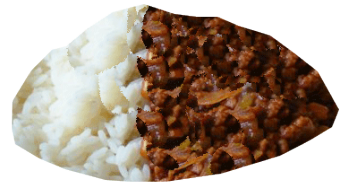




*Chicken, Chili,  
Sushi Tickets  
Coming Soon!*





# The White Way

*Mo'ili'ili Hongwanji is the center of Shin Buddhist spiritual growth, learning, and compassionate service to our Community.*

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## “Everything shines. Everyone shines.”



Shines  
Shines  
Everything shines  
There is not even one thing  
That does not shine  
What does not shine from itself  
Receives light from another and  
Shines.

光る  
光る  
すべては光る  
光らないものは  
ひとつとしてない  
みずから光らないものは  
他から光を受けて  
光る

“Subete wa hikaru (Everything Shines).”  
Shinmin Sakamura

「すべては光る」  
坂村真民

After a long closure due to Coronavirus concerns, our temple office and nokotsudo (columbarium) reopened their doors on June 1. I would like to thank our temple office staff for taking care of essential businesses, and temple leaders and many volunteers for keeping the temple clean and running during the last few months. Now we are gradually adapting ourselves into the new normal. You will notice some changes inside the temple when you visit us next time. Those changes are necessary in order to provide a safe and comfortable environment for you and everyone else who will use our temple. I would like to ask for your support and cooperation so that we can continue providing religious support to you and the community.

In order to protect ourselves and the people we care about, it is very important to follow all the safety guidelines. Taking appropriate social distancing is one of them. Even though we need to maintain a social distance, let us not forget our hearts to each other. Our hearts to each other should be all the more open, welcoming, and closer. Now is the time to live in the Buddhist teaching of interdependence and interconnectedness. **Social distancing does NOT teach us to hate others, doubt others, exclude others, or discriminate against others. I think it is the opposite. It teaches us to love, embrace, empathize, and extend compassion to others.**

In India, Nepal, and some other places in the world, people place their hands together, bow their heads, and say, “Namaste”. “Nama” means bow, “as” means I, and “te” means you. So, it means, “I bow to you.” It is a respectful form of greeting to each other. It is a symbol of gratitude and respect. Namaste, or our gesture of putting hands together, brings two people closer, free from our minds of self-centeredness and judgement. In Hinduism, it is said that the gesture of putting our hands together means “I bow my head to the divine or sacred that is shining or sparkling in both you and me.”

In our Jodo Shinshu Buddhist tradition, we also place our hands together in Gassho and recite the Buddha's Name "Namo Amida Butsu". This word, "Namo" is from "Namas" as in "Namaste", so it means, "I bow my head." or "I entrust myself" to Amida Buddha. Namo Amida Butsu can be translated as, "I bow my head to Amida Buddha that is always shining or illuminating my life."

Shinran Shonin taught us that the Compassionate Light of Amida Buddha is without bound. It is the light of Non-discrimination. It means that the Enlightened One, Amida Buddha, does not reject anyone. Your life and my life equally matter. Because, from Amida Buddha's perspective, no matter who we are, regardless of the differences of age, gender, nationality, social status, health or sickness, even whether you are Buddhist or not, whether you recite Namo Amida Butsu or not, Amida Buddha sees all individuals as his precious child.

My life is illuminated by Amida Buddha so does your life, so does the life of all the people and all the living things in this world. A life of a Buddhist is not to think of the current events as someone else's business, but to see it and embrace it from the Buddha's perspective. How would Amida Buddha see this event? What will Shinran Shonin say when he sees this event? Of course, we are not the Buddha, we are the Unenlightened Ones, so we may not be able to extend our compassion to others like the Buddha. But by having the Buddha's Great Compassion as our ideal way of life and as our model to strive for, we can move forward to create a society beyond discrimination and distinctions where everyone can live in peace.

Namo Amida Butsu is always shining in our daily lives no matter where and what one may be doing. Let us always keep the Nembutsu in our hearts. Let us try to see the Buddha (or the Light) inside of us and people we meet in our daily lives. Everything shines. Everyone shines. Let us extend our smile and compassion to others like the Buddha who illuminates us always.

Rev. Toshiyuki Umitani  
Resident Minister, Moiliili Hongwanji Mission

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## Online Memorial Service

### Memorial Service

MHM is now able to hold memorial services either in person at the temple or online.

### In-Person Service

For small family only. To secure social distancing, there are limited number of seats available inside the Hondo. Please contact the office to know more about our new regulation and to make an appointment. Please also go to <https://www.moiliilihongwanji.org/funeral-memorial-service-policies-procedures/> for more information.

### Online/Phone Service

For those of you who cannot come to the temple, Reverend Umitani is able to hold a private family memorial service online (or even over the phone) so that you can still place your hands together in Gassho and pay respects to your loved ones from your home. To make an appointment, please go to [www.moiliilihongwanji.org](http://www.moiliilihongwanji.org) and complete the request form.

### Memorial Service information

Buddhists consider the memorial service a significant occasion to remember the deceased with feelings of gratefulness and love. For Jodo Shinshu practitioners, the significance of a memorial service is not for appeasing or consoling the spirits of the deceased, but is rather, the opportunity to pay tribute to and recall cherished memories of the departed while listening to the Buddha-Dharma. In other words, the service is not for the sake of the deceased, but is indeed, for the sake of the living. In remembering the deceased, we acknowledge the influence of the deceased on our lives. Those who passed away in the year of passing will observe the memorial service indicated in 2020. Please contact the temple office to make an appointment.

| Year of passing | Type of memorial service |
|-----------------|--------------------------|
| 2019            | 1 <sup>st</sup> year     |
| 2018            | 3 <sup>rd</sup> year     |
| 2014            | 7 <sup>th</sup> year     |
| 2008            | 13 <sup>th</sup> year    |
| 2004            | 17 <sup>th</sup> year    |
| 1996            | 25 <sup>th</sup> year    |
| 1988            | 33 <sup>rd</sup> year    |
| 1971            | 50 <sup>th</sup> year    |

# BON MAIRI

Obon is an opportunity for us to reflect upon those who have gone on to the Pure Land. Though they may seem separated from us, they are still within our hearts to constantly embrace and guide us on our life's journey. They reside within "Namo Amida Butsu" which expresses their compassion for us. "Those who have been born in the Pure Land first guide those who come later, and those who are born later in the Pure Land join those who were born before." Obon is an opportunity for each of us to listen to Amida Buddha's compassionate calling voice within "Namo Amida Butsu".

This summer, Moiliili Hongwanji Mission has regretfully decided to cancel the in-person Joint Hatsubon (First Obon) Service and Joint Bon Mairi Services in the temple due to COVID-19 concerns.

However, we will be able to accommodate your request in the following manner.

**Private Hatsubon/Bon Mairi Service** – Private in-person Obon memorial service at the temple. In order to provide adequate social distancing, families of 20 or less may choose to come to the temple for the service.

**Online Hatsubon/Bon Mairi Service** – Private online Obon memorial service through the internet from your residence.

**Combination of both** – For a large family who wish to hold a private in-person Obon memorial service at the temple, we ask that 20 or less people attend the service at the temple and others join in online from their residence.

We apologize that we are unable to hold the Obon Services as we normally do. Please understand that this is our best judgment to provide you with a safe and comfortable environment to observe Obon in memory of your loved ones. Our Resident Minister, Rev. Toshiyuki Umitani, will be happy to accommodate your request. The service can be held anytime during the months of July and August.

Please contact the temple office at 949-1659 or email [mhm@moiliihongwanji.org](mailto:mhm@moiliihongwanji.org) to schedule the Obon Service. If you wish to hold the online service, you can go to <https://www.moiliihongwanji.org/> and submit the "Online Memorial Service Request Form".

On this Obon season, let us spend some quiet moment of reflection and realize upon the preciousness of our lives which our loved ones have shared with us. You may also make a donation to the temple in honor of your loved ones if you wish to do so.

## Moiliili Hongwanji Virtual Bon Dance

Since Moiliili Summer Fest and Moiliili Hongwanji Bon Dance scheduled for July 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> were cancelled due to Covid-19 safety concerns, members expressed a feeling of sadness and emptiness. Then there was a Virtual Bon Dance idea! What eventually evolved were Bon Dance towels, Chochin lantern tags 'in memory of', drive by Bon Bentos, and a Virtual Bon Dance! Supportive members and friends gathered to make everything happen.

Robin Meade with the help of Ryne Masuda put together the Virtual Bon Dance, delicious Bon bentos (consisting of BBQ meat, rice, takuan, toss salad and corn) were made coordinated by Arlyne Takiue, Cynthia Ogasawara, Reid & Cheryl Yasunaga and Ann Nakata, Lane Inamine's andagi was a last minute bouns. Over 200 bentos were presold!

Thanks to everyone's help and donations, people were able to enjoy their bentos and watch the Virtual Bon Dance. Majority of comments received thus far are favorable and in the first 24 hours, there were over 1000 hits on YouTube! Friends from far and near were able to log on and enjoy a virtual bon dance experience this year! Arigatai despite Covid-19!

## Online Memorial Service

Thanks to Rev. Umitani and Moiliili Hongwanji, my family signed up for an Online Memorial Service for my late mother's 25th memorial year. Although in-person services on a limited scale can still be arranged, this gave us the opportunity to see 21 family members from Hawaii, Seattle, Connecticut and even Hiroshima, Japan via our home computers. Rev. Umitani invited us to join with a Zoom service, which is the same format as our Sunday virtual services.

The request form can be found on the MHM website or call the office for assistance. After the 30 minute service led by Rev. Umitani: kansho, aspiration, sutra chanting, Dharma message and Nembutsu, a few minutes were left to chat with one another. My Haleiwa sister was overwhelmed with tears seeing my 93 year old Hiroshima aunt and my 9 year old Connecticut grandniece ended the day best by coming straight to the camera and said , "Arigato."

Shared by Donna Higashi







for more information contact:  
**946-4416**  
[www.moiliilihongwanjipreschool.org](http://www.moiliilihongwanjipreschool.org)  
[mhps902@gmail.com](mailto:mhps902@gmail.com)

We hope everyone is staying safe and taking care of themselves during this difficult time! Mo'ili'i Hongwanji Preschool welcomed children back on June 29th! The staff were so happy to have some of their students back for the Summer and they miss the ones they haven't been able to see in a while.

With new preschool guidelines due to COVID-19, the preschool teachers work continuously to provide a safe, fun and clean environment for the students. This includes daily sanitation of the playground, toys, tables, chairs, and classroom floors to name a few, as well as teaching the children.

As of right now, there are no planned activities until we are given the ok from the state. All classrooms are allowed to have a max of nine children and one teacher. All staff and children ages 3 years and older are required to wear a face mask. Hand washing is part of our daily routine and it's done every hour. Please help and do your part in reducing the amount of COVID-19 cases in Hawaii... wear a face mask, wash your hands, no large group gatherings and stay home if you are sick. It will take our whole community to reduce and/or eventually eliminate the virus... be a part of the solution, not the problem!

Take care!

Ms. Candace



*Thank you Talin!*

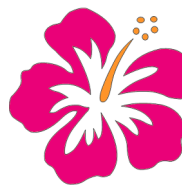


Special thanks to Boy Scout Talin Giang of Troop 49 for donating 32 home made face masks to Moiliili Hongwanji, as his service project. With the help of his grandparents, parents, and relatives who served as his role models, Talin learned how to cut, assemble, and sew the masks. Thank you to Talin for helping to flatten the curve of the coronavirus.

Fun fact: Talin's maternal grandparents were Former Bishop Thom Nakanishi and Mrs. Amy Nakanishi. His parents are Thanh and Shally (Nakanishi) Giang.



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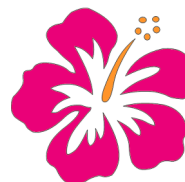
## Hanamatsuri Donation

Ethel Aiko Oda

*Moiliili Hongwanji is most grateful for your generous donations. If you would like to have a receipt for your donation, please call the temple office at 949-1659. Ofuse for funerals, memorial services, and other services are not listed. If you prefer that your name not be listed, please let the office know.*



# Mahalo



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# MOILILI HONGWANJI MISSION

## Information regarding the Funeral/Memorial Service in the Temple New normal with COVID-19]

The followings are the policies and procedures for the family who wish to hold the Funeral/Memorial Service in the Hondo or Nokotsudo of the Moilili Hongwanji Mission.

[Before the Service]

Read the **"COVID-19 Information Packet"**.

The family representative must read, sign, and turn in the **"Acknowledgement (Funeral and Memorial Services)"** to the temple office.

[On the day of the Service]

Read the **"Covid-19 Certification Notice"** and **"Checklist Sign"**.

All guests must sign in and out the **"Visitor Log Sheet"**.

Please help us stop the spread of Covid-19 and keep our members, staff and guests healthy and safe.

**The following documents are available at our temple website at [www.moililihongwanji.org](http://www.moililihongwanji.org)**

Acknowledgement (Funeral and Memorial Services)

COVID-19 Information Packet

COVID-19 Certification Notice (Temple Hondo)

COVID-19 Certification Notice (Temple Nokotsudo)

Sign in and out log sheet

Checklist Sign (Temple Hondo)

Checklist Sign (Temple Nokotsudo)



Moilili Hongwanji Mission extends its deepest  
sympathy and condolences to the family of:

|                     |    |             |                         |     |             |
|---------------------|----|-------------|-------------------------|-----|-------------|
| Ruby Midori Machida | 83 | 2/13/2020 * | Takeo Morita            | 92  | 5/17/2020   |
| Perry Tei Honjo     | 92 | 3/23/2020 * | Ethel Yoshiko Hasegawa  | 94  | 6/11/2020 * |
| Grace Ogami Inouye  | 92 | 4/29/2020   | Harriet Hanako Matsuoka | 95  | 6/15/2020   |
| Gwen Kimiye Ito     | 95 | 5/6/2020 *  | Shigeru Akiyoshi        | 103 | 6/16/2020   |
| Alan Murashige      | 76 | 5/16/2020   |                         |     |             |

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

(\* Indicates Temple Sustaining Gojikai Member)

## MOILILI HONGWANJI CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### July 2020

- 5 9:00 AM Zoom & In person Remembrance Service
- 12 9:00 AM Zoom & In person Obon Service with Rev. Kazunori Takahashi
- 19 9:00 AM Zoom & In person Graduation Recognition Sunday Service
- 26 9:00 AM Zoom & In person Sunday Service with Cheryl Yasunaga

### August 2020

- 2 9:00 AM Zoom & In person Remembrance Service
- 9 9:00 AM Zoom & In person Service
- 16 9:00 AM Zoom & In person Service
- 23 9:00 AM Zoom & In person Service
- 30 9:00 AM Zoom & In person Service

### September 2020

- 6 9:00 AM Zoom & In person Fall Ohigan & Remembrance Service with Rev. Alan Urasaki
- 13 No Service Chicken fundraiser
- 20 9:00 AM Zoom & In person Service
- 27 9:00 AM Zoom & In person Service

## WHITE WAY RADIO

Join us on Saturdays for White Way Radio on KZOO1210 at 7:45 a.m. for inspiring messages from a variety of speakers. We are truly grateful for our White Way sponsors who make it possible to share the Dharma on the air every week. If you missed it go to [www.moililihongwanji.org](http://www.moililihongwanji.org), Buddhist Teachings.

### July 2020

- 4 Rev. Mariko Nishiyama /Matsumoto Family
- 11 Joshua Hernandez-Morse /Mr.&Mrs. Gene Yokota
- 18 Rev. Jeffrey Soga / Mrs. Jo DesMarets
- 25 Mrs. Juliet Kono Lee / Mrs. Edith Noriko Horii

### August 2020

- 1 Rev. Shawn Yagi / Yoshimura Family
- 8 Mrs. Barbara Brennan / Mrs. Michie Hamao
- 15 Rev. Tomo Hojo / Mrs. Jo DesMarets
- 22 Rev. Mieke Majima / Morikubo Family
- 29 Rev. Kiyonobu Kuwahara / Mr. Alan Yokota

### September 2020

- 5 Rev. Jan Youth / Hirai Family
- 12 Rev. Umitani / Mr. Reese Morikubo
- 19 Rev. Ai Hironaka / Kanazawa Family
- 26 Rev. Kerry Kiyohara / Miyasaki Family

## Sunday Services

Moilili Hongwanji is currently holding Zoom and in person Sunday services. Contact the office to receive a link to the online service. If you wish to attend the service in person please be aware that seating is limited and you must contact the office to reserve a seat.

You must wear a face mask and check in protocols will be enforced e.g. temperature will be taken, questions about your current health asked and contact information must be provided.

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**Chochin lantern night illumination**



**Virtual Bon Dance**

**BBQ bento team**



**Fresh andagi**



**Sunday Zoom services**



**Osamu painting the pre-school gate**







## Christopher Meade's drive by graduation party

