

# Origins

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***Though it is spring water that fills the pond in the high mountains, yet at its spout, it is mixed with mud.***

***Ofudesaki II: 25***



**"Tamaire" (ball in the basket) game at the annual Tenrikyo Picnic July 5, 2010**

***Tenrikyo Mission Headquarters of Hawaii***

## Message from the head of the Overseas Department

In the 173rd Year of the Teaching, July 26

The summer sun has been shining down on us every day, as the rainy season has ended in Jiba. Today, singing together the Mikagura-uta with the many children who have returned for the Children's Pilgrimage to Jiba, the July Monthly Service was performed spiritedly, with minds in unison and the Shinbashira as the core.

The Shinbashira, in his service prayer, touched upon the Children's Pilgrimage to Jiba, which will begin from today. He mentioned that many children from all over the world would participate in the numerous activities and he hoped that all the children would have an enjoyable summer in Oyasato. Looking over everyone with a big parental heart, he prayed that everyone would grow spiritually and healthy, with cheerful open minds.

In addition, the Shinbashira stated that head ministers and yoboku should join together and create a model of the family unit that helps one another. He expressed his firm belief that by projecting this to everyone around them, it will connect to the realization of the Joyous Life World. He would like all of us to further strengthen the bond between human beings and to have a determination to encourage spiritual growth to those around us. Then, the dust of our minds will be swept away by our spirited efforts to help others. He prayed that the entire world would recite the name of the God of Origin and be guided along the path so that the world will settle even a day sooner into the Joyous Life World.

The sermon was given by Honbu-in, Rev. Hiroyoshi Shimamura. Looking back upon the day of origin of the Children's Pilgrimage to Jiba, which will commence today, Rev. Shimamura spoke about the origin and the significance of the Children's Pilgrimage, referring to the Tenri Jiho newspaper of that time. He concluded his sermon praying that each child returning to the Jiba participating in the Children's Pilgrimage, should receive merit and return home with their gift of joy.

Over 700 people from overseas will be returning to the Jiba for this year's Children's Pilgrimage, and the usual welcome party for returning members will be held on the 28th of this month in front of the Overseas Department dining hall.

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## *July 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, with Oyasama as Your living shrine, You revealed the original truth of human creation and taught us through the divine model the path towards the Joyous Life. Then guiding us through Your overflowing grace and blessings, You showed us the way to sweep the dust from our minds, revealing miraculous blessings as we advance toward spiritual maturity. These boundless blessings are truly more than we can expect, and we express our sincere gratitude each day through our duties. Today is the day we are granted to conduct the July 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, with hearts filled with gratitude for Your parental love, we hope that You can be spirited as well.*

*From June 20th through the 15th of this month, the 40th Hawaii Spiritual Development Course was held over the course of twenty-six days. One student and one auditor completed the entire course without incident. Also, in Jiba, the Oyasato Seminar is currently in session with seven students participating in Course I and Course III. Together with their counselors, the students are further embracing Oyasama's teachings in high spirits. In addition, approximately eleven participants will be returning for the Children's Pilgrimage.*

*We Yoboku will align our minds with You, God the Parent, who anxiously desires to save all people of the world, not sparing a single person and diligently follow the path of salvation as instruments of Oyasama.*

*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 July Monthly Service Sermon*

# **Mrs. Kazuko Kanegawa**

## **Head of Mid Pacific Mission Station**



### **“The Divine Guidance”**

Thank you for performing Hawaii Dendocho’s (mission headquarters) July Monthly Service joyously and in high spirits, I am sure God the Parent and Oyasama are very pleased.

Today, I will speak concerning Chapter Six of the Doctrine of Tenrikyo. The theme is entitled “Divine Guidance”. I would like to extend my warmest appreciation to Rev. Setsuo Kakitani for his simultaneous translation.

This past April, the Women’s Association 100th Anniversary Commemorative General Meeting was held. Beginning

with members from all over Japan, many Women Association members from faraway overseas also participated. It is said that about 120,000 members gathered and the event was conducted on a grand scale. Since coming to Hawaii thirty-five years have passed and due to the divine guidance of God the Parent and Oyasama, indeed, I have been lead safely till today. I am filled with immeasurable gratitude.

The Shinbashira said in his address during the General Meeting “I would like to request that you take advantage of this important juncture represented by the 100th anniversary to reflect anew on the day of origin of your association, take to heart the divine intention underlying it’s founding, and embark on a new journey with a fresh mind and in a reliable manner that is appropriate for the foundation of the path,” thus, bringing the general meeting to a conclusion.

Written in Chapter Six, “Nevertheless, there are many in this world who are tormented by illness, pursued by misfortune, and beset by family troubles and adversity, who grieve that their lives are so wretched. They grieve because they do not know of God the Parent or of God’s deep Parental love.

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God the Parent is the Parent of all humankind. But people are not aware of this fact or of the fact that human beings are therefore all brothers and sisters who should revere God as their Parent. They mistakenly think that they exist by their own power and conduct their lives as if only they themselves mattered. Through their self-centered actions, they injure and cloud the minds of others. Their blunderings disrupt the peace of the world. Further, by so doing, they unknowingly injure and cloud their own minds.”

My late mother, Toyo Okabe was born in the 35th year of the Meiji era (1902). During the year (that) she was finally accepted to attend girls school, her family fell to ruin so she had to give up attending school. After helping her parents and obeying their wishes, she began work as a factory worker in Kyoto. In the same manner my grandfather was eight years old when his family became bankrupt and he went from Zentsuji in Shikoku to Sakaide to work as an apprentice at a shoyu factory where he began a family. My grandmother died of ovarian cancer, leaving behind five boys with my nineteen year old father being the oldest. At wit's end, the eldest son's wife had to become the guardian for the youngest sibling who was only four years old at the time. They were unable to be happy each day, weary of waiting for the day they could finally return home made each passing day so difficult. To make matters worse,

the eldest daughter besides being pregnant developed breast cancer. During this very trying period, our family was drawn to this path by Sei Nakagoshi, who built the basis of Futanajima Grand Church. Sei would often lead my mother who was saved and have my mother accompany her when she set out to do salvation work.

Sei Nakagoshi was the second daughter of Takayasu Branch Church official Tsuruzo Ando. In 1901 she served as the go between for Ashizu (Grand Church's) 2nd Head Minister Isaburo Izutsu, (and then) she married into the Nakagoshi family who were very wealthy as the second wife of Tokichi Nakagoshi who served as the 2nd and 4th Head Minister of Ikeda Branch Church.

Although Sei did not have any visible dowry when she married into the Nakagoshi family, she was custom made for this marriage. Her only dowry consisted of a strong desire to do missionary work, which would eventually set the foundation for Futanajima Grand Church. The Nakagoshi home was located on the outskirts of Osaka where she did missionary work at Todoromi. However, considered as a person from another country, the villagers would not even listen to her as she conveyed the teachings of the Path. She could not overcome this obstacle even though she possessed a strong missionary will and a tenacious personality that was nurtured by Takayasu Grand Church. However, she per-

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severed until an elderly woman named Wai Inouye agreed to attend the Besseki lectures. After inviting the old lady to attend Besseki, Sei temporarily stopped her missionary work in Todoromi and departed on a Kyoto mission. With her husband Tokichi in charge, she established Umamachi Mission station in Kyoto.

As time passed Rev. Tokichi entrusted Umamachi Mission Station to a Mr. Morikawa so he could serve as the 4th and 6th Head minister of Ikeda Branch Church, however, in 1913 Ikeda Branch Church's financial situation became so strained that it came to a point where the property was seized by a bailiff to be auctioned. Ashizu Grand Church could not ignore the situation and became creditors to repay the debt and had the auction notice withdrawn. In this manner, thanks to Ashizu Grand Church, the church sign of God the Parent was not soiled in any way. The church was saved, however the responsibility was enormous so Tokichi submitted his resignation and left Ikeda Branch Church.

Rev. Izutsu felt that Nakagoshi should return to Umamachi however he had him withdraw. The Nakagoshi family were originally appointed as officials of Ikeda Branch Church and if the course of events is considered, it was not possible for him to return to the Grand Church and if he did the result would be the decay of the life efforts of Nakagoshi family. However, Rev. Izutsu wanted to give him another chance to get

up on his feet and redeem himself once again. It would not be so easy and he would have to endure many difficulties. "Presently, Futanajima on Shikoku was experiencing difficulties with out a head minister. I want you to go there and do your best." Upon hearing these wishes, Rev. Tokichi made the resolution to revive Futanajima mission station but deep inside Sei felt that this arrangement was not to her liking. Accompanied by Auntie Wai Inouye, the two left Kyoto. They began doing noigake from a single dwelling and all their hard work resulted in establishing a church. I feel that they wanted to remain in Kyoto to do missionary work.

From long ago because Shikoku was considered the place where the Emperor sent criminals to exile, going to Sakaide must have felt like they were being banished to a remote island. A family of five crowded side by side into the small church and attempted to do difficult missionary work from the very beginning with nothing. Of course they were aware of the destitution they would face and their feelings were not at peace.

During such a time, a letter from her younger brother Sojiro arrived addressed to his elder sister:

"How are you doing at this time? I wonder how you are doing daily. Because of this path we can live joyously so it is important to obey our hearts. Since we can

just drink water and truly live joyously it is so important to obey our hearts. To drink only water and truly live each day happily or to drink only water and live each day crying, the difference will determine whether we live our lives with or without merit.

For the sake of this Path, the Nakagoshi family overcame various hardships, but till this day, there were no difficulties that were truly inconvenient. First, Oyasama said to experience hardship, next she said to experience difficulties and finally she said if there is no brush wood there will be no oil, there will be no rice. Since we endured days where we had only water to drink, to be able to live through this Path without fear, we would have to live through the final inconvenience.

This day in our lives, even if we tried would not be able to live through, so please comprehend this in your heart well, forget our self-centered thoughts and pass through safely, enjoy this day or many people will not be able to enjoy this day. Please enjoy today, do not rely on others and truly rely on the truth that is not visible to our eyes. I ask of you over and over again, first look at the path of people that truly lived through difficulties and be convinced of the truth of heaven. Please do not doubt God, do not be defeated by your causation, no matter what happens you must persevere. I ask over and over again to be grateful for the mercy of heaven. Already the 30th Anniversary of

Oyasama is right before our eyes, the path consists of many opportunities every ten years, so every church is under great pressure. Do not collapse with this event, may a bud sprout from this knot, I want to obey my heart sufficiently. After Oyasama's 20th Anniversary the path became so energized, so please grasp the significance of this present path.

To Elder sister

From Sojiro"

After receiving this letter, Sei was overjoyed. In the neighborhood lived Towa Sakanishi who entered the faith she often visited homes in the neighborhood asking for rice grains that may still be stuck on the sides of rice containers. That left over bits of rice was secretly re-cooked and made into rice gruel, which satisfied the family's hunger. Soon after, Towa's adopted daughter Masu Sakanishi went to Taiwan and became the foundation of Futatai Branch Church that was established in Tainan. After the war, this church was revived in Iyoshima in Ehime prefecture. Sei did not have any fire wood to burn so she used pieces of wood from a collapsed fence behind her home, she was a tidy and clean person so even on a cold day she bared one shoulder at a time and washed or she would not go outside. Even during hot summer days she would always tie her sash firmly and there was never a time where there would be a change in her neat appearance. In those days they did not have a bath in the

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home so she went to a public bath house, however she could not go everyday but when she did go occasionally, she would bathe for 2 to 3 hours at a time. She knew many people and would converse with anyone in the Kyoto dialect, she was known to everyone as the madam of Tenrikyo. Before long Rin Inoshita the owner of the bathhouse entered the faith. Rin would soon after depart for Manchuria to do missionary work. After the war, she returned to Tokyo and established Futafujii Branch Church. Sei had a side job working at nights making utensils from straw and during the day, she would run about doing salvation work nurturing so many people in the process.

My mother who was nurtured by Sei Nakagoshi and often accompanied Sei as she engaged in salvation work. One story is that of a girl who was imprisoned in her family's drawing room. They entered the empty house after the family left to work in the fields, my mother was told to boil water and the girl's head was washed and her body dried. My mother watched as Sei removed lice from the girl's hair. Another story concerned helping a bedridden person suffering from a gallstone ailment, the parents were greatly opposed to Tenrikyo and would not let them enter the home, so at night my mother holding a lantern guided Sei and from a road in the rice fields she would earnestly administer the Sazuke. Again there was a time where it was not determined if a child would live or die, re-

gardless of day or night she would continue to nurse the child, late at night she would purify herself with water before administering the Sazuke. Watching her try her best to save a complete stranger, my mother felt how noble was the position of a missionary and felt even if she had to offer her life, she would not regret it and made the resolution to follow Sei for the rest of her life. My mother mentioned she was taken by the hand and taught step by step the truth of saving others.

Sei followed the same path of Oyasama's fifty year divine model, doing missionary and salvation work to continue to keep the fire of saving others burning. As a huge influence to Futanajima Grand Church, she set its present fundamentals. At the age of seventy-three she returned to the bosom of Oyasama.

In about sixty years, Futanajima was elevated to the status of Grand Church, the 3rd Shimbashira stressed, "All of you have proven the fact that a church with problems can become a Grand Church."

Without forgetting about the truth of the original first day, the head minister of our Grand Church proclaimed that we will welcome the 100th anniversary of Futanajima Grand Church. Being the only mission station located overseas from our grand church, I would like to invite as many people as possible to Ojiba and then return to our Grand Church.

Thank you for your kind attention.

# ANNUAL BAZAAR

## Donations Welcome!

### *FOOD ITEMS*

white rice, sugar, salt packets, dashi no moto,  
ao nori, katsuo bushi (bonito flakes)  
tonkatsu sauce

### NON-FOOD ITEMS

Napkins, chopsticks (waribashi) 3000 prs,  
paper towels 12 rolls, paper packages (small, medium, large)  
plastic wrap  
plastic forks 300  
butane gas cassette 10 canisters

Able to donate? Please call Julia Toyama at  
620-0034 by August 13. Donations must be delivered to Mission HQ  
August 15 - 19, 2010

## Message from the Head of the Overseas Dept.

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Furthermore, this year's Oyasato Seminar began on July 10th. The English Course I and III and the Chinese Course officially ended yesterday. The Portuguese Course will end tomorrow. I would like to express my heartfelt joy that all courses spiritedly put in their greatest efforts.

As we enter into August, the Oyasato Seminar Korean Course will be held for the third time from August 5th to the 17th, and the Taiwan Student Association Children's Pilgrimage to Jiba will be held from August 17th to the 27th. The summer activities of the Overseas Department will continue and we the Overseas Department staff will come together as one, bearing the heat of summer, as we put in our utmost efforts so that we will be guided without mishap until the very end.

Yoichiro Miyamori  
Head of Tenrikyo Overseas Department

# ISLAND LIFE

## ***40th Hawaii Spiritual Development Course Ends***



The 40<sup>th</sup> Hawaii Spiritual Development Course conducted its graduation ceremony on July 16, with family, friends and instructors. The course started on June 20 and included classes on the Doctrine of Tenrikyo, Life of Oyasama, the Mikagura-uta (Songs for the Service), Musical Service Instruments practice, and Hand Dance practice and Hinokishin. There were only one student, Tiffany Mima (Koshinokuni Hawaii Church) and one auditor Satoshi Takahira (Honolulu-ko Church). See student faith experience speech and auditor reflections.



**Faith Experience Speech**  
**by Ms. Tiffany Mima**  
**(Koshinokuni Hawaii Church**  
**/Koshinokuni Grand Church)**

Good evening. My name is Tiffany Mima and today, I would like to share with you my experience in the faith of Tenrikyo.

I was born into the teachings as the youngest child of the 5th generation of the Tenrikyo faith in my family. As many of you may have read in the Anecdotes of Oyasama, story #105, or have learned from my father's speech, the first person to have entered the faith was my great-great grandfather, Zensuke Uno, in 1882. His wife, Misa, was saved from complications of childbirth by Oyasama, thus marking the beginning of the Tenrikyo path for my family.

In September of 1973, my father and my mother came to Hawaii to do missionary work, that of which the first 14 months were spent doing hinokishin (labor of love expressing gratitude for being kept alive) at Hawaii Dendocho (mission headquarters), where my eldest sister was born in 1974. My parents endured many hardships and with their hard work and efforts, were able to establish a church in June 2001. Growing up, I remember my family would spend much of our time participating in a variety of church activities such as nioigake (sprinkling the fragrance of the teachings) and hinokishin, as well as Kodomo Ojibagaeri (Children's Pilgrimage to Jiba), Shohi (Boy's & Girl's Hinokishin Corps), and Oyasato Seminar (a religious three-part course for high school students).

I had known about Shuyokai (one-month spiritual development course) and Shuyoka (three-month Spiritual Development Course held in Jiba) ever since I was little for all of my siblings had attended one or the other. Thus, when I came of age, I felt that it was atarimai (natural) for me to attend. Initially, I had intended on attending for the past two summers with a few friends but in the end, things had not worked out as planned.

As many of you may have known, there had been a possibility that Shuyokai would have not been possible this year if two others did not apply. Fortunately, one other person did and despite that there were still only two participants, Shuyo-

kai was to continue as planned. Unfortunately, after a few days, my classmate could not continue the course. Thus I was to complete it myself. In the middle of the course, I became ill and it was felt that it was best if I rest for a few days at home. After a few days, I returned and that night, I called my mother and told her I wanted to quit yet I did not want to quit. My mother assured me, saying it was okay if I quit halfway. But I knew deep down I would not let myself quit and I believe my mother knew that as well. Fortunately, with the support from the staff of Dendocho and Shuyokai and especially from my family, I was able to continue and complete the one month Spiritual Development Course.

Although I grew up with the teachings, I never really completely understood with the level of spiritual maturity that of my parents. Being the only student was a blessing in that it provided me with a lot of time for self reflection. I was able to look back on past events and see the buds from the many knots I had, as well as learn to accept with a mind of gratitude. After my father had administered the sa-zuke (divine grant of healing) on me when I became ill, I asked my father why is it that I became ill when I had tried my best every step of the way. He told me that this illness is teaching me tanno (joyous acceptance) and to accept all situations. He told me not to worry, and to use this illness as a way to grow stronger spiritually. In addition to my father's advice, such an experience has taught me to understand how people feel when they are ill and thus have come to learn to appreciate my health. I have come to understand how powerful the mind is and of the importance of the relationship between the mind and the body. Nonetheless, I feel that this course has helped me to grow spiritually and from now on, I hope to continue to grow and continue the path my parents have paved for me.

I would like to thank first of all, God the Parent and Oyasama for their continuing guidance. I would also like to thank Bishop Hamada and Mrs. Hamada for without them, Shuyokai would not have been possible. Also, the staff of Hawaii Dendocho for taking care of me and being kind to me throughout my stay. Thank you to all the instructors, counselors, and kitchen volunteers for taking time out of their busy schedule for one or two students. Thank you to my first classmate, for without him there would not have been a Shuyokai program this summer, and to my current classmate for keeping me company for the second half. Finally, I would like to thank my family for always supporting me. Thank you for your kind attention. Arigatougozaimashita (Thank you very much)..



## Satoshi Takahira's Hawaii One-month Spiritual Development Course Reflection (Honolulu-ko Church /Hofu Grand Church)

As an auditor, I attended the second half of the Spiritual Development Course in 2010, held at Hawaii Mission Headquarters. I have lived at the dormitory in Honolulu-ko Church, which is near mission headquarter, since July of 2008. Rev. Melvin Iwata had suggested that I attend the course. Though I felt indebted to him and Mrs. Iwata who had taken care of me for two years, I struggled to make the decision to attend.

I was born and raised in Ikoma City in Nara Prefecture. Though Nara is where Tenrikyo was founded, my parents were not interested in religion, and neither was I. Therefore, I had no connection to Tenrikyo, except for one time during my childhood when a woman from Ikoma Grand Church helped me when I was lost.

I am now enrolled in the graduate Arts program at the University of Hawaii. During my first year at UH, I had lived in a private office, provided only for graduate students. In March of 2008, I started working part-time at the library in UH where I met a lady who also worked there. She was very concerned about my living situation and introduced me to Rev. Iwata. They were old classmates who had studied Japanese together at Tenri University about 40 years ago.

During the next few years of living at the Honolulu-ko Church dormitory, I participated in the morning and evening services, monthly service, and some other events such as the annual picnic. However, throughout the day, I could not focus on any more than my art projects, presentations, and grades. My daily schedule revolved around school and I sometimes stayed there for an entire week. Even when I went back to Honolulu-ko Church, I returned to the school immediately after my meals.

I started making art as a way to create beauty and found joy in showing others. But, the more I did it, the more it became an obsession. Soon, I had forgotten the happiness I previously had and found myself seeking only success. My only motivation was my pride and stubbornness.

Rev. Iwata had explained, and frequently suggested for me to attend the Spiritual Development Course from the beginning of 2009, but I continued to refuse. I could not even imagine not making art at UH or taking time off from my part-time job, which sup-

ported my tuition and daily expenses.

The only explanation I have for finally deciding to attend this year was that some remarkable power drew me to it. Some factors could have been that I owed Rev. Iwata, or that I felt bad for Tiffany Mima, who ended up being the only student in the course. But that still doesn't explain why I decided to attend the course since I don't feel as though I made the decision on my own. As I mentioned, it must have been some sort of remarkable power working on me, or in Tenrikyo terms, I was drawn by God the Parent.

As it is said that time flies when you're having fun, I really enjoyed the 10 days of Shuyokai (Spiritual Development Course). Although I am usually a late riser, I was surprisingly able to wake up at 4 a.m. every morning without an alarm clock. I enjoyed doing the Hinokishin after 5:00 a.m. as a daily routine, wiping the chairs at the sanctuary, raking the leaves outside, and watering the flowers. The lectures given by the instructors from various churches within Hawaii, delve deep into the essence of the Tenrikyo teachings. They were very fresh and interesting, especially for someone like me, who had just recently become acquainted with the religion. I am still an inexperienced person with this religion, but the word "Joyous Life" appeared in my mind naturally as I opened the Doctrine of Tenrikyo. It was a short period, but I was able to spend it full of "Joyous Life." I deeply appreciate having been able to return to the origin, that is "to enjoy" that which I had forgotten for awhile.

The lecture given by Rev. Mark Hisao on the last day of the Doctrine still remains in my heart. He stated, "Although both of you complete the Spiritual Development course today, consider today as your starting day. If you practice the things you learned here in your daily life, then that is when this Spiritual Development Course first begins to have meaning. There is no ending in this Teaching. It does not end until you die... No, even then, it is to be carried on in the future since it is something which should be passed over from generation to generation."

This is just the beginning. I feel as though I was blessed with an important task to practice the things I learned during the Spiritual Development Course in my daily life. Lastly, I would like to express my appreciation to Bishop and Mrs. Hamada who accepted my participation midway into the program, to the instructors who were kind enough to come from their respective churches to teach just two students, and to Rev. and Mrs. Mihama and the seinen-sans who took care of us daily and during Hinokishin and such. Thank you very much.

## **All Kids in Hawaii Group Participate in the Boy's & Girl's Hinokishin Corps!**

Ten persons, including five kids joined the Hawaii Children's Pilgrimage Group this year. Due to all five kids and one counselor, Myles Hisao participating in the Kaigai Shonen Hinokishin Tai (Boy's & Girl's from Overseas Hinokishin Corps), the "general" group consisted of only adults which did the laundry and joined the America-Canada group for some of the activities.

Second time participant, Patrick Lum (Hawaii Central Church), 15, played the Kotsuzumi (tabor) among eight others selected from the Kaigai Shohi for their musical instrument performance during the church headquarters morning service on the last day, July 30. Other kids from Hawaii were: Kennan Katayama (Hawaii Central), Robert Mau (Hawaii Central), Cherry Hamada (Kapaa Church) and Scharlie Hamada (Kapaa). A total of 100 + 24 counselors from eight different countries participated in the Kaigai Shohi, including U.S. 19, Canada 6, Australia 4, UK 1, Hong Kong 2, Brazil 14, Korea 40 and Taiwan 38.

Many thanks to Mr. Daniel Akemoto (back far right) who coordinated for us.



## FUN AT THE ANNUAL TENRIKYO PICNIC!



The 55<sup>th</sup> Annual Tenrikyo Picnic was held in fine weather on Monday, July 5 from 9am to 2pm at Kapiolani Park with over 300 attendees. Tenrikyo followers, family and friends enjoyed the fun games organized by the Tenrikyo Hawaii Young Men's Association and Young Women's Club, such as tug of war, potato sack relay, golf pitching, watermelon eating, balloon toss and vegetable scramble. Canopy tents were setup closer to the games area and shared by various churches. This left tree shaded areas available to more families. Each church or family brought their special picnic dishes

and barbeque which were shared with the congregation and friends. It was a good time to meet new people and reconnect with old friends.



Friends and family enjoying food and fellowship in the "Nan'a" tent!

## **Judo News**

Congratulations to all of the Hawaii Tenri judoka who competed on July 3rd and 4th, in Irvine, California at the USJF Junior National competition. We are very proud of the effort of all of the students.

Here are the results:

First place-

Phoebe Pineda Abaya, Girls Intermediate 1, 30kg

Czarina Pineda Abaya, Girls Intermediate 2, 34kg

Taylor Ibera

Second place-

Hilina'i Meyer, Girls Intermediate 2, 42kg

Sydney Lista, Girls Intermediate 2, 47kg

Carson Fu, Boys Intermediate 1, 38kg

Noah Pineda Abaya

Fourth place-

Cole Chandler

Zion Lista

Also competed but did not place- Cassidy Chandler, Shannon Redwood, Ho'ala Meyer,

Here's the latest news from Atlanta:

Both Taylor Ibera and Dane Paihi Pestano won their IJF division at the Junior Olympics, and both have qualified for the USA Judo team to the 2010 IJF Junior World Championships in Morocco in October. Congratulations to both Tenri Judoka! That is awesome!



## **NEW ARRIVAL!**

Please welcome the new addition to the Shamoto Family!

Riki Kahiau Shamoto

Born: July 16, 2010 at 11:39AM

Weight: 6 lbs. 12.2 oz. 19 1/2 inches.

Parents: Scott & Hiromi Shamoto

Church: Malie Mission Station/Nakano G.C.

# Mission HQ Announcements

## **New Mission Station**

Congratulations to Mr. Darrell Suzuki who established Tenrikyo Hale Ke Akua Mission Station on May 26, 2010, under Honjima Grand Church.

## **Roof Repair Divine Sanction**

Aloha Church received the sanction on July 26<sup>th</sup>, for repairing the roof of the worship hall, and to conduct the Dedication Service.



## **Staff Departure**

On June 7, Ms. Yoko Tsuchiya (Tamashima G.C.) returned to the Overseas Department to continue her work after two years and two months serving as a kitchen staff. Mahalo for all your hard work!

## ***AUGUST MONTHLY SERVICE***

*Sunday, August 15, 2010*

*9:00 a.m.*

*Sermon (in English) by Rev. Mark Hisao*

*Head Minister of Maui Church*

*Japanese translation by Rev. Tsunenori Ichise*



40<sup>th</sup> 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

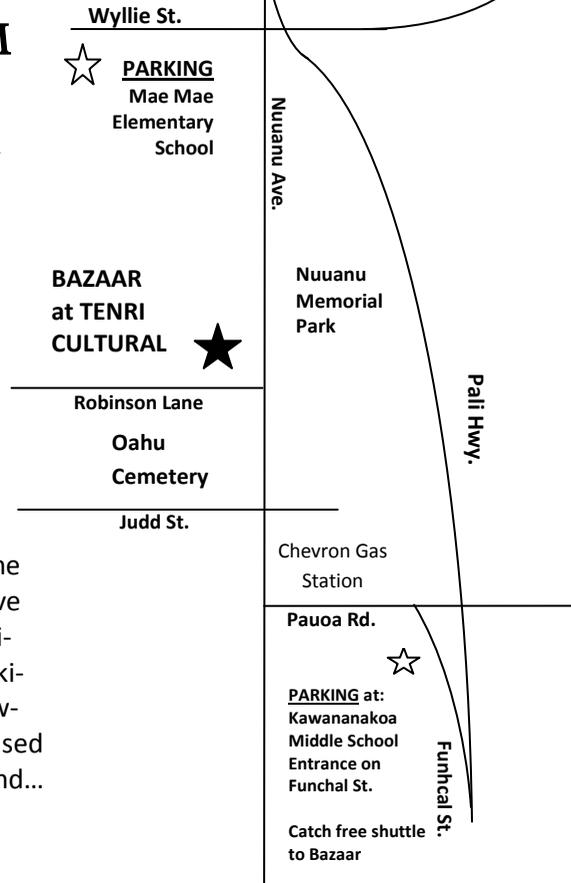
Parking will be available at Tenri Cultural

Center, Mae Mae Elementary School

& Kawanakoa Middle School

on Funchal Street

BBQ ½ Chicken (only \$4.00!), Makizushi, Cone Sushi, Sekihan, Andagi, Ohagi, Hot Dog, Shave Ice, Plate Lunch, Kim Chee, Takuwan, Sanbaisu, 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!!!



Scripts 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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# 40<sup>th</sup> 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.**

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Associations' Reports

## YOUNG WOMEN'S CLUB

### YOUNG MEN'S ASSOCIATION

August 14th-Saturday

Bazaar Judo Hall Setup

TCC-9am

August 15th-Sunday

Monthly Meeting

Mission HQ Social Hall-1pm

August 21st/28th-Saturday

Bazaar Setup

TCC-8am

August 29th-Sunday

Bazaar Parking

TCC-7am

### BAZAAR!!

8/27/10 Friday – Drop off all donated baked good items to Mission HQ. Make sure to have a label and ingredients listed.

8/28/10 Saturday – Packing/Pricing of Baked good items at Mission HQ. Time TBA.

8/29/10 Sunday – Bazaar Day! Its not too late to help out with the booth. Please let Louise of Aunty Lynn know ASAP. 7:30a – 3:00p.

**GARAGE SALE!** – Oct. 31, 2010 Sunday @ Mission HQ's hall from 9:00am – 1:00pm. More details to follow.

Volunteers/Donations for the Mini-Bazaar & Beverage Table

We need volunteers to help with our monthly mini-bazaar at the Dendocho's Monthly Service. We also need volunteers to help with the beverage table, setting up the drinks, and pouring tea. If you can donate a baked good or help out during lunch time, please contact Louise at 551-3158 to sign up or let one of the officers know during Monthly Service.

## **BOY'S & GIRL'S ASSOCIATION**

## **WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION**

### **CHILDREN'S PILGRIMAGE**

This year's Children's Pilgrimage had all kids participating in the Boy's & Girl's Hinokishin Corps Overseas division. Total in the group were five children's, two parents and two adult leaders.

### **BGA ACTIVITY GUIDELINES 2010**

Under the slogan, "Let's connect children with our churches and nurture their sense of gratitude to God the Parent," the BGA has set the following goals:

1. Have all chapters conduct sleepovers at their churches.
2. Promote hinokishin activities in every district.
3. Increase the number of association members participating in the Children's Pilgrimage to Jiba.

Hawaii chapter chair Rev. Owen Nakao requested that these goals be met at the church level where possible.

Each moment of our lives will shine brightly in whatever we do, if we have the mind of salvation. Let us dedicate ourselves to the Bazaar at the end of the month to let people bask in and be comforted by that brilliance.

Monthly Meeting is cancelled.  
The Women's Instruments Practice is cancelled.

### **Bazaar Hinokishin:**

August 17(Sun)  
Making the Tsukemono (pickled vegetables)

August 18(Wed)  
Making the Konyaku

August 23(Sat)  
Separating and sorting used clothes

Every Hinokishin is at TCC from 9:00 a.m.

Monthly Service luncheon hinokishin is Honjima group. Mahalo!

# August Calendar 2010

3 <sup>th</sup> Tue	Monthly Hinokishin Day	Meet @Mission HQ	9:00 a.m
7 <sup>th</sup> Sat	WA Nuuanu Hale Visitation	Meet @Mission HQ	9:30 a.m.
9 <sup>th</sup> Mon	WA Monthly Meeting	Mission HQ	9:00 a.m.
10 <sup>th</sup> Tue	Women's Instruments Practice	Mission HQ	9:00 a.m.
12 <sup>th</sup> Thu	3 <sup>rd</sup> Bazaar Booth Head Meeting	Mission HQ	9:00am & 7:00pm
	BGA Staff Meeting (Canceled)	Rainbow Hale	7:30 p.m.
14 <sup>th</sup> Sat	Bazaar Judo Hall Setup Hinokishin	TCC	9:00 a.m.
15 <sup>th</sup> 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.
16 <sup>th</sup> Mon	Nioigake Day	Mission HQ	9:00 a.m.
21 <sup>st</sup> Sat	TCC General Cleaning	TCC	9:00 a.m.
22 <sup>nd</sup> Sun	Bazaar Canopy Setup	TCC	9:00 a.m.
26 <sup>th</sup> Thu	Yohaishiki (Service from afar) & Bazaar Prayer Service	Mission HQ	9:00 a.m.
27 <sup>th</sup> Fri	Setup Tables, chairs under canopies	TCC	9:00 a.m.
29 <sup>th</sup> Sun	Annual Tenrikyo Bazaar!	TCC	8:30am-2:30pm

# September Calendar 2010

6 <sup>th</sup> Mon	All Tenrikyo Nioigake Day	Stadium Park (in Moiliili)	9:00 a.m.
7 <sup>th</sup> Tue	Monthly Hinokishin Day	Meet @Mission HQ	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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## **All Tenrikyo Nioigake Day!**

**“Sprinkle the Fragrance of the Teachings!”**

**Monday, September 6, 2010, Labor Day**

**9:00-11:00 a.m.**

**Meet at Moiliili Stadium Park**

Your choice of: Door to door nioigake or  
Park cleaning hinokishin (wear “One World, One Family” T-shirt for  
hinokishin and bring own yard equipment)

**Bring your family and friends!**