguchi (11-17-1990).....Matsuko Wong
 Sachiko Santohigashi (11-20-1992)..Shunichi Santohigashi
 Hatsuye Uyeno (11-20-1993).....Nabeta Family
 Margaret Fumiko Terada (11-22-1993).....Bruce Owashi
 Takeyoshi Ohara (11-20-1995).....Ann Ohara
 Max E. Barrett (11-16-1996).....Lisa Miller
 Hiroichi Hiroshige (11-18-1997).....Moribe Family
 Kunio Kawamoto (11-22-1997).....Lillian Kawamoto
 Asako Fujii (11-28-1997).....Ikuko Murphy
 Sadako Ishizu (11-28-1998).....Setsuko Toyama
 George Terusaki (11-28-1999).....Steven Terusaki
 Fusako Matsui (11-18-2000).....Matsui Family
 Dick Toshio Hachisu (11-13-2001).....Florence Hachisu
 Tamayo Yoshisaka (11-26-2001).....Masanobu Yoshisaka
 Albert Ichiro Saito (11-24-2003).....Evelyn Chieko Saito
 Sachiye Yamamoto (11-13-2007).....Kengo Yamamoto
 Akiji Ochi (11-27-2007).....Kay Ochi
 Yoshiko Nakamura (11-14-2009).....Jake Nakamura
 Dennis Morinaka (11-30-2009).....Asako Morinaka
 Ritsuko Nabeta (11-7-2010).....Joyce Teague
 Shigeru Oto (11-10-2011).....Junko Oto
 Kazuo Kosaka (11-1-2014).....Miyoko Kosaka
 Tokuko Huffman (11-24-2014).....Samuel Yang
 Norman Satoshi Yagade (11-7-2015)Steven Kiyoshi Yagade
 Kirk Akahoshi (11-6-2019)....Rev. Kenji & Karen Akahoshi
 David T. Shiraishi (11-30-2019).....Shiraishi Family
 Yukio Kawamoto (11-2-2020).....Mitsuko Kawamoto
 Mitsuo Ishihara (11-19-20).....Sally Ishihara

MEMORIAL SERVICES

Allow us to pay homage to loved ones who have passed away. In our Jodo Shinshu tradition, family members hold a service at certain intervals following a relative's death to express gratitude and acknowledge their continuing influence in our lives. To schedule a memorial service for a loved one, please call the office.

2021 is the memorial year for those who passed away in:

1st Year Memorial	2020	13th Year Memorial	2009	27th Year Memorial	1995
3rd Year Memorial	2019	17th Year Memorial	2004	33rd Year Memorial	1989
7th Year Memorial	2015	25th Year Memorial	1997	50th Year Memorial	1972

マウンテンビュー仏教会「回向」 二〇二一年十一月法話

悪人とは誰か？

駐在開教使 向嶋裕史

皆さんは、動物番組は好きでしょうか。私達家族は動物好きで度々親子揃って動物番組を楽しんで見えています。その中でも娘が大の動物好きで、彼女の一番好きな動物は地上最速の動物、チーターです。しかし残念ながら、チーターは絶滅危機に瀕している野生動物だそうです。環境破壊、低い繁殖能力、密猟、天敵のハイエナの存在といった悪条件が重なって、子供達が生き延びる確率は僅か五パーセント程だと言われています。

その現状を知ったうえで動物番組を見ていますと、子供達のいのちを繋ぐためにインパラを追う母親の姿は見る人の心を熱くし、厳しい環境下で懸命に生きようと奮闘するチーター親子の姿は大きな感動を与えます。

しかし一方で、インパラに焦点を当てた番組を見てしまいますと、性格がおとなしく、何とも可愛らしい目をしたインパラ親子を追いかけるチーターの姿は残酷に映り、インパラを仕留めた瞬間は正に悪者を見るような目で見てしまうことがあります。

面白いことに、ある動物の視点に立って番組を見てみると、その家族や群れへの愛着、その厳しい生活への同情というものが深まり、その動物の立場になって物事を見てしまいます。ですから、インパラを中心にして考えればインパラは善で、彼らを襲うチーターは悪と見なしてしまいます。ペンギンとアザラシ、アザラシとシヤチというふうな例えはたくさんありますが、私達は一体どちらの立場になって善と悪を判断しているのです。

ようか。言うまでもなく、どちらにも生きる権利があり、どちらにも狩りをする権利があるのです。そう考えますと、物事の善悪は凡夫の私達が決められるような簡単なものではないような気がします。

私達の日常生活においても同じことが言えるのではないのでしょうか。日頃から、あの人は善人だ、この人は悪人だと常に線引きしがります。しかし、先にも述べたように、こんな私達が本当に物事の善悪を見極めることが出来るのでしょうか。

私が大学に在籍していた頃、ある先生から聞かされた。日本の小説家に森鴎外という大変有名な方がいるのですが、彼の小説に『高瀬舟』というものがあります。京都の鴨川に沿って流れる高瀬川は江戸時代、罪人を大阪へ廻し遠島にする為に使われていました。その高瀬川を下る罪人が役人に告白する物語がこの『高瀬舟』です。

三十歳ばかりになる喜助というこの罪人は、病気の弟と一緒に暮らしていましたが、ある日、家に帰ってみると弟は病苦から逃れる為に喉に剃刀を突き刺し、血だらけになって苦しんでいました。しかし死にきれず、喉に刺さった剃刀を抜いてくれれば死ぬからと言って、剃刀を抜くように兄に頼んだのです。兄の喜助は、弟の恐ろしい程の悲痛な懇願に恐怖を感じましたが、意を決して剃刀を抜き、そして遂に弟は息絶えたのでした。これが腫夜の黒い水面を滑っていく高瀬舟の上で、喜助が話した罪の内容です。

その先生は私達に対して、「この喜助を私達は悪人と呼べるのでしょうか」と質問されました。大変難しい質問です。主人公は弟が苦しんでいるのを見るに忍びず、その苦しきから弟を救うため彼のいのちを絶ったのです。しかし、弟を殺したという罪は変わりません。このように、一つの行為が一方では善と受け取られ、

一方で悪と受け取られる事が多々あります。自分の喜びが、他人の苦しみの種であったりもします。自分にとって悪いことが他人にとっては善いことかもしれません。ですから、私達はこれが善であり、正義であり、これが悪であると見極める事ができない存在であるという事に気づかなくてはなりません。

それでは、浄土真宗に於ける「悪人」とは一体誰を指しているのでしょうか。親鸞聖人の用いられる「悪人」という言葉は、あれが善、これが悪と物知り顔をする自惚れの強い人々に向けられたものです。常に正義と善人の立場に立って、他人を非難して、裁いている人。それは、一体誰のことでしょうか。私達は自分の胸に手を当ててよくよく考える必要があります。

このような人々に、親鸞聖人は「邪見で、自惚れの強い人は、仏のお慈悲に目覚める事が非常に困難である」と戒められておられます。しかし、この救いようのない邪見で驕慢な人こそ、仏にとって救わなければならない第一の衆生なのだとお教え下さっています。

『正信偈』の中に、「如来は大悲心をもって倦むことなく常に私を照らして下さい」とあるように、自己中心的な考え方でできない私を救わずにはおれないという、阿弥陀仏の強固な意志、その御力が常に私に向けられているのです。

阿弥陀仏の真実の光に照らされて自らを悪人(不完全な人間)であったと気づかされることは大変な難いことです。なぜなら、阿弥陀仏の本願に目覚め、自らを悪人と深く自覚した者には、己の欠点や過失を見出し、互いに謝り合い、互いに尊重し合い、そして互いのいのちを輝かせ合う究極の世界が待っているからです。己の悪人としての自覚は、「必ず見捨てない」という仏の大慈大悲を喜び、自らの煩惱のありさまを深く懺悔する世界へと導いてくれる阿弥陀仏の本願力に他なりません。常に謙虚でありたいものです。



BTSD 95th Anniversary & Farewell Sensei Kenji & Karen Akahoshi



Photos by Efton Woodford



We gave out a BTSD pen with a memento of the day with hope you will document your family for our 100th.



Yasukochi Farms CSA Box Fundraiser

Pick-up order: Saturday, December 4, 2021, 11:00am-1:00pm, Buddhist Temple of San Diego, drive through

Order & Payment due: Sunday, November 21, 2021

Payment options: PayPal, credit card or check



*Items in CSA Box may differ from those pictured. Strawberries will be as pictured.

In each CSA box, you can expect:

- A box of farm fresh produce most products grown using organic farming methods when possible. All products are grown by responsible food and safety conscious farmers.
- The majority of the freshly picked produce is grown by Yasukochi Family Farms located in Oceanside and other local partner growers. Staples may be supplemented as needed.
- Boxes are catered to each season and will be given a variety of handpicked produce.
- Each Box will contain 11-15 different produce items.

Make payment via PayPal Me at the following link: https://paypal.me/buddhisttemplesd?locale.x=en_US or mail check to Buddhist Temple of San Diego, 2929 Market Street, San Diego, CA 92102. We can match your check up to the online order submitted.

Or send this completed form and payment to the "Buddhist Temple of San Diego, Attn: Yasukochi Farms", 2929 Market St., San Diego, CA 92102. **Must be received by November 21, 2021.**

Percentage of proceeds from this fundraiser benefits the Buddhist Temple of San Diego's General Fund, which allows us to continue our programs and keep our doors open. Thank you for your participation.

Yasukochi Farms has also agreed to donate a portion of the proceeds of any orders placed directly with them on their website and delivered to your home. Please enter "Buddhist Temple of San Diego" in the Notes section when ordering online.: <https://www.yasukochifamilyfarmsoceanside.com/>

Please contact Ann Ong (fundraisersbtsd@gmail.com) with any questions regarding order or payment.

Please submit orders online (strongly encouraged for accuracy of orders) at the following link by Sunday, November 21, 2021.: <https://forms.gle/M34mvJ5mXAxqXbw87>

Name _____	Date _____
Email Address _____	Phone #: _____

Item	Cost	Quantity (enter #)	Total
CSA Regular Box <small>(Suggested for 1-3 people)</small>	\$25.00	_____	\$ _____
CSA Jumbo Box <small>(Suggested for 4-8 people)</small>	\$35.00	_____	\$ _____
Strawberries (3-pk)	\$10.00	_____	\$ _____
Cloth Face Mask <small>Several fabric choices on pick-up</small>	\$5.00	_____	\$ _____
Total order			\$ _____

If you prefer us to manually run your credit or debit card, please complete this authorization form.			
Mastercard	Visa	AMEX.	Acct # _____ Expires (MM/YY) / _____
Billing Address: _____			ZIP _____
Payor's Authorized Signature Required _____			