

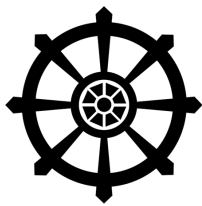
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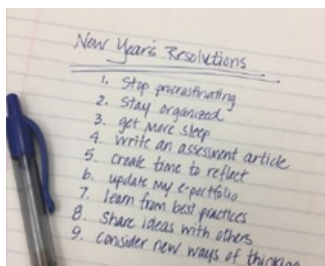
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Happy New Year – Awaken, and Aspire for the Truth!

Cheers to health, happiness, and prosperity in 2023 in the Amida Buddha’s immeasurable light and life! Wishing you and yours a safe, healthy, and prosperous new year!

The New Year is the perfect time to reflect on the past year and think about the new year resolution. Have a short walk before going to work; Do a stretch exercise every two hours after working on computer; Eat healthy foods; Sleep more than six hours, etc. It may last for only one week, a couple of months, or who knows you may keep it for the whole year. I think the key to think about the new resolution is inner-reflection. That is the ‘wise reflection’ constantly exhorted by Śākyamuni Buddha. I think it’s wonderful that you would want to challenge whatever you want to try, but it may take your courage and commitment. I get in the mood of inner-reflection this time every year, and set up some items for the new year resolution.



This year again, we have received the BDK (Society for the Promotion of Buddhism)’s calendar from Rev. Brian Nagata, who is a cousin of Mrs. Diana Ono. Thank you, Brian and Diana. I always appreciate the daily Buddhist phrase on the calendar. Please take one home and enjoy it every day. The phrase on January 1st page shows 一念発起 (pronounced “ichinen-hokki”), the English translation “Awaken, and aspire for the truth!” The term “ichinen-hokki” is originally the Buddhist term, meaning to ‘decide to embrace Buddhism, or make up one’s mind to

renounce the world and be a Buddhist monk or nun”. In the Pure Land way, it means we all are embraced by the Amida’s unhindered light and never be abandoned by realizing the cause of attaining Buddhahood becomes certain. The secular meaning is to ‘decide accomplishing something you want to try.’ Literally, the term ‘一念; ichinen’ is one-thought moment, and ‘発起; hokki’ means to set to with a will. It sounds perfect to the time when we think about the new year resolution.

Rev. Dr. Numata’s “Ichinen-hokki”

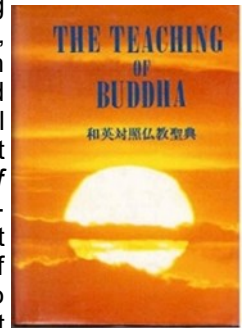
BDK – Society for the Promotion of Buddhism was established in 1965 by the late Rev. Dr. Yehan Numata, the founder of Mitutoyo Corporation. Mitutoyo Corporation is a

Japanese multinational corporation specializing in measuring instruments and metrological technology, headquartered at Kawasaki City in Kanagawa Prefecture, Japan. Mitutoyo America Corporation was formed in 1963 and is headquartered in Aurora, Illinois. Mitutoyo America offers the full product line of precision measuring tools, instruments and equipment with a distribution network, training and education classes, software development, and service support to provide a comprehensive metrology organization. (source: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mitutoyo)



It was Rev. Dr. Numata’s belief that the attainment of world peace is possible only by the perfection of the human mind which can be educated and benefited from the teachings of the Buddha. In December 1965, he made a foundation incorporated with his private funds to engage in the propagation of Buddhism, and at the same time, to enhance the world peace. Then, he finally initiated Bukkyō Dendō Kyōkai (a.k.a. BDK; Society of the Promotion of Buddhism) as a public organization. His decision to form BDK must have come from his “ichinen-hokki” mind. He got awakened by the ultimate truth and aspired to promote the teaching of Buddhism for the world peace, while engaging in his multinational corporation.

BDK has been promoting the teaching of Buddhism by publishing books, translating and publication of an English edition of the Chinese Tripitaka, and holding Buddhist seminars inviting well known Buddhist scholars. You might have seen BDK’s The Teaching of Buddha in a hotel room. BDK is a non-sectarian organization and does not promote any particular denomination of Buddhism. Rather, it endeavors to promote and propagate Buddhist wisdom found in Buddhist history and cultures by developing a wide range of activities and programs. Ultimately, BDK wishes to contribute to the achievement of global peace and harmony.



Talking about my career change, when I became a Jodoshinshu minister after working at corporations for more than twenty years, someone told me, “It is the mind of ichinen-hokki!” My “ichinen-hokki” mind may not have been as determined as his, but it made me feel responsibility to deliver the teaching of Jodoshinshu to our sangha at that time.

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A New Year's Bug Resolution

A giant spider recently spun its web behind the front gate of my home. This would not have been a big deal except that my daughter Emily's best friend was on her way over and she is terrified of spiders. I texted her immediately suggesting that she come into the house through the garage to avoid the spider. This was very mindful of me but then I sent one text too many. I sent her an image of the spider not knowing that even images of spiders are very frightening for her. Needless to say, she made it in safely.



It was a very long hot summer and fall dealing with bugs. At our home it is spiders and mosquitos. As a Buddhist, I try to be very compassionate to all bugs but it is a complicated relationship. I still make distinctions between good bugs and bad bugs even though they are all just trying to live their lives. For example, I really like spiders while detesting mosquitos.

Secretly I use spiders as my surrogates to eliminate the bugs I do not like. They take them out for me so I don't have to feel guilty about disposing of them myself. I try very hard not to ever harm a bug. I am even respecting silverfish now which have always given me the creeps as well.

"If you think you are too small to make a difference, you haven't spent the night with a mosquito."

—African proverb quoted by the Dalai Lama.

At night I can hear mosquitos buzzing around my ears. I was told once that only the male mosquitos make noise but don't bite. Rather, it is the silent females that actually do the biting. They need blood to raise their babies.



Buddhism also has a complicated relationship with bugs. Even the Dalai Lama has addressed these vexing bug issues. We are supposed to respect all life and yet there may be a mosquito drinking blood from my arm at night while I am sleeping.

"The Dalai Lama was once asked about swatting mosquitoes. He chuckled and said that if his mood is good, he will often just let the creature have a little blood. If another one comes, his patience might become stretched a little thin and he would blow the offending creature off his arm. If yet a third mosquito comes, His Holiness said he is likely to give it a careful little shove off his arm."

<https://tricycle.org/article/kill-impulse-compassionate-solutions-your-favorite-pest/>

I also heard a story about a time when the Dalai Lama was sitting for a very important interview, when suddenly he got up without any explanation and walked away. Everyone thought that perhaps he was insulted or feeling ill. But instead, he walked across the room, and kneeled down and cupped his hands together on the floor, cradling a spider in his hands. Then he waked to the window and gently set it free.

I am happy to say that I too do this for the bugs in my home. I follow a "no kill" policy. Instead, I pick them up gently in a tissue and then safely set them free outdoors. I even twice saved the same alligator lizard from drowning in our pool, each time placing it back in the front yard.

In my life, I have made a lot of bug compassion progress but I am still unable to calmly let a mosquito feed on my arm while in silent meditation. But as a consolation, I do show mercy to silverfish now. I also really appreciate the advice from Richard Gere, a follower of the Dalai Lama.

"Teach [children] to respect insects.' That is what the Dalai Lama said. If they can learn to love something that to them is innately ugly and small, learn that an insect has the same life force as they, that's the beginning. And basically, you have to watch yourself. If you want your child to be special, you have to be special: generous, kind, loving, forgiving."

—Richard Gere

I strive to follow this teaching above everyday but I still find myself sometimes behaving like this one below.

"True story. I'm not a monk but have been a practicing Buddhist for many years. One night a couple of years ago I was sitting up in bed reading a book by the Dalai Lama. Out of the corner of my eye I saw something crawling on the wall right by my head and before a second of thought I smashed a spider with THE DALAI LAMA book! Wham! To this day I feel bad ... but the irony still cracks me up."

—Jenny Wright, Reiki Master Teacher (2000–present)

I think this story is the most realistic. We often react without thinking and then feel guilty about it. Through practice and mindfulness, we will, in time, begin to think before we act. I have made a lot of progress but I am afraid that I will still let the spiders catch bugs for me so that I can live guilt free. Even when doing good, I am still calculating. But it is still progress. At least now I am aware of what I am doing rather than being in complete denial. My respect for all insects is growing.

Namoamidabutsu,
Rev Jon Turner

“How Do I Become a Buddhist?”

“How do I become a Buddhist? What do I need to do to convert?”

It is not uncommon for ministers, ministers' assistants, and others representing our temple to get questions like these from visitors, members of the public through email messages, and people we meet out in the community.

Answering these questions can be challenging. For one thing, you don't know the person's starting point – how much they already know about Buddhism, and what they think Buddhism is. Do they know that there are different schools of Buddhism? Do they think that meditation and Buddhism are the same thing? You also don't know their motivation. Did they learn about Buddhism in a college class and want to explore further? Are they going through personal difficulties and looking to religion for comfort or solutions?

Most of the time I find that the questioner isn't seriously intending to become a Buddhist – at least, not yet. Usually, such queries are a way for someone who doesn't know very much about Buddhism to ask what Buddhists believe, and what Buddhism requires of you.

The second question, about conversion, is an easier one to answer. There is no clearly-defined conversion path in Buddhism. In fact, the concept of “conversion” in the Western religious sense was largely unknown in Buddhism. One reason is that we have no tradition of proselytization in Buddhism – no mission of approaching people with the explicit goal of persuading them to adopt our spiritual path. We have no religious imperative to “save” people by getting them to change their religion to ours.

While we don't proselytize, what we call “propagation” has played an important role in the development of Buddhism. Shakyamuni, the historical Buddha, traveled throughout India for 45 years sharing the Buddhist teachings, which attracted spiritual seekers who chose to follow that path. Through those followers, and those who came after them, Buddhism spread throughout Asia, and eventually came to the United States. The Buddhist Churches of America was established in 1898 not only to care for the spiritual needs of Jodo Shinshu Japanese immigrants, but also to propagate the Buddhist teachings – that is, to share them with people of any background who had an interest. The motive was not to recruit followers, but to make the Dharma available to all who wanted to hear it.

So, sharing our spiritual teachings is important in Buddhism. However, we don't take the initiative to approach strangers and try to “convert” them to our beliefs by convincing them that ours is the best spiritual path. The way we share the Dharma is by creating favorable conditions for people with an interest in Buddhism to come and learn more. For instance, at OCBC we welcome visitors to our temple, make written information available, offer classes on Buddhism, and livestream our services online. But we don't attempt to convince people that Buddhism is superior to other faiths, or ask them to give up their previous religion.

Why is that? This involves the answer to the first question: “How do I become a Buddhist?” One reason we don't seek to convert people is because Buddhism is a path of experience, rather than belief. Some describe Buddhism as a way of life, as opposed to a set of doctrines. Shakyamuni Buddha said that we should not accept a teaching just because we heard it from a person who is supposed to be holy, or because it is contained in a sacred book, or because our friends and neighbors believe it. Rather, he urged us to observe and analyze a teaching for ourselves – to test it against our own experience, in our own lives – and see whether it is true for us, or not. Then we can decide whether to accept or reject it. So it is through lived experience, not belief in specific doctrines, that one becomes a Buddhist.

Because Buddhism is fundamentally a process of self-examination and self-knowledge, it is something that you have to discover for yourself. Only you can decide whether the Buddhist teachings make sense to you, or if they hold true in your own life. So, while we can provide access to the teachings, with opportunities for people to study and learn more, it is up to each individual to choose whether to accept them or not. Therefore, one does not “convert” to Buddhism by taking a test, or adopting a certain doctrine. No outside authority can confirm for you that you are a Buddhist. Instead, it is a personal and internal realization that you are committed to following the Buddhist path.

I think it is a positive thing when a person asks, “How do I become a Buddhist?” It is often a sign that they are looking at their life, that they sense that something is missing, and that they are looking for answers to the big questions of human existence. It shows the “beginner's mind.” Asking questions like this can be the first step on their Buddhist path.

In Gassho,
Janis Hirohama
Minister's Assistant



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Happy New Year – Awaken, and Aspire for the Truth! (continued from page 1)

Rennyō Shōnin, the 8th generation wrote ‘The Tradition of Shinran’ in his *Letters* called the *Gobunshō*.

What is taught in the tradition of Shinran Shōnin is that the entrusting heart is essential. For when we abandon various practices and take refuge in Amida with singleness of heart, our birth in the Pure Land is settled by the Buddha through the inconceivable Vow-Power. The state we thus attain is described as “**with awakening of a single thought of entrusting, we join those who are in the stage of the truly settled.**” Recitation of the nembutsu therefore should be understood to be the nembutsu as an expression of gratitude for the Tathāgata’s benevolence for settling our birth in Pure Land.

Shinran tells that with the mind of ichinen-pokki (ichinen-hokki is pronounced as ichinen-pokki in *Jodoshinshu*) that occurred at a single thought (no doubt) in Amida’s deep wishes, we join the group of nembutsu people. Your mind is totally settled and non-retrogressive, once joining the wondrous group. Just like you would think that OCBC is your spiritual home where you appreciate the Buddha-Dharma with your good friends.

After Shinran descended Mount Hiei after 20-years monastic practice and finally visited Honen Shōnin who was very popular in sharing the Pure Land teaching, he discarded sundry practices and took refuge in the Amida’s primal vow with the mind of “ichinen-pokki.”

If you have not yet decided the new year resolution, take advantage of the concept of “ichinen-hokki.” I hope you would get tremendous benefits for your well-beings.

Namo Amida Butsu

Gassho, Rev. Dr. Mutsumi Wondra

Hello from Slothy,

Happy New Year 2023! Wish you all the best!

I will be happy to receive your message.

Email: rev.wondra@orangecountybuddhist.org

Please say “Hello Slothy” in subject line.



President’s Message

On behalf of OCBC, myself, and my family, I’d like to wish you all a very Happy New Year! Happy Year of the Rabbit. This year is a year of new beginnings for me, as I just retired at the end of the year. I was fortunate to have a job that I truly enjoyed - an office manager for an elementary school. I’m hoping having been responsible for a principal, staff, and student body of 570+ students will have prepared me for my “new beginning” as a full-time childcare provider for my 6 month old grandson and soon-to-be granddaughter. One would think that I would be confident in my abilities after raising 3 children, but it seems like so much has changed since my children were babies. Now infants go to sleep on their backs, they encourage self-feeding rather than being spoon-fed, they start a sleep regiment basically from birth, and they use a sound machine to make their sleeping environment louder rather than quiet. But have things really changed? They’re still babies and our hopes for them remain the same - that they continue to feel loved and protected and remain healthy.

At OCBC we are always trying to find new ways to enhance one’s experience whenever they’re on campus. Last month our Safety team conducted our first emergency evacuation drill with our Dharma School students, and our students and staff did an amazing job evacuating to the Ball Road parking lot. For enjoyment, our first Pickleball Tournament was held at the end of November with a two-day tournament with games, food, and a raffle. It was nice to see players of all ages enjoying the sport and camaraderie. Thank you to the Pickleball committee for beginning this new tradition. In keeping with an older tradition, the BWA held its long missed Mochitsuki on December 18th. What a treat it was to enjoy freshly prepared mochi on a cold winter day. Even ozoni tastes better with OCBC BWA mochi! Finally, there’s nothing more promising than ending a year and ringing in a new year at the New Year’s Eve (Joya-E) service. However, with OCBC’s new beginnings with new policies and events, have things really changed? Yes, OCBC is constantly adjusting to the current needs of our Sangha, but its hopes for the Sangha remain the same - **that we continue to be a Buddhist community of friends and family practicing in the Shin Buddhist tradition.**

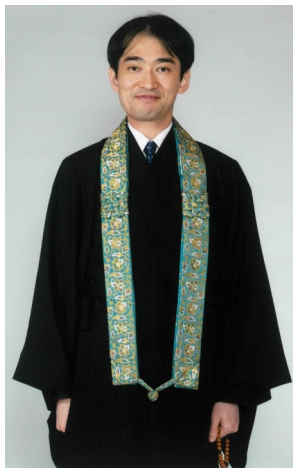
So, if it’s been a while since you’ve been to OCBC we welcome you to come experience some of our new programs with the comfort of knowing we are still committed to connecting to a diverse and welcoming Sangha with the teachings of Shinran.

I wish you well in your “new beginnings” for 2023. I’m sure my maternal skills will come right back to me once I start my full time childcare. For those of you who may have been gone for a while, I know the warmth and welcoming feeling of OCBC will come right back to you once you enter the Hondo again, and for those of you who are thinking of coming to OCBC for the first time - WELCOME!

In gassho,
Jo Ann Tanioka
OCBC President

New Year's Greetings from Monshu Kojun Ohtani Jodo Shinshu Hongwanji-ha

New Year's Greeting



Happy New Year, everyone! At the beginning of this New Year, I would like to extend my best regards to you all.

In view of the Russian invasion of Ukraine that began in February 2022, as Nembutsu followers who have deeply inscribed in our hearts and minds Shinran Shonin's message of "May there be peace in the world," we firmly stand against the military infringement of the other nation's sovereignty, and also aspire for immediate return of peace in Ukraine.

Over the last year, COVID-19 continues to be a global pandemic. I would like to offer my deepest condolences to those who fell victim to the disease and express my sympathies to those who are undergoing treatment. I would also like to express my respect and sincere gratitude to the doctors, nurses, and other frontline medical professionals who have been engaging in the treatment of infected people, as well as all essential workers who have made it possible for us to continue with our lives.

The pandemic has forced us to learn firsthand that we will continue to be confronted by unexpected situations even in modern times despite technologies both in science and medical fields being highly developed. Sakyamuni Buddha, who passed on the Dharma to us, made clear that there is no life nor entity in this world that lasts forever. This truth, the principle of impermanence, has never changed even in this time and age approximately 2500 years since his time. Another fact that does not change is our inability to accept this truth as it is, and because of this, we continue struggling.

This is the very reason why, regardless of the pandemic, we can rely on the Jodo Shinshu teaching clarified by Shinran Shonin, which guides us as a spiritual foundation that enables us to move forward even when being overwhelmed with difficulties. A gathering at the temple with Amida Buddha as its center provides a great opportunity to receive the Dharma as well as an occasion in which people can support and reassure one another as fellow practitioners who follow the same teaching.

I hope you will continue to share the teaching within the greater society through various ways and your temple will or continue to serve as a place where people can gather and find comfort in its activities. I humbly ask for your understanding and cooperation in support of your temples. I would like to conclude my new year's greeting with my heartfelt appreciation to you all.

January 1, 2023

OHTANI Kojun
Monshu
Jodo Shinshu Hongwanji-ha

年頭の辞

新しい年のはじめにあたり、ご挨拶申し上げます。

まず、2022年2月に始まったロシア連邦のウクライナ侵攻に対して、私たち念仏者は親鸞聖人がお示しくださった「世のなか安穏なれ」のお言葉を改めて深く心に刻み、武力による他国の主権の侵害を強く非難するとともに、一刻も早くウクライナに平和が訪れることを願ってやみません。

さて、昨年も、世界では新型コロナウイルス感染症の流行が続きました。新型コロナウイルス感染症によりお亡くなりになられたすべての方々に、謹んで哀悼の意を表しますとともに、罹患されている皆様、後遺症を患われている皆様に心よりお見舞い申し上げます。また、医師や看護師をはじめとする医療従事者の方々、ライフラインの維持に努めておられる方々に深く敬意と感謝を表します。

新型コロナウイルス感染症の流行は、科学技術が発達し、医療も進歩した世の中にあっても、私たちの予想できない事柄が現実にかかるということを知らしめました。仏教を説かれたお釈迦様は、この世を諸行無常であると示されました。約2500年たってもそのことには変わりはありません。そして、この真理をそのままに受け入れることができず、悩み苦しむ私たちの姿も変わることはありません。

それ故にこそ、新型コロナウイルス感染症の流行以前も以後も変わることなく、親鸞聖人が説かれた浄土真宗のみ教えが、日々悩み苦しむ私たちの生きる支えとなります。阿彌陀如来を中心とするお寺の集まりは、み教えを聞く場であると同時に、同じみ教えを依りどころとする私たちがお互いに支え合い助け合って、安心して集うことのできる場でもあります。

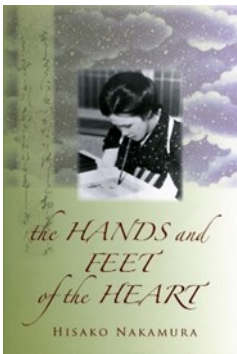
皆さまには、今後も様々な工夫を凝らして、広くみ教えを伝えられることで、お寺に多くの方が集まり、その誰もが心穏やかに過ごせる場所となりますことを願っております。そして、引き続きお寺の活動にご理解とご協力を頂きますことをお願い申し上げます、年頭のご挨拶といたします。

2023年1月1日

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The Shin Reader

When I took a short trip to Takayama City in Gifu Prefecture, Japan, with my cousin in 2017, I had a chance to visit Hisako Nakamura's exhibition located inside of the Higashi Honganji Takayama Betsuin. There were no visitors except me and my cousin, and it was very quiet. The exhibition had Hisako's mementoes such as photos, calligraphies, and diaries. Remembering the book titled ***The Hand and Feet of the Heart (2011)***, the original Japanese title ***Kokoro no Teashi***, I appreciated each exhibition item.



The Hand and Feet of the Heart was introduced in the Shin Reader in 2016, this time I would like to revisit again to convey the meaning of Hisako's words.

The first English translation of ***The Hands and Feet of the Heart*** was published in 1991, edited by Rev. Bunyu Fujimura, who came to the United States in 1935 and served as a minister of BCA for 41 years. Later in 2011, OCBC BEC republished the same book with many photos allowed to use by

Rev. Tamon Mishima, who was the head of Hisako Nakamura Museum. I still remember, when I was communicating with Rev. Mishima in 2009, that he was very excited to hear our publishing project, and gave us the free copyrights for all photos to use in the book. After publishing the book, I mailed him 10 copies by airmail. With all memories that I have, this book is very special.

Hisako Nakamura was born in Takayama City, Gifu Prefecture, Japan in 1897, and lost both arms and legs due to gangrene disease caused by frostbite when she was only three years old. She could not go to school, she stayed at home. Her father died when she was seven, and her mother remarried. Although Hisako faced enormous physical challenges, her mother and grandmother strictly disciplined Hisako to have her live independently. They taught her how to cook, sew, and do calligraphy with her mouth. Hisako must have thought why she had to go through such a tragic life. Life is not fair!

At the age of 20, Hisako left her home town of Takayama to become a member of a freak show. People called her Daruma Musume (The Daruma Daughter), and her performance was held not only in Japan but in Taiwan and Manchuria. She married Yuzo Nakatani and had the first daughter Michiko when Hisako was 24 years old. After three years, Yuzo unfortunately passed away. Hisako married Yutaro Shinshi, and she had the second daughter Tomiko. Then Yutaro also died. Hisako then married Toshio Sasaki, and the third daughter Taeko was born, however Takeko died right after birth when Hisako was 31 years old. Hisako divorced Toshio, and married Toshio Nakamura in the following year.

On April 17, 1937, Helen Keller visited Japan when attending a public meeting with the prime minister of Japan and other government ministers in Tokyo, Japan. Hisako also attended this meeting. Hisako presented a handmade doll (see the photo) to Helen. With each stitch of the needle Hisako held in her mouth, and she felt they would truly understand each other because they both had physical challenges. At their meeting, Keller was told in great detail about Hisako.



According to Hisako's words:

When Miss Keller walked over to where she was sitting and gave me a warm kiss. Then with her hands, she gently stroked both my shoulders. The moment she came in contact with the short stubs inside my sleeves, Miss Keller's facial expression changed. She then stroked the lower half of my body. Then she realized that both my legs were artificial, she again embraced me and gave me another long kiss. Warm tears from her eyes, through which she could not see anything, wet my cheeks. I pressed my face against her left shoulder (p.95).

At age forty-two, Hisako encountered the ***Tannisho***, which gave her spiritual awakening. Shinran Shonin's words written by his disciple Yuien opened her path to Amida Buddha's deep vows to liberate all people equally. Although living through many difficulties and physical challenges, Hisako appreciated the life received, and shared the deep joy of encountering Shinran's teaching. Here is my favorite poem of Hisako:

Although I have no arms and legs,
how peaceful the day is that I am being wrapped in the
Buddha's sleeves.



The Hand and Feet of the Heart certainly gives you the power to live. Hisako Nakamura is the contemporary Shin Buddhist Myokonin – Wondrous Nembutsu Person!

– review by Rev. Dr. Mutsumi Wondra

BWA News

Because it's still technically December, we're encouraging all able-bodied members and friends to assist at Mochitsuki on December 18th. It's been two years since we rolled up our sleeves, worked side-by-side and engaged in this time-honored tradition of making delicious mochi. Although Team BWA will be on hand from early morning until afternoon, we encourage everyone to help so we can get the job done in a timely manner. Reconnecting with old friends and making new friends is the name of the game so come join us and you won't be disappointed, just elated that you did! If this article is published after the 18th, then Happy New Year to all!!!

-On November 14th, we celebrated birthdays for Chieko Otsuki and Jim Mitchell. Thank you to Chieko Otsuki for your monetary donation. 31 attendees enjoyed a delicious bento filled with char siu, baked salmon, japchae, asparagus and fresh fruits. Our next Senior Luncheon will be held on Monday, January 9th. Please join us as we usher in the New Year with another flavorful bento in the company of good friends.

-Our near-term Pop-Up Store schedule is as follows: January 8th and February 5th 2023

-Our next BWA meeting will be held on Sunday, January 15th, after the Ho-onko service and luncheon at 12:30 pm in the Kodo. We will start collecting dues for the calendar year January through December. Dues are \$15 and free for any BWA member 85 years old and older. If you have a friend that is thinking of joining, please bring them to any meeting so they can meet the members and see what fun activities are planned for 2023.

-Let's Play Bingo! On January 22nd, BWA will be hosting Bingo with lunch in the Social Hall for members (\$5) and non-members (\$20) from 11:30 am until 2:00 pm. Flyers for this event can be found at the Hospitality Table and are due with payment by January 15th so don't wait and sign up today!

-Save the Date – Lady Takeko Kujo Service and Bunco on February 11th, details to follow next month.

Eshinnisama, Kakushinnisama, Fujinkai Tsuito Hoyo and Year-end Luncheon – December 4, 2022

Every year when we gather to remember Shinran's wife Eshinni, his daughter Kakushinni, and BWA members who have passed away, we are reminded how fortunate we are to be able to honor these remarkable women who laid the foundation for today's Jodo Shinshu Hongwanji, the Buddhist Womens Association and our very own OC BWA. Thank you, Rev. Dr. Wondra, for enlightening us with your Dharma message in both English and Japanese and to the 73 members and guests for attending. The delicious bento, the beautiful table decorations and favors, and the Chinese Horoscope theme created a festive mood that brought smiles and laughter from one end of the room to the other. Thank you to Tobans F and H for planning this memorable year-end event and to our dedicated President, Lynn Black, for your continued leadership as we move forward into the New Year, The Year of the Rabbit!

Questions: For general questions regarding BWA or its activities, you may contact Lynn Black at BWA@orangecountybuddhist.org.

In Gassho,
Chris Nakamura



Dharma School

We hope that you had a relaxed and enjoyable holiday to welcome in the 2023 New Year by spending time with family and friends, hopefully in person and safely.

We Dharma School teachers are very appreciative of the dedication and support that the parents and students have given us since we began attending Dharma School in person.

Dharma School classes --

January 8, 22, 29, 2023.

February 5, 12, 19.

March 5, 12, 26.

Classes will begin immediately after service and end at 11:30 am.

If your child attended New Year's Eve Service and/or New Year's Day Service and would like to use those day(s) towards perfect attendance, please contact your child's DS teacher.

Upcoming Events –

January 15, 2023 – Ho-Onko Service

February 26 – BCA Eitaikyo Virtual Service.

No service at OCBC.

March 19 – Spring Ohigan Service

Dharma School Students Emergency Evacuation Drill --

On December 4, 2022, an emergency evacuation drill of Dharma School students only, took place. With the detailed organization and the cooperation of everyone, from preschoolers to parents, the drill went very smoothly. It provides a sense of security feeling that we are prepared for any emergency situation. Thank you to everyone who was involved in the organization of the drill to ensure the safety of our students.

Thanks to Our Photographers –

We would like to thank Richard Hiroshima for taking the class picture of the DS high school students and again thank Michael Nishida for taking pictures of the younger classes that had pictures taken on our make-up day. Thank you, Richard and Michael, for taking time and offering your skills to help us.

Congratulations to Amy Takata



The Dharma School teachers and students would like to extend congratulations to Amy Takata on her retirement of over 50 years of service to our Dharma School! We would like to offer a huge "Thank you" to her for her timeless dedication to our Dharma School students, especially in assisting the students who served as chairpersons for our services. We

will miss your kindness and compassion!

BCA's "My Offering" Fundraising Drive

This fundraiser supports education and training of Dharma School teachers, provides new teaching materials, and helps new ministers who are beginning to serve in a BCA temple, particularly with the purchase of new robes.

The fundraiser will continue through June. If you have not received details from your child's teacher, please inquire. Thank you in advance for your generous donation that will tremendously help the spreading of the Dharma.

Scrip Program

Many thanks to the people who have been supporting our scrip program to help our Dharma School.

If you are new to ordering scrip or have any questions, please contact the Dharma School Scrip Coordinator, Cheryl Higashi, at 562-857-2926 or email pigashi@aol.com.

Welcoming New Students

If you are new to OCBC and would like to join Dharma School, please contact us at

dharma.school@orangecountybuddhist.org or ask for information at our hospitality table. Dharma School includes students from preschool through high school. We welcome new students at any time during the school year. In addition, if you know of any families with age appropriate children who are interested in Dharma School, please share our contact information with them. Thank you.

Please stay healthy and safe!

In gassho,
Gail Harada



Dharma School Scrip Program

**Support the Dharma School
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Project Kokoro News

PK Craft Club Boutique

In person meetings have resumed for the Craft Club with guidelines for safety monitored week to week. Meetings are on Wednesdays from 9am to 12pm in the Social Hall. If you are interested or want more details, please contact: Dorothy Matsuoka @ dcmatsuoka@aol.com or Rumi Nakatani @ rumiko@sbcglobal.net

Craft On-Line Boutique **On Hold**

The on-line boutique is temporarily down until further notice. Website for future reference:

<https://www.ocbuddhist.org/pkstore>

Send questions to: ocbcprojectkokoro@gmail.com

OCBC/Tanaka Farms CSA Program

This farm fresh produce program first started in 2019 and will begin again in January. Delivery of boxed seasonal fresh produce will occur every other week for members and affiliated organizations. PK member, Bonnie Goodman, will offer recipes and ideas for the items!

To signup, visit: <https://csa.farmigo.com/join/tanakafarms>

note: be sure to select OCBC as your "pick location"

To learn more, visit: <https://www.tanakafarms.com/about-csa> or contact Patty Nagatoshi: csa@tanakafarms.com or PK member, Bonnie Goodman: bgood1@cox.net

Toshizo Watanabe Center **12/5/22**

Senior members of OCBC were invited by Keiro and JACCC to our first outing since 2019. The day started out with a bus trip to Little Tokyo for lunch at JACCC in the new Toshizo Watanabe Culinary Cultural Center. Delicious sukiyaki was prepared by resident chef, Chris Ono, followed by Fugetsudo for dessert. Prior to lunch everyone walked the lush and beautiful, award-winning James Irvine Japanese Gardens, took photos, and enjoyed tea served by attentive Keiro and JACCC staff. After lunch, Jane Matsumoto, Director of Culinary Arts, demonstrated using furoshiki. Furoshiki are traditional Japanese cloths used to wrap gifts or for carrying belongings. Guests received two reusable furoshiki to wrap the bento boxes and Borosilicate glass bottle we all received as a gift. Thank you to Keiro and JACCC for a most enjoyable and worthwhile experience! Report provided by Rumi Nakatani & Dorothy Matsuoka

Team Scattergories Game **1/16/23**

Although there will be no game in December, the next game day will be Monday, 1/16/23, from 10am-11am. Please contact Betty Ann Nagami to register, and log-on 10 minutes prior to begin promptly. For a Zoom link please contact: Betty Ann Nagami @ betnag3s@me.com

Appreciation

We would like to express our gratitude for a recent donation received from Shirley Nishioka which will help support our programs now and in the future.

PK Membership and Involvement

If you would like to become a PK Senior Member or would like more membership information, contact either of the following co-presidents:

Stacey Suzuki: staceysuzuki@yahoo.com

Chris Hirata: cthirata@gmail.com

In gassho,
Neddie Bokosky



The OCBC Dana Program

DANA GAMES

When: Weekly on Wednesdays
Time: 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Place: OCBC Multipurpose Building Lobby
Games: Mahjong, Shanghai Rummy, Blackjack, Canasta and other games are available
Donation: \$1.00 collected at the door

You're invited to join -

- Currently we are learning to play mahjong, poker, blackjack, rummy, hanafuda and board games like chess, checkers, Scrabble, Monopoly, etc. are also available upon request.
- Improve your memory and have fun.
- Keep active and interact with others.
- Make new friends and get together with old friends.

Questions? Please contact Irene Yamanishi at dana.games@orangecountybuddhist.org or call the OCBC office.



Korin Articles Due

January 15, 2023*

Email articles to:
OCBCKorin@GMAIL.com

* DWC, ST, Jr Y, Daion Taiko can submit articles

** All scout troops can submit articles

*** All Organizations can submit articles

ABA News

There's a children's book series about a character named Junie B. Jones. She's a firecracker of a little girl with a big heart, although she sometimes gets herself into trouble. She frequently says, "Wowie Wow Wow!" and I feel that our latest ABA news is "Wowie Wow Wow" worthy.

Wow! 2022 is almost over!

Wow! ABA has a NEW president for the coming year, co-presiding with Janet!

Wow! The Japan Trip is going to happen!

Wow! More fun events are being planned for the new year!

So many fun things to look forward to in 2023! Will you be joining ABA to have fun with us? If so, just reach out to any friendly ABA member!

Here are the details...

First, the 2023 Cabinet of Officers looks like this:

Co-Presidents: Janet Uyeno and Lynda Ogawa

Vice-Presidents: Alan Endo and Richard Uyeno

Treasurer: Roy Onishi

Auditor: Art Mio

Religious Activities: Ed Kato

Activities: Karen Kino, Sue Endo, & Chieko Miyake

Recording Secretary: Joyce Kato

Publicity/Historian: Jeanne Kumagai

Membership: Julie Saito

Thank you to all, for your time and dedication!

Next, it's time to pay your dues!

Please pay \$20 per person to Julie Saito to ensure that your fun continues into 2023! Make checks payable to OCBC ABA, and in the memo line indicate that it is for ABA membership.

For the Japan trip participants:

There will be a meeting after the ABA meeting on January 8. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss our free-time options. Trip coordinator Glen Morita requests that everyone read and respond to his important emails regarding the trip.

The BINGO fundraiser on March 25:

ABA will donate \$200 worth of bar supplies for this event, and provide workers to man and maintain the bar.

Wow! Another year has passed with 365 days filled with memories! Now, we look ahead to a new year with new memories to make! I hope this finds our ABA members in good health and happy spirits! Happy Holidays!

With Gassho,
Jeanne Kumagai

**Women's Monday Night Basketball**

Did you know that we have open gym basketball for women every Monday night from 7:00-9:00pm at OCBC? We play 5 on 5 games & mix everyone up. If you want to shoot, run around and have fun, come out and join us. We have players of all levels, ages 18-65+, donation is \$5 per player.

Also if you just want to walk, we have some ladies who just come to walk & get steps.

*Some history ~ Over 35+ years ago Norman Nishioka would open the gym for ladies only and we've kept it going all these years for all the women basketball players. We are thankful that Norman had the insight to start Monday night women's basketball.

See you on Mondays ~

Diana Ono, Sayuri Kobayashi, Chris Nakamura

For more info or to be on the list, email Diana Ono at DianaOcbc@gmail.com.

Dharma Wheel Club

We hope everyone had a peaceful holiday season!

We had so much fun making ojuzu bracelets at our December meeting. Thank you to the Morimoto family for providing a delicious lunch.

Our next meeting is scheduled for Sunday, January 8th. We will be reading, Thank You Very Mochi and making microwave mochi. A light lunch will also be served.

If interested in joining Dharma Wheel Club, please contact Olivia Ohta (Olivia.ohta@gmail.com) or Nicole Chaisawasdi (Namilover@aol.com).

In Gassho,
Olivia Ohta & Nicole Chaisawasdi
Dharma Wheel Club Advisors

Daisy Girl Scout Troop 2041

Daisies The first part of the year has been great for Girl Scout Daisy Troop 2041! At Investiture, we welcomed back four Daisies from last year, as well as thirteen new ones! All of the girls are so excited to join in on every meeting and we are so happy to have so many new friends.

Along the way, we've learned about the Girl Scout Promise and Law and earned our petals about being friendly and helpful, as well as courageous and strong. We are also so lucky to have had the Girl Scouts Robotics team join us for a meeting and teach us all about robotics! In addition, the Daisies are working on collecting pop tops off of aluminum cans to donate to the Ronald McDonald House. Together with their Cadette Big Sisters, they enjoyed decorating their pop top collection container! Please save those pop tops for the Daisies! We're happy to have all the help we can get!

Recently, we also had our holiday party and the girls were so excited to make edible Christmas trees with frosting and candy, exchange Secret Santa gifts, and have some yummy hot cocoa. We look forward to exploring what it means to be a Girl Scout and having many more fun activities and events in the new year!

In gassho,
Julie Tanoue-Yao
Troop Leader



Brownie Girl Scout Troop 916

Brownie Happy New Year! We hope everyone had a nice holiday and got to spend some time with their loved ones. Before our holiday break, the Brownies got to meet up with the Senior scouts for a fun (and sugar) filled night of cookies, hot cocoa, and winter-themed crafts. Afterwards, the Brownies participated in a holiday gift exchange activity while Twas the Night Before Christmas was read. In January, the Brownies will be in the process of completing their first journey by setting up a food drive. More info to come on how you can help! The scouts are also looking forward to their first overnighter event and to cookie season. 2023 is off to a great start!

In Gassho,
Joycelyn Li-Osato



Junior Girl Scout Troop 855



This past fall, 5th Grade Juniors participated in a mock tournament for GSOC FIRST Lego League. There were two teams, both of which qualified for the regional competition in Southern California.

In November, Junior Girl Scouts participated in the annual church clean-up, and in December they enjoyed a holiday sock exchange and cookie decorating. They are gearing up for cookie sales starting at the end of January, and will soon begin preparing for Junior Jam.

This month, the girls will participate in the Court of Honor. This is our formal ceremony for the girls to receive recognition for the patches they have earned. This is extra special since it hasn't been done for a few years because of the pandemic.

If you know any 4th or 5th grade girl who is interested in joining Juniors please reach out to: Stacy Yamanishi at Stacyyama@gmail.com or Mary Jane Morimoto at mj.moto212@gmail.com.

In Gassho,
Teresa Shimogawa



Cadette Girl Scout Troop 675

We are only in our third month of Girl Scouts for this season and we have already done so much and there's a lot more to come! Our Girl Scout troop has hosted a bingo game during Investiture, had two meetings with our Daisy little sisters and guided them on how to make the world a better place, and sold many fall products! Some of our troop members went beach camping on the weekend of



November 11th, and before that we got down and dirty while cleaning up the gym! The older Cadettes are also



starting to work on their Silver Award Projects and the troop wishes them the best of luck on the awards! Mochitsuki is also coming up and we're looking forward to making some delicious mochi. Also, we are currently gathering supplies for our holiday project which is going to be pine cones decorated to look like mini Christmas trees inspired by one of our 6th grade Cadettes, Kara Pay. After we finish crafting them, we will donate them to a care center to spread a little holiday cheer.

Happy Holidays!



In Gassho,
Amelia Yamami
Cadette Troop 675

Senior/Ambassador Girl Scout Troop 881

Troop 881 has been able to participate in some fun activities. Recently they were invited to attend Beach Camp with Boy Scout T578 in San Clemente where they were able to spend some time learning new skills and participate in team building activities.

Our 10th graders helped the Brownie troop make crafts to celebrate the holiday season.

The troop enjoyed a fun holiday meeting planned by our 12th graders which included lunch, games and a craft.

We are also excited to share the news that some of our scouts have been acknowledged for receiving their Gold Award in the [Girl Scouts of Orange County Highest Award Yearbook](#). Scouts recognized in this yearbook are Alyssa Ige, Kayla Kashima, Ashley Mauldin and Taryn Noda.



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Cub Scout Pack 578

Greetings,

As the newest and youngest members of Pack 578, the enthusiasm and warm welcome we have received from scouts and Pack leaders have been awesome! Our first event was the summer recruitment picnic where we met some of the scouts and leaders. Almost immediately I could tell how close the families have become despite facing pandemic hardships. The feeling of community and friendship was very evident; a quality that stood out and was exactly what we were looking for in a Cub Scout pack.

Connor, who is five years old, joined the Pack as the only Lion Scout. Shortly thereafter, Tiger den leaders Ed and Jason welcomed us to join their den meetings as Connor took his first steps into scouting.

We participated in the Pack bowling night and Trunk or Treat, where Connor made friends with some of the older Webelos Scouts.

Recently, a scout and his father, equally enthusiastic and "gung-ho" about scouting as Connor and I, decided to join as the Assistant Lion Den Leader!

In November, we had our first official Lion Den meeting where the two boys caught a glimpse of the cool badges, belt loops and pins they could earn as Cub Scouts. That was motivation enough for them to learn the Scout sign, salute and motto and earn their very first Belt Loop "The Lions Honor."

We recently participated in the Cub Scout holiday party and the boys had a great time running around and feasting on pot-luck snacks. The highlight of the evening was taking part in holiday show and the boys did a wonderful job as they performed the "Very Important Papers" skit. The two Lion scouts had a lot of fun putting on a show for the audience and got a kick out of the applause and laughter at the end.

I am looking forward to what 2023 has in store for us! While it's great being a small den, we are always looking for new kindergarten aged boys to join us, so if you or anyone you know is interested, please reach out and join us!

Warm Regards,
Kirk Iwasaki
Lion Den Leader

**Boy Scout Troop 578****Beach Camp Adventure**

On November 12-13 of 2022, 37 Boy Scouts from Troop 578 went to San Clemente Beach for a fun weekend of activities and camping. Some scouts arrived on Thursday night for the extended Veterans Day weekend and to start to set-up camp. Friday was when the remainder of scouts and family members arrived to prepare food for the weekend. The night was filled with a lot of peer reviews and a couple rounds of bingo that included fun prizes. On Saturday there was a team learning experience with the OCBC Girl Scouts that was fun - like lashing, flag raising, making lanyards to hold whistles with a paracord, and so much more. Once the activities were completed, each troop was able to go back to their campsites to enjoy a little free time. After a bit the troops headed down to the beach to do some more fun activities that combined both troops. On Saturday night we were able to watch each other's skits and enjoy some smores by the campfire. On Sunday everyone was able to pack up and head home. It was a chilling weekend but it was very exciting, memorable, and so much fun. I'd recommend going there for any upcoming Boy Scouts.

Michael Morimoto

In Memoriam

The Orange County Buddhist Church wishes to express its deepest sympathies and condolences to the families of the late:

Patsy Kyoko Iwaki
Henry Masayuki Iwamoto
Robert Tatsuo Eto

May the family members find solace and comfort in the infinite compassion of Amida Buddha

Namu Amida Butsu

Services Conducted

November

- 14 Rosa Somen, 1-year Memorial Service
- 19 Sandy Hiroshima, 13-year Memorial Service
- 20 Alvin Shibata, 25-year Memorial Service
- 26 Henry Masayuki Iwamoto, Funeral

December

- 3 Robert Tatsuo Eto, Funeral
- 9 Patsy Kyoko Iwaki, Funeral
- 10 Dennis Tsujimoto, 7-year Memorial Service

OCBC Building Fund Donations

The OCBC Building Fund greatly appreciates the following donations since the last report for improvements and repairs of OCBC facilities.

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Irene and Wayne Koga
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In Gassho,
 Doug Iwanaga
 Building Fund Treasurer



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ご家族やお友だちと共に楽しいお正月を迎えられたことと思います。お寺では大晦日に「除夜会」をお勤めして、お参りに来られた方々は除夜の鐘を打ちました。そして、元旦には「修正会（しゅうしょうえ）」のお勤めを朝10時から営み、阿弥陀さまに新年のご挨拶をして、お参りの方々共に新しい年を如来さまの限りない智慧と慈悲のなかで迎えられる喜びに感謝申し上げます。

蓮如上人は『御一代聞書（こいちだいききぎき）』のなかで、「仏法をあるじとし、世間を客人（まろうと）とせよ」と言われています。私たちはどうしても世間の目を気にして、右往左往して日暮らしをしています。先ずは仏さまを自分の生活の中心として、世間のことはアテにせずに、お客さんに接するように扱

いなさいという意味です。なかなか深い意味がありますね。

今年も仏教伝道協会からカレンダーが届きました。小野ダイアナさんの従兄である永田ブライアンさんから頂きました。お寺に来られたら、是非とも戴かれてください。

仏教伝道協会は、世界的精密測定機器メーカー株式会社ミツトヨの創業者であった沼田惠範氏が、み仏の教えを広く世界に弘（ひろ）めるために発願して、昭和40（1965）年に設立されて以来、「仏教聖典」の現代語訳と外国語訳による編集、刊



行とその普及を事業の柱として、仏教伝道活動を行ってまいります。ホテルの引き出しに入っている「仏教聖典」も仏教伝道協会が出版しているものです。

いただいたカレンダーを開いて1月1日の言葉を見ますと「一念発起（いちねんぼつき）」とあります。この言葉の意味は、それまでの考えを改めて、あることを成し遂げようと決意し、熱心に励むことです。また、今までの気持ちを改めて仏道に入り、悟りを開こうと固く決心することでもあります。仏教伝道協会の創始者である沼田惠範氏はまさに「一念発起」されて、仏教伝道活動に着手されたと思われる

ます。

浄土真宗では「一念発起（いちねんぼつき）」と発音して、蓮如上人は「御文章（ごぶんしょう）」のなかで、

一念発起（いちねんぼつき）のかたは正定聚（しようじょうじゆ）なり。これは穢土（えど）の益（やく）なり。つぎに滅土（めつど）は浄土にて得（う）べき益（やく）にてあるなりと（こころうべきなり）。

（註釈版聖典・1089ページ）と、浄土真宗の利益（りやく）を現在と未来の二つについて述べられています。

阿弥陀如来さまからのお呼び声である南無阿弥陀仏をいただいたときが一念発起の信心獲得であり、如来さまの摂取不捨の大慈悲のなかに抱き取られて、浄土に往生することが正（まさ）しく定まり、必ずさとりを開いて仏となることが決定している身にさせていただけます。これが現在、この世でいただく利益であり、そして、未来においては、無上のさとりを開かせていただきますという二つの有難い利益に恵まれることが阿弥陀さまのお救いであると親鸞聖人さまは明らかにされました。どうぞ、今年の仏教伝道協会のカレンダーを手にとってご欄くださいませ。



南無阿弥陀仏

ワンドラ 睦

❖ 祥月法要について

祥月法要は対面法要のみとなり、ます。オンライン参加は出来なくなりますので、ご了承ください。法要中のマスク着用はご自分の体調と感染者状況にもとづいてご判断ください。往生された方のお名前を示しますので故人や家族の個人情報を守るため、レコーディングはされません。

❖ 二〇二三年一月祥月法要

7日(土) 午後4時30分より本堂にてお勤めします。

- ・ 日本語法話・・・ワンドラ先生
- ・ 英語法話・・・ターナー先生

❖ 二月祥月法要

4日(土) 午後4時30分より本堂にてお勤めします。

- ・ 日本語法話・・・ワンドラ先生
- ・ 英語法話・・・ターナー先生

❖ パシフィック・セミナーのご案内

1月28日(日) 午前9時より西別院でパシフィック・セミナーがハイブリッド(対面あるいはZoom)で開催されます。詳細は『光輪』今月号のフライヤーを参照ください。参加希望の場合は、BWAメンバーならリン・ブラックさんへ連絡してください。BWAメンバーでない場合はお寺のオフィスに連絡ください。

❖ 宗祖親鸞聖人御正忌

『報恩講(ほうおんこう)』法要のご案内

毎年一月には、米国仏教団の各お寺で、浄土真宗御開祖、親鸞聖人さまのご命日法要として報恩講が勤められます。親鸞さまのご威徳を讃えて、私たちもお念仏に出遇えた喜びを感謝いたしましょう。

- ・ 日時・2022年1月15日(日)本堂にて対面法要のあと、ご講師であるシアトル別院輪番・楠活也(くすのき・かつや)先生の録面法話(日英語)をお聴聞します。

❖ オレンジ郡仏教会の緩和再開

コロナ感染の現状が終息を迎えるなか、当仏教会では全面緩和再開に向けて努力をしています。日曜礼拝や祥月法要に対面に参加するための事前登録は不要となりました。本堂での参加人数は収容可能人数に戻りますが、ご自分の体調や感染者状況に留意されてマスク着用・ソーシャルディスタンスを取ってお参りください。

ただし、感染状況によっては現在の規則が変更される可能性もあります。質問の際は hell@orangecountybuddhist.org にお問い合わせください。

❖ 納骨堂へのお参り

納骨堂へのお参りの予約は必要ありません。お寺は毎週火曜がお休みです。『光輪』に記載されているカレンダーをご参照のうえ、お参りください。なお、お寺に到着されたら、オフィス 714-827-9390 にご連絡ください。

❖ BCA・ダイアルアップ

日本語法話のお知らせ

電話番号 800-817-7918、「2」を押



すと日本語法話が聞けます。法話は日本語が話せる開教使の先生方によるものです。どうぞ、お聴聞くださいませ。

婦人会だより



*12月もあっという間に終わってしまっなか、もしご都合がよければ、18日の餅つきのお手伝いにご参加ください。袖を巻き上げて横に並んでみんなで一緒にお餅を作ったのがちょうど2年前です。婦人会のメンバーの方々は朝早くから午後までかかりますが、皆さまのご協力を頂ければ時間内に終われると思いますのでどうぞよろしくお願い致します。また、お友達に会ったり新しいお友達を作る機会です。もしこの記事が18日以降に届きましたら、皆様明けましておめでとございます。

*11月14日に大月千恵子さんとミッチェルジムさんのお誕生日をお祝いいたしました。大月千恵子さん寄付を頂き大変ありがとうございました。31人の方々がチャーシュー、しゃげ、じゃぶじゃえ、アスパラガス、そしてフルーツが盛り付けられたお弁当を頂きました。次のシニアランチは1月9日の月曜日に行われます。新年をお祝いして、おいしいお弁当をお友達と楽しめる機会ですので是非ご参加ください。

*次のポップアップ・ストアは1月8日と2月6日に予定しております。

*今回のBWAミーティングは、1月15日の日曜日、午後12時30分よりミニチャペルにて、報恩講と昼食会の後に開催されます。2023年

度の15ドルの会費を集めさせていただきますのでよろしく願っています。85歳以上の方々は無料となっております。年間を通じて新入部員を募集しておりますので、是非ご参加ください。

*1月22日、BWAはビンゴ大会をソーシャルホールにて開催いたします。11時半から2時までランチをいれてメンバーの方は5ドル、メンバーでない方は一人20ドルとなります。イベントのお知らせはホスピタリティーテーブルに置いてあり、申込締切が1月15日となっておりますので、忘れないようにサインアップをお願いいたします。

*2月11日に九条武子様のサービスとビンゴゲームを予定しております。詳細は来月ご連絡いたします。

惠信尼様、覚信尼様、歴代BWA会員の法要 1

2月4日

毎年、親鸞聖人の妻であった惠信尼様、娘であった覚信尼様、そして往生されたBWAメンバーの方々に偲ぶ法要が営まれました。浄土真宗本願寺、仏教婦人会、そしてOCBWAの歴史を作った素晴らしい女性たちを讃える貴重な時間を持つことができ、ご参加ありがとうございました。

ワンドラ先生法話を英語と日本語で聞かせて頂き誠にありがとうございました。また73人のメンバーの皆様参加いただきありがとうございます。美味しいお弁当、綺麗なテーブルのデコレーションとフェイバー、干支をテーマに楽しい時間を過ごせて、笑いガールームにひびいていました。

当番F・Hの方々この思い出と残る年末のイベントを計画して頂きありがとうございます。新年、兎の年に向かって、私達の会長のブラックリンさんの後任リーダーシップに感謝申し上げます。

婦人会あるいは婦人会のアクティビティに関しての質問がありましたら、ブラック・リン会長までご連絡ください。

E-mailは BWA@orangecountybuddhist.org です。

合掌 中村クリス



ご寄付

(2022年11月12日〜2022年12月10日までに御寄付戴きましたご芳名)

「祥月法要」

「祥月」法要にご寄付戴きました方々のお名前は、英語欄のページをご覧くださいませ。

合計 6,051ドル

「お歳暮」(追加分)

「お歳暮」にご寄付戴きました方々のお名前は、英語欄のページをご覧くださいませ。(敬称略)

合計 20,805ドル

「お賽銭」

ご寄付です。(敬称略)

中村 デイビッド・クリス

匿名

合計 918ドル

「納骨堂」

ご寄付ご芳名です。(敬称略)

匿名 (3)

林田 ふじこ

モリス シリマ

大月 クリストファー

柴田 ナンシー

辻本 しょうこ

渡辺 みきえ

ウォン カレン・レイモンド

合計 1,226ドル

「仏教会にお礼」

ご寄付ご芳名です。(敬称略)

江藤 ドウエイン・カレン

はたなか まさかず

広島 リチャード・メリー

いわき ウイリアム

いわもと さちえ

柴田 ナンシー

清水 ケネス

素麵 ブライアン

辻本 昭子

合計 3,250ドル



「仏教会に特別寄付」

ご芳名です。(敬称略)

我孫子 みさえ

バンダイ ファウンデーション

ガルシア ジョー・

タボーガ マルシア

ハンセン ロバート・リー マイケル

松岡 ドロシー

森田 グレン・リン

村中 ケント・ケイ

西村 ロッド・マリオン

OBC サンガ テイーン

落合 アラン・キャシー

オーバーゼル みどり

高木 ノボル・キャロル

トレセダー キヤサリーン

バレンタイン キヤロル

若林 エドウィン・ローリー

渡辺 みさえ

岩本 ヘンリー様への追悼

タケナガ ブライアン

土網 康子

羽田 信生先生

合計3, 996ドル

「永代経法要」(追加分)

「永代経」法要にご寄付戴きました方々のお名前です。

匿名

有馬 ジャネット・チェイス ステイープ

チャイサワスデイ ニコール・ジャツオング

土網 康子

藤村 ケイ・メリージェイン

フサト デイビッド・トシコ

ハンセン ロバート・リー マイケル

早坂 けいこ

林田 ニール

イノクチ ローランス・ジュン

カミムラ キース・ロリーン

勝田 ふくこ

楠見 茂樹・幸子

マランガン ニコル

松下 デイック・よしえ

中桐 ハワード・カレン

中内 ステイブ・リンダ

野口 秀隆・節子

小川 すみよ

オキニシ ジャン

大西 ロイ・フランシス

大迫 テイルデン・リサ

坂原 ビル・ジャネット

柴田 ナンシー

高田 としき

タカズミ ルビー

谷岡 ケビン・ジョアン

寺田 セイジュ・クリス

富樫 スエコ

請川 ジョニー

ウラベ ジュデス

山下 洋子

合計1, 610ドル

「永代経ファンド」

「永代経ファンド」にご寄付戴きました方のご芳名です。(敬称略)

江藤ロバート様への追悼

江藤 ドウエイン・カレン

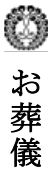
岩政 すすむ

山口ジーン様への追悼

山口リンダ

合計7, 500ドル

光輪の記事掲載期限後にご寄付頂きました方々に
つきましてはご寄付頂いた翌月の光輪でお名前を
掲載させて頂きます。宜しくご理解頂きますようお願い
いたします。



お葬儀

故いわき パッツィー きょうこ

2021年2月13日往生

故いわもと ヘンリー まさゆき

2022年6月20日往生

故江藤 ロバート 龍雄

2022年11月8日往生

仏教会一同、心よりお悔やみを申し上げます。
南無阿弥陀仏

OCBC SPECIAL HOLIDAY SCHEDULE



Dec 24th Office Closed in Observance of the Holidays
 Dec 25th NO SERVICES – Office Closed
 Dec 26th Office Closed in Observance of the Holidays
 Dec 27th Office Closed



Dec 31st New Year's Eve Service at 4:30 pm - Office Closed
 Jan 1st New Year's Day Service at 10:00 am - Office Closed
 Jan 2nd Office Closed in Observance of New Year
 Jan 3rd Office Closed

In case of emergency please call (714) 827-9590



OCBC's WEEKLY WHEEL PODCAST IS HERE!

THE WEEKLY WHEEL PODCAST WILL BRING THE DHARMA DIRECTLY TO YOUR FAVORITE PODCAST PLAYER!

- MEDITATION
- CHANTING
- DHARMA MESSAGE
- SPECIAL TOPICS & DISCUSSIONS

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WEBSITE: SoundCloud.com/weeklywheel

E-MAIL: WeeklyWheel@OCBuddhist.org



PLEASE JOIN US FOR NEW YEAR'S SERVICES

In-Person Only (not virtual)

NEW YEAR'S EVE

Saturday, December 31, 2022 – 4:30 PM

With Ringing of *kanshō* by Sangha

NEW YEAR'S DAY

Sunday, January 1, 2023 – 10:00 AM

Welcoming the Start of 2023



PLEASE JOIN US FOR A SPECIAL SERVICE

Hybrid Format with Guest Speaker

HŌ-ONKŌ

Shinran Shōnin's Memorial Day

January 15, 2023 – 10:00 AM

Guest Speaker: Rev. Katsuya Kusunoki

Seattle Betsuin Buddhist Temple

Recorded Messages in English and Japanese

Luncheon in Social Hall hosted by Cub Scouts' families

#SanghaStrong



OCBC All Sangha General Meeting (Shinnen Enkai-New Year's Lunch)

The General Meeting and New Year's celebration is an opportunity for the entire Sangha to gather and participate in our annual General Meeting. After lunch there will be entertainment and time to socialize. Come join the good people of the Sangha for some great food and fun.

SATURDAY
JAN
14
12:30pm-3pm

ORANGE COUNTY BUDDHIST CHURCH
909 S. Dale Avenue, Anaheim CA. 92804

12:30-1:00 PM - GENERAL MEETING

1:00-3:00 PM - LUNCHEON PROGRAM

RSVP by January 4, 2023



Food by Big Island Eats – Hawaiian style cuisine - \$30

Guava Chicken, Ginger Tare Beef, Grilled Tofu, Chicken Salad, Mac salad, Rice and Noodles.

Register via QR code or through the following link: <https://forms.gle/N8XVdDTctbpxQ82K6>

Or clip and return the completed section below, with check payable to:

OCBC, 909 S. Dale Ave., Anaheim, 92804, or call the office at 714-827-9590, or e-mail, hello@orangecountybuddhist.org.



We plan to attend the **2023 Shinnen Enkai**:

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Name: _____ Email: _____

Quantity: Buffet _____ x \$30.00 = _____
Total = _____

Note: We would be interested in free OCBC Baby-sitting at OCBC for _____ child(ren)
(Children will need to be toilet trained and over 3 years old)

Our children's names and ages are (use the back of this page for additional children):

Child's Name: _____ Age: _____ Meal(Pizza) _____

Child's Name: _____ Age: _____ Meal(Pizza) _____

Child's Name: _____ Age: _____ Meal(Pizza) _____

Emergency Contact (cell phone #) _____

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SOUTHERN DISTRICT/CBE/IBS

WINTER PACIFIC SEMINAR

JANUARY 28, 2023

HOPE

From Shinran's Perspective

IN PERSON & VIRTUAL EVENT

(In English or Japanese)



PROFESSOR JESSICA MAIN

Professor Jessica Main is the Associate Head, Chair, and Director of The Robert H. N. Ho Family Foundation Program in Buddhism at the University of British Columbia. She completed her doctrinal studies at McGill University, with a dissertation on the modern history of human rights and descent-based discrimination in Japanese Shin Buddhism. An associate professor at UBC, her research concerns modern Buddhist ethics, social action, and institutional life in East and Southeast Asia.



REVEREND YASUSHI KIGOSHI

木越 康
カリフォルニア州バークレー市生まれ。1985年、大谷大学大学院文学研究科真宗学専攻修士課程入学。1990年、同大学院文学研究科真宗学専攻博士後期課程満期退学。2013年より大谷大学教授となり、2016年から2022年3月まで大谷大学学長を務めた。2022年4月から2023年3月までバークレー市に在留し、カリフォルニア大学バークレー校にて客員研究員として活動中。

著書:

『「正像末和讃」を読む』 (大阪教区)

『ボランティアは親鸞の教えに反するのか』 (法蔵館)

『後世物語聞書聴記』 (東本願寺)

LOS ANGELES HONPA HONGWANJI BUDDHIST TEMPLE 815 E. FIRST STREET, LA, CA 90012

REGISTRATION INFO & IN-PERSON BENTO ORDER:

<https://tinyurl.com/WINTERPACSEM>

OCBC Bingo Committee
presents

Saturday
March 25, 2023



OCBC would greatly appreciate your Dana in any of these categories:

— SPONSORS —

Bingo Lunch Sponsor — \$3,000

(includes reserved parking, bentos, bingo games, reserved table for 8)

Bingo Event Sponsor — \$1,500

(includes reserved parking, bentos, bingo games, reserved table for 8)

Table Sponsor — \$750

(includes bentos, bingo games, reserved table for 8)

Blackout Sponsor — \$300

Game Sponsor — \$150

— IN-KIND DONATIONS —

For the Silent Auction and for secondary game prizes (examples from previous Bingo events)

- A Service You Provide (Tutoring, Work Tour, Dental, Cooking)
- Gift Certificates, Cards
- Tickets to Sporting Events, Amusement Parks, Plays, Concerts, etc.
- Hand-crafted Jewelry and other items
- Asian Cultural Artwork
- Senbei, Snacks
- Gift Baskets

**Sponsorships and Individual Tickets will go on sale in January 2023.
See OCBC Weekly Announcements.**

OCBC Bingo Committee presents

AFTERNOON!

Saturday, March 25, 2023

1:00 – 2:30 p.m. LUNCH
2:30 – 5:00 p.m. BINGO

BINGO Admission

- \$60 per Adult** (includes Bento, Admission and Bingo games)
- \$20 per Child** Ages 3 - 14 (includes Pizza and Fun Zone)
- \$160 per Family** (2 Adults and 2 or more Children)

Prices will increase on March 11.

Must be 21 years or older to play Bingo. No minors in MPB.

Additional Bingo Game Packets will be available for purchase

Orange County Buddhist Church • MPB (gym)
909 S. Dale Avenue • Anaheim, CA 92804

Proceeds to benefit OCBC Building Fund and OCBC Sports

Bingo to benefit Building Fund and OCBC Sports.
Must be 21 years or older to play Bingo.
For more information please contact:

Joanne Kawasaki: (808) 561-4172, joanne531@gmail.com

Flora Uyeda: (909) 373-6578, f17uyeda@gmail.com

Calvin Togashi: (714) 381-9316, ctogashi@gmail.com

To benefit:

**OCBC Sports and
OCBC Building Fund**





The Dharma School Scrip program is alive and well! As we approach the end of the school year, graduations, and Father's Day with live services still in question, here's a little reminder that you can still purchase gift cards. Each purchase benefits the Orange County Buddhist Church Dharma School. You can purchase at home using the desktop or mobile app if you register with the Great Lakes Scrip Company "Shop with Scrip" website or simply contact me using my information below.

The free mobile app, **RaiseRight** is available now. Here's how it works:

- Enroll following the instructions on the **RaiseRight** mobile app. Families must pay with a bank account or credit card. A 2.6% fee will be charged on credit card payments and a \$0.15 transaction fee will be charged using your bank account.
- Orders **must be** placed on the **RaiseRight** app using the organization code **DE6EDF7312922**. This allows our OCBC Dharma School to get a percentage of the sale. Shop brands labeled "**Ship to home eligible**"
- You can order a maximum of 16 gift cards with no minimum.
- Families pay the shipping fee, which can be as little as \$1 depending on the amount of cards ordered and the method of shipping requested. Orders will be delivered using USPS. Families can upgrade to overnight shipping via UPS, which is required for orders of more than \$500. Orders will be sent Monday – Friday.
- Note: Families will have the option to ship their orders to me through OCBC and I will contact you with delivery options. I can deliver if you're within a 25 mile radius of Cerritos, mail them or have them available at OCBC for pick up (make appointments with the office) and you can mail me your check (sorry no Zelle). If your order includes a mix of ship to home and ship to my organization, your order will automatically be divided into two and shipped separately. You will see this on your confirmation. You will only pay 1 transaction fee.

YOU CAN ALSO "JOIN A PROGRAM" ON THE SHOP WITH SCRIP WEBSITE

- Enroll on the website to view information and order and pay online. Use the same code above **DE6EDF7312922**. If you registered on the RaiseRight app your information is saved and you can use the same log in information to use on the desktop program.
- If you use the desktop option, your orders will be sent to me and I send the orders to the Shop With Scrip organization and distribute the cards to the members that ordered online. I will send any orders out on Monday so place your orders by Sunday. **The direct mailing option is only available through the RaiseRight app.**

Tokyo Central (Marukai) \$10 Gift Certificates and OCBC Scrip Certificates are still available. You can always order anything directly through me by text or e-mail.

If you have any questions, please contact me, the Dharma School Scrip Coordinator
Cheryl Higashi (cell) 857-2926 or e-mail pigashi@aol.com



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December 6, 2022

Dear OCBC Member,

We hope this letter finds you safe and well. Thank you for your continued support of the Orange County Buddhist Church. Without your financial assistance to OCBC, we would not be able to provide the pure and safe environment where we can listen and learn the Dharma. In addition, your support provides the many quality programs to all our members both young and old, as well as the greater community.

The Sangha at Orange County Buddhist Church is a special, thriving community. OCBC relies on your membership donation as one of the main sources of annual income to help defray the cost of operating the church: utilities, insurance, salaries, upkeep, and maintenance of facilities. More than half of your sustaining membership dues also helps to support the operations of the Buddhist Churches of America.

OCBC has been facing budgeting challenges due to rising costs and the impact from the pandemic these past few years. The OCBC Finance team is constantly reviewing and working on managing the operating expenses without unduly affecting the breadth and quality of service to the Sangha. It's been six years since our last increase and we are asking our Sangha for assistance with its membership dues. As you can see from the attached membership form, the OCBC Board has approved increasing the individual and family memberships. A smaller increase to our senior long-time supporters. And for those that are able to provide more, we have the special Kansha membership.

Thank you again to our Sangha for your continual support through generous donations and sustaining membership dues. We truly appreciate your annual commitment to help support OCBC. Please take a few minutes to complete and return the enclosed form with your membership selection and dues. Introductory members, we hope you thoroughly enjoyed being a part of the sangha and are willing to become a sustaining member of OCBC by selecting one of the sustaining membership level options. If you would prefer to pay online, go to <https://www.orangecountybuddhist.org>, or scan the QR code below.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact the office at 714-827-9590, or e-mail to hello@orangecountybuddhist.org and we will be happy to discuss these changes.

In Gassho,

Carol Sakamoto
OCBC Membership VP



Membership QR code

Want faster, easier membership? Visit www.orangecountybuddhist.org/membership



2023 OCBC MEMBERSHIP FORM

Please complete the following form to apply for Membership
Note: OCBC Membership is January - December



STEP 1: MEMBERSHIP LEVEL

Single Member/Parent:

- Single Member (Young Adult): 18 to 30 years old \$66
- First-year Single Member: Over 30 years old (and any dependent children, up to 25 yrs. old) \$150
- Sustaining Senior Member: Long time OCBC supporter, 85 years or older \$164
- Sustaining Member: One adult (and any dependent children, up to 25 yrs. old) \$264
- Sustaining Kansha Member: One adult, (and any dependent children, up to 25 yrs. old). \$600
- Special membership opportunity to provide additional financial support to OCBC.

Family:

- First-year Families: Two adults over 30 years old (and any dependent children, up to 25 yrs. old) \$300
- Sustaining Senior: Two adults, Long time OCBC supporters, 85 years or older \$328
- Sustaining Family: Two adults (and any dependent children, up to 25 yrs. old) \$528
- Sustaining Kansha Family: Two adults (and any dependent children, up to 25 yrs. old). \$1200
- Special membership opportunity to provide additional financial support to OCBC.

STEP 2: MEMBER INFORMATION

*Please provide email so that we may email you your receipt

Name _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Phone Home: _____ Cell: _____
 Email _____

[] Address changed [] Membership changed

Family Membership Information

Spouse Name _____
 Spouse Home: _____ Cell: _____
 Email _____
 Child Name _____
 Child Name _____
 Child Name _____

For Office Use Only:

Received by: _____
 Quick-Book Entry by: _____
 Database Entry by: _____
 BCA Entry by: _____

Emergency Contact

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Date: _____
 Date: _____
 Date: _____
 Date: _____

Regular reminder notices will not be sent to those who pay quarterly

STEP 3: MAIL

Send membership form and check to:
Mark or note on your check:

Quarterly Annually

Orange County Buddhist Church

909 South Dale Avenue
Anaheim, CA 92804

Method of Payment:

[] Check No. _____ (Make check payable to OCBC)
[] Credit card (go to orangecountybuddhist.org)

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WANTED: RUNNING OR NOT



CARS, VANS, AND TRUCKS

We handle all DMV paperwork! Free pick up! No cost to you!

To expedite your vehicle donation, please fill out and mail this form to OCBC, 909 S. Dale Ave, Anaheim, CA 92804, or e-mail to Hello@OrangeCountyBuddhist.org, or call the information into the office at (714) 827-9590. The form is available online at www.orangecountybuddhist.org. Go to the "Get Involved" drop-down menu, then click on "Vehicle Donation," fill out the form, and click "Submit."

Your donation is tax deductible, for the vehicle's selling price (*if it sells for more than \$500*), or for the fair market value, up to \$500 (*if it sells for less than \$500*). Proceeds from your donation will help support community services and activities of Orange County Buddhist Church (OCBC).

Name _____

Your Address/City/Zip _____

Location of Vehicle (if different) _____

Contact Info: Home Ph _____ Cell Ph _____ Email _____

Type of Vehicle: Year _____ Make _____ Model _____

Vehicle Identification # (VIN) _____

Vehicle License # _____ Odometer Reading _____

Do you have the Title, Pink Slip? Yes No Does the vehicle run? Yes No

Comments _____

How did you hear about the program? _____

Name on Title _____ Today's Date _____

**Thank you for your consideration in making a donation to the
Orange County Buddhist Church Endowment Fund**

JANUARY 2023 CALENDAR

2023年 1月 カレンダー

Calendar Subject to Change! Please check our website. For all **ONLINE** services please log on to www.orangecountybuddhist.org and follow the links.

日 SUN	月 MON	火 TUE	水 WED	木 THU	金 FRI	土 SAT
25 No Services (Holiday)	26 OFFICE CLOSED in observance of the holidays	27 OFFICE CLOSED	28 7:00 PM – Zoom Mindfulness Service	29	30	31 4:30 PM – IN PERSON Joya - E New Year's Eve Service OFFICE CLOSED
1 10:00 AM - (In Person/Online) Shusho-e New Year's Day Service OFFICE CLOSED	2 OFFICE CLOSED in observance of the New Year	3 OFFICE CLOSED	4 7:00 PM – Zoom Mindfulness Service	5	6	7 4:30 PM – IN PERSON Shotsuki Hoyo (Monthly Memorial Service)
8 8:30 AM – 瞑想 Mindfulness Service (in person only) 10:00 AM – 家族礼拝 Family Service (hybrid) 11:00 AM –Adult Study Class (in person only)	9	10 OFFICE CLOSED	11 7:00 PM - Zoom Mindfulness Service	12	13	14 12:30 PM Shin-nen-en-kai (New Year's Party) & General Meeting 7:00 PM - Zoom BEC Japanese Class Rev. Dr. Mutsumi Wondra
15 No Mindfulness or Adult Study Services 10:00 AM – 家族礼拝 Hō-on-kō Service (hybrid) -Rev. Katsuya Kusunoki - Rimban Seattle Betsuin	16 7:00 PM - Zoom BEC English Class Rev. Dr. Mutsumi Wondra	17 OFFICE CLOSED	18 7:00 PM - Zoom Mindfulness Service	19	20	21
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Zoom Mindfulness Service sign up
Use cell phone camera, focus on the QR code then tap link that appears.



BEC Book Club Sign up
Use cell phone camera, focus on the QR code then tap link that appears.