



Guiding Light

MAY 2016



TORONTO BUDDHIST CHURCH
a Jodo Shinshu Temple

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MAY 2016

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 MONTHLY MEMORIAL SVC 10:30 am Kid's Sangha 11:00 am Joint Service 12:30 pm Dana Mtg (Eko) 6:00 pm Isshin	2 10:00 am Sr. Karaoke	3 10:00 am Fujinotomo 8 pm Bon Odori	4 1:00 pm Ohara School 7:00 pm Isshin	5 10:00 am Tai Chi 2:00 pm Buyo 3:00 pm Ikebana 7:00 pm Meditation	6 7:30 pm Bon Odori 8:00 pm Buyo	7 1:00 pm *Hiroshima Kenjinkai Service
8 PARENTS' DAY SERVICE 11:00 am Service 12:30 pm Sangha Mtg Service in Hamilton	9 10:00 am Sr. Karaoke	10 10:00 am Fujinotomo 7:00 pm TBC MC & Board Mtg. 8 pm Bon Odori	11 7:00 pm Isshin	12 10:00 am Tai Chi 10:30 am Japanese Garden Club Mtg 2:00 pm Buyo 2:00 pm* Momiji 3:00 pm Ikebana 4:00 pm * Yee Hong 7:00 pm Meditation	13 11:00 am * Family Memorial Service 7:30 pm Bon Odori 8:00 pm Buyo	14 11:00 am * Family Memorial Service
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Morning Services are held on the weekdays on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 10:00 am –10:30 am when a minister is available. As emergencies do come up, last minute cancellations may occur.

Thank You

JUNE 2016

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Funny thing...turns out I'm a Buddhist

On Saturday March 26th, I was privileged to attend a Lay Leaders Workshop "Dharma Time" led by Socho Aoki.

During the workshop, Socho Aoki posed a question "what does Buddhism mean to you?"

For me, the answer was that it has been a source of answers for me. Answers to questions such as "is this all there is", "is there more to life than those things that you can see and touch", "what happens when we die".

It was really that moment that I realized that I am a Buddhist – I don't think I specifically allowed myself to think of myself a Buddhist until then.

Following the workshop I took a little time to reflect on how grateful I am to the Temple and our ministers for the guidance provided to me.

I felt further gratitude for how Jodo Shinshu Buddhism helps to provide an ethical framework within which I can guide my children.

I hope to continue to have the opportunity to show my thanks by doing my best to continue to support the Temple as a member and active volunteer.

In Gassho,



Why I Volunteer at Toronto Buddhist Church

My children often question why I volunteer at the temple so much. All they see are the issues and stress I go through in trying to build a program or working with others both locally and nationally. They often question if this is worth it.

When I was growing up, the temple was like a second home where we met our extended family, attended services, attended Dharma School, learned Japanese folk dancing (odori), made new friends, attend the many social functions at the temple and, one of my favourites...the summer youth retreat, Camp Lumbini. It was also at the temple that I first met the person who was to become my life partner.

I remember spending long hours playing with friends while waiting for my parents to finish their meetings, volunteer work or attending a temple sponsored event. The temple also existed in our everyday lives with our home altar, my grandparents' ashes, their homiyos (Dharma name cards) and pictures beside the altar. Rituals of offering freshly cooked rice and perhaps a persimmon or other treat as well as bowing at the altar and reciting the Nembutsu (Namo Amida Butsu) was a part of our daily lives. Attending the observance of Obon at the cemeteries and participating in the Japanese folk dancing later in the evening to celebrate those who have passed on before us were also important traditions for me.

My parents used to discuss temple challenges to overcome or discuss projects at the dinner table and they often asked my brothers and I for our input. Sometimes when I returned home from school a minister (local or from another Canadian temple or from the USA, Hawaii or Japan) would be discussing local temple or national

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WHY I VOLUNTEER AT TORONTO BUDDHIST CHURCH, *cont'd*

programs with my father in the dining room. Both my parents volunteered many long hours at the temple and in the community. I sometimes wondered if my parents cared more for others than their children due to the long and frequent absences from home.

When Mrs. Mary Ishiura (the wife of Bishop Ishiura of Toronto), was saying her goodbyes to friends in Toronto before she left for California, she looked directly at me and told me that I have great potential to help the church and told me that it was time to get involved and to give back. I knew that she was encouraging not only me but everyone else in my age group to help the same temple which nurtured us and helped us to develop as individuals.

I didn't answer Mrs. Ishiura's request immediately and drifted away from the temple as I focused on post secondary education, a career, marriage and family. During this time, I watched my father from the sidelines as he continued with his national and local temple work and the Japanese Canadian Redress work. Later, I realized that the energy and time my parents invested in the temple helped me to become more self sufficient and independent as they would leave tasks for me to do and I learned to take ownership of them.

Many years later with the arrival of Rev Makino to our temple from Hawaii, the late Tom Allen and the late Hik Koyata both encouraged my husband Larry and I to get involved with the administration of the temple and tempted us with the opportunity to help in committee work which included working closely with an amazing group of professional, warm and interesting people. Rev. Makino also inspired me to listen more to the Dharma (teachings) and use it to live my everyday life. I had previously read and thought about Buddhist teachings but it wasn't until Rev. Makino told me to "feel" the Teachings deep in my gut and heart that I glimpsed what joy and peace Buddhism can bring.

When I returned to help and attend temple services, it felt like home and it represented a warm return to see the many elders who were like my extended family in the past. These people had helped watch over me as a child and I felt a deep sense of gratitude to them as well as the desire to aid the temple in any way that could possibly bring these wonderful temple elders and statesmen joy and happiness. It was an opportunity to express my respect and gratitude for their part in watching out for me as a child and also for their untiring work, effort and dedication to our temple and to Jodo Shinshu Buddhism. It seems like the volunteer spirit in helping the temple to the best of my abilities is imbedded in my DNA.

Volunteering nationally with the Jodo Shinshu Buddhist Temples of Canada has exposed me to new Dharma friends across the country whose company I enjoy immensely. They, too, use their energy and efforts to advance the teachings and to support the temples and Jodo Shinshu communities across our country. When we work together, we feed and grow great Dharma energy which uplifts and sustains me. How lucky am I to have encountered these people and had the opportunity to help the temples in Canada!

I realize now that the Three Treasures of the Buddha, Dharma (teachings of the Buddha) and the Sangha (the community of followers) are and always have been important to me in my daily life. The values of gratitude, compassion, understanding, empathy and a questioning mind developed through my early interactions at the temple. I hope that I have passed on the same qualities to my children and that they too will eventually return

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WHY I VOLUNTEER AT THE TORONTO BUDDHIST CHURCH, cont'd

to the temple which gave us all the teachings of the Buddha and to give their energies in gratitude. It is also my hope that my children will also someday understand why it is important to me to devote many of my volunteer hours to help our temple.

I volunteer at the temple locally and also nationally to answer Mrs. Ishiura's call to give back in gratitude for all which I had received in the past and with joy as I keep the teachings alive which nurture the elders, my community, our sangha, my family and myself.

Namu Amida Butsu

In Gassho,

Amy Wakisaka

Temple Excitement - You Never Know What You Might Miss!

Following Sunday service on March 27th, Nobby Shiraishi surprised all those attending with a serving of Zenzai.



Zenzai is a sweet hot soup made from Azuki beans and served with a portion of boiled mochi. Nobby took it upon himself to share this delicious treat with all of us.

Thank You Nobby!

2016 Hanamatsuri Family Banquet

On Saturday April 16th, the TBC Sangha had the privilege of hosting the annual Hanamatsuri Family Banquet.

Over a hundred temple members, family and friends sat down to enjoy a delicious meal of Roast Beef, Salmon or Falafels, Hummus and Tabbouleh (that's vegan food for those not in the know). Many thanks to our head chefs Toku Suyama, Martin Cartledge and Joanne Kataoka. Thanks also to Dennis Madokoro without whose organizational skills this event could not have been held.

In the past, the event had been held as a multi-generational event for families of Japanese descent.



As our Temple population continues to diversify, the event is now as much multi-cultural as it is multi-generational. Further to the multi-cultural, multi-generational theme, I was very happy to have had the opportunity to welcome Aja Shipperly and her husband Jay as the headline entertainment of the evening.



Aja is the daughter of Blythe Tsuji-Carr. She is also the granddaughter of Roy (Toshiro) and Susan Tsuji who produced and hosted the Japanese news and culture show "Hello Japan" broadcast on CityTV. Together with her mom Blythe and her new born son Leland, three generations of her family were able to enjoy dinner together.



After the entertainment, we enjoyed fruit salad courtesy of Nobby Shiraishi. Another highlight of the evening was the ceremonial cake cutting by our President Roy Kusano and our newly arrived minister Ouchi Sensei.

On a personal note, I have done the best I can to raise my children - providing them with safe harbour and sound guidance. In return, my children continue to provide me with life lessons. The photo on the left is a life lesson courtesy of my twelve year old son Joaquin: it is important to provide clear instructions such as "...and be sure to include their faces..." when asking someone to take a photo of the cake being cut.

To all those who attended and especially to all those who volunteered for this event – Thank you all very much and I hope to see you next year!

Cary Kataoka, President
TBC Sangha

HANAMATSURI APRIL 17, 2016

On a bright spring day all were greeted with flowers and the beautiful sakura branches made by the Fujinotomo ladies. During the Kids' Sangha service the children enthusiastically embraced the story of the birth of the Buddha and paid homage by pouring sweet tea over the baby Buddha 3 times, symbolic the 3 Treasures of Buddhism. At the 11am service Rev. Yoshimichi Ouchi, our new minister from Oita, Japan led the chanting with Dennis Madokoro. John Skelton reminded us in his Dharma talk of the importance of gratitude which we often forget in our busy lives.

Prior to the financial annual general meeting a delicious lunch was provided by some of the members of the fledgling CCOV team 3. Thank you to all for a memorable Hanamatsuri.



Gotanye

Celebration of Shinran Shonin's Birth

Every May we celebrate the birth of our founder Shinran Shonin. This year the main service will be held on May 15th, immediately following our Hatsumairi Infant Presentation. This is an excellent time to take part in the chanting, listen to the Dharma, and take note of the impact one person's life continues to have on countless others.



Thank you!

The TBC Buyo Group would like to thank the congregation for their support of our recent Food and Bento Sale.

Thank you to our generous donors and a special thank you for the donations of delicious food items.

TBC Buyo Group

Governor General's Message on the 2016 Kumamoto Earthquake

I would like to express my heartfelt sympathy to those who were affected by the Kumamoto Earthquake that struck the Kyushu region of Japan on April 14, 2016.

To those who have lost their lives, and the family and friends of the bereaved, I extend my deepest condolences. Sharing in the sadness of those who have been evacuated from their homes and being unable to establish contact with their friends and relatives, I cannot imagine the anxiety that is felt. It is my hope for the safety of all missing persons and a speedy recovery of all that have been affected.

Immediately following the first earthquake, the Jodo Shinshu Hongwanji-ha Buddhist organization started a relief fund and has been making arrangements to dispatch relief assistance to the affected areas. A Kumamoto Earthquake Emergency Headquarters at the Hongwanji headquarters in Kyoto and an on-site disaster management office at our Kumamoto district office have been established to grasp a better understanding of the situation in the area so that we may be able to provide those affected with the appropriate support both physically and emotionally.

The difficulties and stress that come with staying at evacuation sites and the on-going aftershocks are resulting with anxiety about what the future entails. Paying our deepest respects to those who have devoted themselves to on-site relief activities in the affected areas, we will also do our utmost in contributing to relief support and caring for the safety of all people and a quick recovery of the area.

April 19, 2016

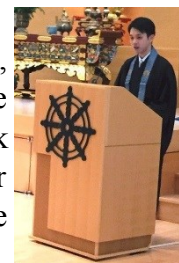
Governor General Chiko Iwagami

Jodo Shinshu Hongwanji-ha

WELCOME AND WELCOME BACK



Please mark Sunday May 29 in your calendars. In lieu of our outdoor service, the Board is inviting you to a luncheon after the service to formally welcome Reverend Yoshimichi Ouchi to Toronto Buddhist Church and to welcome back Reverend Christina Yanko after her six-week leave of absence. Together starting now they will form a formidable and dedicated team to propagate the Dharma and build a strong unified Sangha.



OBITUARIES

The Toronto Buddhist Church wishes to extend its deepest condolences to the families, relatives and friends of the following individual who have passed away during the past month.

Mrs. Masao Kojima 86 yrs April 4, 2016

Mr. Hiroshi Aoki 83 yrs April 7, 2016

Mrs. Tomie Mary Mizutani 96 yrs April 12, 2016



TBC Coordinating Committee of Volunteer's Event

What is CCOV? A newly formed intergenerational group of volunteers to help service the needs of temple events throughout the year.

UPDATE:

There have been many meetings to organize and develop this new system for the volunteers. We now have in place 5 teams of volunteers led by a pair of able co-captains for every team. Each team originally had 12 members but our numbers have grown now to 25 or more per team.

Through trial and error, we have begun to implement CCOV this year on a few occasions and have had a chance to experience very favorable results. Each activity or temple event is different and requires various degrees of skills and abilities to carry out the tasks. So we are learning along the way.

We realize that many members may have been approached to consider joining CCOV and some may not have heard much about it. We want all of our readers to consider being a part of a team. Others may have questions about getting involved, or don't know who to contact. We have scheduled a volunteer meeting for everyone to attend on **Sunday, May 15, 2016 after service in the social hall. Please attend if you have been contacted in the past to join the volunteer committee, if you would like to be part of the CCOV or you are curious what the CCOV is all about.** Come and ask questions and hear more information about the new volunteer program. It's a chance to learn something new and enjoy helping out at the temple. **Light refreshments will be served**

Obon Odori 2016



Spring finally seems to be here! Doesn't the nice weather make you want to dance? Come out and learn dances to both traditional and modern Japanese songs. Beginners are welcome as step-by-step instructions are given, and veterans will recognize dances from years past.

Tuesday practices begin at 8:00pm and Friday practices begin at 7:30. We hope that this earlier start time will attract parents and their young children. It would also be wonderful to see more TBC members participating in this significant Buddhist celebration.

Obon odori is for all ages, any gender, the young and the young at heart. So come out to the TBC to learn odori, see old friends, make new ones, and have some fun!

The Obon Festival will be held at the JCCC on Saturday, July 9, 2016, starting at 7:00pm.

NOTICE OF CANCELLATION OF SPRING OUTDOOR SERVICE

The Management of the Temple had been enthused about holding its first outdoor service on May 29, 2016. We had proposed to invite our congregation as well as our neighbours bordering Banting Avenue and offer them refreshments after the service. With regret, with all the events of the recent past, we have been forced to postpone the outdoor service to a date to be announced. We will pick up this project as soon as the Temple is running on all cylinders once again. We continue to think that this is a very worthwhile, enjoyable and necessary project, so please bear with us.

The Board of Directors

Meditation and Mindfulness

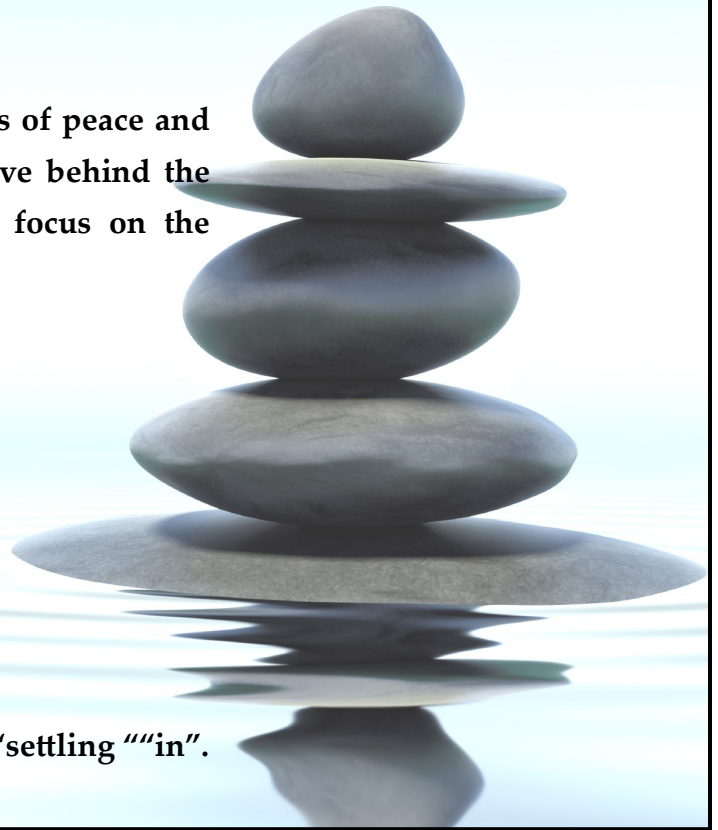
Thursday's from 7pm — 9pm

Please join us on Thursday's at 7pm for 2 hours of peace and serenity. This is an opportunity for you to leave behind the stress accumulated throughout the week and focus on the moment.

The 2 hour session includes:

- Guided Sitting Meditation
- Silent Walking Meditation
- Silent Sitting Meditation
- Dharma Sharing
- Sangha Sharing

Please arrive 20 minutes early to allow time for "settling ""in".



NOTICE

The Dharma Café has temporarily been cancelled. We will keep you informed as to when they will begin again. Please watch in the Guiding Light or check our website, tbc.on.ca for notification. Thank You

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO ATTENDED LET'S TALK DHARMA (LTD).

SEE YOU IN JANUARY 2017



HATSUMAIRI - INFANT PRESENTATION

Do you know of any families with a new baby or a new addition to the family in the last year?

Let us know, so they can **register** to participate in “**Hatsumairi**” or a Baby presentation to the Buddha. We **welcome** the new babies to the temple in a special service **on Sunday, May 15, 2016 at 11am**. If your toddler has never filed their name and missed a previous presentation, it’s never too late. The ceremony is open to any infants and children under three years of age.

We all love babies – so let us join you in embracing your new little one.

Please complete our application form and submit to our temple office.

Hatsumairi: Infant Presentation Service

Sunday, May 15, 2016

11:00 am



Hatsumairi is a ceremony in which ones child is formally presented to the Buddha and to the Sangha for the first time. It is open to any infant under three.

**** * Please submit your application before May 8, 2016 * * ***

Child's full name _____

Date of Birth: _____(dd) _____(mm) _____(yy) M____ F____

Mother's Names: _____

Father's Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Postal Code: _____ Tel: _____

Email: _____

KIDS SANGHA

Join us on May 15th for a fun filled hour with Bud Fujikawa.

Bud will teach the kids how to make Japanese kites and if weather and time permits we will go outside to the park behind the Temple and test them out!



Kids Service: 10:30 am - 11:00 am

Kids Activity: 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

June Activities

Here are the Activities for June.

Please note: After June we will break for the summer months and resume again in September.

HOLD THE DATE:

KIDS SANGHA 2ND ANNUAL SLEEP OVER

SATURDAY JUNE 4TH (TO SUNDAY JUNE 5TH)

An email will be sent out shortly with more information



Sunday June 5, 2016

Since this is the Sunday after the Kids sleep over we thought a little fresh air would be a great way to re-energize our bodies and minds. Our activity for the hour is to go on a Nature Walk through the residential streets and park around the Temple. We will have the kids participate in games in the park and take time to relax, breathe and enjoy nature.



KIDS SANGHA**Sunday June 12, 2016****IMPORTANT NOTE: Kids Sangha will be held at Camp Green Acres in Markham to celebrate TBC Annual Picnic.**

Gates open at 10:00 am and closes at 6:30 pm

Camp Green Acres is a great place for the family with many amenities:

picnic tables (large sheltered area in case of inclement weather)

baseball diamond, biking and hiking trails, soccer fields, mini golf and so much more!

Camp Green Acres

11123 Kennedy Road, Markham

(between Elgin Mills Rd and 19th Avenue)

Kids Activity will start at 10:30 am - 11:30 am

Kids Yoga

Service will begin at 11:45 - 12:00 pm

Lunch will be served after - hot dogs are available or you can bring your own lunch and dinner.

For those who haven't been to our Annual Picnic and want more information please see the event poster at the Temple or Guiding Light for more details



image courtesy of www.pinterest.com

KIDS SANGHA, continued

KIDS SANGHA'S VISION

Our vision is to bring together young children of all ethnic backgrounds and help them learn and experience the Buddha Dharma in a way that is relevant to their everyday lives.

Our Kids Sangha program is run in a safe and fun environment by a team of volunteers who are passionate about teaching children. Our hope is that children aged 4 to 13 yrs of age will build new friendships, have fun and feel good about time spent at the Temple as they participate in activity-based programs geared towards this age group.

Kids Sangha meets every 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month.

The program is open to all families so please feel free to drop in anytime.



INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING?

We are always looking for volunteers who are passionate about teaching young children. We currently have opportunities open in our classroom or daycare.

If you are interested, please contact Denise Crofton at dcrofton@rogers.com

Please note: Volunteers must pass a background check and agree to TBC's policies and procedures as it relates to childcare.

VESAK 2016
 BUDDHA'S BIRTHDAY
 CELEBRATION

*"Blessings on the City,
 the Nation, and the World."*

**MAY 28
 SATURDAY**

**Mississauga
 Celebration Square**

300 City Centre Drive, Mississauga, Ontario L5B 3C1

**Parade: 2:00 pm
 Program: 3:00 pm**

For more information visit www.vesakcelebration.com

Co-organized by:



Haitian Buddhist Cultural Society
 West End Buddhist Temple
 And Meditation Centre



Fo Guang Shan
 Temple of Toronto

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR

VESAK DAY

Saturday May 28, 2016

Celebration Square

Mississauga

We need volunteers to assist in the setup of our tent, give out literature and giveaways. This is a great opportunity to get out there and represent our temple, and it is a whole lot of fun.

Please contact Susan Ebisuzaki at tbc@tbc.on.ca if you are interested.





ANNUAL TBC

PICNIC

JUNE 12 @ 10AM - 6:30 PM

Located at

CAMP GREEN ACRES

11123 Kennedy Road, Markham

(between Elgin Mills Road and 19th Avenue)

ADMISSION

Car and Driver	\$5	Seniors (65+)	Free
Adults (16+)	\$3	Children (15 and under)	Free

**LARGE ACREAGE!
NUMEROUS
FACILITIES!**

Among the amenities are:

- ▶ Picnic tables
- ▶ Baseball diamonds
- ▶ Volleyball areas
- ▶ Biking and hiking trails
- ▶ Large sheltered areas in case of inclement weather
- ▶ Basketball/Tennis courts
- ▶ Soccer fields
- ▶ Mini-golf
- ▶ Large number of bathroom facilities

As this is a Children's Day Camp, there are...

- ▶ NO PETS ALLOWED
- ▶ NO BARBECUES
- ▶ NO INSERTION OF STAKES OR POLES IN THE GROUND
- ▶ NO BALLOONS (FOR THE SAFETY OF THE FARM ANIMALS)
- ▶ NO TOBACCO OR ALCOHOL

We look forward to seeing you at the Annual TBC Picnic!

Share the Wealth



\$2 each or 3 for \$5

**The more money raised,
the bigger the prize!**

**To be drawn on
June 12, 2016
at the TBC Annual Picnic**

See you at Camp Green Acres!

TBC Annual Picnic
 Sunday, June 12, 2016
 at Camp Green Acres
 11123 Kennedy Road, Markham, ON

Admission fee:	Car and driver	\$5.00
	Adults (16 yrs+)	\$3.00
	Seniors (65 yrs+)	free
	Children (15 yrs and under)	free

10.00am	Gates open
10.30am – 11.30am	Kids Sangha activity
10.30am -- 11.30am	Yoga Class with Denise Crofton
11.45am – 12 noon	Open Air Service
12 noon – 12.30pm	Free hot dogs
12 noon – 1.00 pm	Lunch
1.00 pm – 2.00 pm	Free time
2.00pm – 3.00pm	Races and games
3.15pm – 4.15pm	Bingo
4.15pm	Fukubiki
5.00 pm – 6.00 pm	Supper
6.30pm	Clean up and load truck



HELP WANTED

Following the picnic, around 7.30pm, the Picnic Committee is seeking volunteers to help unload the van and put everything away at the Temple.



「TBC」シニアカラオケクラブ
夏のカラオケパーティー
六月二十五日(土)
開催日
正午開始時

Saturday June 25, 2016

12:00 - 5:30 PM

at TBC Social Hall

EVERYONE WELCOME !!

Admission : \$15.00

ENKA SONGS ODORI

JACKPOT BINGO

FUN GAMES

MINYO ODORI

OISHII OBENTO

for tickets and information please call:

Jessica Nakamura (416) 733 - 1894

Setsuko Lambeau (416) 225 -4747

TBC SENIOR KARAOKE CLUB



TORONTO BUDDHIST CHURCH

*a Jodo Shinshu Temple***2016 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION***In the case of couples, please complete information for each applicant individually.*

Applicant #1 Renewal (<input type="checkbox"/>) New (<input type="checkbox"/>)		Mr. (<input type="checkbox"/>) Mrs. (<input type="checkbox"/>) Ms. (<input type="checkbox"/>)
Last Name: _____		Birthdate: dd/mm/year: _____
First Name: _____		Email: _____
Address: _____		Phone: _____
City: _____		Signature: _____
Prov: _____ Postal Code: _____		
<p>I promise to pay \$_____ as my Membership Fee for 2016 and am enclosing the amount of \$_____ on account of such fee. I will pay the balance of my Membership Fee, if any, by May 31, 2016. By signing this Membership Application I hereby adopt the vow printed on page 21 of the January 2016 Guiding Light.</p> <p>-----</p>		
Applicant #2 Renewal (<input type="checkbox"/>) New (<input type="checkbox"/>)		Mr. (<input type="checkbox"/>) Mrs. (<input type="checkbox"/>) Ms. (<input type="checkbox"/>)
Last Name: _____		Birthdate: dd/mm/year: _____
First Name: _____		Email: _____
Address: _____		Phone: _____
City: _____		Signature: _____
Prov. _____ Postal Code: _____		
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Please note that this application is for membership from January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016. The Individual Membership Fee for 2016 is a minimum of \$100. However, the Temple welcomes and will be grateful for any amount over and above this minimum fee.

A tax receipt will be issued for the total Membership amount paid.

Please note that \$70 of your Individual Membership Fee is paid to Jodo Shinshu Buddhist Temples of Canada (JSBTC) as an assessment for each member of our Temple.

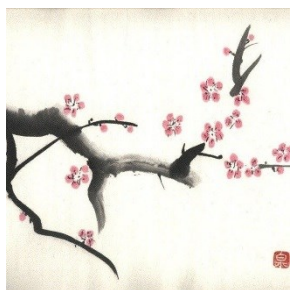
Membership Fees may be paid in one lump sum or in monthly or quarterly installments. **Please do not use Offering envelopes to pay membership fees. Instead, please insert them in separate plain envelopes clearly marked "For Membership". Please make any cheques payable to Toronto Buddhist Church.**

MEMBERSHIP VOW

As a member of the Toronto Buddhist Church, I:

- ♦ *Recognize and accept that our Temple is based on the Jodo Shinshu Pure Land Teachings*
- ♦ *Vow to strive to live a life of gratitude and to do my best to care for the welfare of society: and*
- ♦ *Vow to observe and uphold the Charter and By-laws of the Temple.*

COME JOIN THE FUJINOTOMO SUMI-E WORKSHOP



Sumi-e—Ink wash painting, also known as literati painting is an East Asian type of brush painting of Chinese origin that uses black ink—the same as used in East Asian calligraphy, in various concentrations.

Have you ever wished that you could try Sumi-e. Now is your opportunity, the Fujinotomo group is holding a workshop led by Temple member Anne Kotani. Enjoy a relaxed class, meet new people, catch up with old friends while learning the art of Sumi-e. No experience necessary, all materials and equipment will be supplied, come and have a good time.

When: Tuesday June 21, 2016

Time: 11:00 am—2:00 pm

Where: Toronto Buddhist Church Social Hall

Fee: \$5.00

*Bring your own lunch, tea will be served



Jodo Shinshu Buddhist Temple of Canada Japan Tour 2016

第25代専如門主 伝灯奉告法要 団体参拝と
親鸞聖人ゆかりの地を訪ねる14日間の旅

TOUR WEBSITE : www.kiecan.com/toronto/jsbt/

As space is limited for participation in the Accession Service and since the airfare and hotel accommodations are in very high demand at this time of year in Japan due to it being a favourable travel season, please register now and secure your space before it is all gone.



DEPARTURE OCT.10, 2016
RETURN OCT.23, 2016
12 nights - 14 days

TOUR PRICE * - minimum 15 participants required -
THE FINAL TOUR PRICE WILL BE ANNOUNCED BY JUNE 30, 2016.

(30 or more participants) **\$6,000** per person / tax included based on double occupancy **

(25 ~ 29 participants) **\$6,100** per person / tax included based on double occupancy **

(20 ~ 24 participants) **\$6,200** per person / tax included based on double occupancy **

(15 ~ 19 participants) **\$6,300** per person / tax included based on double occupancy **

* Check payment price. Subject to 3% handling fee for credit card payment.

** Single occupancy supplement \$1,180 will be required if you cannot find room-share participant.

< Included >

- return air fare between Canada and Japan (economy class)
- 12 nights hotel accommodation (superior class)
- meals breakfast : daily lunch : 9 times dinner : 8 times
- all the transportations listed in the tour itinerary (private and/or public)
- sightseeing tours with English speaking guide listed in the tour itinerary
- special joint dinner with U.S. group on Oct. 21
- admission for all sightseeing places and temples
- English speaking tour escort

< NOT included >

- meals other than stated on itinerary
- portage and gratuities at hotel
- personal incidental charges
- travel insurance - Purchase recommended. Ask our travel consultant.

< Payments >

- No deposit required at the time of tour registration
- \$500 non-refundable deposit is due at the time of air ticket arrangements (air ticket arrangement due will be advised later)
- Full payment is due by June 10, 2016

< Cancellation Policy >

- \$500 cancellation penalty if cancelled after air ticket arrangements
- 50% cancellation penalty if cancelled by July 10, 2016
- 100% cancellation penalty if cancelled after August 10, 2016



*** TOUR ITINERARY ***

- Day 1 Oct. 10 (Mon)
Leave Canada for Japan
- Day 2 Oct. 11 (Tue) TOKYO (東京)
Arrive at Tokyo
- Day 3 Oct. 12 (Wed) TOKYO (東京)
TSUKIJI HONGWANJI, Tokyo sightseeing
- Day 4 Oct. 13 (Thur) TOKYO (東京)
Free at leisure
- Day 5 Oct. 14 (Fri) TOKYO (東京)
Nikko sightseeing, SAINENJI TEMPLE, JIUNJI TEMPLE
- Day 6 Oct. 15 (Sat) YUDANAKA (湯田中温泉)
ZENKOJI TEMPLE, famous "snow monkeys"
- Day 7 Oct. 16 (Sun) UNAZUKI (宇奈月温泉)
KOKUFU BETSUIN, Kurobe Gorge sightseeing
- Day 8 Oct. 17 (Mon) KANAZAWA (金沢)
Kanazawa sightseeing
- Day 9 Oct. 18 (Tue) KAGA (加賀温泉)
EIHEIJI TEMPLE
- Day 10 Oct. 19 (Wed) KYOTO (京都)
Free at leisure
- Day 11 Oct. 20 (Thur) KYOTO (京都)
MT. HIEI, HINO TANJO-IN, SUMINOBO, OTANI HONBYO
- Day 12 Oct. 21 (Fri) KYOTO (京都)
HONGWANJI ACCESSION SERVICE, Joint dinner
- Day 13 Oct. 22 (Sat) KYOTO (京都)
Free at leisure
- Day 14 Oct. 23 (Sun)
Back to Canada

Check out our dedicated tour website www.kiecan.com/toronto/jsbt/ for details, or feel free to contact KINTETSU, appointed travel agency.



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