

HAKUHO



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MINISTER'S MESSAGE



Mamiko, Shogo and Rev. Shinsho Hata

Aloha, Members and Friends of Taishoji,

Happy New Year! Akemashite Omedeto Gozaimasu! Hau'oli Makahiki Hou!

My wife, my son and I would like to extend the best wishes from our family to yours. We are very grateful to you for the kindness you showed us last year. We hope 2021 will be Happy and Wonderful for your family! I'd like to introduce this Zen word to you. It is "**Nichi nichikore ko jitsu**" (日々是好日) in Japanese. It means every day is a precious day. Do you cherish every day? In your daily life, you would feel good or bad depending on the events of the day. If you cannot see your friend or travel due to the coronavirus, you might think it is a bad

day. But according to the Zen phrase, every day is a precious day. Even if it becomes a sad day. Even if it is a rainy day or a windy day, there will be new discovery and new joy. And you cannot go back to past days. Buddha said "do not dwell in the past, do not dream of the future, concentrate the mind on the present moment." We tend to regret what we did in the past and feel anxious about the future, but we should not think about it. It just wastes the limited time of our life. That's why, no matter what happens, you should cherish every moment, enjoy your life and act to others with compassion as much as possible. In addition, whether you spend a good day or bad day is always up to you. Nobody but you can decide this, because you are the master of your life. Depending on your thoughts, you can enrich your life.

Finally, I would like to do Zen practices with everyone and cherish our limited lifetime from now on. I wish you this year filled with peace, good health and happiness. May Buddha bless you.

Namu Kie Butsu. Namu Kie Ho. Namu Kie So.

In Gassho,

Rev. Shinsho Hata

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Akemashite Omedeto Gozaimasu! - HAPPY NEW YEAR!

"Happy New Year". May this year be a very good year for all of us.

Thank you for your support and understanding through my years as Kyodan President. I appreciate all the help and cooperation from everyone. I am grateful for the members and friends who came when help was needed. Some projects were time consuming and took a lot of effort but we all worked together to complete our projects. This was truly our Sangha working together.

(2020) was not a very good year due to the Coronavirus. Most of our temple services were held virtual on Facebook & YouTube with Rev. Hata and assisting him were Deacons Juho & Jigaku and camera person Brent. Most our services and will also be viral again this year. Also our gatherings for the temple organizations for the New Year will be cancelled.

Be safe and I hope to see all of you soon.

In Gassho,
Rodney Nishino

FUJIN KAI

HAPPY NEW YEAR Taishoji Fujin Kai members, families and friends!

Wishing you good health, peace, and happiness in the new year 2021. Thank you very much for your support and prayers throughout the year 2020. Our Annual Fujin Kai General Membership Meeting / Sokai is canceled this year. I will miss you. Let's stay safe and be hopeful! On January 9th, Rev. Jiko Nakade of Kona Daifukuji will start an online study via ZOOM of the 16 precepts. Please contact me or Rev. Hata for the details of this online program. Please take care.

With gratitude in Gassho,
Yoko Gussman (Phone: 808-345-1765)

BUSSHIN KAI

HAPPY NEW YEAR IN 2021!

Everyone, please take care from the coronavirus-19 and other dangers. Wear masks for the good of self and others, keep 6 feet away and no social large gatherings. We wish that you will find comfort in following science, experts and Zen's wisdom ways. In Kansas, counties with mask mandates had covid19 cases go down 6%; in counties without the mask mandate, cases went up 100%!

2021 is the Year of the Ox. Oxen were capable farming tools and were symbols of diligence, persistence and honesty. So, a person born in an Ox year is industrious, cautious, hold their faith firmly and always glad to help others.

It is said that when the Jade Emperor declared that the zodiac order would be based on the arrival order of 12 animals, the Ox would have been first but it was tricked by the Rat that it had kindly given a ride on its back. However, when arriving, the Rat jumped to the Ox's nose and off ahead of the Ox, and thus the Ox lost first place. So, it goes... Please take care and listen to science!

You're lucky if you were born in the year 1889, 1901, 1913, 1925, 1937, 1949, 1961, 1972, 1985, 1997, and 2009.

In Gassho,
Walter Tachibana

WISDOM WORDS

"Experience is real --- not hope. --- Zen Buddhism

"It is one of the glories of Buddhism always to appeal to reason and science and not to blind faith or authority." --- Alexandra David Neel

Hello Everyone,

Let me start by wishing you a Happy New Year. With the start of the New Year, we can start on new beginnings.

Buddhism teaches us that everything is impermanent and every moment is a new beginning. Like many countries around the world we place an important significance at the start of a New Year where the promise of improvement and betterment is all around us. What changes are you looking forward to? Is there something that you never got around to doing? This year I will be traveling to Japan where I will work on deepening my knowledge of Soto Zen Buddhism and bringing that knowledge back to our communities here in Hawaii.

Though the year 2020 was full of challenges, it also had promise. It tested and taught us. Let us harness the resilience that has been overcome to push us forward on the journey of betterment. I look forward to spending time with you all before my departure. Akemashite Omedetou Gozaimasu.

In Gassho,
Deacon Jigaku Takenouchi

IMPERMANENCE

The fact of impermanence has been recognized, not only in Buddhist thought, but elsewhere in the history of philosophy. The ancient Greek philosopher Heraclitus remarked that one could not step into the same river twice. This remark implies the ever changing and transient nature of things. It is a very Buddhistic remark.

As we look at our lives, we can see the constant changing of all things. Our cars, boats, motorcycles, favorite clothes, all of our material possessions are subject to decay. Living things also. We see our pets come and go over time. The same holds true for our friends and relatives.

We also see our bodies change and grow old. Skin wrinkles, hair turns grey, or falls out. Just look at our photos from ten or so years ago.

Everything is in a constant state of flux. Even our thoughts, ideas and personality change over time. In fact, even our mental states are impermanent. One moment happy, next sad or angry, as we go through a single day.

If we can understand this impermanence, we will be able to accept things as they are, without worries or fears, and go through life with a peaceful cheerful mind.

A key is to enjoy things when they are here, and let them go when it is time for them to go.

In Gassho,
Deacon Juho

TAISHOJI MEMBERSHIP DUES FOR 2021

Dear Members,

January begins a New Year and it is when we renew our membership to Taishoji by paying our dues of \$60.00 for the household for the year

DUES : \$ _____

Dues are payable to:

**Taishoji Soto Mission
275 Kinoole St.
Hilo, HI**

IN GASSHO,

THANK YOU FOR YOUR MEMBERSHIP

Namu kie butsu, nami kie ho, Namu kie so

JANUARY 2021 SCHEDULE

1	Fri	9:00 am	(Live Stream) Facebook & YouTube) New Year's Day Blessing Service
		10:00 - 11:30am	Drive Thru New Year Blessing Service (Rev. Shinsho Hata) (WILL GIVE BLESSING & GIVE OMAMORI)
2	Sat	7:00 am	Temple Cleaning Group # 2
3	Sun	9:00 am	(With Audience) S/S / Family Service / Ojizo Matsuri
9	Sat	7:00 am	Temple Cleaning Group # 3
10	Sun	9:00 am	S/S / Family Service (members & friends)
		10:00 am	Kyodan Meeting
16	Sat	7:00 am	Temple Cleaning Group # 4
17	Sun	9:00 am	S/S / Family Service (members & friends)
		10:00 am	(CANCELLED) Busshin Kai Meeting & Shinnen Kai
23	Sat	7:00 am	Temple Cleaning Group #1
24	Sun	9:00 am	S/S / Family Service (Dogen Zenji Birthday (members & friends)
		10:00 am	(CANCELLED) Fujin Kai General Membership Meeting / Sokai
30	Sat	7:00 am	Temple Cleaning Group # 2
31	Sun	9:00 am	S/S / Family Service (members & friends)
		10:00 am	(CANCELLED) Kyodan General Membership Meeting

TAISHOJI ZAZEN / YOGA / TAIKO / TROOP & PACK 95 / GO SCHEDULE

Yoga & Zazen	Monday	5:30 pm - 7:30 pm
Zazen	Sunday's before Sunday School	8:00 am - 8:35 am
Taiko	Thursday, Friday	5:00 pm - 6:30 pm
Troop 95	Wednesday	7:15 pm
Pack 95	Friday	6:30 pm
Go Class	Thursday	5:30 pm - 7:00 pm

TENTATIVE TAISHOJI FEBRUARY 2021 SCHEDULE

6	Sat	7:00 am	Temple Cleaning Group # 3
7	Sun	9:00 am	SS / Family Service (Setsubun) (Bean throwing)
		10:00 am	KYODAN SHINNEN ENKAI (NEW YEAR PARTY)
13	Sat	7:00 am	Temple Cleaning Group # 4
		8:00 am	Prepare / Set-Up for Nehan-e Service (Volunteer help is needed)
14	Sun	9:00 am	SS / Family Service
		10:00 am	Kyodan Meeting
		1:00 pm	Fujin Kai Meeting
20	Sat	7:00 am	Temple Cleaning Group # 1
20 & 21	Sat & Sun		Minister & HSMA Mtg / Betsuin & Pagoda Hotel
28	Sat	7:00 am	Temple Cleaning Group # 2

IN MEMORIUM

Our Deepest Sympathy and Condolences to the Family of the late:

MRS. SUE DAIMARU
JUNE 10, 1922 - NOVEMBER 29, 2020

MRS. HARUMI KIHARA
FEBRUARY 6, 1927 - DECEMBER 5, 2020



**TAISHOJI SOTO MISSION MEMORIAL SERVICES
2021**

1ST YEAR (2020)

2/6 Tsuneko Watanabe
3/5 Violet Hirata
3/17 Kazue "Kay" Tanimoto
7/22 Margie Tsuyono Omuro
9/17 George Tamotsu Fujiwara
10/3 Etsuko Fujioka
10/6 Kurt Hisao Kikuchi
10/9 Utako Seki
10/15 Hisao Kaya
10/16 Lionel Toshikazu Fujioka
10/17 Katsuko "Kay" Oyama
10/23 Sugi Sugai
10/27 Jane Hiroko Tango
11/29 Sue Daimaru
12/5 Harumi Kihara

3RD YEAR (2019)

2/2 Yoshiharu Fuse
2/25 Eiko Yamaoka
3/2 Alfred Seishi Kuniyoshi
4/19 Futoshi "Fred" Aoki
7/16 Kiyoko Shiigi
7/18 Glenn Hideyuki Shiigi
10/17 Mr. Chun Hung Leung
11/7 John Tadashi Masaharu
11/7 Melvyn Masaichi Sato
12/14 Tomoe Tetsuka

7TH YEAR (2015)

1/4 Elsie Yoneda
1/19 Norimichi Miura
1/24 Seichi Shishido
3/9 Keiji Kobayashi
3/21 Tomiye Toto
3/27 Tsugino "Jean" Kouchi
4/12 Harue Nakahara
4/17 Lillian Tsutami Masuhara
4/25 Stanley Mitsuru Kogasaka
5/30 Mrs. Kiku Nagai
6/21 Craig Hideo Murazane
7/31 Bob Masami Sato
8/28 George Hiroshi Sakai
9/19 Yoshiji Sugai
10/10 Chiyoko Takahashi
11/26 Mrs. Mitsuru Shimooka
12/6 Tsuyako Nozaki

13TH YEAR (2009)

1/2 Lillian Yaeko Kawabata
1/7 Hiroshi Matsuura
3/16 Yasoji Hagio
4/6 Ai Sasaki
4/13 Susumu Miura
5/29 Mr. Kingo Watanabe
6/18 Kazumi Saigo Tanaka
8/22 Kimie Chung
10/7 Mitsuo Enomoto
10/13 Fusae Miyamoto

17TH YEAR (2005)

1/8 Yukio Shiigi
2/27 Yukimi Hiramoto
3/1 Takuichi Okajima
3/28 Earl Shigekazu Iwata
6/16 Mr. Haruo Onuma
8/17 Yoshiko Kuniyoshi
10/3 Hatsue Kawabata
10/25 Minoru Honma
12/20 Satsuki Wagatsuma
12/27 Takeshi Hirata

23RD YEAR (1999)

1/1 Koreo Tachibana
1/13 Hirosaku Takata
1/24 Masue Miura
1/30 Michitoshi Sugai
2/12 Masako Sasaki
2/15 Zenkichi Sasaki
2/17 Itsuko Ito
4/14 Sue Abe
8/1 Larry Tanimoto
8/18 Tomeyo Sato
8/28 Manabu Ogata
10/16 Christine Hideko Suzuki
12/11 Mrs. Kiyome Nakamura
12/23 Hanayo Oba

27TH YEAR (1995)

1/2 Asami Torikai
1/5 Kiyono Saito
1/14 Arthur Miura
1/28 Gilbert Tsutomu Masu
2/22 Mrs. Hisa Morimoto
6/14 Sumika Sakaki
8/19 Sawae Watanabe
8/30 Chie "Helen" Yoshimoto
9/29 Tsuneo Shiigi
10/19 Makoto Mikami
10/21 Yoshie Torikai
10/24 Isami Yamamoto
12/10 Futoshi Inaba
12/14 Karen Etsuko Kadota

33RD YEAR (1989)

2/8 Rihei Shinohara
2/26 Kenji Omuro
3/2 Tomi Watanabe
3/23 Matsuno Yamamoto
3/27 Shinichi Wagatsuma
4/6 Isami Shoji
4/18 Masato Masuhara
4/29 Akiko Hiyama
6/7 Shizuko Ogata
6/10 Norio Hirata
6/23 Nobujiro Yamamoto
8/3 Kiyono Tanaka
8/8 Yujiro Asari
8/14 Kumaichi Kawazoe
11/14 Moichi Sato
12/17 Katsumi Sakai

37TH YEAR (1985)

2/10 Ana Watanabe
2/12 Juzo Umetsu
4/21 Takeshige "George" Yanagisawa
4/24 Fuji Shigekane
4/30 Ben Tsuruo Umezu
12/23 Tsuyako Kikuchi

50TH YEAR (1972)

1/7 Masu Matsuo
1/27 Harold Higashihara
2/5 Mrs. Aki Suwa
3/9 Kurakichi Ogata
3/14 Seiko Tokeshi
3/31 Yonejiro Wada
5/6 Hisae Ogata
5/24 Tsutomu Yabe
6/10 Nen Ogawa
8/3 Masataro Nakamura
8/10 Mitsuyo Yamamoto
10/19 Keizaburo Takeuchi
10/31 Mrs. Ichi Tsuchiya
11/3 Mrs. Yoshi Ono

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To Schedule a Memorial Service for your Family Members in

2021

In Gassho, Taishoji Soto Mission

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TAISHOJI SOTO MISSION CALENDAR (2021)

JANUARY

- 1 9:00 am (Live Stream) New Year's Day Service
10 - 11:30 am Drive Thru Blessing Service
- 3 9:00 am S/S / Family Service
Ojizo Matsuri
1:00 pm Fujin Kai Meeting
- 10 9:00 am S/S / Family Service
10:00 am Kyodan Meeting
(CANCELLED) Busshin Kai Mtg & Shinnen Enkai
- 24 9:00 am S/S / Family Service
Dogen Zenji Birthday
10:00 am (CANCELLED) Fujin Kai / General Membership Mtg & Sokai
- 31 9:00 am S/S / Family Service
10:00 am (CANCELLED) Kyodan General Membership Meeting

FEBRUARY

- 7 9:00 am S/S / Family Service
10:00 am Kyodan Shinnen Enkai / New Year Party
- 14 9:30 am Nehan-e / 33 Kanon Osunafumi / Toba Kuyo Srvc Kyodan)
- 20 & 21 Minister & HSMA Mtg Betsuin & Pagoda Htl
- 28 9:00 am S/S / Family Service

MARCH

- 7 9:00 am S/S / Family Service
- 14 10:00 am Haru No O-Higan / Kannon-ko Srvc (Fujin Kai)
- 21 9:00 am S/S / Family Service
- 28 9:00 am S/S / Family Service

APRIL

- 4 9:30 am BIBF Hanamatsuri
Honpa Hongwanji / Toban
- 11 9:30 am Taishoji Hanamatsuri
Kannon-ko Toba Kuyo Service (Kyodan)
- 17 & 18 UHSSWA Conference
(Cancelled until 2022 / Mantokuji)
- 25 9:00 am S/S / Family Service

MAY

- 2 9:00 am S/S / Family Service
Children's Day
- 7 9:30 am Fujin Kai Hospital Visitation
- 9 9:00 am S/S / Family Service
10:00 am Kyodan Meeting
1:00 pm Fujin Kai Meeting
- 16 9:00 am S/S / Family Service
- 27 9:00 am S/S / Family Service
- 30 9:45 am BIBF Memorial Day
Service Veterans Cemetery #1
- 31 9:00 am S/S / Family Service

JUNE

- 6 10:00 am Kaisanki / Rekiju-ki
Kannon-ko Srvc (Baikako)
- 13 10:00 am Kyodan Meeting
1:00 pm Fujin Kai Meeting
- 20 8:00 am Otakiage (Burning of religious articles)
- 27 Daifukuji O-Bon Service

JULY

- 10 Daifukuji Bon Dance
- 11 10:00 am Kyodan Meeting
1:00 pm Fujin Kai Meeting
- 25 8:00 am Move Yagura to
Front of Temple
- 31 7-10:30 pm Bon Dance

AUGUST

- 1 9:00 am O-Bon, Toba Kuyo
Hatsubon Service
7:30 am Move Yagura back
To parking area
5:00 pm Toro Nagashi
(Wailoa Boat Ramp)
(Busshin Kai)
- 8 10:00 am Kyodan Meeting
1:00 pm Fujin Kai Meeting
- 29 9:00 am S/S / Family Service
2:00 pm Ireisai Service
Alae Cemetery
Honpa Hongwanji / Toban

SEPTEMBER

- 5 9:00 am S/S / Family Service
10:00 am Kyodan Meeting
1:00 pm Fujin Kai Meeting
- 12 10:00 am Autumn O-Higan
Kannon-ko Service (Busshin Kai)
- 18 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM
TAISHOJI GARAGE SALE
- 26 9:45 am AJA Memorial Day
Service Veterans Cemetery #1

OCTOBER

- 3 10:00 am Darumaki /
Eitai-kyo Kannon-ko Srvc
- 10 10:00 am Kyodan Meeting
1:00 pm Fujin Kai Meeting
- 16 8:00 AM ANNUAL TEMPLE
CLEAN-UP
- 17 9 AM - 4 PM TAISHOJI PICNIC
IBEW HALL (BAKERS BEACH)
- 24 9:00 am S/S / Family Service

NOVEMBER

- 5 9:30 am Fujin Kai Hospital
Visitation
- 7 9:00 am S/S / Family Service
- 11 11:00 am Veterans Day Srvc
Veterans Cemetery #1
- 14 9:00 am S/S / Family Service
10:00 am Kyodan Meeting
1:00 pm Fujin Kai Meeting
- 21 9:00 am S/S / Family Service
Keizan Zenji Birthday
- 28 9:00 am S/S / Family Service

DECEMBER

- 1- 8 6:30-7:30 am Rohatsu
Sesshin (Zazen Session)
- 5 9:00 am BIBF Bodhi Day Srvc
- 12 9:30 am Jodo-e / Kannon Ko
Toba Kuyo Service
- 29 8:00 am Kadomatsu Day
- 30 8:00 am Mochi Tsuki
- 31 11:30 pm New Year's Eve
Joya no Kane Service
Ringing of Temple Bell 108 Times

TAISHOJI YOGA / ZAZEN / TAIKO / SCOUTS / GO

Yoga & Zazen	Monday	5:30 pm - 7:30 pm
Zazen	Sunday's Before Sunday School	8:00 am - 8:35 am
Taiko	Sunday	11:00 am - 1:00 pm
	Tuesday, Thursday, Friday	5:00 pm - 7:00 pm
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