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The 42nd Tenrikyo Bazaar

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TENRIKYO NEWSLETTER – ORIGINS AND MAKOTO MISSION STATEMENT

To provide information related to Tenrikyo Hawaii services, activities, and events for the Tenrikyo community of Hawaii and for the people in the State of Hawaii.

To inspire and initiate interest in having faith in religion, namely Tenrikyo, by conveying the Truth of the Jiba in words, in the manner and heart of God the Parent and Oyasama.

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Message from the Head of the Overseas Department August 26, Tenrikyo 175

I thank you deeply for your daily sincere efforts at each of your respective missions throughout the world. Even in the extreme summer heat at the Home of the Parent, many followers and friends of the path have returned, and the August Monthly Service was spiritedly performed with the Shinbashira as the core.

In the service prayer, the Shinbashira stated that, “Step by step, the Parent, who began this world, will enter all of these useful timbers.” He emphasized we should keep these words in our heart and strive to saving others, so that we can spread the truth of all things to the entire world without lagging in construction of the Joyous World. Further, the Shinbashira prays that all evil minds of all people throughout the world will be swept away by the free and unlimited blessings so that they may walk strongly on this path of Joyous Life with a mind of sincerity.

This month’s sermon was given by Honbu-in, Rev. Haruo Maegawa.

Quoting the Osashizu and a story of the predecessor as well as sharing a story of his church follower, Rev. Maegawa talked about the importance of the teaching, “Contribution and Dedication.” He stated that the teaching of dedication and contribution is not only going to a church and offering money, but dedicating a mind of sincerity for a single-hearted salvation to God. He also expressed that God will without a doubt, accept one’s continuous sincere contribution and dedication and will bestow blessings upon us. He spoke about many followers want to dedicate themselves to a church or Jiba but they are not able to since the occurrence of the earthquake last year in Japan and because of other natural disasters. Therefore, he prayed to God the Parent for a recovery from each disaster, even a day sooner. Further, he encouraged us to live joyously in our daily lives with the mind of gratitude, modesty, and mutual help, so that we can receive the unlimited workings from God the Parent.

Next month is September, when the All Tenrikyo Nioigake Day is to be held. Although at each respective mission, you have already made plans for this activity, let us all as an instrument of Oyasama, strive to spread the teachings and engage in salvation work.

Yoichiro Miyamori
Head of Tenrikyo Overseas Department



August Monthly Service Prayer

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

God the Parent, out of Your deep parental love for all Your children, there isn't a moment You cease to protect us, as Your advance to allow us the blessing of world salvation. For this we are deeply grateful, and in repayment we are striving to meet Your desire by daily engaging in salvation work single heartedly. Today is the day we are granted to conduct the August monthly service at this mission headquarters. The service performers will unite their hearts to perform the seated service and Teodori joyously in high spirits. We brothers and sisters of this Path have looked forward to this day and today, we are gathered here in prayer before You to sing the Mikagura-uta. As You watch us, we hope that You can be spirited as well.

This summer, Jiba was filled with two hundred thousand children, and despite the extremely hot weather, the Children's Pilgrimage group, the Oyasato Seminar students and the Young Men's Association's International Hinokishin Corps members were all able to participate in good health and returned home with enhanced joy in their hearts as they were able to deepen their knowledge of the teachings and sow seeds of sincerity in Jiba.

On the 26th of this month, the Tenrikyo Bazaar will be held, and we hope that this will further advance our effort in sprinkling the fragrance of the teachings to others in this district. In addition, on September 3rd, we will be conducting door-to-door nioigake, as we observe the 80th year since the launching of the All Tenrikyo Nioigake Day. It is our hope to further sprinkle the fragrance of the teachings of Oyasama to many people.

As we spiritedly pursue the path of the Divine Model of Oyasama, we hope that we can effectively direct the minds of all those in the world who still know nothing of the sincere Parent toward the Joyous Life, by striving with all our effort to relay the intention and workings of the Original Parent. May You God the Parent, accept our sincerity and as the people of the world striving to attain harmony by helping one another, we ask that You guide us toward reconstructing the world, into a world of unlimited joy. Together with everyone present, I pray for these blessings.



Mission HQ August Monthly Service Sermon

Rev. Colin Saito

Head Minister of Honolulu Church



“Dust of the Mind and Seated Service Part One”

Good afternoon and thank you for your joyful participation in Dendocho’s August Monthly Service for the sake of world salvation. Before I begin, I would like to thank Taeko Nakao for her hard work of doing today’s translation.

Upon the creation of us human beings, God the Parent gave each of us a very precious gift...the gift of the human soul. And along with that, God also gave us another gift, the gift of freewill and the freedom to think and create. God also gave to us children another wonderful gift...the concept of relativity, which is experienced through our relationships that enable us to

relate to and interact with each other, so that we may gain precious experience to understand ourselves better as we live our lives on this beautiful earth. By ourselves alone, our learning experiences would be very limited. Through our Beloved Oyasama, God the Parent taught us about negative thought patterns or ‘Dust of the Mind’ that are detrimental to our attainment of the Joyous Life, the goal of human existence.

Today, I would like to talk in general about these ‘Dust of the Mind’ and how we can sweep away these negative barriers, so that we may open our channels of communication and enable ourselves to receive divine inspiration and messages from God the Parent to enhance our progress towards spiritual maturity.

First of all, I would like to review the Seated Service Part One as explained through the Hawaiian self-healing technique called Ho’o Pono Pono, which I had intended to present at the Hawaii Convention last year (THC Lecture.v5) but was forced to delete it due to time constraints. The Hawaiians believed in many ‘Gods’ such as Lono and Pele the

Goddess of Fire and other Aumakua that took many forms such as a shark, a turtle, a rock, or a tree. They also believed that human beings were not separated from nature, but rather, were an integral part of nature.

They also had a wonderful self-healing technique called “Ho’o Pono Pono” that required one to take full responsibility and do self-reflection. Whenever a problem occurred, family, relatives, and friends gathered, not to accuse or to point fingers but rather it was for the purpose of doing self-reflection. By seeing and hearing of the problem, it was proof that you yourself did something to bring that into your life and therefore you ‘own’ it so to speak. So the idea was that, after doing the self-reflection, you must change that part of yourself, which you felt was connected to the ‘problem.’

At first, I thought I knew what full responsibility meant...that it was “everything I thought, said, and did” due to the ‘freewill’ given to us by God the Parent. But, the Hawaiian meaning for full responsibility went further and it meant, “everything I thought, said, and did, as well as being responsible for everyone else’s thoughts, words, and actions, world wide.” I was blown away by this realization. My thinking up to then was only ‘partial’ and it excluded the rest of my ‘brothers and sisters’ throughout the world. This acceptance of full responsibility may seem like quite a tremendous thing to do...but

imagine if only, we all did it at the same time with each person carrying their own spiritual weight, then the world would change faster. The Hawaiian belief behind Ho’o Pono Pono was very close to the idea that ‘we are all one’ like our bumper sticker “One World, One Family” and the Tenrikyo teaching that we are all “brothers and sisters, there should be no one called an outsider.” (Ofudesaki XIII: 43)

Basically, the Ho’o Pono Pono technique was a four-step process in analyzing a problem. The first step is to return your thoughts to the origin, the Love of God, and say 1) I love you. Then, the second step is to do the self-reflection and say 2) I am sorry, for all the things I did to bring this into my life. Then, the third step is to seek forgiveness by saying 3) Please forgive me, while asking to have those negative experiences removed from your memory. When those negative memories are removed, the void is then replaced by God’s pure love and opens the way for Inspiration to enter our being. And the final step is to say 4) Thank you, and express our gratitude to God for removing those negative memories. The four steps are: I love you, I am sorry, please forgive me, and thank you. Thus, by taking FULL RESPONSIBILITY and making a CHANGE IN YOURSELF, that change that you made would then have an effect on the so-called problem and your action would go on to reverberate outwards like a “ripple effect” and cause a change in the

rest of the world as well. That, truly, is taking FULL RESPONSIBILITY! Not just for yourself, but take full responsibility for all our brothers and sisters in the world!

This four-step process of Ho'o Pono Pono is very similar to Part One of our Seated Service.

In Part One, when you sing "ashiki o haroote" or "all ills sweep away" what is your mind usually focused on? For myself as well as many others, I suspect that we are usually focused on "ashiki" or "dust"...isn't that so? Part One begins with the "Hands in Prayer" gesture, which is used 40 times in the Mikagura-uta, 202 times if you include the beginning of each stanza and the calling of God's name at the end, to represent words such as God(16), Service(7), Believe(6), Paradise(2), Request(2), Prayer(2), God's name, God's home, Go to Pray, and two times for the word 'ashiki,' which is translated as "ills" and is the only word that seems to have a negative connotation. But, God has taught, that this 'ashiki' is really only a 'bit of dust' stuck on (Ofudesaki I: 53), making it sound like a trivial matter and yet this 'bit of dust' stuck on is of paramount importance because its removal is the KEY TO OUR SALVATION.

Observation tells us that the greater emphasis with the use of this "Hands in Prayer" gesture is for good things and so these two seemingly 'out of place' uses of this gesture must also be for a good thing, don't you think? When we sit down to do

the service, we have an INTENTION to purify our minds and participate in world salvation. Therefore, it is the INTENTION to participate in world salvation that precedes the ACTION of putting our hands together in prayer and saying 'ashiki'. When viewed in this manner, the process of cleansing our minds definitely becomes a good thing and it matches perfectly with the "Hands in Prayer" gesture!

Therefore, although the first word is "ashiki" which creates a tendency to focus on the negative side, I believe that God's use of this powerful "Hands in Prayer" gesture from the start is a reminder for us to focus first on the Origin, the Love of God the Parent rather than on the "ashiki" or dust." I would like to show you the correlation between the 4 steps of Ho'o Pono Pono cleansing and Part One of the Seated Service. (Do with hand gestures)

(ashiki o)

The first step of Ho'o Pono Pono is to say 'I love you' and return our thoughts to the Origin, the Love of God. In the Seated Service we are doing the "Hands in Prayer" gesture while saying 'ashiki' but through this gesture, I think God also wants us to focus on and return back to the Origin, the Love of God the Parent, from which we were created. Thus having been given free will, we then created our own ashiki.

I know this is a lot to think of in just 2 beats, but as you sing, it is necessary to be aware of this sequence because it is

God, to Whom you are asking to do the sweeping away of your ‘ashiki’. Therefore, in addition to returning to the Origin, the love of God, you must also think ‘I love my ashiki’ because it is the equivalent of saying, “I accept who I am and what I have created.” Thus with this mental affirmation done, of “acceptance of my causation” as opposed to “denial of my causation”, I can now allow the cleansing process to truly begin.

(haro-ote)

The second step of of Ho’o Pono Pono is to take ‘full responsibility, do the self-reflection, and say I am sorry for all the things I did to bring this into my life, please sweep away the negative memories. Although we may not know exactly what mistakes we did, it is still necessary for us to accept full responsibility for our actions! Yes, I did it and I do take responsibility. In the Seated Service, the same process is done: take responsibility, do the self-reflection, and ask God to sweep away the dust of our minds. If our intent lacks sincerity, nothing will amount from our asking God to cleanse our minds.

(tasuke tamae)

The third step of Ho’o Pono Pono is to ask for forgiveness and in the Seated Service, the sweep away hand gesture is then flipped back over with both hands cupped together in a request to God to please save us.

(Tenri-O-no-Mikoto)

And finally, the fourth step in Ho’o Pono Pono is to say Thank You to God. In the Seated Service, we give thanks by calling the name of God, Tenri-O-no-Mikoto.

You may be wondering why I am talking about something that apparently is not from the Tenrikyo teachings. As you can see, there are similarities but my point is that, by learning about the Ho’o Pono Pono method, I was able to recognize and strengthen the meaning behind the “Hands in Prayer” gesture of Part One of the Seated Service. I always wondered why this gesture was used for such a negative word. Prior to this, I basically focused more on the “dust of the mind,” the ashiki, to be swept away but now, I truly begin to focus first, on the Love of God and the Purpose of the Service before asking for the sweeping to be done. Rather than just taking the words verbatim and going through the motions of the hand gestures, we should truly attempt to ‘dig up the root’ and seek the underlying meanings of the words and gestures when doing the Service!

In the Doctrine of Tenrikyo, page 26, we are taught: “God the Parent became openly revealed at this time to give the final teaching directly to us, for God had already given us nine-tenths of the complete teachings.” Yes, nine-tenths of God’s teachings have been taught to us children through the many teachings and masters sent to us by God over the long millenniums of time since our Creation. My intention

in sharing about the Hawaiian Ho’o Pono Pono healing technique was to show you just one way of how God the Parent has been teaching us through other sources.

In Tenrikyo, God the Parent taught about the ‘8 Dust of the Mind’ as a guideline to nurture correct usage of the ‘freewill’ that God gave to us human beings. Over the millenniums, we human beings have used so much negative thinking that our minds are ingrained with this negative process. Constant usage of negative thinking such as miserliness, covetousness, hatred, self-love, grudge-bearing, anger, greed, and arrogance, has taken us in the opposite direction from attaining the ultimate goal of living the Joyous Life. With the gift of ‘free will,’ it is our duty to make ourselves aware of these negative thought patterns and try our best to not use such thinking. Although it is our duty to become aware of the 8 Dust of the Mind, after learning of them, I should like to encourage you to focus not on the negative aspect but rather, I would like to urge you to focus on the opposite and positive aspects of these dust! Because if you focus on the dust itself, there is the danger that you will continue to attract such negativity! For example, in using the “Law of Attraction,” one cannot even say, “I do not want to get sick” because it will attract negativity to you. Rather than using the word “sick” we should be saying, “I want to stay healthy and strong.” Therefore, it would benefit us greatly if we focus on the positive aspects so that we can attract good

things into our lives. By focusing on the good traits, you can provide the opportunity to practice using them so that you can create “Who You Want to Be!” If you are focused on “What You Want to Be” then you will be able to create “Who You Want to Be.”

The late Rev. Jiro Morishita (Brotherhood Church) and his wife, Kay (present Head Minister of Brotherhood Church), created a “Dust Busters” list so that we could focus on nurturing the good characteristics opposite from the Dust of the Mind. Instead of putting our focus on the negative aspects we should go directly to what we want to create and practice them daily. I remember talking with him about the “Law of Attraction” and Jiro took it one step further and created his list of opposite traits so that we could focus on creating good character. After his passing, his wife, Kay made it into a laminated card so that people could carry it with them as a reminder to practice these ‘Dust Busters’ on a daily basis. This is the list:

DUST BUSTERS

[Practicing the Opposites Daily]

Miserliness:	Generous & Willing
Covetousness:	Grateful & Fulfilled
Hatred:	Loving & Affectionate
Self-love:	Altruistic & Compassionate
Grudge-bearing:	Accepting & Forgiving
Anger:	Calm & Joyous
Greed:	Selfless & Considerate
Arrogance:	Humble & Respectful
Falsehood:	Honest & Authentic
Flattery:	Sincere & Praising

Thanks to the late Rev. Jiro Morishita and Kay for this wonderful inspiration.

Let us focus on and practice using positive characteristics such as: Generous, Grateful, Loving, Compassionate, Forgiving, Joyous, Considerate, Humble, Honest, and Sincere.

In conclusion, upon doing the Seated Service, as you do the “Hands in Prayer” gesture, please be reminded to first of all, bring your mind to the Origin, the Love of God the Parent. Then, with awareness of having been created and given free

will, love and accept yourself, take full responsibility, do the self-reflection, and then ask God to sweep clean our heart so you can participate in world salvation. All of these profound meanings should be behind our gestures as we move our hands and sing the words. With the Dust Busters guide, let us practice focusing on positive thoughts and attract only good things into our lives, so that you can create “Who You Really Want to Be”. Thank you very much for your kind attention.

ISLAND LIFE

Children's Pilgrimage to Jiba 2012 ***Reflection by Owen Nakao, BGA Chairman***



JIBA IS A SPECIAL PLACE

As chairman of the Hawaii Boy's and Girl's Association, I feel privileged, honored and thankful to escort the Hawaii group on the annual Children's Pilgrimage to Jiba. And every year, I'm reminded that Jiba is a special place. Some people think I'm so lucky to be able to go to Japan and Jiba every year for the Children's Pilgrimage. Yes, I am lucky and very grateful.

Putting "lucky" aside, the trip also involves a lot planning and responsibility. A total of 20 people participated this year including two families new to Tenrikyo. Planning involves, scheduling of activities, coordinating with the Overseas Department and the Overseas Boys and Girls Hinokishin Corps, job assignment, including laundry duty, short speeches, equipment and cold towel duty for the adult participants. Responsibilities include: looking after the health and safety of the participants and conveying the teachings to the children (and adults) in a manner consistent with the spirit of and heart of Oyasama and easy to understand. The program is physically demanding as well with a lot of walking, climbing stairs and dealing with the hot and humid weather. It was a good time to lose weight!

The families new to Tenrikyo were impressed with the scale and number of people attending the various activities. About 220,000 people visit during the ten-day Children's Pilgrimage to Jiba. The

families had no idea that the night time parade was on such a grand scale. One activity which impressed them and which impresses me no matter how many times I see it is the daily Koteki (Drum and Fife) Band Dedication Performance conducted by the combined bands which numbered 67 on the day we saw it. All bands played in unison with all their hearts, in gratitude and joy to God the Parent and Oyasama. At an average of 40 kids per band, I estimate about 2600 kids playing instruments, performing pom pom teams, baton twirlers and flag color guard dedicating themselves to the performance. It's a sight to behold! And this happens every day for 9 days by what I estimate to be about 500 drum and fife bands! I don't think that you can see this anyplace else in the world!

On the night the Hawaii group participated in the Oyasato Parade, we witnessed a megasized drum and fife band from one church. Over 2,000 members! They split it into two bands. Even for one band, you could barely see the whole band from the front to the back! They had to put a PA system on wheels with a pushing crew so that the band could play in unison. The speed of sound from the front to the back was not fast enough for the whole band to play together!

Putting the large scale and grandeur aside, we also put the teachings into the program by having each of the adult Tenrikyo members take turns to talk a little about the teachings after the morning and

evening services each day. In this way the kids and the adults new to Tenrikyo could learn a little about the faith.

We were able to show basic as well as deep aspects of the faith through the sazukey, which I was able to administer three times on our group members. Two of which I want to share: One was on a child in our group who was afraid to attend a welcome dinner party at the Overseas Department because of the presence of the large stuffed animal character called “Pikky”, who is adored by most of the kids. But for this child, it was very large and frightening and became very agitated when the family arrived at the entrance to the Overseas Department grounds. The father, who is a Tenrikyo member, initially said that he will return to the dorm with his child due to this problem. But a little while later, he asked me to administer the sazukey, which I did and immediately thereafter the child calmed down. While he did not completely join the party, he calmed down and approached somewhat closer, with the family and concerned friends giving support and enjoying the party from a short distance.

The second time I administered the sazukey was on an adult leader in our group, who developed a hard persistent cough and he received an instant blessing. He completely stopped coughing after the sazukey!

There was a nice learning opportunity, when someone left the three air conditioning

units “on” full blast in the lounge near their rooms when they left for an activity. It reminded me of the teaching of “Let’s make good use of things” which is one of the three promises the children make during the Children’s Pilgrimage. The three promises were conveyed to everyone and putting the teachings into practice they remembered to turn off the air conditioning whenever they left the lounge.

At the end of our stay, each of the adult members of the group give their feedback and impressions of the program. One of them said that it brought their family closer and also admitted that they tend to be more wasteful in America and that they needed to learn how to conserve. She also said that there was a discipline in Jiba that didn’t agree with her way of discipline at first, but that she now understands how it makes it easier to do hinokishin. Another parent expressed that he felt welcomed and intimate when people greeted him with “okaerinasai” which means “welcome home.” This of course is tied to the teaching that Jiba is the birthplace of all humankind.

For the Overseas Shohi or Boys and Girls Hinokishin Corps I was asked to give a talk to the English Group of 27 which included 6 Hawaii members, others were from the mainland USA, Australia and Hong Kong. This is what I said:

“I want to thank you for being here, for cooperating with the counselors and leaders, for working so hard serving tea and doing other duties in this hot weather.

When I see you working so hard in the hot weather with a smile in your face it gives me hope, it gives the people hope for the future, that the future will be a better place without war and conflict. When you serve the tea, you're not just serving tea, I believe you are serving peace and hope. Thank you very much!

Please know that your sincerity is a seed that you planted here in Jiba that will sprout into many good things in the future.

When you came to Jiba for the first time, you didn't know much about the teachings and you didn't know anybody except maybe one or two friends. But now after five days, things are different, you probably feel different. You've learned more about the teachings, and you put the teachings into practice, by your hinokishin and your cooperation. You have made many new friends. You probably feel like you're a part of a big family. In a sense, you are experiencing the Joyous Life! Wouldn't it be a shame if you kept this Joyous Life to yourself when you go back to your home country? I want you to take this Joyous Life to your respective home countries and spread it to your family and friends, by helping out whenever you can and become leaders who will lead other kids just like the counselors who led you during your time here. Tell other kids to participate in the Children's Pilgrimage and tell them what you experienced this special place called Jiba. In this way you will be doing your part in bringing peace to the world and the

joyous life to all. People wonder, how can we bring peace to the world? You can show them, this is the way!"

THE LEGACY FOR OUR CHILDREN

For our children, we can give them money and riches. But money and riches can be lost, stolen, or squandered. The most important thing we can give our children is the spirit of helping others. This is something that will last forever and will be a key to their happy life.

It's been 58 years since the Children's Pilgrimage started in 1954 and many families, including ours, have parents who participated as children, who subsequently had their children participate as well and those children, now as adults have their children participate too. This is how Tenrikyo's message of peace, brotherhood and the joyous life is being passed on from generation to generation.

In the Ofudesaki, we read...

There at the Jiba, I began all the human beings in this world. XVII: 7

The Jiba in Nihon is the native place of all people in the world. XVII: 8



Children's Pilgrimage Reflection ***by Wendy Kodama***

FOREVER ENRICHED

We were very fortunate to have had the privilege of being invited by Doug Inouye to attend the Children's Pilgrimage in Tenri City in July, participating with the Hawaii group which was led by Reverend Owen Nakao. When we arrived in Japan, our first stop was Jiba. As we stood outside the Church, the building was so grand and beautiful. We entered the Church to offer our thanks and prayers and the atmosphere felt so welcoming and comfortable. We then were driven to Higashichuo to stay for the first night. As we passed through the city, there were huge banners and colorful signs everywhere "welcoming us back home." As we went to bed that night, we were so excited to be a part of the Children's Pilgrimage; yet wondered what the days ahead would be like.

Each day we participated in all the activities and were introduced to the teachings and beliefs of the Tenrikyo faith by the Hawaii group members. We reflected on the learnings and found many of them to be inspirational to our family. Starting each day in prayer and reflection was calming to the soul. Singing the Hinokishin theme song each morning focused us to be happy, stay positive, and work hard by participating in all the day's activities. Through the structure and discipline of the day and one's duty to do our part, we found

more freedom and a means to think about situations and experiences differently... with a more open mind and a newfound independence to focus on and use each other's strengths for the common good of the group. The motto of "One World, One Family" started to take hold more and more each day.

The last day of the Pilgrimage came too soon. Our family will forever be enriched by the people we met and worked with, the daily rituals we participated in, and the activities we had so much fun doing and learning about. Our sincere thanks to the Tenrikyo Ohana for affording us the opportunity to participate. This experience will forever live in our hearts and souls.

As we departed Tenri City and were dropped off at the train station, our children joyously sang the Hinokishin theme song; tears of happiness in all our eyes. Domo arigatoo gozaimashita!

Sincerely,
The Kodama Family (Dennis, Wendy, Nate and Mie)



Tenrikyo Hawaii Holds 42nd Annual Bazaar!

On August 26th, we were able to conduct the 42nd Annual Tenrikyo Bazaar at Tenrikyo Cultural Center without major accidents and injury. We are truly blessed with this beautiful property, spirited volunteers and support. We are fulfilling the purpose of the bazaar which is to do nioigake to the community. Thank you all for your sincere hinokishin!



Newlyweds!



On July 14th, Daniel Akemoto (Paradise Church) and Hiromi Sakuma (Shikinori Grand Church) were married at the Paradise Church.

Congratulations and Best Wishes to the new Mr. & Mrs. Akemoto!



New Baby Boy on Board!

Ty Yoshihiro Matsuoka

Born: August 11, 2012

6lbs 12oz, 18.5 inch

Parents: Matthew & Traci Matsuoka
(Hawaii Central Church)

Congratulations!

Mission HQ Announcements

Autumn Memorial Service

On September 27, Thursday, Mission HQ will hold the Autumn Memorial Service beginning at 10 a.m. After the service, the following anniversaries will be observed:

- 5th Anniv. Mrs. Hatsuko Shiiba, Chuwa GC, Spouse of the 2nd head minister of Kailua Kona Church
- 10th Anniv. Mrs. Miyako Inouye, Shuto GC, 1st head minister of Rainbow Mission Station
- 20th Anniv. Rev. Edward Kawasaki, Shuto GC, 3rd head minister of Aloha Church
- 30th Anniv. Mrs. Hisa Nomura, Hofu GC, Spouse of the 1st head minister of Wahiawa Church
- 30th Anniv. Rev. Miyo Nakao, Onomichi Branch Church, 1st head minister of Mountainview Church
- 30th Anniv. Mrs. Yuri Fujii, Kochi GC, 1st head minister of North King Church

Head Minister and Spouse's Seminar

The location for the seminar is changed to Mission Headquarters from Ala Moana Hotel.

Tid Bits

Associations' Reports

WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

Tenrikyo Bazaar, the biggest event in summer, was successfully held on August 26th. Big Mahalo for your sincere support and Hinokishin. Let us join in the All Tenrikyo Nioigake Day with a mind of gratitude to God.

Nuuanu Hale Visitation

September 8th (Sat) 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Monthly Meeting

September 10th (Mon) 9:00 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.

Study Anecdotes of Oyasama

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Lecture by Bishop Hamada

11:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Women's Musical Instruments Practice

September 11th (Tue) 9:00 a.m.

*Although the Monthly Service luncheon hinokishin is assigned to Honjima group, we would like to ask more people to join in the hinokishin because it will be the Bazaar Appreciation Luncheon this month. The preparation hinokishin will be held on September 14th at 9:00a.m. Mahalo!

YOUNG MEN'S ASSOCIATION

Monthly Meeting

September 16th (Sun) 1:00 p.m.

Mission HQ Social Hall

Yard Cleanup Hinokishin

September 30th (Sun) 9:00 a.m.

Kalihi Church

BOYS & GIRLS ASSOCIATION

Bazaar Game and Toy Booth

We would like to thank all the volunteers who helped at the bazaar BGA game & toy booth August 26! Mahalo nui loa!

All Tenrikyo Nioigake Day

The Hawaii BGA would like to encourage all families to join in the 80th All Tenrikyo Nioigake Day on Labor Day, September 3, 2012. Meet at Moiliili Stadium Park at 9am. If door to door nioigake is difficult for you, please take the Hinokishin option by cleaning the park. Please wear the new Hinokishin T-shirt and bring your own cleaning equipment.

UNICEF

For our Trick or Treat for UNICEF Fund drive in October, please support UNICEF in their work to relieve suffering to children around the world. The orange collection boxes will be distributed through the churches, mission stations and be available for pick up from Mission HQ. This is our sincerity, our salvation work. Thank you!



The Hungry Reporter

I love pot roast but often don't have the time to put into making a good one. However, recently I passed by a recipe while scrolling through allrecipes.com and was thrilled that it was a slow cooker recipe. Slow cookers are great for those whose schedules do not allot for staying home to cook. I like it easy and yet delicious. Hope you enjoy this recipe!

Slow Cooker Savory Pot Roast

Ingredients

- 1 10 3/4 oz can Campbell's Condensed Cream of Mushroom Soup
- 1 envelope Dry Onion Soup and Recipe Mix
- 6 small Red Potatoes, cut in half
- 6 medium Carrots, cut into 2-inch pieces (about 3 cups)
- 1 3 - 3 1/2 lb Boneless Beef Bottom Round Roast or Chuck Pot Roast

Directions

1. Stir the mushroom soup, soup mix, potatoes and carrots in a 4 1/2-quart slow cooker. Add the beef and turn to coat.
2. Cover and cook on LOW for 8 to 9 hours* or until the beef is fork-tender.*Or on HIGH for 4 to 5 hours.



September Calendar 2012

1 st	Sat	Adopt A Hwy Cleanup Hinokishin	Meet @ Mission HQ	9:00 a.m.
3 rd	Mon	All Tenrikyo Nioigake Day	Moiliili Park	
4 th	Tue	TCC Monthly Service	TCC	10:00a.m.
8 th	Sat	WA Nuuanu Hale Visitation	Meet @ Mission HQ	9:30 a.m.
10 th	Mon	WA Monthly Meeting	Mission HQ	9:00 a.m.
		TCC & Library Joint Meeting	TCC	7:30 p.m.
11 th	Tue	WA Women's Musical Instrument Practice	Mission HQ	9:00 a.m.
		BOD Prep. Meeting	Mission HQ	7:00 p.m.
		Missionary & Nurturing Comm. Meeting	Mission HQ	7:30 p.m.
12 th	Wed	Makoto & Origins Meeting	Mission HQ	7:00 p.m.
13 th	Thu	BGA Meeting	Mission HQ	7:30 p.m.
15 th	Sat	Head Minister and Spouse's Seminar	Mission HQ	10:00a.m.
16 th	Sun	September Monthly Service	Mission HQ	9:00 a.m.
		Sunday School	Mission HQ	After Yorozyuo
		Head Ministers Meeting	Mission HQ	12:45p.m.
		YMA Meeting	Rainbow Hale	1:00 p.m.
		Aloha Band Practice	Social Hall at MHQ	1:00 p.m.
		Oyasato Seminar Meeting	Mission HQ	
17 th	Mon	Monthly Nioigake Day	Meet @ Mission HQ	9:00 a.m.
		Ritual Committee Meeting	Mission HQ	7:30 p.m.
26 th	Wed	Yohaishiki (Service from afar)	Mission HQ	9:00 a.m.
		Bazaar Reflection Meeting	Mission HQ	
27 th	Thu	Autumn Memorial Service	Mission HQ	10:00a.m.
29 th , 30 th		Joy Workshop Lecturer's Seminar	Mission HQ	

Abbreviation key:

BGA = Boys & Girls Association

WA = Women's Association

TCC = Tenri Cultural Center

YMA = Young Men's Association

YWC = Young Women's Club

BOD = Board of Directors

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SEPTEMBER MONTHLY SERVICE

Sunday, September 16, 2012

9:00 a.m.

Sermon by Mrs. Mitsuko Mikuni

Spouse of Head Minister of Taiheiyo Church

English Translation by Kyle Kawasaki