



Guiding Light


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TORONTO BUDDHIST CHURCH
a Jodo Shinshu Temple


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5 MONTHLY MEMORIAL SERVICE & Scholarship Sunday 10:30 am Kid's Sangha 11:00 am Service—Prof Toro 12:00 pm *Dana Mtg	6 10:00 am Sr. Karaoke	7 10:00 am Fujinotomo 8:00 pm Bon Odori	8 7:00 pm Isshin	9 10:00 am Tai Chi 1:00 pm *Buyo 2:00 pm *Momiji 3:00 Ikebana 4:00 pm *Yee Hong	10 7:30 pm Bon Odori 8:00 pm Buyo	11
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JULY 2016

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10 OBON SERVICES 9:00 am HATSUBON Families Service 初盆法要 11:00 am Obon Service (E) 2:00 pm Obon Service (J) 孟蘭盆会 Guest Speaker: Rev. Grant Ikuta	11 10:00 am Sr. Karaoke	12 7:00 pm MC & BOD Meetings	13 7:00 pm Isshin	14 1:00 pm Buyo	15 8:00 pm Buyo	16 10:00 am Mindful Meditation Workshop (H&SH)
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<div>KID'S CAMP AT LUMBINI JULY 24 - JULY 30</div>						
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Going to Camp Lumbini

Hello all, my name is Joanne Kataoka. I was asked if I would like to write an article for the guiding light and of course I said sure, no problem, except for the fact that I have no idea of what to write about. As it turns out its about Camp Lumbini.

Going up to Camp Lumbini was one of the fondest memories for me. I do not remember exactly when my brothers and I started at the church. What I do remember is going to Wasaga beach for Camp Lumbini for a week with Mrs. Tanaka and the girls club, my brothers would go with the boys club and Mrs. Ogaki (nee Goto at that time) on a different week. Mr. Glen Kawaguchi was in charge of the next age group level, the Tarunas, which combined the girls club and boys club so we could all go together for the week.

The next chapter starts about 15 years later when I returned to the church after stepping away to do the “finishing of high school, getting married and having my first child” thing. I lost my mother just before Rachel (my first) was born which brought me closer to my dad. He was still a very active member of the church, which is part of why I started to bring Rachel to the Dharma school when she was about 3 years old. I knew she was a bit young to start in the kindergarten so I would stay and help Mrs. Tanaka (oh my goodness, she is still with the kids!!!). When Mrs. Tanaka retired from the Dharma School Sandra Eto and I took over the kindergarten/preschool. Elaine Takahashi was the coordinator of the youth now.

When Rachel was old enough to go to Camp Lumbini I jumped at the chance to take her up to Wasaga. Elaine Takahashi was the coordinator for the camp then. Elaine and her group of volunteers would give the kids such a good time up there that on the way home I would hear how much they couldn't wait till next year's camp. I would stay up at the camp to help with the cooking but only part of the time as I had Abigail with me as a tag-along child. When she was old enough to be with the campers I would stay the whole week. There have been many coordinators throughout the years that the kids have been going to Camp Lumbini. After Elaine we had the Yoshida brothers Mike and Chris do a year each. Even Rev. Grant Ikuta took on this task for a while. Chris Uchida was next and he continued on for several years as the camp coordinator. Now we have three co coordinators running the camp, Rachel Kataoka, Koji Goto and Stephen Taguchi. They started as campers, became junior counselors, and then senior counselors, and are now currently running the camp. Now Abigail is a senior counselor and Joaquin is a camper.

The campers have a busy schedule planned out for the week that they are up at Camp Lumbini. The morning starts with a morning exercise of stretching and a jog. The kids then have morning service which each group takes turns in leading with one of the councillors giving the dharma talk. Breakfast is served and after the meal the kids break off into their groups to do the chores. Washing the dishes and sweeping out the cabin, the third group will have some free time while this is done. The schedule of activities will vary from day to day some of it will be going to beach, craft time, Buddhism 101, games, and sports.

I know that my children's fondest activity at the church is still being able to go to Camp Lumbini each year. I believe that this is the most enjoyable way for them to learn how to incorporate Buddhism into their daily life. As each year the camp has a different Buddhist theme for the week and the activities will follow that theme for the week.

In Gassho,

Joanne Kataoka

Jodo Shinshu Buddhist Temples of Canada

Annual General Meeting 2016

This year's annual meeting was held in Winnipeg at the Manitoba Buddhist temple from April 22 to 24. For the many JSBTC delegates who arrived early Friday, an optional tour of the newly constructed Canadian Museum for Human Rights was available for everyone. Our new minister, Rev. Ouchi attended the ministerial meetings and attended his first national AGM.

The AGM began with the presentation of reports from temple representatives from all the temples across Canada. Some of the highlights of the meeting were :

JSBTC temple assessment for 2016 to be increased from \$70 to \$80

JSBTC will present a 5 year financial plan

Full time Bishop's Position Evaluation (see details on page 5)

Sharing temple successes

Larry (VP) and Amy Wakisaka (LDC) continue on in their positions as executives for the JSBTC board

Toronto confirmed hosting the next AGM April 19-23, 2017 and noted it will be the 35th Anniversary of the JSBTC Women's Federation

Calgary affirmed they would host the JSBTC AGM in 2018

On Saturday evening, a lovely dinner banquet was held at the Manitoba Japanese Cultural Centre in celebration of Manitoba Temple's 70th Anniversary. Chef Lau Young and his helpers prepared a wonderful meal for everyone who attended. Later in the evening, special award recognition was given to 7 longtime, devoted members of the Manitoba Temple for their tireless efforts.

The Tsuito Hoyo service on Sunday had Dharma talks given by Socho Aoki in Japanese and Rev. Ikuta in English. We were all treated to a delicious potluck lunch prepared by the host temple members. We would like to extend our sincere gratitude to the Manitoba Buddhist Temple for their warm hospitality and hosting a very successful AGM.



(l-r) Rev. Christina Yanko, Rev. Fred Ulrich (Minister Emeritus), Rev. Grant Ikuta, Rev. James Martin, Bishop Tatsuya Aoki, Rev. Yasuhiro Miyakawa, Rev. Yasuo Izumi, Rev. Yoshimichi Ouchi, Joanne Yuasa Sensei (Minister's Assistant)

(l-r) Roland Ikuta, Dave Otori (President), Trudy Gahlinger, Laura Sugimoto, Larry Wakisaka (Vice President), Harvey Kaita, Amy Wakisaka (LDC Program Director), Bishop Tatsuya Aoki, Rev. Grant Ikuta (MA Chair), Greg Chor (Treasurer), Debra Campbell-Hayashi (Secretary), Kent MacCarl



Feasibility of a Full-Time JSBTC Bishop

The Evaluation Committee on the feasibility of a full time Bishop was comprised of a national committee with representation from the Ministerial Association, the JSBTC Board and most member temples. The Committee determined that the workload associated with the Bishop's Office warranted a Full-Time Bishop and that the cost of supporting a Full-Time Bishop would be approximately \$160,000 annually plus inflation. The JSBTC currently operates with a Part-Time Bishop at a cost of approximately \$41,000 per year.

While the Committee identified a range of funding options to support a Full-Time Bishop, it did not examine the options in sufficient detail to recommend one or a set of options to fund a Full-Time Bishop. For a more specific recommendation that could be reasonably implemented, the Committee recommended a more detailed study of the funding options including examination of a combination of funding sources to support a Full-Time Bishop for at least a five year period or more. The Committee further recommended that the position of Part-Time Bishop continue as long as necessary subject to the decision of the AGM until such time as a sound method to fund a Full-Time Bishop position is determined and a Resolution is passed at an AGM to approve and implement it. The Committee also noted that there were two very recent and unplanned vacancies in our ministerial ranks and that seeking replacement ministers for these vacancies as well as planning for future possible ministerial departure(s) must take priority. The temple members accepted these recommendations.

JSBTC Women's Federation AGM

April 22, 23, 2016

Winnipeg

1. Susan Huntley has stepped down as Chair of WF. She was also the hard working Chair of the very successful WBWC held in Calgary , Alberta.
2. Lori North is the new Chair. Also new WF Board members are Adara Kaita and Phylliss Ohashi. Returning Board Members are Myra Takasaki, Lucy Yoshioka and Sara Clark. Rev James Martin will continue to be the WF Ministerial advisor.
3. Three resolutions were passed.
 - a. There are now clear guidelines with regards to the WF Dana Day Funds.
 - b. The WF membership fee will be a single amount of \$15 per member. (WF membership for those over 80 will continue to be optional)
 - c. The current WF Board position of President will be changed to Chair and Vice President to Vice Chair.
4. WF Membership is to promote youth assistance in the future.
5. Dana Day Funds: \$10,300.08 is presently available for outreach/Social welfare.
It was decided that for 2016, \$4,000 be divided between The Children's Wish Foundation and Food Banks Canada.
6. Coins and Stamps: The stamps collected produced \$200 that will be sent to Save the Children. Projects that were selected all have a matching grant so that the \$200 will actually produce \$800 to fund all the projects. The matching grant quadruples the amount donated. This is amazing and worth thinking about. Should we be sending our stamps to Leprosy Canada or getting 4 times the amount of our donation the same way Hiroko does?

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JSBTC Women's Federation AGM

April 22, 23, 2016

Winnipeg, continued

7. Sustaining Fund: The fund now has \$3,400.20 available to help Ministers.
8. Youth Dharma Assistance: There is \$3,341.13 available for Youth. The Board is interested in finding out how each Temple supports their youth. A fact finding Committee will be formed.
9. "WF Focus on the Future" project for 2016: What are our goals? What do we do? Recommendations for 2017? These are some of the questions that we were asked to think about
10. Temple reports/Survey Results: The TBC collected 18 surveys. Results for Toronto. Due to time restraints the surveys were collected, the results will be tabulated and put on Google docs. I will present them once they are posted.
11. Calendar: Kelowna is producing a Fundraising Calendar to be sold for \$20.
12. WBWC Report: One of the best WBWC ever! We did it together! There were a total of 1765 delegates at the Convention. There was a profit of \$200,000 made. The Minister's Retirement fund will get \$100,000, the LDC will receive \$21,000 and the WF travel fund will get \$50,000. The next WBWC will be in San Francisco in 2019.

Submitted by

June Asano

Dana WF Representative

CAN YOU HEAR ME?

For a long time now, we have been trying to address a problem suffered by many of our senior members and others who have experienced difficulty properly hearing the Dharma talks delivered by our Ministers and presentations by other speakers. This has been discouraging for our congregation as well as our Ministers. This past month we finally installed a new audio system in the Hondo and launched it on Sunday May 22 where Rev. Ouchi conducted his first full service. The system is designed to deliver uniform, clear sound throughout the Hondo. While it is one step from completion, many of our members sitting at the rear of the Hondo remarked that they were able to clearly hear every word of the service. The Teaching of the Dharma is now taking a big audible step forward. For this we shout a loud NAMO AMIDA BUTSU!

While this project was funded in large part by the wonderful donations received in honour of the Temple building's 10th Anniversary, we also thank our own Amy Wakisaka, the JSBTC Director heading the national Living Dharma Centre, for her efforts in securing a significant grant for this important project. Thank you to JSBTC and the Living Dharma Centre.



THANK YOU!!

We would like to extend our gratitude to the young volunteers who helped out on Parents' Day, May 8, 2016. Thank you for making it a successful day.

Abigail—MC

Mika—Dharma Talk

Leanne, Amy, Joaquin, Rachael and Koji—Ushers and Greeters

Infant Presentation



This year we had a beautiful new addition to our Sangha. Her name is Emi Annette Megumi Starr. She was born on November 18th, 2015, but despite her young age she is already full of personality.

We are grateful to her parents Rick and Yumi Starr for giving us the opportunity to grow in the Dharma with this beautiful little girl.

Namo Amida Butsu!

Workshop Ottawa Fellowship

May 21st was a beautiful day in Ottawa to get together and talk about Buddhism. This time we had a group of about 17 people in attendance for the workshop and service.

It was a very engaged group of attendees who had information to share and discuss.

We look forward to the next one!



EASTERN BUDDHIST LEAGUE CONFERENCE- INFORMATION

The Eastern Buddhist League Conference will be held at Seabrook Buddhist Temple in Bridgeton, New Jersey Sept 2 – 4th, 2016. It should be a wonderful conference. The theme of the conference is COME AS YOU ARE. Rev. Kenneth Tanaka is the keynote speaker. Registration for this year's conference will be \$150. US per person (deadline July 31st, 2016) and hotel reservations are available at Fairfield Inn & Suites Milville-Vineland \$102.30 US per night. Please visit the website <http://ebl2016.weebly.com> for any additional information.

This year Toronto Buddhist Church will not be sponsoring a bus due to high cost for this trip. If you are interested in going to the conference, please make your own travel arrangements.

Anyone interested in going to the conference and do not have access to a computer, may pick up an information package on the table in the lobby at church.

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.

DANA NEWS

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Toronto Buddhist Church Dana Ladies are planning a fundraising **Tsukemono Workshop on Saturday, August 12, 2016, starting at 10:00am.** The fee will be \$10.00. A light lunch will be served.

The workshop is opened to everyone. Come learn how to make everyone's favorite tsukemomo (Japanese pickles) and all the secrets our mothers' never told us.

More details will be in the July/August issue of the Guiding Light.



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

<i>Mrs. Ritsuko Ohara</i>	<i>94 yrs</i>	<i>March 18, 2016</i>
<i>Mr. Mitsuo Higo</i>	<i>89 yrs</i>	<i>March 25, 2016</i>
<i>Mrs. Miye Hayashi</i>	<i>95 yrs</i>	<i>May 8, 2016</i>
<i>Mr. Hiroshi Frank Tsujiuchi</i>	<i>94 yrs</i>	<i>May 23, 2016</i>



SUMMER BREAK FOR MEDITATION

We will be continuing our meditation sessions in the fall every Thursday evening starting September 8, 2016. We are taking a break for the summer - we would normally break in July and August, but this year it is extended to include June, as I will be leaving on Tuesday for a 21 day meditation retreat at the Plum Village monastery in France.

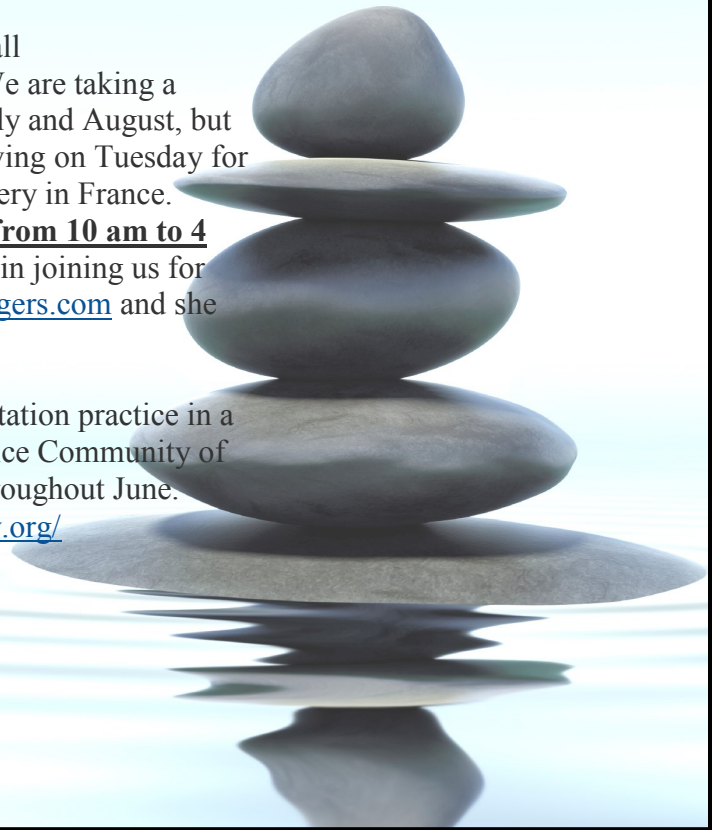
We are planning a **Day of Mindfulness on July 16th from 10 am to 4 pm.** (pot luck vegetarian lunch). If you are interested in joining us for this event please email Denise Crofton at dcrofton@rogers.com and she will provide you with more details.

For those of you that would like to continue your meditation practice in a group setting, our sister sangha, the Mindfulness Practice Community of Toronto meets Saturdays from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm throughout June. Their website is <https://mindfulnesspracticecommunity.org/>

Have a great summer!

Namaste.

Ray



VESAK 2016



COORDINATING COMMITTEE OF VOLUNTEERS

CCOV ? What was that again? Judging by the great turnout that we had for our last special meeting on May 15, people are tuning into our new volunteer system. We were delighted to see a crowd of 51 people join us for the “Q and A” and information gathering after the service that day.

We talked about the top 10 frequently asked questions about CCOV. For example a few of the questions which we talked about were:

What is the CCOV and what does it mean to me?

If I volunteer, will I have to become a member of Toronto Buddhist Church?

How often will I be asked to volunteer?

If interested in having a copy of the top 10 questions and answers, it can be emailed to you through the contact information below.

UPDATE:

The CCOV committee and captains continue to meet regularly to update our lists, exchange information, review the most recent temple event and determine how the assigned CCOV team handled their responsibilities to make it a successful function. It's important to keep in mind that we try to make improvements on the past events and keep our volunteers involved.

We are always looking for new names as additions to the increasing volunteer list. As a volunteer team member, and if you have a special skill, our committee would like to know in order that it can be possibly shared with your team members when necessary. Please consider joining a team if you aren't on the list already and let us know.

We are all learning along the way and the teams are not in full swing but slowly practising and improving. No one is perfect! But let's have fun as we make our way and enjoy working together with one another at the temple. Keep up the great team work and team spirit!!

Any inquiries can be directed to: Diane Mark - dianemark@gmail.com or call 416-225-2695

Dawn Anzai - canzai@sympatico.ca or call 416-593-5857

“BRAVO, BRAVO” to Team 5 for their fantastic work and efforts on the Temple’s “ Welcome & Welcome Back Luncheon” for our ministers on May 29. Everyone enjoyed a scrumptious, assorted luncheon plate of Japanese treats and sweets. Thank you Team 5!

BTW- Team 1 will be assisting at the annual TBC picnic on June 12.

OUTDOOR NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICE

Please make sure to diarize **Sunday September 18**. On that day we will have our very first Outdoor Neighbourhood Service. For quite a while now our Temple has wanted to meet the residents who were kind enough to accept us in their neighbourhood and give them an opportunity to experience what our Temple was about. The Temple had originally planned the service for last May, but with a full slate of other functions, we were forced to postpone the outdoor service. We hope that the early Fall will be a perfect time to conduct our regular service outdoors in Banting Park and to finally extend a long-overdue invitation to some of our close neighbours to share our service as well as some refreshments. We will ask you to bring your own chairs and your hospitality as we hopefully will have a great opportunity to meet our visitors. More details will follow in coming editions of the Guiding Light.

OBON 2016**SATURDAY, JULY 9TH, CEMETERY VISITATION SCHEDULE**

With just a month and a half away until Obon weekend, the Obon committee has submitted the cemetery visitation schedule.

This year, our guest speaker will be a familiar face and welcomed visitor. Rev. Grant Ikuta will join us for this important weekend.

Please bring your memorial lanterns which will be placed up near the naijin on Sunday, July 10th at both the 11am English service and the 2pm Japanese service, and remember to pick them up after each service.

CEMETERY SCHEDULE**GRANT IKUTA SENSEI**

CENTRAL SERVICE	TORONTO NECROPOLIS	8:30AM
CENTRAL SERVICE	ST. JAMES	9:30 AM
CENTRAL SERVICE	MT. PLEASANT	10:30 AM

CHRISTINA YANKO SENSEI

CENTRAL SERVICE	PINE HILLS	9:30AM
CENTRAL SERVICE	RESTHAVEN	11:00AM

YOSHIMICHI OUCHI SENSEI

CENTRAL SERVICE	PROSPECT	9:30AM
CENTRAL SERVICE	PARKLAWN	11.00AM

JOHN SKELTON

CENTRAL SERVICE	GLEN OAKS	9:00AM
CENTRAL SERVICE	SPRING CREEK	9:30AM

DENNIS MADOKORO

CENTRAL SERVICE	HIGHLAND MEMORY GARDENS	9:30AM
CENTRAL SERVICE	ELGIN MILLS	11:00AM

OBON 2016**SATURDAY, JULY 9TH, CEMETERY VISITATION SCHEDULE, cont'd****MARTIN CARTLEDGE**

CENTRAL SERVICE	YORK	9:30AM
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JESSIE EBATA

CENTRAL SERVICE	SANCTUARY NORTH END	9:00AM
CENTRAL SERVICE	RIVERSIDE AND ST. PHILIPS	9:30AM

GEORGE NAKANO

SANCTUARY, SOUTH END	9:00AM
MEADOWVALE	1 PM
OR TO BE ARRANGED BY MR. NAKANO	

JOHN NISHIKAWA

GLENDALE	9:30AM
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PAULINE KNUDE

SALEMtime to be arranged
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The Obon committee thanks all volunteers for their time and efforts so that the TBC may continue with this very important tradition. We ask the families for their patience while waiting for their Senseis and choshos to arrive as travelling times may cause delays.

Gassho

OBON GUEST SPEAKER—REVEREND GRANT IKUTA**SATURDAY JULY 9TH**

CENTRAL SERVICE	TORONTO NECROPOLIS	8:30AM
CENTRAL SERVICE	ST. JAMES	9:30 AM
CENTRAL SERVICE	MT. PLEASANT	10:30 AM

SUNDAY JULY 10TH

11:00 am	English Service
2:00 pm	Japanese Service



KIDS SANGHA

PLEASE NOTE- NO KIDS SANGHA ON **JUNE 19TH** IT HAS BEEN MOVED TO **JUNE 12TH** TO CORRESPOND WITH THE ANNUAL PICNIC AT CAMP GREEN ACRES. AFTER **JUNE 12TH** WE WILL BREAK FOR THE SUMMER MONTHS AND RESUME AGAIN IN SEPTEMBER (**SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 11TH**).

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

Yoga for kids and adults with Seema, Alex and Denis

Two fellow yoga teachers and I will be holding a yoga class for both kids and adults at Camp Green Acres, bring a mat and towel (mats will be available if you don't have one). Join us for an hour of bending and stretching....a great time to connect with your body, mind and spirit!

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

Lunch will be served after service- 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. No classes during the summer. Classes resume Rally Sunday September 11th.

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

Camp Lumbini 2016 (July 24th – 30th)

Camp Lumbini is once again fast approaching – join us for a whole week of fun and Buddhist related activities. Every year Camp Lumbini revolves around two themes: one associated with Buddhist teachings and another based on popular culture. This year the themes will be the Noble Eightfold Path and the Olympics. The Noble Eightfold Path is a principal teaching in Buddhism that is represented by the dharma wheel, whose eight spokes represent the eight paths. The Noble Eightfold Path is used to understand the nature of life and phenomena in order to achieve enlightenment. At Camp Lumbini the staff will strive to teach the attending youth about the Noble Eightfold Path and how it may apply to daily activities performed during the week.

Daily activities at Camp Lumbini include trips to the beach, various arts and crafts, fun team building activities and daily evening activities including, mini golf, campfires, movie night and bowling. Additionally, the day trip will either be a canoe/kayak trip with Free Spirit Tours or Tree Top Trekking at Horseshoe Valley Resort depending on age and size of participants. Every year it is our goal to provide a safe environment that fosters leadership and teamwork development, acceptance of individual differences and values and provide an opportunity for all individuals to participate in recreational activities regardless of individual skill in addition to imparting some understanding of Buddhist teachings.

If you have any questions concerning Camp Lumbini you can contact Stephen Taguchi or Rachel Kataoka at stephen.taguchi@utoronto.ca and rachelkataoka@hotmail.com respectively.

Hope to see you this summer.



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!**

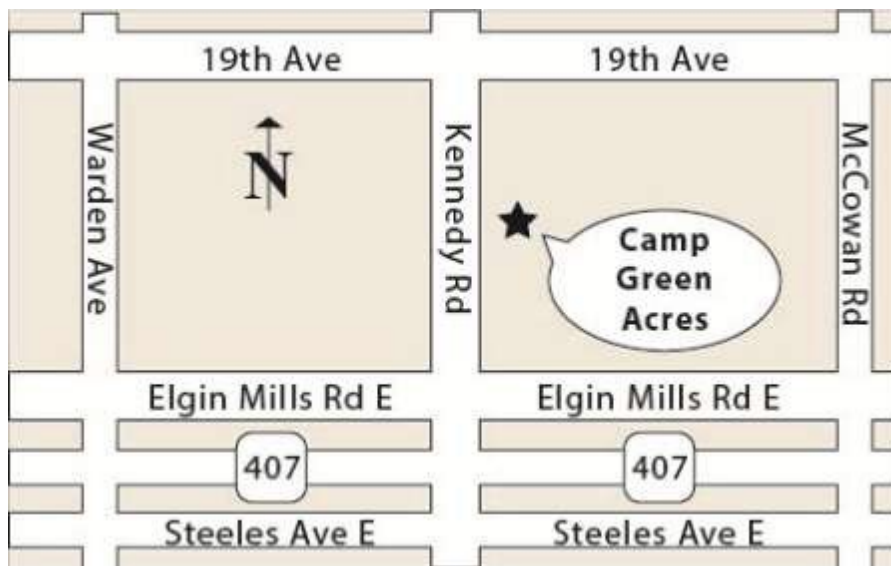
**To be drawn on
June 12, 2016
at the TBC Annual Picnic**

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: _____
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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.

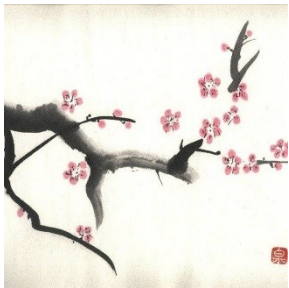
Membership Fees may be paid in one lump sum or in monthly or quarterly installments. **Please do not use Offering envelopes to pay membership fees. Instead, please insert them in separate plain envelopes clearly marked "For Membership". Please make any cheques payable to Toronto Buddhist Church.**

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

**** To ensure we have enough supplies please register by Email tbc@tbc.on.ca or Phone 416 534 4302 leaving your name and a number or email address where you can be contacted**



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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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