



Guiding Light

October, 2024



TORONTO BUDDHIST CHURCH *a Jodo Shinshu Temple*

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UPCOMING SERVICES

		Kids' Sangha 10:30 AM	11:00 AM	1:00 PM	
		In Person	In Person & Zoom	In Person & Zoom	
OCTOBER 13,2024	REGULAR SERVICE DENNIS MADOKORO	ENGLISH	ENGLISH	NONE	REV. HASHIMOTO IS ON COURS TILL DECEMBER
OCTOBER 20	REGULAR SERVICE DENNIS MADOKORO	ENGLISH	ENGLISH	NONE	JSBTC DAY LET'S TALK DHARMA AFTER SERVICE
OCTOBER 27	REGULAR SERVICE JEFF WILSON SENSEI	ENGLISH	ENGLISH	NONE	
NOVEMBER 3, 2024	MONTHLY MEMORIAL SHOTSUKI BISHOP AOKI	ENGLISH	ENGLISH	JAPANESE	SHOTSUKI

EITAIKYO SERVICE**NOVEMBER 17, 2024**

Eitaikyo, the perpetual sutra chanting service is held annually. The sutra chanting is perpetual in the sense that it is chanted every year. This service is specifically to remember those loved ones who have passed before us. Generally it is the memorial service acknowledging those who may be unknown to us personally but were a part of the Sangha and therefore our history. There is a book which is displayed once a year and in the Eitaikyo book is recorded the names of people who have passed before. Family and friends may contribute to a fund to have names recorded in the Eitaikyo book. This fund is for the exclusive maintenance of the najin

Please contact the office

Makuragyo (Pillow-side) Service

When families consider having a Pillow-side service (Makuragyo), they are encouraged to notify the Temple with advance notice. This offers the Temple member time to adjust their schedule accordingly. Depending on the wishes of the family, the Temple member is quite prepared to conduct the service immediately following the passing away of the loved one. The family may prefer to have the service at an earlier time so that more family members can attend the service.

Providing information, prior to a passing away, is important for the Temple member too, not only to adjust their schedule, but to prepare for the service. The early contact with the Temple member also provides an opportunity for them to offer information and answer questions the family may have. Please call the Temple 416-534-4302 and leave a message. Your call will be returned as soon as someone is available.

Thank you for your understanding and co-operation.

Board of Directors



2024 Jodo Shinshu Buddhist Temples of Canada Day Message from the Office of the Bishop

“Those who are born first, guide those who come later, and those who are born later, join those who were born before them. This is so that the Boundless Ocean of birth-and-death may be exhausted.”

(In “Passages on the Land of Happiness”, by master Tao-ch’o [562-645])

On October 12, 1905, Rev. and Mrs. Senju Sasaki arrived in Vancouver as the first *Kaikyoshi* (overseas minister) for Canada. With the minister's arrival, the local Buddhists formed the Vancouver Nihon Bukkyo-kai (Japanese Buddhist Association), and thus began our history. Although we are proud to be acknowledging that Jodo Shinshu is the school of Buddhism first established in Canada, it was not easy to continue and settle down in Canada.

I visited Tashme internment site in B. C. with Vancouver Buddhist Temple members on August 24. It was a day trip to visit the site and museums co-sponsored by the Japanese Canadian Survivors Health and Wellness Fund. Tashme was established in 1942 as one of several sites by the Canadian government to incarcerate Japanese Canadians during World War Two. At its peak, Tashme was home to 2,644 people. At the museum, we watched a short documentary film about life in Tashme. I cannot image the difficulty and worries that Japanese Canadians experienced. It is too easy for us to take for granted that we are able to attend services or make Manjus (pastries) for fundraisers. We should not forget that we are able to continue gathering at our temple, and listen to the Buddha-Dharma because of the efforts and sacrifices of pioneers.

Next year, 2025, marks our 120th anniversary. On this significant occasion, we should reflect and rediscover the lessons of those born before us, so that they may guide those who will come later. May we continue to discover joy by listening to the Dharma and together walk the path of the *Nembutsu*. Namo Amida Butsu.

In gassho,
Tatsuya Aoki,
Bishop, Jodo Shinshu Buddhist Temples of Canada



Photo: Service at

ARE YOU PURGING?

ARE YOU CLEANING OUT YOUR BASEMENT, WORK AREA, SHED? TBC IS LOOKING FOR TOOLS OF ANY KIND FOR THE BAZAAR. WE WERE QUITE SUCCESSFUL LAST YEAR SELLING TOOLS AND WOULD LIKE TO DO IT AGAIN THIS YEAR. WE ARE LOOKING FOR GARDEN, WORK, POWER, MANUAL, WHATEVER YOU NO LONGER NEED OR WANT AND ARE TRYING TO MAKE SPACE.

IF IT IS TOO LARGE FOR YOU TO DELIVER PLEASE CALL THE TEMPLE AND WE WILL ARRANGEMENTS TO PICK THEM UP.

THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!





"A life centred on Amida Buddha"

It has already been half a year since I came to Toronto. In the past six months, I have officiated nearly twenty funerals in Toronto. Last month, I officiated the first funeral for a person whom I knew.

She had always attended our Momiji services. She prepared tea and sweets for us at the service and was a very cheerful person, so I honestly still can't

believe it. At the Momiji service, she would always say, "Sensei, thank you for your effort." She was one of the few people I could talk to in Japanese without hesitation, as I was struggling to speak English.

I naturally became emotional at the funeral of someone I knew. As I chanted the sutra, listened to the family's eulogy, and shared the Dharma talk, memories of that person came back to my mind, and I struggled to hold back the tears.

For every encounter, there is a parting. I know that, but I am still sad. But it is not only sad. In Jodo Shinshu, the teachings of Amida Buddha, we are taught that the pain of parting can be turned into joy and that there is a world where we can meet again

On the weekend of the funeral, I was invited to the family's home and treated to dinner. On the altar of the house

(Butsudan) was a piece of paper with a text written by the deceased. With the family's permission, I would like to write a few excerpts.

Warm times do not last forever. There will always be cold times in life, sometimes severe and painful. Amida Buddha teaches us how to turn "suffering" around and live a life of acceptance. How you turn out is your own. A flower that grows in a harsh natural environment is stronger. We should have the strength to accept adversity as an opportunity to win, even if our lives are also harsh. (omission) We cannot help but feel the joy of having encountered the teachings of Amida Buddha, who continues to work without giving up. We are fortunate to have had the opportunity to encounter this teaching and to be in an environment where we can continue to listen to it.

This text reminds us that this person was indeed a person who lived a life based on the Nembutsu and the teachings of Amida Buddha.

In this way, the teachings of Jodo Shinshu have been passed down to the present day by people who recite the Nembutsu with the Buddha as the centre of their lives. Because our lives are helped by the workings of the same Amida Buddha, there is a world where we can meet again, and through this Nembutsu, we can continue to connect with our loved ones who have gone to the Pure Land before us.

Later that day, I had a conversation with a close friend of hers about food. It was a discussion like, do you eat Japanese food or Western food?

She said, "I eat various foods at lunch and dinner, not only Japanese food, but I always eat Japanese food in the morning.

Sensei, because we offer rice to the Buddhist altar every morning, right?"

She does not offer rice to the Buddhist altar because she eats rice in the morning, but she eats rice in the morning because she offers rice to the Buddha. It may sound like it could be either way, but these words showed that the person was always living a life centred on the Buddha, a life of respect for the Buddha.

The Toronto temple has been supported today by people whose lives are centred on Amida Buddha in this way. They do not use Amida Buddha's teachings to better their own lives. They are supported by the teachings for the roots of their lives. Their way of life has strongly reminded me of this.

When they give me a donation envelope, they always say, "Please offer it to Amida Buddha," not to the temple. Do you understand what this means?

Starting with the September Shotsuki Memorial Service, we have decided to hold a Presentation Offertory at each Shotsuki Memorial Service. This was done at the temple when I was in Kamloops, and I adopted it intending to change awareness, but other members told me that it had been done in the past in Toronto as well.

The temple is operated by people's generous donations. Not only the various temple activities, but also my own life is supported by these donations. However, these donations are offerings to Amida Buddha. I regret that I had little awareness of the fact that I was using these offerings as a hand-me-down from the Buddha.

The centre of the temple is not the Buddhist ministers or the members, but Buddha, or in the case of a Jodo Shinshu temple, Amida Buddha. This is the major difference between the operation of a cultural or community centre and that of a temple.

We are fortunate to have had the opportunity to encounter this teaching and to be in an environment where we can continue to listen to it.

Let us be grateful for and praise Amida Buddha's work, as the deceased said, and let us continue to live our lives centering on Amida Buddha.

I will be away from Toronto to attend a program in Berkeley, California to officially become Kaikyoshi Minister (Official Overseas Minister) for about two months from October 7 to December 11. I apologize for any inconvenience caused by my absence, but if you would like to hold a Private memorial service, please consider shifting the timing to mid-December or later.

Namo Amida Butsu

Rev. Kensho Hashimoto

ANNUAL BAZAAR

TORONTO BUDDHIST CHURCH

CASH ONLY
PLEASE BRING
YOUR OWN
BAGS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2024

1011 Sheppard Ave West, Toronto

(1 block east of Sheppard West TTC Subway Station)

12:30pm to 4:30pm (Face masks recommended)



HOT AND FRESH FOOD HALL

Udon Noodle Soup • Chicken Teriyaki Rice Bowls

PREPARED FOODS AND SHOPPING

Sushi • Chow mein • Manju • Preserves • Pies & Baked goods
Japanese giftware • White Elephant • New Vendors, and more!

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JODO SHINSHU BUDDHIST TEMPLES OF CANADA

October 2024

Dear Temple members and Dharma Friends,

In October 1904, one hundred and twenty years ago, Buddhist lay leaders decided to build a temple and ask Nishi Hongwanji to send a minister to Canada. One year later, in October 1905, Rev. Senju Sasaki arrived in Canada and delivered the first Dharma talk. And it was in October 1974, that Jodo Shinshu Buddhist Temples of Canada was founded as the official organization to bring all Jodo Shinshu followers in Canada together in a national Buddhist community.

The annual October JSBTC Day marks the creation of the national organization and reminds us of the work which the JSBTC does to keep Jodo Shinshu alive and the Temples together across Canada. It is a time for us to remember, with gratitude, of all those who have gone before and who contributed to the propagation of Jodo Shinshu Buddhist in Canada, as well as all those who work today to spread the Dharma.

All donations made on JSBTC Day either through your temple or directly to the JSBTC go towards the health and education of our ministers and to support the work of the Bishop. Your support of the JSBTC is both needed and greatly appreciated in this important effort.

Please note that cheques may now be made payable directly to the JSBTC. Donations can also be made through Canada Helps at <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/LivingDharmaCentre/>.

This link enables you to designate a general donation to JSBTC, or support for the Ministers' Retirement Fund, the Living Dharma Centre, or the Women's Federation.

Thank you for your ongoing support of the JSBTC, as the JSBTC continues to support our ministers and local temples.

In gassho,

Laura Sugimoto, President

THANK YOU!!

Thanks to a generous donation from Laurie Ann and Neil Nakagawa we now have a propane bbq at Lumbini cabins.

We hope that you will visit the cabins to try out the bbq. It's an added luxury for the Kid's Camp week and renters of the cabins!



LET'S TALK DHARMA

SUNDAY OCTOBER 20

Please join Dennis Madokoro after service for a discussion on Buddhism; things you'd like to know or have questions about.

Share your thoughts and get to know members of the Temple.

2024 BAZAAR WORK SCHEDULE****schedule listed is tentative and subject to change****

Date	Time	Task
Friday, November 1	9am	Wash pails, prepare hakkusai for tsukemono
Sunday, November 3	after morn- ing service	Hang bazaar banners outside
Wednesday, November 6	9am	Mochi manju (move microwave oven)
	after 6pm	close naijin, move chairs to mezzanine
		set up lighter tables in Hondo
		mezzanine - move extra chairs to library
		move to Social Hall all packaging material, ice packs,
		brown bread trays, cups, hashii,
		move to Hondo - Lug blankets, bakery packaging, Japanese
		dishes as marked
		set up tables in mezzanine for White Elephant
		move Social Hall stage into Kids Sangha room (piano side)
		set out work tables in Social Hall for Thurs/Fri workers
		clean rolling rack trays
		sanitize serving trays, udon bowls, white food bins
Thursday, November 7	9am	make yaki manju
	after yaki manju	marinate chicken
	is finished	prepare chicken broth
Friday, November 8	9am	wash rice for makizushi
		make eggs for makizushi
		make makizushi
		cut and cook pork for chow mein
		wash and cut vegetables - carrots, onions, celery, ginger, garlic
		wash bean sprouts
		salt and cook salmon for onigiri
		fill shoyu bottles, rinse teapots
		wash rice for inarizushi and onigiri
	after 6pm	cook chicken teriyaki
		cook udon and finish dashi for soup
		wash and cook bok choy
		make inarizushi
		make onigiri - 100 umeboshi, 100 salted salmon
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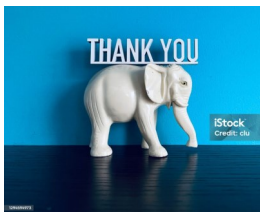
DATE	TIME	TASK
Saturday, November 9	8am	cook chow mein
		cool chow mein and package
		assemble bento
		post signage in Social Hall
		hot food prep - rice, chicken, udon, gyoza
		package manju
		package inarizushi
		hot water for green tea
		cut nappa tsukemono
		set up tables and chairs (after packaging completed)
		move finished oribako, onigiri to Hondo
		prepare sanitizing solution for wiping down dining tables
		dishwashing
	after bazaar	box all remaining White Elephant items for pick up
		remove tables from Hondo
		set up chairs in Hondo
		clean up in Social Hall
		replace stage in Social Hall

WHAT SHOULD I DO WITH IT?

DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING FOR TBC'S WHITE ELEPHANT SALE

“What should I do with this blender I don’t use anymore?” Donate it to the Toronto Buddhist Church for their White Elephant Sale at the Annual Bazaar! We are looking for donations of goods that you are no longer using or have never used and don’t know what to do with them. We will be receiving goods starting the beginning of October.

Your donations will be greatly appreciated.. NO CLOTHES PLEASE



If you are unable to deliver the goods please call the Temple and we will make arrangements to pick up.

TBC'S ANNUAL BAZAAR

NOVEMBER 9, 2024



ATTENTION ALL YOU FASHIONISTAS!

Do you have any costume jewelry or fashion accessories you would like to donate. The Temple's Annual Bazaar is quickly approaching and we are in need of goods to sell at our jewelry/accessory table. What you consider outdated, vintage or you no longer wear will bring joy to someone else and will help the Temple fundraiser.

Drop off any jewelry, purses, scarves, etc. at the Temple starting the beginning of October. All contribution to the table will be appreciated. If you are unable to deliver the goods please call the Temple and we will make arrangements to pick them up.





Learn Taiko with Isshin Daiko! (8-week series)

Isshin Daiko is looking for new members!

Join us for a 8-week taiko drumming workshop. Learn basic taiko technique and form, warm-up drills, and a song. No experience is needed and all equipment is supplied.

Wednesdays evenings from October 16 to December 4, 2024

Toronto Buddhist Church
1011 Sheppard Ave. W., Toronto, ON

\$175 (incl. an Isshin Daiko t-shirt)

For more info and to register:
<https://isshindaikoworkshop2024.eventbrite.ca>

About Isshin Daiko

We are a Japanese taiko drumming group in the Toronto area. Visit isshindaikeo.ca for more about our group, upcoming performances, and booking requests.



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TORONTO BUDDHIST CHURCH BAZAAR
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2024

Please contact: takasaki@rogers.com



Momiji Senior's Active Living Centre....

In the West!!

Have you heard? Momiji Health Care Society now has Senior's Active Living Centre programming in Toronto's West End! Thanks to support from the Community Fund of the Japanese Canadian Legacy Society as well as generous donors, Momiji staff have been able to expand our services beyond the East End. In North York, the meeting location is the Toronto Buddhist Church! Exercise, crafts, and educational seminars are just some of the activities. Come join us before programs begin for an hour of tea and socializing!

Activity Days for October and November

October 15 and 29

November 12 and 26

Please feel free to contact the Momiji West Coordinator, Ben, at 416-407-0142 or by email at momijiwest@momiji.on.ca for more information, or if you have any questions!

モミジ シニア アクティブ リビング センター... 西部にオープン!!

モミジ ヘルスケア協会は、トロント西部でシニア アクティブ リビング センターのプログラムを開始しました。

この度、日系カナダ人レガシー協会のコミュニティー基金、及びその他の方々からのご寛大なご寄付により、私たちは従来のトロント東部以外にもそのサービスを拡大することができることになりました。

ノース ヨークでは、トロント仏教会が会場になります。運動、クラフト、健康・教育講座など、内容は色々です。また、皆でお茶を飲みながらおしゃべりを楽しむ時間もあります!

10月と11月アクティビティの日

10月15日と29日

11月12日と26日

詳細やご質問は、モミジ ウェスト コーディネーターの「ベン・レビー」まで遠慮なくご連絡を下さい。連絡先は、電話：416-407-0142 またはメール：momijiwest@momiji.on.caです。

On this ministers' appreciation day we would like to express our gratitude to our Rev. Hashimoto, Jeff Wilson Sensei, Dennis Madokoro and Captain Joanne Yuasa.

You may remember the years when Joanne Yuasa was a constant presence at the TBC during her years of study at the University of Toronto while acquiring her master's degree. Her enthusiastic, can I say passionate dharma talks made some of us older folks wake up after falling asleep during the sutra chanting. Certainly, her unique ability to connect with children made her popular with the Kids' Sangha. Captain Joanne is now serving as the first Buddhist chaplain in the Canadian armed forces at the base in Kingston. She has often stepped in to conduct services in Ottawa and Montreal relieving the pressure to travel on Rev. Hashimoto. Thank you, Captain Joanne.

Jeff Wilson Sensei has unfailingly stepped in to help with the services in both Hamilton and Toronto. We are indeed very fortunate to hear his dharma talks. A much in demand speaker Dr. Jeff Wilson brings his knowledge as a Buddhist studies professor at Waterloo University and speaking skills. As one who discovered a path to Jodo Shinshu Buddhism through his studies, he offers a thoughtfulness and perspective that those of us who were raised in this tradition may not have appreciated. Thank you, Jeff Sensei,

When I told Dennis Madokoro that Rev. Hashimoto would be away for 2 ½ months for Kaikyoshi studies in the US he immediately said how can I help. Not only conducting services he also leads a discussion group after the services. Dennis also embraced Jodo Shinshu through a different path. His interesting dharma talks reflect this path.

Thank you, Dennis.

The TBC has lately thrown their brand-new ministers into a fiery cauldron. At least Rev. Ouchi had the guidance of Rev. Yanko for at least 6 months before becoming the sole minister at the largest temple in Canada. Rev. Hashimoto arrived in Toronto in March and has rapidly developed into an empathetic minister through the guidance of other ministers across Canada. The TBC is fortunate to have a bilingual minister who enthusiastically embraced his role as an overseas or Kaikyoshi minister without having had specific training. His rapidly improving English skills have proven to be an enormous asset

There have been an inordinate number of funeral and memorial services as well as having to cover Hamilton, Montreal and Ottawa. I believe we already owe a couple of weeks of days off. Thank you, Rev. Hashimoto.

MINISTERS' APPRECIATION DAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2024



CALLING ALL SANGHA KIDS



October's Theme: "Gratitude"

November's Theme: "Remembering Eshinni and Kakushinni"

The Kids Service begins each Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m.

Please arrive a few minutes early to get settled.

Following the service, the children go downstairs with their teacher to participate in the classroom program.

Everyone is welcome. We hope to see you each week.

With gratitude,

The Kids Sangha team



OUT WITH SENSEI

Tuesday, September 17 I had the pleasure of organizing an outing involving the youth in our congregation to have a bonding experience with our new minister! I like to think of it as a late youth welcome party for Kensho Sensei.

We wanted to introduce Kensho Sensei to a very interesting, and Canadian activity. So, we took him for axe throwing at Batl Axe! It was two hours of exhilarating fun! We held a mini throwing tournament, in which Mie came out as our champion. We also split into teams to get the highest score. I'd be lying if I said I remember which team won, but it was all fun regardless.

The establishment lets you bring your own food. We had pizza, fruits, vegetables, pop, and many snacks. Thank you to Joanne Kataoka, mom, for preparing and bringing the fruits, vegetables, pop, and snacks!

It was truly a great time getting together with everyone for some fun and bonding. We hope to be able to plan more fun activities in the near future and get to know Kensho Sensei

even better. Not just as a Sensei, but as a member of our community!

Thank you to Kensho Sensei, Rachel, Koji, Stephen, mom, Joaquin, Mie, Kiyo for join in axe throwing!

In gasshou,

Abagail Kataoka



Memorial (Shotsuki) Listing for the Month of November

Our monthly memorial services (shotsuki) are usually held on the first Sunday of each month to remember and honour those who have passed away in that month regardless of year.

Usually, mail reminders are sent out to the next of kin but due to changing circumstances we have not always been able to reach families and hope that by publishing the names of those who have passed, we can still reach and remind families and dear friends of the month of their loved ones honouring.

Below is our listing of our members and supporters who have passed away during the month of **November**. All are invited and welcome to attend.

ABO, Tazuko	ITO, Denjiro	MASUDA, Ryohei	NISHIKAWA, Jisaburo
AZUMA, Kay Kikue	ITO, Junji George	MATSUBA, Seiichi	NISHIKAWA, Koma
BABA, George Seiichi	IZUKAWA, Kumiko Joyce	MATSUBA, Shizuo Samuel	NISHIKAWA, Takashi
BARTNIK, Kazue Kay	KAMADA, Mary Mariko	MATSUBAYASHI, Heijiro	NISHIMURA, Hatsue Hatty
CARROLL, Agnes Junko	KAMINO, Hana	MATSUHARA, Yaku	NISHINO, Yoshio
EBISUZAKI, Kojiro	KAMINO, Tamio Tom	MATSUMOTO, Hidekazu	NODA, Kikuno
FUJIMOTO, Shigetaro	KANDA, Yoshio George	MATSUMOTO, Hidezo	NODA, Sumie
FUJIMOTO, Noboru Nick	KASHINO, Tetsuji	MATSUMOTO, Kazuo	ODA, Tome
FUKAKUSA, Katsuya	KASHINO, Keiko	MATSUMURA, Fumiko	OHASHI, Leslie Anne Kiyoko
FUKAKUSA, Sakae	KAWABATA, Bunjiro	MATSUSHITA, Mineko	OHYAMA, Murae
FUKUZAWA, Okujiro	KAWABATA, Fumio Ross	MATSUYAMA, Soyo	OKAWA, Fumi
GYOTOKU, Mary Fumie	KAWAGUCHI, Stanley Mamoru	MINAKATA, Kiyokazu	OMOTO, Frank Kiyoshi
HAKODA, Yutaka Richard	KAWAGUCHI, Yaeko	MITSUKI, Kotaro	ONISHI, Emiko Amy
HARADA, Osamu	KAWANO, Katsumi & Matsuyo	MIWA, Tami	OTSU, Mikiko
HARADA, Yoshiko	KAWASAKI, Allen	MIYAUCHI, Tsuruko	OYAMA, George Shigeki
HARUTA, Toshi	KAWASAKI, Shigeo	MIYAZAKI, Katsumi	OYAMA, Iwao William
HASHIMOTO, Koto	KAYAMA, Yotaro	MIYAZAKI, Namiye	SAMESHIMA, Tomio
HASHIMOTO, Naojiro	KIKUTA, Miyako	MORI, Ryuko Ricki	SAWADA, Tome
HAYASHI, Doug	KISHIMOTO, Ko	MORISHITA, Matsutaro	SAWADA, John Minoru
HAYASHI, Masao	KISHIMOTO, Sydney Seichi	MURABAYASHI, Lloyd Eikichi	SEKO, Hatsuko
HAYASHI, Mitsuko	KISHIMOTO, Yuichi	MURAI, Masazo	SEKO, Hatsuko
HAYASHI, Yosoya	KITAMURA, Shinzo	NAGAMATSU, Joan Shimako	SERA, Toyojiro
HEIKE, Muneharu	KITAURA, Masa	NAGAO, Kanezo	SHIBATA, Magoji
HIGASHI, Natsuyo	KIYONAGA, Aki	NAGAO, Tadashi	SHIKATANI, Shirley
HIRANO, Harue	KNUDE, Tina Vahi	NAKAGAWA, Phyllis	SHIKATANI, Tasajiro
HIZAKA, Kazukiyo	KOBAYASHI, Shige	NAKAGAWA, Shigeo	SHIMIZU, Mary
HORI, Fusae Ann	KODAMA, June Fumiye	NAKAGAWA, Sute	SHINYA, Kitayo
HORI, George	KOHARA, Wakajiro	NAKAGAWA, Toshie	SHISHIDO, Akira
IBUKI, Masaji	KONDO, Alice Ayako	NAKAGAWA, Ruby Ayako	SPRATLEY, Sheila Jane Mary
ICHII, Masa	KONDO, Shizue	NAKAMURA, Minoru	SUGAMORI, Yae
IIDA, Kii	KONDO, Yoshiko	NAKAMURA, Yukio	SUGAMORI, Irene Sadako
IKEDA, Masao	KONO, Kosetsu	NAKATA, Soichi	SUZUKI, Osamu
IKEDA, Michiyo	KOYANAGI, Harry Yukio	NAKATSU, Eiichi Ronald	TABATA, Denbei
ISEKI, Mitsugu	KOYATA, Betty Setsuko	NAKATSU, Mitsue	TABATA, Yoshio
ISHII, Kazuo	KUSANO, Tsuyo	NISHI, Aiko	TAHARA, Dorothy Toshiko
ISHIURA, Rev. Newton	KUMABE, Shina	NISHI, Kazuo	
ISOKI, Shunichi William			

SHOTSUKI LIST, continued

TAKAHASHI, Sae	TATEBE, Yae	TSUKADA, Roy Iwao	YAMAMOTO, Kyoko
TAKAHASHI, Shoji	TERADA, Yoshio	TSUSHIMA, Chuzo	
TAKASAKI, Wataru	TERASHITA, Kiyoshi	UYEDE, Akiko	
TAKASAKI, Shizue	TESHIMA, George	UYENO, Kinu	
TAKENAKA, Toni Isamu	TESHIMA, Yaeko	UYENO, S. Higeko	
TAKENO, Peggy Chitose	TESHIMA, Sashiro	WAKABAYASHI, Mary	
TANAKA, Miki	TOKI, Yoshiaki Rick	WAKIDA, Iwamatsu	
TANAKA, Nobuaki	TSUCHIYA, Yasuko	WALSH, Teagan Carroll	
TANOUE, Kazumi	TSUJI, Ichijiro	YAMADA, Kenneth Kunio	
	TSUJIUCHI, Tadashi	YAMADA, Shieko	

OBITUARIES

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

If we have missed any names, please notify the Temple office so that we may update our records. Thank You
In Gassho Toronto Buddhist Church

<i>Mrs. Hisako Nishizeki</i>	<i>85 yrs</i>	<i>August 31, 2024</i>
<i>Mrs. Eiko Ito</i>	<i>92 yrs</i>	<i>August 31, 2024</i>
<i>Mr. Yoshifumi Kitaura</i>	<i>85 yrs</i>	<i>September 4, 2024</i>
<i>Mrs. Minako Tsuji</i>		<i>March 17, 2024</i>
<i>Mrs. Yoshiko Horii</i>	<i>81 yrs</i>	<i>September 8, 2024</i>
<i>Mr. Masuo Yamashita</i>	<i>95 yrs</i>	<i>September 18, 2024</i>

Correction: Date of Passing

Our apologies to the Sumiya family and relatives for the error in the September newsletter
Mr. Mits Sumiya 101 yrs August 3, 2024

SEPTEMBER THANK YOU'S

- ◆ Thank you Laurie-Anne and Neil Nakagawa for their generous donation to Lumbini of a barbeque and patio furniture
- ◆ Eyad Boukli and Les Tanaka for painting Lumbini
- ◆ Koji and Rachael Goto for staining the porches at Lumbini
- ◆ Joaquin for conducting the Kids Sangha services
- ◆ Bev Kato for her treats and helping with tea after service
- ◆ To all the members who brought their delicious dish to the Ministers' Appreciation Lunch to share with all attending
- ◆ To all the members who assisted setting up, serving and cleaning up after the Luncheon
- ◆ Susan Ebisuzaki for tirelessly being the refreshment toban every Sunday.
- ◆ Cary Kataoka, Ken Shigeishi, Ross Yoshida and Brian Huynh for making sure we have a zoom service.
- ◆ Thank you Les Tanaka for faithfully cutting our lawn and helping keep our exterior look welcoming
- ◆ To all the volunteers who are always at the Temple to help out every day, week or month.
- ◆ To all those who have been volunteering at the funerals and memorials that have occurred.

We are always in need of volunteers. Please let the office know if you are available to volunteer or fill out the volunteer application on our website, tbc@tbc.on.ca. Let's have some new people to thank.

We hope that you will join our new format toban group. Call the office or email Naomi Tsuji Tamaki at ilovelucy3d@yahoo.com with your questions or to join the group.

How to donate to Toronto Buddhist Church

The business of spreading the Shin Buddhist teachings to our sangha and beyond continues. Forwarding a financial donation will help prepare TBC to welcome everyone to the temple and continue to provide Zoom to those who cannot attend in person.

There are 3 ways to donate to TBC from home:

- **cheque:** mail to 1011 Sheppard Ave. West, Toronto, ON, M3H 2T7
- **E-transfer (is now auto deposit):** use email address **darlene.rieger@tbc.on.ca**
- **online donation via Paypal:** follow directions on www.TBC.ca "Make a Donation" page

Please include the purpose of your donation, as well as your **full name, mailing address, email address, and phone number**. **This is particularly important if you're donating by cheque or e-transfer.** This helps ensure you will receive a donation receipt for tax purposes. Detailed information can also be found on the TBC website: www.tbc.on.ca.

Your donations are always greatly appreciated.

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.Note: Please use only blue or black ink when writing a cheque. The bank's cheque reader cannot read coloured ink.
Thank you for your co-operation



Project Dana TBC – Connecting with our Seniors

**Paramitas – Dana To give of our time and love to all. To share.
To be helpful in every way.**

To provide a variety of support services

Telephone visits
Friendly Home visits
Family Caregiver's support
Bento boxes

We are requesting referrals from Family and Friends of the TBC to submit names of seniors who need social friendly calls from trained volunteers to cope with Social isolation and delivering of bentos to vulnerable seniors.

No compensation is needed, we will be raising funds to support this effort through donations and fundraising.



Please email *Marlene Frazer* at frazermarlene@gmail.com OR phone 905-637-1828 for answers or referrals to this project or volunteer opportunities to support this

ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Do you still have volunteer hours you need to use up? Toronto Buddhist Church may be able to help you to finish your quota.

Call the Temple and leave your name and a contact information and someone will be in touch with you.

