

BCSF General Membership Meeting

Sunday, February 12, 11-1 p.m.

Via Zoom video or phone link. In-person option if conditions allow.

Meeting is open to all BCSF members.



Agenda:

2021 Annual Report

*Approval of April 4, 2022 and October 23, 2022 meeting minutes

*Reports from temple organizations

*Review of 2022 BCSF financial statement

*Review of 2023 BCSF proposed budget

Affiliate and Temple Group reports were due Jan. 25.
Contact the BCSF office immediately if your report is not in.

HoOnko service and New Year's party on January 15, 2023



More than 75 people attended the January 15th Goshoki-HoOnko service in memory of Shinran Shonin, the founder of Jodo Shinshu Buddhism.

Rev. David Pating led the chanting & Rev. C.J. Dunford was guest speaker.

Representatives of affiliate and temple group offered incense and 2023 officers of BCSF board, temple groups and affiliates were installed.

At the end of the service, each family attending received a gift of manju made in-house by volunteers.



Following the HoOnko service, the sangha gathered in the gym "like in the old days" to celebrate the new year with a delicious lunch and home-grown entertainment. The program ended with a traditional round of Tanko Bushi. See page 8 for more photos of the party.

Message from Rev. Henry Toryo Adams

Supervising Minister for BCSF



Do you want to go to the Pure Land?

February is the month in which we observe our Nirvana Day Service at the Buddhist Church of San Francisco in commemoration of Sakyamuni Buddha’s realization of the great tranquility of parinirvana. Having attained the wisdom of enlightenment, when his time in this world drew to a close Sakyamuni Buddha met the end of his human life with a peaceful mind as he passed into the state of final Nirvana. When those who live in the nembutsu with deep entrusting in Amida Buddha reach the end of life in this world, they are immediately born in the Pure Land where they realize the same enlightenment that brought Sakyamuni Buddha enduring peace of mind. That said, we would expect there to be many people eagerly looking forward to birth in the Pure Land. Are you one of them?

In a recent conversation, a Sangha member raised an interesting question, “I understand that in the Jodo Shinshu teaching the goal is to be born in the Pure Land of Amida Buddha, but honestly speaking, I don’t have a feeling of wanting to be born in the Pure Land. Should I be concerned about that?” Shinran Shonin himself was asked a similar question, and offered the following reply:

... having no thought of wanting to go to the Pure Land quickly, we think forlornly that we may die even when we become slightly ill; this is the action of blind passions. It is hard for us to abandon this old home of pain, where we have been transmigrating for innumerable kalpas down to the present, and we feel no longing for the Pure Land of peace, where we have yet to be born. Truly, how powerful our blind passions are! ... Amida pities especially the person who has no thought of wanting to go to the Pure Land quickly. Reflecting on this, we feel the great Vow

of great compassion to be all the more trustworthy and realize that our birth is settled.

(A Record in Lament of Divergences (Tannisho), Chapter 9)

Reflecting upon my own life, I find that I too have many blind passions and have never danced with joy at the prospect of being born in the Pure Land. Not only do I have beloved family and friends who I do not wish to part from, I do not wish to abandon the life I worked so hard to establish for myself. I love to visit beautiful places with my family and eat delicious meals with friends at my favorite restaurants. I don’t feel like giving up all those pleasures to quickly be born in the Pure Land.

Clinging to the pleasures of this world is called attachment or greed. When I lose something that is important to me, the unpleasant feelings of disappointment and anger arise in my mind. I try to avoid all unpleasant feelings and shy away from the things that frighten me. Sakyamuni Buddha clearly taught the truth that all who are born into this human life will one day pass away in death. While I try to avoid the unpleasant and frightening truth that my life in this world will come to an end, the reality of death cannot be avoided forever. Simply ignoring unpleasant truths is to live in delusion. Greed, anger, and delusion are the blind passions that cloud our minds and impede our joy.

Amida Buddha made his compassionate vow in order to liberate people like me who are mired in blind passions, and unable to face the reality of death with a peaceful mind in the manner of Sakyamuni Buddha reclining in the sala grove of Kushinagar. When I realize how difficult it is for me to abandon this world of delusion, I feel all the more assured that entrusting Amida Buddha’s compassionate vow is my true path to liberation from suffering.

Namo Amida Butsu

Message from Leo Joslin Sensei will return next issue.

Sympathy

The Buddhist Church of San Francisco offers condolences to the family and friends of the late

Elsie Kiyoko Sano, October 30, 2022
Kris Hideki Oka, December 13, 2022



Namo Amida Butsu Namō Amida Butsu Namō Amida Butsu

Message from Rev. Henry Toryo Adams

Supervising Minister for BCSF

お浄土に往生したい？

今月は、2,500年前釈迦牟尼仏が北インドのクシナガラに入滅したことを記念する「涅槃会」をお勤めします。悟りを開かれていた釈迦さまはこの世の命を終えた時、穏やかな心をもって死へ向かう涅槃寂靜を得られました。阿弥陀如来の救いをいただく念仏者は、この命を終えた時、お浄土に往生し釈迦さまと同じ悟りを得ることが出来ますので、浄土の往生することを楽しみする人は多いはずですが、いかがでしょうか？

先日、一人のご門徒さんと話していたときに、「最近仏教を学び始めて、浄土真宗の教えにおいて、お浄土に往生することがポイントだと言うことは分かってきましたが、どうしてもお浄土に往生したいという気持ちは出てきません。このようにあまりお浄土に行こうと思わないことは反省すべきでしょうか？」と聞かれました。

実は、親鸞聖人も同じような質問をされたことがあり、次のように答えられています。

浄土にはやく往生したいという心がおこらず、少しでも病気にかかると、死ぬのではないだろうかとか心細く思われるのも、煩惱のしわざです。果てしなく遠い昔からこれまで生れ変わり死に変わりし続けてきた、苦悩に満ちたこの迷いの世界は捨てがたく、まだ生れたことのない安らかなさとの世界に心ひかれたいのは、まことに煩惱が盛んだからなのです... はやく往生したいという心のないわたしどものようなものを、阿弥陀仏はことのほかあわれに思ってくださいなのです。このようなわけであるからこそ、大いなる慈悲の心でおこされた本願はますますたのもしく、往生

は間違いだと思います。
(『歎異抄』第九章 現代語訳)

私にもやはり煩惱のしわざが多々あり、お浄土に往生することをおどりあがるように喜んだことは未だありません。私が愛している家族や友人とお別れしたくないし、今までに頑張ってきた生活も捨てたくない。この世には、家族と綺麗なところに旅行すること、友達と美味しいレストランで食事を食べることなどの楽しみがたくさんあるので、それを捨てて、少しでもはやくお浄土に往生したいとはなかなか思えないのです。

この世の楽しみに執着することを「むさぼり」と言います。大切に思っているものを失くすと嫌な気持ちになり「いかり」が出ます。そして、嫌なものや怖いものは全て避けようとしています。釈迦さまは生まれるものは必ず死に至るという現実を詳しく教えて下さいました。私もいつか死ぬという現実避けたいことですが、永遠に死を避けることは出来ません。このように避けられない現実をとりあえず無視することを「おろかさ」と言います。むさぼり・いかり・おろかさは喜びをさえぎる煩惱のしわざなのです。

このように煩惱が多く、釈迦さまのように穏やかな心で死に向き合うことができない私を救うために、阿弥陀仏は本願をもって私の救いを誓って下さいました。この迷いの世界も私にとって捨てがたいものだ気づいた時、正に阿弥陀仏の本願に救いをまかせるしかないのです。

南無阿弥陀仏



Oh, what fun for the Adams boys in Minnesota snow, Dec. 21-24.



February Shotsuki Hoyo Memorial Service

The memorial service for your loved ones who passed away in February is

Sunday, February 12 at 10 a.m.

Join us In Person or call the office for the Zoom link

New Date for March Shotsuki Hoyo service: Sunday, March 5 at 10 a.m.

Acknowledgments for donations processed between December 15 and January 15, 2022.

Thank you for your generous support of the BCSF. continued on page 6

DONATIONS

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 Arlene Kimata
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 Dr. Y.M. Shimazu
 Kusala-Mula Upasaka for stupa visit

MEMORIALS

Misaye Abiko IMO: Elsie Sano
 Eiko Aoki IMO: Mom, Dad, & Michi Aoki
 Sakaye Higashi IMO: Rev. Hiroshi Abiko
 The Murata Family IMO: Yukio Murata
 Takumi Matsuba IMO: Keiko Matsuba
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 Grace Nishikawa & Riley Kubota
 IMO: James Noboru Nishikawa
 Grace Nishikawa & Riley Kubota
 IMO: Calvin Yee
 Marvin Shintani IMO: Harumi Shintani
 Craig Takeuchi IMO: Elsie Sano

BODHI DAY SERVICE

Lorin (Kagehiro) Bond

HOONKO SERVICE

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 Yoko Maeda
 Kiyoshi & Tazuko Naito
 Penny N Nakatsu
 Kumi Okamoto
 Dennis & Susie Sato
 Sumi Suda
 Yoko Sumida
 Setsuko J Tanaka
 Minoru & Suzanne Yamada
 Akemi Yoshimoto

**FEBRUARY SHOTSUKI HOYO**

Sadako Kashiwagi IMO: Shizuko Nimura
 Florence Murata IMO: Shigeichi Nishimoto
 Victor M. Nonaka IMO: Masano Nonaka

MARCH SHOTSUKI HOYO

Victor M. Nonaka IMO: Hideo Sato

APRIL SHOTSUKI HOYO

Victor M. Nonaka IMO: John Nonaka
 Victor M. Nonaka IMO: Masayoshi Nonaka

JUNE SHOTSUKI HOYO

Victor M. Nonaka IMO: Sumako Nonaka

JULY SHOTSUKI HOYO

Victor M. Nonaka IMO: Kayoko Sato

AUGUST SHOTSUKI HOYO

Paul Fujii IMO: Natsuye Fujii
 Jeff & Sandy Mori IMO: Arrice Mori

SEPTEMBER SHOTSUKI HOYO

Paul Fujii IMO: Charles Fujii

OCTOBER SHOTSUKI HOYO

Randall K Arimoto IMO: Ann Arimoto

NOVEMBER SHOTSUKI HOYO

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 Mary Ishisaki IMO: Kimiye Ishisaki
 Ron & Jeannie Oshima IMO: George Oshima

DECEMBER SHOTSUKI HOYO

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 Chiyeko Kimura IMO: Yoshinobu Ikeda
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Buddhist Church of San Francisco

OUR POLICY:

Masks REQUIRED inside the Hondo



Masks STRONGLY RECOMMENDED everywhere else at BCSF

Please do not enter if you are sick.

thank you
January 2023

A new poster reminding everyone to wear masks in the Hondo was approved at the January joint meeting of the COVID Safety Committee and Board. Misaye Abiko, Chelsea Arita, Yukiko Oka, Noriko Takikawa and Yoshi Yao also sat in on a portion of the meeting after choir practice.

10 Minute Rule to keep BCSF secure

If your group unlocks the Austin St. or Kitchen Doors to let your group enter the building, RE-LOCK THE DOOR 10 MIN. after your start time. Please do not leave the doors unlocked and unmonitored for your entire meeting.

Please consider: *“Would I leave this door unlocked if it was the front door at my house?”*

Please report incidents to the BCSF office so we can know whether to increase security procedures.

BCSF News- Save the Dates

On March 12, Palo Alto Buddhist Temple will host a special service in observance of Shinran Shonin's 850 birthday as well as 800 years of the Jodo Shinshu teaching. Attending the service in person or via Zoom is wholeheartedly suggested.

Winter Shelter Meal Preparation

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR WINTER SHELTER MEAL PREP.

Help prepare a hearty, hot meal for our unhoused neighbors during BCSF's annual participation in the SF Interfaith Council's Winter Shelter program.

Now in its 34th year, the program brings together diverse communities of faith to prepare meals and give hope to San Franciscans who would otherwise suffer on our streets during winter months.

3 Shifts Available for BCSF volunteers:

1. Sun, Feb. 5, noon - 3pm, meal prep at BCSF

Serving meals

2. Monday, Feb. 6, 5:30 - 7:30pm

3. Tuesday, Feb. 7, 5:30 - 7:30pm

To volunteer, call BCSF at 415-776-3158 or email Rev. Elaine Donlin at edonlin1@yahoo.com
Strict safety protocols will be followed for all shifts.



BUDDHIST CHURCHES OF AMERICA BAY DISTRICT 850|800 SERVICE

Please join us
March 12, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.
at the Palo Alto Buddhist Temple

Participating BCA Bay District Temples:

- Buddhist Temple of Alameda
- Berkeley Buddhist Temple
- Enmanji Buddhist Temple
- Buddhist Temple of Marin
- Buddhist Church of Oakland
- Palo Alto Buddhist Temple
- Buddhist Church of San Francisco
- San Mateo Buddhist Temple
- Southern Alameda County Buddhist Church

BCSF News



BCSF Board Highlights from January 8, 2023

Thank you to Junko Low for serving as Treasurer Liaison for the past three years. Junko will continue to volunteer.

Welcome to Kyle Matsumoto Burch for being elected to the 2023-2024 board.

Susan Sakuma was appointed for a one-year term.

Election of officers for 2023: President, Arlene Kimata; Vice President - Programs, Nanayo Silver; Secretary - Susan Sakuma; Treasurer - Kevin Yoza.

Feb. 24-25 National Council virtual meeting hosted by Monterey temple. Arlene and Susan are voting delegates; Kevin and Kyle will attend as observers.

Chief Manju Baker Yoshi Yao (center) successfully directed Yoko Maeda (L), Nanayo Silver and other volunteers to make homemade manju for the traditional HoOnko gift to service attendees. We miss Benkyodo's manju but think this in-house project may be the start of a new tradition.

HoOnko service and New Year's party on January 15, 2023 continued from page 1

Jiten Daiko opened the New Year program with a bang!

The Jr. YBA skit got many laughs.

YAO Ardenettes and Taisho showed their ball-handling talent.

Dharma School students said the best things about Dharma School are snacks and art projects. Bring your children to join the fun!

SF Kendo Dojo demonstrated their craft.

New Year program emcee Kristee Ono (L) asking board members what they are planning for BCSF in the 2023.

Soko Gakuen language school introduced their students and supporters.

Welcome!

The Buddhist Church of San Francisco welcomes all those who wish to learn about the boundless wisdom and compassion that is Amida Buddha without regard to race, religion, sex, national origin, age, sexual orientation, or gender identity/expression.



**Buddhist Church of San Francisco
Mission Statement**

The purpose of the Buddhist Church of San Francisco (BCSF) is to maintain a temple and to establish a Buddhist community of the Jodo Shinshu faith in San Francisco, CA. Building on our profound legacy as a Jodo Shinshu spiritual center, we strive to awaken within us the compassion and wisdom of the Buddha Dharma. BCSF endeavors to share the teaching of the Buddha with all those who seek the knowledge and the truth of the Buddha Dharma, to promote our Sangha (community); and to provide for the general welfare and services to guide the activities which strengthen our faith in the Buddha and advance our learning in the Dharma.

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page 3: Minnesota Snow by Rev. Henry Adams
page 5: Gassho by Mark Shigenaga
page 8: Manju & HoOnko photos by Kevin Yoza
page 10: Ginko leaves & raindrops by Hitomi Silver

Corrections:

January 2023 page 4: Michiko Hom's and Sandi Yoko (Ono) Matoba's names were missing from the January Shotsuki Hoyo list. Our apologies for the error.

Supervising Minister

Rev. Henry Adams

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Rev. Keisuke Lee-Miyaki (Kyoshi)
Rev. Dr. David Pating (Kyoshi)
Rev. Elaine Donlin (Tokudo)
Leo Balambao
Jack Dairiki (Honorary)
Leo Joslin
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February & March Dates

All Sunday services are in person
and Livestream/Zoom.
Check BCSF's YouTube channel for
Sunday service postings.

February 5, 2023- 10 a.m. Sangha Service

February 12- 10 a.m. Shotsuki Hoyo/ Monthly
Memorial Service

11:30- 1 pm General Membership meeting

February 19 - 10 a.m. Sangha Service

February 25- 5 p.m. Metta Service

Dharma talk by Rev. Elaine Donlin

February 26- NO SERVICE AT BCSF

10 a.m. ZOOM BCA Eitaikyo Service

BCSF Board of Directors

February 19 - 2 p.m. regular board meeting

March 19- 2 p.m. regular board meeting

**March 5, 2023, 10 a.m. NEW DATE for Shotsuki
Hoyo Monthly Memorial Service**

March 12- NO SERVICE AT BCSF

10 a.m. at Palo Alto Buddhist Temple- 850th
Anniversary of Shinran Shonin's Birth & the 800th
Anniversary of the Establishment of the Jodo
Shinshu Teaching

March 19 - 10 a.m. Sangha Service

March 25- 5 p.m. Metta Service

Dharma talk by Rev. Elaine Donlin

March 26- 10 a.m. BWA Lady Kujo
Memorial Service

Mindful Meditation meets every

Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)

February 1, 8, 15, 22

March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

Book Club (Zoom)

February 9 and 23 at 1:30 p.m.

Meditations from the slow lane by jerrybolick.blogspot.com



rain-soaked Buddha doesn't smile,
doesn't frown—drip-listening

**

night's restless rain drops,
waiting for the storm

**

after the storm,
through bamboo curtain,
moon