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## NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS FROM HIS EMINENCE GOMONSHU KOJUN OHTANI



### New Year's Greeting

At the beginning of this New Year, I would like to extend my warmest greetings to you.

Last September, I had the opportunity to visit the Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii as Monshu for the first time. It was wonderful to have met with so many people at each temple, and I would like to extend my appreciation for everyone's warm hospitality.

At Hongwanji in Kyoto, Japan, from October 1, 2016 until this past May 31, the Commemoration on the Accession of the Jodo Shinshu Tradition was conducted with attendance of about one hundred fifty thousand people from throughout Japan and our overseas sanghas. Since the days of our founder Shinran Shonin, for nearly 800 years, the Jodo Shinshu teaching has been cherished and carefully handed down to us today by our predecessors. Reflecting on this, I am truly grateful to have been able to recite the Nembutsu together with many of you who took part in the services whether it be in person or through the internet.

Being enabled to hear the working of Amida Buddha's voice calling to us, we become aware of our true self, in which we have the difficulty of accepting things just as they are, and being caught up in our own selfish mindset. That is why it becomes all the more important that we continue to listen to the teaching of Amida. As we appreciate the Buddha's great wisdom and compassion, we are naturally guided to care for and aspire to live together with one another.

In this New Year, let us continue to listen to the teaching while following the Nembutsu path together with everyone.

January 1, 2018

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。

昨年9月に、門主として初めてハワイ開教区を訪問させていただきました。各お寺へお参りいただきました皆さまと貴重な時間を過ごすことができましたことに、改めて、感謝と御礼を申し上げます。

また、一昨年10月1日より昨年5月31日まで京都の本山本願寺でお勤めしました伝灯奉告法要には、海外開教区を含む世界各地から約15万人の方にご参拝いただきました。宗祖親鸞聖人以来、浄土真宗のみ教えが約800年間にわたって今日の私たちにまで伝わってきていることを尊いご縁だと感じました。そして、多くのご参拝の皆さま、インターネットの中継を見られた方々と共にお念仏できることをありがたく思います。

阿弥陀さまのおはたらきを聞かせていただく時、私たちは、自分の都合や思いにとらわれて、物事をありのままに受け止めることが難しい私の姿に気付かされます。ですから、阿弥陀さまのおはたらきを聞き続けることが大切であり、そのことによって、その大智大悲のお心に促され導かれて、他の人々とともに生きるという生き方に自分自身の生き方も変わってくるのです。

本年も浄土真宗のみ教えを聞き、南無阿弥陀仏とお念仏申す日々をともに過ごさせていただきますよう。

2018年1月1日

浄土真宗本願寺派

門主 大谷光淳

## BISHOP'S MESSAGE

### Happy New Year! "The Value of Harmony"

Please let me express my warmest Aloha and Best Wishes to you for a joyous and harmonious New Year!

At the start of the New Year, let me share some Dharma sayings, which have a special place in my heart. First, (slightly adapted) from "The Teaching of Buddha," *"Thousands of people may live in a community, but it is not a true community until everyone knows each other and has empathy for one another. A true community has faith and wisdom that illuminate it. It is place where people know and trust one another and there is harmony. In fact, harmony is the life and essence of a true community or organization."* "Thus, the true teaching is the fundamental requirement of a perfect organization." Secondly from Prince

Shotoku, *"Let us cease from wrath and refrain from angry looks. Nor let us be resentful when others differ from us."* *"We are not unquestionably sages, nor are they unquestionably fools. Both of us are simply ordinary people. How can any person lay down a rule by which to distinguish right from wrong? For we are all, one with another, wise and foolish, like a ring which has no end."* *"Sincerely revere the Three Treasures. The Three Treasures are: Buddha, Dharma, and Sangha."* *"There is no age in which people cannot find the Dharma to be noble. Those who are extremely wicked are few, but when they are taught the Dharma, they can follow it. Unless they align themselves with the Three Treasures, on what basis can they correct their mistaken ways?"* Thirdly, Shinran Shonin's words, *"May there be peace in the world and may the Buddha's Teaching spread!"*

Our Theme & Slogan for 2018 is *Embrace Change: Harmony (Accept Differences)* and encourages us to accept differences and live in harmony with each other, but due to our self-centered tendencies this is most

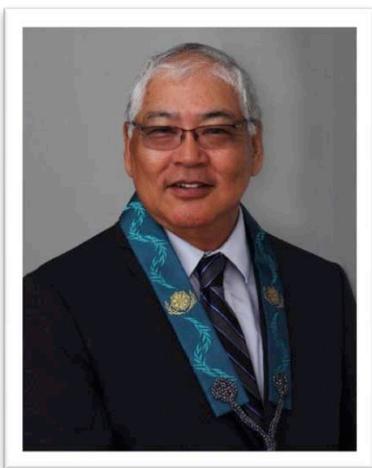
challenging. However, we are being encouraged by the Buddha-Dharma. Harmony and accepting differences is not a sign of weakness or powerlessness. On the contrary, it requires deep insight and inner strength as exemplified by the Two-Headed Bird/Gumyocho (found in the border pattern of this year's calendar) that symbolizes the truth of interdependency which our 25th Spiritual Leader is emphasizing. His Eminence Gomonsu Kojun Ohtani shares *"Everything in this world exists based on interdependency. When we are not aware of this, we tend to think to ourselves that our own perspective is the only one that is right and justified. This is what causes conflicts to arise."* *"How then, do we attain peace that we seek in the world today?"* *"...it is necessary that we first treat others with the same care and respect that we would show ourselves."* *"The weakness of our relationships with each other is the result of us thinking about ourselves more than others."*

In 2018, nurtured by Buddha's Wisdom and Compassion, may we become more aware of the virtues of humility, self-reflection, mutual respect, non-violence, equality and harmony contributing towards a more peaceful, compassionate and harmonious world. Namo Amida Butsu/ Entrusting in All-Inclusive Wisdom and All-Embracing Compassion!

In Gassho/Anjali,

Bishop Eric Matsumoto

Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

### Embrace Change: Harmony - Accept Differences

Our theme for 2018 calls us to walk the path of change in harmony by accepting differences. It is a particularly difficult time for us to walk this path while the world seems to be dissolving into divisive fragments. As we are swept by world events that seek to divide us one from the other, many feel that the development and flow of events are no longer in our control. We are simply bystanders watching human society fracture and its pieces fall away from each other. These sweeping events make us feel that our personal efforts to accept differences and live in harmony are inconsequential. How can a small personal act on my part change the course of world events? How can I make a difference?

It would be unfortunate if a world full of caring people are overtaken by doubt that one person can actually make a difference. Such doubt about the value of our personal actions surely dooms all of us to be blown about as leaves are scattered before gusts of wind.

The teachings tell us of the preciousness of life, each person's life, and the preciousness of a single act of kindness that emanates from that life. If **Namo Amida Butsu** is real and true then actions that naturally evolve from **Namo Amida Butsu** are real and true.

As we meet the tasks and events that we set for ourselves, let us take them on in the spirit of the Nembutsu. It is through the love and presence of Amida in our lives that we have these precious opportunities to bring joy into this world, into the lives of others and into our lives. So as each day unfolds in 2018, let us reflect on the opportunities that await us and review the tasks and events we have planned. With hands in gassho, let the sound of **Namo Amida Butsu** flow from our lips with gratitude that on this day, embraced by the love of Amida, we have the chance to meet those with different thoughts and feelings from us, to accept them as fellow

travelers, to wish that no difficulties come to them, and that they live in peace and harmony. Let us remember the small actions we take to create harmony in the world in 2018. And let these small actions collectively speak of our sincere desire for peace.

Namo Amida Butsu

Pieper J. Toyama, President

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## HAPPY NEW YEAR WISHES



HELLO AND WELCOME TO 2018! As the New Year unfolds, may I wish all of you many reasons to celebrate each moment of your life with a deep sense of gratitude as you repeat the Nembutsu. A new year signals new beginnings and an anticipation of changes as we embark on our journey as a temple.

The 2018 Hongwanji Slogan states – “Embrace change: Harmony (Accept Differences).” This theme is meant to serve as a guide to help us and our temple move forward embracing change. It is very appropriate for Moiliili Hongwanji Mission in 2018. We will encounter the following major changes:

- Retirement of Resident Minister Rev. Bert Sumikawa who came on board in 2014. He was unique in many ways with 40 years of experience as a children’s dentist in the community. His Dharma messages have been well-received by the congregation. Rev. Bert’s style of delivery made us listen to the content that was relevant, timely, and interesting. In his words: “Everything and everyone is interconnected.” As a person, Rev. Bert related well with the young, the elderly, the Officers and Board of Directors, other ministers, and the Moiliili community-at-large. Thank you, Rev. Bert!
- Our incoming minister is Rev. Toshiyuki Umitani who is currently serving at Headquarters as Executive Assistant to Bishop Eric Matsumoto. He will be assigned to us on an interim basis from late February to May as he completes and transitions his responsibilities at Headquarters. He will officially join us on June 1, 2018. Mrs. Yoshiko Umitani and daughters Naho (grade 8) and Riho (grade 5), both at Hongwanji Mission School, will join Rev. Umitani. They will reside in the minister’s residence. Rev. Umitani is excited about his new assignment, and we look forward to his arrival with his family.
- My two terms as President of MHM has come to a screeching, screaming halt! It’s been a thrilling roller coaster ride with its unexpected turns, highs and lows. Through it all, I’ve had a great time because no matter which way it went, there were people who took charge, stepped up, supported, or joined in to make the ride smoother, stress-free, and lots of fun! It was especially a joy to work closely with Rev. Bert, Emma, Richard, and the Board. What a privilege and honor to have served as your Temple President!

- Stepping up to be our next President is Raymond Takiue, Jr., who needs no introduction. He represents our next generation, is technologically smart, and has aspirations to become a full-fledged minister in the future. He will continue to be fully-employed as he takes this position. Understandably, he will appreciate all of our help and support as we go forward. Thanks, Raymond, for taking the challenge!

These are major changes in personnel and positions that will inevitably impact our temple in many ways. Please remember the theme – harmony; accepting differences. Change is good and healthy but we are creatures of habit. Often we prefer the same-o-same-o and we like to be in our comfort zone. This year let’s make an extra effort to step out of that comfort zone, accept differences, be in harmony with our surroundings, make adjustments, and focus on what is right for our temple.

Here’s a wonderful quote from Steve Maraboli: “When you rise in the morning, think of what a precious privilege it is to be alive – to breathe, to think, to enjoy, to love! And then make that day count.” Begin each day with a positive thought and a grateful heart. My New Year’s wish is for all of us to be embraced in Amida Buddha’s boundless compassion and infinite wisdom. Here’s to a HAPPY NEW YEAR – CHEERS!

In gassho,  
Nancy Shimamoto, President



### PRESCHOOL NEWS

Welcome Back! Happy New Year! We hope that your Christmas Holidays were filled with fun, joy, and happiness.

December was a short, but busy month. We had a wonderful surprise with a visit from Santa Claus. Our Christmas program was exciting and meaningful. Our children dazzled everyone with their performance of the Christmas songs.

During the month of January, first we will begin reviewing the rules and routines and helping the children adjust to being back at school. Then we will be focusing on the transportation unit. We will cover land, air, and sea transportation. We will discuss the various types of transportation items such as cars, trucks, airplanes, and boats. This topic is also a part of their everyday lives; they drive or walk to school, have seen and rode on a bus, or rode

an airplane to go on vacation. In order to study our theme, we will be reading stories, completing art projects, learning about traffic safety, and going on an excursion to "The Hawaiian Railway Society." Older children will be going on another excursion to "Hawaiian Airlines."

We encourage you to participate in your child's education by being a part of our classrooms and continuing their education at home.

We are looking forward to a great month filled with a lot of learning and fun.

All our love,  
Moiliili Hongwanji Preschool Staff  
Mariko Osato

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## PROJECT DANA NEWS

### An Invitation to You for a Special Service

PROJECT DANA  
29th Volunteer Appreciation Service  
Sunday, January 28, 2018  
9:00am

Speaker: Ms. Juliet Lee  
Dharma Message: Rev. Shigenori Makino  
“The Spirit of Dana”  
Light lunch to follow

Moiliili Hongwanji members, friends and invited guests are invited to Project Dana’s 29th Volunteer Appreciation Service on January 28 at its 9am morning service. Rev. Shigenori Makino will speak on the “Spirit of Dana” and Juliet Lee will share of her experiences offering Buddhist services to those elders attending the Franciscan Adult Day Care Center for the past 6 years. We will introduce the new volunteers for the past year as well as all continuing volunteers. We can never thank our volunteers enough for always lending a hand to support the frail, elderly and those in need. We also wish to thank the various organizations that have provided holiday bags of useable items bringing joy and warmth to many of our seniors.

Project Dana was recently featured in the Generations Magazine, October-November 2017. It was called “Project Dana, A Small House Big Services” with one of our Founding Administrators, Rose Nakamura on the cover. On the Internet, a new video segment called Generations TV, Episode 6 which features Project Dana is available for all to see. We are truly grateful to share Project Dana through these two means to the community,

however the best way is by word of mouth and your volunteering.

Letters of appreciation are received at the Project Dana HQ. Here’s two examples:

“Dear PD, Thank you for the valuable work that you do throughout the year for Hawaii’s elders. Your selfless giving has enhanced the lives of so many families and individuals. Best wishes in your future work! KK”

“Thank you for all you do! Project Dana will continue to be a vital part in the lives of the elderly. Aloha, E.”

Remember to thank the volunteer and also to thank the person needing the help because they are the ones that truly make volunteers better persons.

Dana is a Joy!

## BUDDHIST WOMEN’S ASSOCIATION NEWS—JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2018



Mahalo to those who helped with the temple cleanup on November 26. Things in the kitchen were sorted, “decluttered,” and packed up and moved to the annex in preparation for the kitchen renovation during the extended Preschool winter break.

The BWA Hawaii Federation’s Statewide Conference, held in preparation for the 2019 World

Convention, will be part of the first Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii Joint Conference on September 1-3, 2018. This gathering will include the Lay Convention, BWA Conference, Jr. YBA Convention, Ministers' Spouses' meeting, and Dharma Educators' Conference. Early registration is due by January 20, 2018 with a fee of \$260. To help with the planning we ask BWA members to sign up as soon as possible before January 20. (Late registration is due by July 20 and the fee will be \$280.) Those interested in attending should contact Lois Ohta or Donna Higashi for more information and registration forms.

Congratulations to Alisa Kondo, our youngest member, who is our new President. Thank you to Alisa and the other officers and directors for your willingness to serve! A very big mahalo is extended to Outgoing President Lois Ohta for serving as President with such dedicated and caring leadership for seven of the past ten years.

Mark your calendar: The Board of Directors will have a meeting on Saturday, January 13, at 1:00 p.m. to plan for the coming year. The first general membership meeting for 2018 is planned for Sunday, February 11. We look forward to seeing you!

The BWA extends its sincerest thanks and best wishes to Rev. Bert on his upcoming retirement. We will miss him, but wish him much well-deserved time to relax and enjoy the moment.

We wish all of you a happy new year filled with joy and peace in the Nembutsu.

Contributed by Jeanne Watari

### **MOCHITSUKI 2018**

Mochitsuki (mochi pounding) to greet the New Year was held on Sunday, January 7, 2018 at Moiliili Hongwanji. Our service began at 9:00 a.m. with Rev. Bert Sumikawa as speaker. Immediately following service, everyone gathered in the courtyard to pound mochi, the real way with usu and kine (mortar and pestle).



After forming mochi with or without azuki beans, everyone tasted the freshly made mochi with different condiments. Some condiments available were kinako (soybean powder), shoyu sugar mixture, natto (fermented soy beans), grated daikon, or a combination of different condiments to everyone's liking.

Everyone enjoyed starting off the New Year right with Mochitsuki!



## The Bon Dance Retail / Outreach Committee



Please provide your inspiration by participating in some fun activities creating items for sale at the Moiliili Hongwanji Mission Bon Dance on July 6 & July 7. Learn to fold an origami lantern that can be incorporated in a card with various stages of Bodhi leaves from Palolo Hongwanji and Lyon Arboretum. We will also be making earring frame holders showing off some donated kimono fabric scraps.

Date: Sunday, February 4

Time: After Service

Place: Back end of the Annex

We are also planning an exciting **TIE DYING** session in March during spring break!

Date: Monday, March 19

Time: 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Place: Outside the Downstairs Annex

In late April, Matt (owner) of **Once Again Hawaii** will be leading an informative session on succulents. Doing some pre-Spring cleaning? Please start saving planting containers you can find around your home. Some suggestions are teacups, small bowls, ceramic pieces, empty tins, small old shoes, old toys that will be able to hold a plant.

*Stay tuned for more information to come.*

Please contact Mari Fukuya, Shirley Renard, Ruth Takemoto, Iris Wasa-Uehisa or the office for information or if you have any questions.

# 往生

## BORN INTO THE PURE LAND

Moiliili Hongwanji Mission extends its deepest sympathy and condolences to the families of the following who have recently passed away:

- Frances Yoko Nakano, 93, on October 25
- Doris Yoshie Fujiwara, 97, on October 31
- Lucio Cabus III, 53, on November 6
- Walter Masato Nakagawa, 85, on November 8
- Walter Kazuo Teruya, 89, on November 16
- Kiyoko Tomishima Inasaki, 98, on November 28
- Mae Kiyoko Sato, 94, on December 4
- David Toshiyuki Kashiwabara, 92, on December 15

May the Onembutsu provide solace to family members during this time of sorrow.

# 保護

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## KERRY'S KORNER

Notes from Kyoto by Kerry Kiyohara



The call came at 3:00 a.m. in the morning, as such calls always do. “We just received an Emergency Alert, ballistic missile threat inbound to Hawaii...”

*Fear. Uncertainty. Doubt. Anger.  
Complacency.*

*Will our only son and family, our precious granddaughter, be alright?*

*This can't be real, can it?*

*This has to be a mistake.*

*Someone should get fired!*

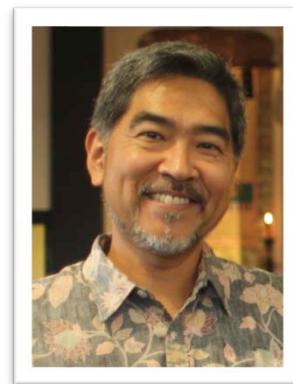
*Well, gotta get back to real life.*

Indeed, the emergency alert was a false alarm, a human error; somebody made a mistake. In my mind, however, this is a wake-up call from Amida Buddha's great compassion and wisdom that has always embraced me, never abandoned me.

*What's really important in this life?* Awakening to the ephemeral nature of this life. Appreciating truly the love of family, friends, and community. Realizing that it is our self-centered Ego-self that causes our suffering, even though we would like to believe it's somebody else's fault.

Fear drives anger. Anger causes delusion. Delusion makes us go on living “lives of quiet desperation.”

In our heart of hearts, we know these truths but our egocentric attachment to ‘self’, the delusion that we are the exception, blinds us to seeing the world-as-it-is. Someday, our lives will reach the inevitable end of our time in this world. There are no exceptions to this truth.



Thus, Shinran Shōnin urges us to awaken to the truth that this world is fleeting—that we live in a burning house—everything we cling to is an illusion, and only the Nembutsu, Namo Amida Butsu, the Great Compassion and Wisdom of Amida is true and real.

Profoundly grateful for yet another wake-up call in the time I have left in this un-repeatable life, I bow my head, put my hands together in gassho, say Namo Amida Butsu, entrusting in all-inclusive Compassion and all-embracing Wisdom.

Namo Amida Butsu



Dr. Michael Cheang  
conducts our Fall  
Seminar

Rev. Tomo Hojo,  
Eitaikyo service



## MOILILI HONGWANJI CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### JANUARY 2018

- 21 **9:00AM** Hoonko Service with Rev. Sol Kalu  
**10:45AM** Talk Story
- 28 **9:00AM** Project Dana Appreciation Service with  
Rev. Shigenori Makino

### FEBRUARY 2018

- 4 **9:00AM** Sunday Remembrance Service with  
Rev. Thomas Okano  
**10:00 – 1:00PM** Origami/Bodhi Leaf Crafts
- 11 **9:00AM** Nirvana Day Service with Rev. Alan Urasaki  
**10:30AM** BWA Meeting
- 18 **9:00AM** Sunday Service with Rev. Toshiyuki Umitani  
**10:45AM** Shinnen Enkai – The Willows Restaurant
- 25 **9:00AM** Sunday Service with Charlene Kihara

### March 2018

- 4 **9:00AM** Sunday Remembrance Service with  
Rev. Toshiyuki Umitani
- 10 **8:30AM-12:30PM**-Spring Seminar with Dr. Jeff  
Wilson
- 11 **9:00AM** Spring Ohigan Service with Dr. Jeff Wilson
- 18 **9:00AM** Sunday Service with Rev. Toshiyuki Umitani
- 19 **10:00AM-2:00PM** Tie Dying Crafts
- 19-26 *Pre-School is Closed for Spring Break*
- 25 **9:00AM** Sunday Service with Ms. Ethel Oda
- 30 *Preschool is Closed*

### REGULARLY SCHEDULED CLASSES & CLUBS

- |  |                                |
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| Mondays 10AM                               | <b>Quilting</b>                |
| Mondays 5:15PM                             | <b>Zumba</b>                   |
| Mondays 6:30PM                             | <b>Kids Karate</b>             |
| Tues/Thu 8AM                               | <b>Shoshinge Chanting</b>      |
| Tuesdays 6:30PM                            | <b>Meditation Service</b>      |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> /4 <sup>th</sup> Wed. 10AM | <b>Japanese Dharma Class</b>   |
| Thursdays 9:30AM                           | <b>Ikebana</b>                 |
| Thursdays 5:30PM                           | <b>Zumba</b>                   |
| Thursdays 6:45PM                           | <b>Kids Karate</b>             |
| Fridays 1PM                                | <b>Conversational Japanese</b> |
- For More Information:** Temple Office (808) 949-1659

**Subject to Change:** Please call the Temple Office to confirm times and dates of any event.

## MOILILI HONGWANJI RINGS IN THE NEW YEAR 2018



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