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*Day after day, God is hastening this salvation.
What are all of you thinking about it?*

Ofudesaki II: 24



Learning teamwork at the BGA Spring Camp at
Tenri Cultural Center, May 29-31, 2010

Tenrikyo Mission Headquarters of Hawaii

Message from the head of the Overseas Department

In the 173rd Year of the Teaching, June 26

I would like to commend each of you for your daily dedication in each of your respective positions.

Today as we are in the midst of the rainy season, it was a rainy day here at the Home of the Parent. In spite of such weather, the fact that today is Saturday; many followers attended the June monthly service which was performed spiritedly with our minds in unity with the Shinbashira as the core.

In the service prayer, the Shinbashira stated that we head ministers and Yoboku need to reflect about the various incidences which we are currently shown throughout our society and as written in the Ofudesaki, "Just as you humans worry about your children, I worry over your dreadful and dangerous path" we must deeply ponder the Parental heart and correct the direction of our minds. The Shinbashira apologized for our slow spiritual growth as Yoboku and firmly resolved our minds to the construction of the joyous world and that we will become single-hearted with the true Parent. Furthermore, he pledged that all Yoboku will spiritedly help one another and move forward so that all brothers and sisters will help each other and alleviate the worries that we have brought upon God the Parent.

Following the service, Honbu-in Rev. Taketo Hashimoto delivered the sermon. He spoke about what the Joyous world is and how to build it. The condition for building the Joyous world is to nurture the mind of saving others, and by doing so, one will attain the mind of salvation; attaining this mind of salvation leads to the Joyous Life. True salvation is when one nurtures another to be able to do salvation work for others.

Beginning on the 10th of July, the Oyasato Seminar will commence. This year the Seminar will host, 20 students in the English Course One, 13 students in Course Three, 14 students in the Chinese course. These courses will be held until the 25th. The Portuguese course will be held with 25 students in attendance until the 27th. The Korean course will be held with 14 students in attendance from the 5th of August through the 17th. The total number of participants will be 86. During this period, I hope that the staff members of Overseas Department will work as one harmonious

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June Monthly Service Prayer

Before You, God the Parent, Tenri-O-no-Mikoto, who resides in this shrine, I, (Michihito Hamada, bishop of the Mission Headquarters of Hawaii) pray with reverence.

God the Parent, as we receive Your over-flowing grace from your warm parental heart, you grant us the free use of our bodies through the Ten Divine Providences, and we advance toward the construction of the joyous life world as you guide us in our spiritual development. These boundless blessings are truly more than we can expect. We are forever grateful for these blessings and we express our gratitude day and night as we apply our efforts single-heartedly in salvation work. Today is the day we are granted to conduct the June monthly service at this mission headquarters. The service performers will unite their hearts to perform the seated service and Teodori joyously in high spirits. Today, as you view the brothers and sisters of the path who have looked forward to this day, singing the songs of the service in unison, we hope that You can be spirited as well.

Beginning from today, the 40th Hawaii Spiritual Development Course will be held over the course of twenty six days with two participants. On the 5th of July, the Annual Tenrikyo Picnic will be held and we are pressingly planning for this event in hopes to strengthen the circle of friendship within our congregation. God the Parent, we would like to connect our efforts with Your intention to hasten world salvation, and pursue the path of the Divine Model of Oyasama, and we would like to strengthen within us, the mind of sincerity as we advance toward the realization of the Joyous Life world.

May You, God the Parent, accept our sincerity, and we ask that you guide us toward reconstructing the world where we can spend our days living in harmony by helping one another. Together with everyone present, I pray for these blessings.

Mission HQ June Monthly Service Sermon

Mrs. Charlotte Hamada

of Kapaa Church



“The Divine Model”

Today I would like to take this opportunity to share with you my own 41 years and 4 months of self reflection on the Topic of Divine Model.

I started on this Path of Tenrikyo at age twenty-one knowing nothing about Tenrikyo. Through the late Rev. Robert Mikuni of Taiheiyō Church I was matched married now to Rev. Nobunao Hamada. We had our moments or years of God's testing us both especially me on how to live a life like Oyasama. I will say for the

first five years of having one child after another all one year apart was like going through a maze. As the Kapaa (Church) Kaichosan (head minister) always reminds me, my level of Tenrikyo is like elementary (school) compared to his level.

For the first ten years or so we've have all kinds of people living in our church: the mentally ill, drug addicts, relatives, friends, abused children, and also elderly people who had come to us by God's faith.

At the very beginning when I was going to turn twenty-one years old, my mother asked me if I wanted to go with this group to Japan with her friend Mrs. Murakami who was attending church services at Taiheiyō Church. I was debating (whether to go or not) because my father who was working for General Motors new car division offered to buy me a Red Sting Ray sports car which I had longed for. Then I thought after my trip to Japan I'll come back and buy my own.

Well it turned out (me) going to Japan with the late Reverend Robert Mikuni and all of the branch churches under the Taiheiyō lineage went also. This trip ended up me staying for approximately three years. This was the beginning of my faith into the Tenrikyo religion where I went to the For-

June Monthly Service Sermon

eign Language school, Shuyoka (Three-month Spiritual Development Course), Koshu (Minister Qualification Course), and getting married (matched married). There is one person who I still remember to this day who told (me) when I first went with the group to Japan, the late Rev. Edward Kawasaki of Aloha Church. He said to me "One day I'll make you a Tenrikyo believer." I thought to myself who is this man to tell me such a thing. But as the days went by Rev. Robert Mikuni asked me if I would stay in Japan and go to school learning (the) Japanese Language, all paid for at that time. And as I already stated I ended up going the whole "nine yards" of the Tenrikyo training.

I also remember only too well all the guidance's I received from Jiba. One was I burned half of my body at the Furusato dormitory while attending cooking (class) in Nara, which I wasn't supposed to. Next was the ending of school. I got heat rash which turned out to become infected with acne boils and puss on both sides of my

face. Both of these events refer to my skin, (or the providence of) "joining," as Tenrikyo teaches us.

As I look back these 41 years I always ask myself am I really accomplishing my promise I made with the former Daikyokai Okusan (Grand Church Head Minister's wife), Mrs. Hironaga: to take care of the now Kapaa Kaichosan and live the life of the Divine teachings of Tenrikyo.

The first five years was the most difficult because of my selfish and not knowing the teachings. Always crying and calling my mother. But in the end my dad told me one day, "You can always come home." But you have to make a decision because you have many children. From that time on till today I could always hear him say it to me so kindly.

Today I can say within my family members, between my brothers and one sister, I'm living a life not exactly like Oyasama but a little like her, but always trying to understand the faith of Tenrikyo and the True meaning of the Divine Model of Tenrikyo.

JULY MONTHLY SERVICE

*Sunday, July 18, 2010
9:00 a.m.*

*Sermon (in Japanese) by Mrs. Kazuko Kanegawa
Head Minister of Mid Pacific Mission Station
English translation by Rev. Setsuo Kakitani*

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Hawaii Boy's and Girl's Association Annual Spring Camp and 35th General Meeting!



The Hawaii Boy's and Girl's Association Spring Camp was successfully held at the Tenri Cultural Center, on Saturday, May 29 thru Monday, May 31 with the 35th General Meeting held on the second day at Mission Headquarters.

In the general meeting, chairman Rev. Owen Nakao read the BGA President's address in which the Shinbashira told the children that "God the Parent created human beings to enjoy seeing us lead the Joyous Life and that the Joyous Life is a life where all people get along and help one another." He asked everyone to visit their church with their mother and father to express gratitude to God the Parent and he invited everyone to return to the "Home of the Parent," Jiba, which is the place where God the Parent created humankind, and it is the home of all people in the world. He concluded by expressing his thanks to all the adult leaders for their daily efforts in nurturing the members of the association and reminded everyone of the BGA guidelines: "Let's connect children with our churches and nurture their sense of gratitude to God the Parent."

A total of sixty children, twelve counselors and twenty adult leaders and hinokishin staff were involved in conducting the camp and general meeting.

The camp schedule included orientation, mini (team) Olympics, service practice at Mission HQ, evening assemblies, morning & evening services, the General Meeting, clean up Hinokishin, Adventure trails game, group discussion, a campfire program which included, fun games, skits and marshmallow roasting, tent camping and on the last day ice skating at Ice Palace.



Significance of the BGA Camp

by Hawaii BGA Chair Rev. Owen Nakao

One might think that camping for kids it's just to have fun. But it's much more than that. First there's a lot of detailed planning involved, from making fliers and applications to let everyone know about the camp, then we need to gather the equipment and necessary volunteers to help at the camp.

From one week prior, we clean the facility and the YMA setup the canopy tents. From two & one day prior volunteers set up the camping tents. The menu for the meals has to be set and a shopping list has to be made. Food donations help offset some of the cost. Then a cooking schedule was setup and volunteers recruited and also kitchen and cooking utensils were gathered. So, just the meals preparation alone was a big project.

What's so special and what's so different about the BGA Spring Camp from other camps? I believe it's the teachings and values that we impart on the children. The camp schedule has been refined over the years to include activities, which would foster the teachings and values in the children like the morning and evening services, rising early (6:30am), the Service Performance by the children during the General Meeting at Mission Headquarters, cleaning



Hinokishin, reciting the Boy's and Girl's Association pledge and singing the BGA Song. The Service and Hinokishin are basic to our faith and they are the first things that are explained to the children. Hinokishin of course is to express our gratitude for being kept alive, by doing something for others, expecting nothing in return.

And throughout the camp they are able to internalize what is being taught by hearing the words and putting the teachings into action. They clean the bathrooms, showers, wipe tables, sweep and vacuum the premises and wash the dishes for the KP Duty. Not only spiritual activities, but we also include fun activities that would instill leadership, teamwork and coopera-



tion in accomplishing the group objective such as the Team Olympics, Adventure Trails, and the campfire program.

Of course it's not only the schedule and program, but we need capable people involved in running the camp from the camp conductor to adult leaders to counselors to group leaders to group assistant leaders and members of the Young Men's Association, the Young Women's Club and the night patrol staff. It's these people we rely on to set the example to be followed by the children. One of the advantages of having it every year is that the veteran kids and junior leaders know what is expected of them and they become natural teachers and leaders by explaining the different aspects of the camp to the new kids.

This one particular group leader is only thirteen years old, but he had two of the most "difficult" kids in his group. One displayed unique and "different" behavior, did not hang out with the group and at times displayed irrational behavior. We shall call him child "A" and the other was always teasing other kids and doing things

out of the group activity. We'll call him child "B". Both child A and B didn't listen to this group leader on many occasions. Child A lost track of his group during the Adventure Trails game, which probably cost them either a first place finish or higher placing. But I believe it was due to his leader's many years of coming to the camp, his sense of responsibility, his enthusiasm and assistance from the group counselor, that he didn't lose his patience and he kept focused on what he had to do to keep his group together and cooperating. His group ended up winning "best overall" for their skit during the campfire program. The skits are all based on the theme or a teaching where the kids are able to act out the teachings and put it into some tangible form. It was because of the leader's persistence and focus, that child A and B in the end were basically compelled to follow the group in the skit and remaining activities; otherwise they would be left out of the



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fun.

To recognize just one leader would be a travesty to the other leaders and counselors who performed just as well. I am grateful and proud of everyone's efforts. Thank you very much!

The theme of the camp was "Let's all go to Oyasato (or Parental Home) as One Family." Since we all can't go to Oyasato, we focused on helping and cooperating as a family.

The BGA Camp and General Meeting are without a doubt big and important salvation work; because it has such a big impact on the kids who represent the future of our community. The kids come from different backgrounds not knowing each other, but by the end of camp, they feel like they are one family! You can see it in their happy faces, how they talk to each other and how they help out in doing hinokishin.

I wish all of you could see how they've matured over the years!

In my message at the General Meeting, I mentioned about violence in the community, about violent gangs and drug gangs. I said the Boy's and Girl's Association is a gang too, but we are the good gang. Instead of drugs and violence, we bring peace and hope to the community! I asked the kids, which gang you want to join ... the good gang or the bad gang? Of course, they all

yelled out, "the good gang!"

But if we don't continue this type of activity, the kids have no place to go and nothing to do except possibly go to the "bad" gang. So we must be proactive in our work. We cannot be passive and we cannot be inactive. For those of us not involved, for the sake of the next generation, for our future doctors, lawyers and leaders and to help decrease the number of future violent gang members, I would like to encourage you to join us and support the Boy's and Girl's Association activities!

"This Way must be transmitted to children while young. Transmit it then and at that time. It will be ineffective to do so when they are grownup."

**Osashizu, November 16, 1900
(Meiji 33)**



40th Hawaii Spiritual Development Course Starts



The 40th One-month Hawaii Spiritual Development Course began on Sunday, June 20 at

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mission headquarters after the monthly service. Just one English-speaking student, Ms. Tiffany Mima (Koshinokuni Hawaii Church/Koshinokuni Grand Church) enrolled and later to audit the classes, Mr. Satoshi Takahira (Honolulu-ko Church, Hofu Grand Church) attended. Classes on the Doctrine, Life of Oyasama, Mikagura-uta, women's instrument practice and hand practices are being held with two sets English-speaking instructors assigned two weeks each. Rev. Tyron Inouye (Hawaii Central Church/Higashichuo Grand Church) is serving as counselor throughout the course.

Judo News

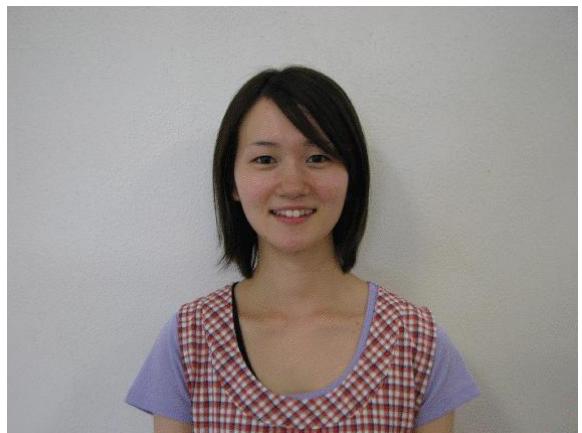


About thirty members, family and friends gathered to perform the prayer service led by Bishop Michihito Hamada and Hawaii Tenri Judo Chairman, Rev. Melvin Iwata on June 29, 7pm at Mission Headquarters. Eleven members led by assistant instructors Dr. Gregory Chow and Mrs. Robin Chow will be competing in the US Judo Federation Junior National Championships in Irvine, California over the Independence day weekend, July 2 - 4. And four (including two competing in both competitions) will be entering the USA Judo National Junior Olympics in Atlanta, Georgia (Gwinnet) on July 24 and 25. Best wishes for a safe and successful trip.

Mission HQ Announcements

New Staff Arrive

On June 8th, Mr. Motoki Miyaki (Tamani Church, Kawanoe Grand Church) arrived in Honolulu to work at Mission HQ. He will be serving two years. Ms. Mariko Yato (Iwamuramachi Church, Aichi Grand Church) arrived on June 15 and will be serving two years as kitchen staff at Mission HQ. Please extend your warm aloha when you see them at mission headquarters.



Message from the Head of the Overseas Dept.

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unit. In addition, the Children's Pilgrimage will begin from July 26th, and I look forward to seeing the many children of the path from all over the world return to Jiba.

In closing, from July 14th to 20th, the Shinbashira and Mrs. Nakayama will be going to America for the installation service for the 11th bishop of the Mission Headquarters in America.

Yoichiro Miyamori
Head of Tenrikyo Overseas Department



40th Annual TENRIKYO BAZAAR

SUNDAY, AUGUST 29, 2010

8:30 AM ~ 2:30 PM

PLACE: TENRI CULTURAL CENTER

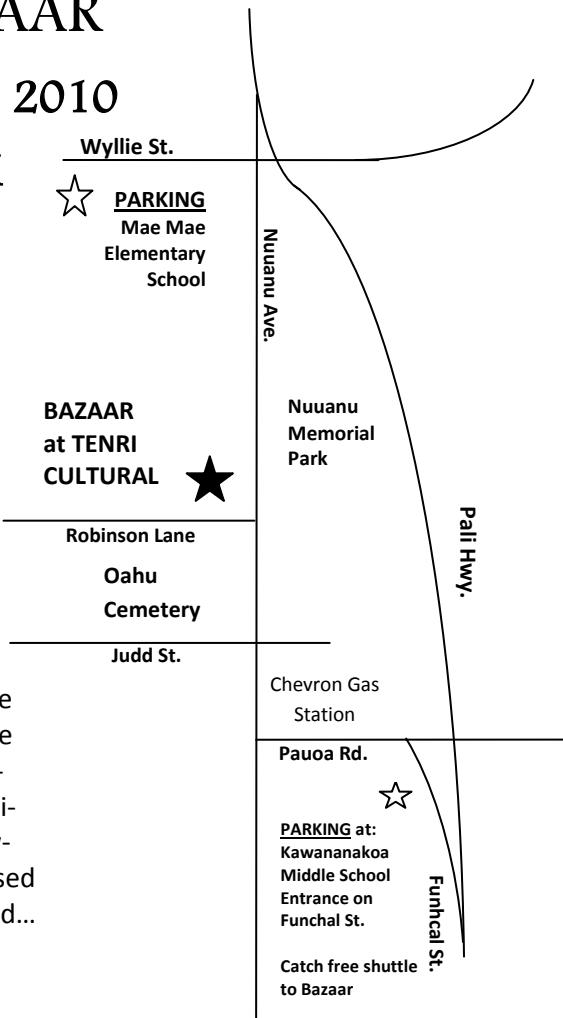
Address: 2236 Nuuanu Ave. Honolulu, HI

Across from Nuuanu Memorial Park

Parking will be available at Tenri Cultural Center, Mae Mae Elementary School & Kawanakoa Middle School on Funchal Street

BBQ $\frac{1}{2}$ Chicken (only \$4.00!), Makizushi, Cone Sushi, Sekihan, Andagi, Ohagi, Hot Dog, Shave Ice, Plate Lunch, Kim Chee, Takuwan, Sanbai-zuke, Cookie, Oden, Vegetable Tempura, Yaki-soba, Saimin, Vegetables, Fruits, Plants, Flowers, Clothes, Futon, Cushion, Old Clothing, Used Items, Mochi Pounding Exhibition, Mochi, and...

Many, Many, More!!!



Scrips are now available at Tenrikyo Mission Headquarters of Hawaii
Or your NEAREST TENRIKYO CHURCH
Please note that separate tickets are required for BBQ Chicken

Further information:
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40th Annual Bazaar

Informational Guide for Followers and Volunteers

1. Pre-Sale scrips and chicken tickets are now available at Mission HQ or at your affiliated church. Please note that there are separate BBQ Chicken tickets for sale. Scrips and chicken tickets will also be available on the day of the bazaar, but we do recommend you get them in advance to avoid waiting in long lines.
2. While we appreciate everyone's generosity in donating used items, they will be received only during the following dates: August 18-25, between 10am-4pm. Sorry, but due to space and other issues, the following items will not be accepted: Furniture, electronics, exercise equipment, mattresses and computers.
3. Hinokishin Schedule:
8/14 Sat Setup New & Used Items Booth in Judo Hall
8/17 or 18 Tsukemono (pickled vegetables) making
8/21 Sat General cleaning & yard work at TCC
8/22 Sun Canopy, booth, sushi & flower rack setup
8/26 Thu Yohaishiki (Service from afar), Bazaar Prayer service, Rental tent setup
8/27 Fri Setup tables, chairs and stage under canopies

Notice from Mission HQ

Please be advised that effective from July 1, 2010, the MHQ office and parking gates will be closed at 9:00 p.m.

Please advise the office staff if you need to keep the gates open longer due to, for example, a longer than expected meeting.

Tid Bits

Associations' Reports

YOUNG WOMEN'S CLUB

Thank you to everyone who helped out with the Annual Fourth of July Picnic. Hope everyone had fun. Here are a few upcoming events.

BAZAAR - Drop off all donated baked good items to mission HQ by Friday, August 27th. Make sure it is labeled and ingredients are listed.

Saturday, August 28 - Packing/Pricing baked goods items @ Den-dochō; time TBA

Sunday, August 29 – Bazaar: Baked Goods Booth @ 7:30a – 3:00pm

GARAGE SALE!! Oct. 31, 2010 @ 9:00 am - 1:00pm at MHQ Hall.

FOLLOW MISS KOKAN SEMINAR re-scheduled to Saturday, November 13, 2010 @ 9:00am - 2:00pm. Details to follow.

WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

At the Yohaishiki (Service from afar), Bishop Hamada said, "You must sweep away the dust of your mind to receive the providence of God the Parent as you administer the Sazuke to people who are ill." We tend to think about how we may lift their spirits or how they can change when doing salvation work. However, the one who has to change first is you. Let us keep cleaning out the dust in our minds every day.

July 10 (Sat)
Nuuau Hale Visitation 9:30 a.m.

July 12 (2nd Mon)
Monthly Meeting 9:00 a.m.- 9:45 a.m.
Study for "Osashizu and WA Association"
Bishop's Lecture 11:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.
The meeting in August is cancelled.

July 13(Tue)
Women's Instruments Practice

9:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m.

The practice in August is cancelled.

Bazaar Hinokishin

Every Wednesday at West House 9:00-12:00 p.m.

Monthly service luncheon hinokishin is North Honolulu Church. Mahalo!

BOY'S & GIRL'S ASSOCIATION

CHILDREN'S PILGRIMAGE

This year's Pilgrimage is scheduled to depart on Monday, July 19 and return on Friday, July 30, 2010. Key days are 7/24 (check in at 4pm, shohi counselors check-in at 1pm) – 7/30 stay at 38th Moya. Airfare assistance is available to those participating in the BGA Hinokishin Corps. Contact Rev. Owen Nakao Ph: 734-1449 or email: onakao@tenrikyopearl.org for more information.

YOUNG MEN'S ASSOCIATION

July 4th-Sunday
Picnic Preparation
Mission HQ-7pm

July 5th-Monday
Annual 4th of July Picnic Setup
Kapiolani Park-7am

July 18th-Sunday
Monthly Meeting
Mission HQ Social Hall-1pm

July 31st-Saturday
YMA BBQ Party
Rainbow Hale-7pm



The Hungry Reporter

I had the pleasure of doing hinokishin on June 23rd at Dendocho (Mission HQ) during Honolulu Church's cooking duty for the Spiritual Development course that is in session. A spaghetti recipe that I had posted in the September 1997 issue of Origins was on the menu! And it was a joy to taste that delicious recipe again which was served several times over the years at many of our translation conferences here at Dendocho. Yet this time, I was taken by the eggless Caesar's Salad Dressing that was also on the menu this past Wednesday. Iris Saito contributed this recipe and it tasted great. For those with allergies to eggs or for those just wanting to keep the cholesterol down, this is a great one to know. Hope you enjoy it!

Caesar Salad with Eggless Dressing

Ingredients

Dressing Ingredients

1/4 cup Parmesan Cheese
(grated)
1/4 cup Mayonnaise
1/8 cup Extra Virgin Olive Oil

1/2 tsp Anchovy Paste

1/2 tsp Worcestershire Sauce

1/4 tsp Pepper (freshly ground)

1/8 tsp Dry Mustard

2 Cloves Garlic (minced)

Directions

Mix all ingredients together and stir well. Best if refrigerated for several hours before serving. This recipe can be doubled or tripled and kept and used again for several weeks.

Salad Ingredients

8 cups Romaine Lettuce
Croutons & Parmesan Cheese to taste

Mix lettuce, cheese and croutons. Toss with dressing and serve.

July Calendar 2010

5 th Mon	Annual Picnic	Kapiolani Park	9:30 a.m.
6 th Tue	Monthly Hinokishin Day	Meet @Mission HQ	9:00 a.m.
10 th Sat	WA Nuuanu Hale Visitation	Meet @Mission HQ	9:30 a.m.
12 th Mon	WA Monthly Meeting	Mission HQ	9:00 a.m.
13 th Tue	Women's Instruments Practice	Mission HQ	9:00 a.m.
15 th Thu	BGA Staff Meeting (Canceled)	Rainbow Hale	7:30 p.m.
16 th Fri	Hawaii Spiritual Development Course Ends		
18 th Sun	Monthly Service	Mission HQ	9:00 a.m.
	Head Ministers Meeting	Mission HQ	12:45 p.m.
	YMA Monthly Meeting	Mission HQ	1:00 p.m.
19 th Mon	Nioigake Day	Mission HQ	9:00 a.m.
	Children's Pilgrimage Depart		
26 th Mon	Yohaishiki (Service from afar) & Otefuri (Hand Dance) Practice	Mission HQ	9:00 a.m.
Every Wed	WA Bazaar Hinokishin	TCC West House	9:00 a.m.

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3 rd Tue	Monthly Hinokishin Day	Meet @Mission HQ	9:00 a.m.
7 th Sat	WA Nuuanu Hale Visitation	Meet @Mission HQ	9:30 a.m.
9 th Mon	WA Monthly Meeting	Mission HQ	9:00 a.m.
10 th Tue	Women's Instruments Practice	Mission HQ	9:00 a.m.
12 th Thu	3 rd Bazaar Booth Head Meeting	Mission HQ	9:00am & 7:00pm
14 th Sat	Bazaar Judo Hall Setup Hinokishin	TCC	9:00 a.m.

Abbreviation key:

BGA = Boy's & Girl's Assn.	WA = Women's Association	TCC = Tenri Cultural Center
RH = Rainbow Hale	YMA = Young Men's Association	YWC = Young Women's Club
TSA = Tenrikyo Students Association	WSN = Women's Support Network	

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Sunday, August 29, 2010
8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Tenri Cultural Center