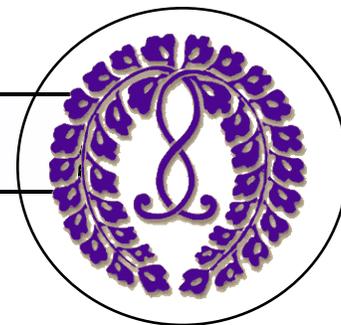


REEDLEY BUDDHIST CHURCH

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April Calendar



2	Hanamido Construction	2:00 pm
3	Hanamatsuri & Dharma Service IN PERSON - Lunch Following	10:00 am
8	Fundraiser Beefstick beef slicing	10:00 am
10	April Shotsuki, Dharma Service IN PERSON - Refreshments Following	10:00 am
10	BWA Meeting (after service & refreshments)	11:30 am
10	Skewering Beefsticks for Fundraiser (after service & refreshments)	12:00 pm
17	CC Service Online (see link below)	10:00 am
20	Reedley Board Meeting	7:00 pm
23	A Taste of Bazaar Preparations	all day
24	CC Service Online (see link below)	10:00 am
24	A Taste of Bazaar Fundraiser	3 - 5 pm

SUNDAY SERVICE ONLINE LINK:

GO TO: https://twitter.com/fresno_nishi
to get the YouTube link for the service.



FLOWERS FOR HANAMIDO

All you gardeners! We are in need of flowers for the hanamido, or if you go to the grocery store, please purchase a few bunches!

Bring flowers on April 2, 2022 between
1:00 - 2:00 PM
Construction at 2:00 PM

APRIL TOBAN:

Church Toban: Tavlan & K. Ikemiya
BWA: Group 1 - Karen Sakata



2nd Annual

A Taste of Bazaar



Drive-Thru/Pick Up Only

Sun., April 24, 2022

3:00 - 5:00 PM

Teriyaki Beefsticks, RBC Chow Mein,
Namasu, Rice, & Cookie

\$17.00 each

Pre-order sales only
(see flyer on page 11)

HANAMATSURI SERVICE

APRIL 3, 2022

10:00 AM



Lunch will be provided
by the Reedley Buddhist
Church, the Reedley BWA, &
Reedley Dharma School

In Sympathy



Our deepest sympathy to the family of
Mr. Phillip Hirata, brother of Mr. Art
Hirata, who passed away on March 11, 2022
at the age of 74.



Church Acknowledges Dana

Mrs. Leah Kawahara - In Memory of Mr. Jeff Teranishi & Mrs. Michiko Teranishi	\$250.00
Mr. & Mrs. Larry Iwasaki - Senior Meals Donation	200.00
Mrs. Alice Nakamura - Senior Meals Donation	100.00
Mrs. Ayako Yamada - Senior Meals Donation	100.00
Ms. Lily Ikemiya - Spring Ohigan Service	20.00

March Memorial Service

Ms. Debbie Diaz & Mrs. Ruth Sasaki	100.00
Mrs. Joy Donaldson	100.00
Mrs. Lynn Kurumaji	100.00
Mr. & Mrs. Dale Okamura	100.00
The Family of Hideo & Kimiko Shiine	100.00
Mr. Johnnie Togioka	100.00
Ms. Lois Yamakoshi	100.00
Ms. Shizuko Taguchi	80.00
Ms. Priscilla Kehoe	60.00
Mr. Stanley Hirahara	50.00
Mrs. Chizuko Iwasaki	50.00
Ms. Priscilla Kehoe	50.00
Mr. & Mrs. Ben Nobuhiro	50.00
Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Okamura	50.00
Mrs. Yukiye Takayama	40.00
Mr. & Mrs. Hitoshi Aoki	30.00
Mrs. Ayako Yamada	30.00
Mrs. Evelyn Asato	25.00
Mr. & Mrs. Chad Doi	25.00
Mrs. Kiyoko Inn	25.00
Mr. & Mrs. Hideki Otani	25.00
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Kobayashi	20.00
Mr. Alan Kubota	20.00
Mr. & Mrs. Larry Nishida	20.00
Mr. & Mrs. Gary Sakata	20.00
Mrs. Nancy Sakata	20.00

February Memorial Service

Mr. & Mrs. Chad Doi	25.00
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April Memorial Service

The Family of Hideo & Kimiko Shiine	100.00
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Mr. & Mrs. Chad Doi	25.00
Mr. & Mrs. Shuzo Toyota	20.00

Monthly Memorial

Mr. & Mrs. Mitchell Abe	200.00
Mr. & Mrs. Albert Quiroz & Family	50.00

Hoonko Service

Mr. Johnnie Togioka	30.00
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Reedley Obon is Back!



Save the Date!

Saturday, July 2, 2022

Hatsubon Service - July 3, 2022

Central California Nikkei Foundation



Shredding Community Service and Fundraiser

Saturday, May 21, 2022

9am to 12 noon

Securely dispose of personal documents,
tax papers,

Books-hardback & paperback.

Hard Drives.

Limit: 10 Banker Sized Boxes per car

Cost: \$15 per Banker Sized Box

\$15 per Hard Drive

Cash or Check only

Please make check payable to CCNF

Event will be Drive-Thru

Boxes will be emptied from your trunk/tailgate and returned

Held at Vintage Gardens

540 S. Peach Ave., Fresno

Questions contact: Susan Hayashi – 325-1457 or
text 906-8540

Seniors who cannot drive to the event, call Susan by **April 30**
and arrange for pick-up.



Reflections on the Invasion of Ukraine

Bishop Marvin Harada, Buddhist Churches of America

It has been disturbing to see the invasion of Ukraine by Russia. To see a country without any provocation be invaded by another country is appalling.

When I think of how large Russia is as a country, it makes me wonder what more Putin wants. Isn't Russia big enough for him? Why take over a neighboring country, unless it is just a manifestation of the hungry ghost realm in which you never have enough of anything. For such a world ruler — or maybe I should say dictator — there is never enough of anything.

When we look back at the history of the world and of civilization, isn't this a recurring theme, like a broken record? Conquerors, dynasties, kingdoms, war after war, battle after battle. Where does it end?

In ancient India, there was a ruler named King Ashoka, who helped to build and establish Buddhism. Although King Ashoka was a Buddhist ruler, he did not start out that way. In fact, he was a tyrant, a dictator, a conqueror. He had sent his army into battle to conquer again, and then went to see how the battle went, after the fact. King Ashoka was devastated to see the horrors of war that he had caused by sending his army into battle. Death and destruction were everywhere. "What have I done?" thought King Ashoka.

From that day on, King Ashoka turned to Buddhism and became a ruler of peace, not war.

How Buddhists respond to war is also something to reflect on. Tibet was invaded by Communist China. Temples and monasteries were destroyed. Sutras and ancient texts were destroyed. Monks were killed. But despite the travesty, the Dalai Lama continues to find a peaceful resolution and continues to work to restore his country of Tibet, in which he was both the spiritual and secular ruler.

Perhaps you recall some years ago, the Taliban began to destroy the ancient Buddhist statues in Afghanistan. The ancient statues were huge, carved out of the mountainside. They had been there for centuries, created out of the devout faith of Buddhists. They were like the ancient pyramids of Egypt. Yet, the Taliban saw them as false religion and tried to destroy them. First, they used tanks and artillery to bomb the statues, but they still stood strong. Eventually, they were destroyed.

There were worldwide objections and protests to the destruction of the statues, but Buddhists did not go to war over the issue. I cannot help but think that for Buddhists, the thinking was, "You can destroy the statues, but you cannot destroy the Dharma. The Dharma resides in the hearts and minds of Buddhists as a living teaching, as a living truth. It cannot be destroyed by rockets or artillery. It cannot be destroyed by tyrants and dictators. The Dharma will long outlive dynasties, empires, and kingdoms. Dynasties, empires, and kingdoms will come and go, like the waves that hit the shore. But the Dharma is timeless."

The Dharma was transmitted across the Asian continent for the past 2,500 years despite opposing rulers and kingdoms. It has been transmitted secretly amidst caves. It has been transmitted during the internment camps. It has been transmitted even in the wake of the atomic bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

It is my hope and aspiration that the Dharma will flourish, such that there will be more world leaders who have an appreciation of the Dharma, and will find it appalling to invade another country like we have seen in Ukraine.

All the more — there's a need for the Buddha-Dharma in this world.

Bishop Marvin Harada's statement taken from the Buddhist Churches of America website. Please visit buddhistchurchesofamerica.org



Message from Rev. Nakata

Spring Has Come



Hello all Central California Nishi Hongwanji Sangha friends! Now that the many restrictions have lifted, how are you spending your everyday life? Every spring I take photos of Cherry Blossoms in CC and upload them to our Twitter site. Our local flowers teach us that spring has come. However, for the last 2 years, we had a hard time seeing and enjoying the flowers blooming like how we had enjoyed them in 2019.

Since moving from Los Angeles to Central Cal, I have been attending all of the CC temple and church board meetings, except when a night with dense fog. Over the last several months, multiple temple and church boards began talking about *Omigaki* (Hondo Clean up, and Onaijin Altar Clean up). I am sure that most CC temple and churches have not had a chance to clean them since 2020, due to indoor activity restrictions. I am so glad that many temple/church leaders are showing willingness to lead and welcome back their Sangha members to their Hondos. Thank you so much! I will continue to attend the Board meetings to help and support them.

Since 2020, our CC temple and churches have stopped or postponed multiple fundraisers. I helped to plan and cook at several food fundraisers such as Curry, Yakisoba and Japanese Snacks in 2020, but 2021 was a difficult year to create or hold fundraisers with even more restrictions. The historical Buddha shared the universal truth of Duhkha at his first Dharma Talk. Duhkha means that “the life’s uncertainty is the normal state of all sentient beings.” Since he had shared the universal truth of Duhkha 2500 years ago, the truth has been unchanged.

While real-time media displays the uncertainty of life in the whole world, we should be reminded of how precious and fragile every moment of our life is. Recently, I joined the Interfaith service and meeting for Ukraine, and I had a chance to hear a real voice of clergies who are helping and rescuing people in and near Kyiv. During their presentation over Zoom, I heard an explosion. In the western world, based on the faith of God, many people understand “Justice is a standard of goodness.” Buddhism, however, does not promote “Justice”, instead we encourage people to gain the sense of balance to reach the state of

peacefulness through the teaching of middle path. That is why, Buddhism does not judge between right and wrong. What we see right now is that **SOMEONE’S JUSTICE** is trampling innocent people’s peace and life. As an interfaith cabinet member of Fresno Mayor Jerry Dyer, I have signed to his statement of peace for Ukraine and he did a public speech on this at City Hall on March 17. I sincerely hope that their spring will come soon.

Over several months, I have been working on the Onaijin Altar ornament restorations when I have spare time. As you may know some of my restoration works are completed and their pictures are on the Twitter. As I mentioned in the last newsletter, I restored the Dinuba Incense burner, and the Fresno Onaijin Special Chair. I’ve tried to speed up my restoration work because Fresno Sangha members will finally see their spring come as their new Hondo construction will be completed after 20+ years of fundraisers and contributions by many supporters. Congratulations Fresno Betsuin and members.

Last year, the Parlier Buddhist Church celebrated its 90th anniversary. They planned it from 2020. This month, Fresno will be celebrating its new Hondo opening. As a CC minister, I am so happy to see the CC temple and churches host their celebrations, especially during the pandemic. I think Reedley’s church celebration is coming closer as I discussed at their board meeting. Each CC temple and churches has its unique history, and dedicated ancestors and members. Without having their tireless effort and generosity, we might not have our Hondo right now. Every year, our nature brings us Spring or the celebration of the new life cycle with flower blooming, but we often take it for granted. As a Buddhist, we shall be extra-mindful to our everyday life’s fragileness and rareness, especially under the pandemic and turmoil in the world. By doing so, we can walk the path of Buddhahood for deeper appreciation of our life. Gassho.

Transportation to Services



There are times when you may need transportation to and/or from our services. We have some members who have volunteered to pick you up and/or take you home. We only ask that you are vaccinated and wear a mask inside the car.

Please call Gary Sakata at (559) 250-9687 and if no answer, leave a message. We will get back to you as soon as possible. Please let us know by the day before a service so we can make arrangements. Thanks!



Message from Rev. Nakagawa



[This message was written for the National Council Meeting morning service.]

“My eyes being hindered by blind passions, I cannot perceive the light that grasps me; Yet the great compassion, without tiring, Illuminates me always.”

煩惱にまなこさへられて 摂取の光明 みざれども 大悲
ものうきことなくて つねにわが身を てらすなり

I hope everyone has been proactively enjoying and participating in the BCA National Council Meeting. I would like to express my deepest appreciation to Central Cal Sangha members for making this event possible. Arigatou.

I understand all BCA temples and churches have modified their activities due to the pandemic since 2020. Here in Central California, Rev. Nakata and I have been providing services to 7 temples and churches: Hanford, Fowler, Fresno, Reedley, Parlier, Kingsburg and Visalia. At yesterday's morning service, we showed the Onaijin pictures of the CC churches during the Juseige Chanting. Did you notice them?

We do not only strive to provide services to all churches, but also, we have visited 5 relocation camps in the last 2 years to show our reverence to our *Issei* and *Nisei* pioneers who endured unimaginable difficulties as you saw during today's Juseige Chanting.

Our Dharma activities do not stop there. Since the pandemic began, my colleague, Rev. Nakata, was trained on how to use the PPE, the Personal Protective Equipment by the medical professionals, to enter the ICU to provide comfort to patients who were in critical condition caused by the corona virus symptoms. We learned that many of them were concluding their life without seeing their families. Because of that, they were so lonely. We believe that we were able to deliver the sense of compassion and hope to them by holding their hands.

Shinran Shonin was born in the 12th century during the middle of Samurai war and epidemic in Kyoto. When he was 4 years old, one third of Kyoto City was destroyed by fire, followed by starvation and epidemic. In Kamakura period, many people lost their lives by the smallpox virus. These life-threatening events did not prevent Shinran Shonin to reach people who

are waiting to hear his Nenbutsu propagation. We always need to learn from his passion and humbleness for Buddha Dharma.

Last Friday at the Ministers' Association meeting, our own Bishop Rev. Harada, delivered his Dharma message on how our *Issei* (first generation) Ministers were so humble and sacrificed their life for the propagation of Nenbutsu Teaching in the United States. Bishop shared that some notable *Issei* ministers refused to receive their honorarium, and they donated to their temple for its growth and to save it from financial difficulties.

I have been serving in Central California for 12 years. During my ministry, despite their strong will to keep the sangha alive, and although we tried our best to serve these sangha communities, regrettably, two temples and two Howakai in Central Cal had to stop their services permanently. Who can say it will not happen in another district?

Since 2019, we have started the new MAP (Ministerial Assistants Program) and Buddhist Education program in Central California to revitalize our Sangha communities. Our motto is “everyone has a right to learn everything about Jodo Shinshu teachings.” There is a reason behind this. All districts of the BCA encounter the shortage of ministers. When you lose your minister, where or how can you receive and learn the authentic Jodo Shinshu teachings? We, as Central California, became one of the first districts which encountered the critical shortage of ministers. For a certain period, I had to serve the entire district as a full-time minister. That experience made me hugely stressed. I learned it the hard way what the shortage of the full-time minister means to each local temple. They lose the source to learn the authentic Jodo Shinshu teachings. Fortunately, Rev. Nakata was assigned to Central Cal to save my district from the temple-life threatening condition. But I realized that the shortage of ministers remains, not only Central Cal, but also other districts, and so we decided to provide everything we know to whomever would like to learn Jodo Shinshu. In other words, once everyone knows everything on Jodo Shinshu, then we have no more concerns about the shortage issue.

I grew up in the temple family in Hiroshima. They have a culture that whoever would like to study Jodo Shinshu, they can learn it at no charge. The culture came from generous and compassionate characteristics of Jodo Shinshu in Hiroshima because they want

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Rev. Nakagawa’s Message continued from page 4.

to avoid students who need to stop learning due to the financial hardship. We offer over 40 different classes which includes Buddhism 101 for Beginners and Classical Chinese or Sanskrit for experts to read original document in Jodo Shinshu at no cost as a Hiroshima Jodo Shinshu spirit.

When I heard our Bishop’s Dharma talk on *Issei* the first generation minister’s contribution and eagerness to propagate Buddha Dharma, and that they refused to receive honorarium, I so admired these legendary ministers’ passion. As I mentioned, we offer all classes at no cost. We are nothing close to these legendary ministers, but we tell students that “you share what you learned to others is my reward from you.” So thank you, Bishop for your Dharma talk.

Rev. Nakata and I cannot live forever as we all know the impermanence of life. We sincerely, diligently, and humbly work hard to share everything we know to everyone who wants to learn while we can, so that everyone who learns from us, will share Buddha Dharma like Rev. Nakata or me.

In the beginning, I shared one of the Shinran Shonin’s *Go-wasan*, the hymn from Jodo Masters: “My eyes being hindered by blind passions, I cannot perceive the light that grasps me; Yet the great compassion, without tiring, Illuminates me always.”

By knowing my hindered eyes with blind passions, I try to be more humble, sincere, and diligent in sharing all I know to others. Now I happily believe that our Central Cal sangha is slowly moving forward to reach the state of equanimity with enthusiasm.

The National Council Meeting is a great opportunity to discuss in what direction your temple or district will move forward. I trust each of you will receive a great outcome and take it back to your temple and district.

Gassho.

Dharma School’s New Term Begins!



Rev. Nakata & Kanamochi



Making a new ojuzu!





April Monthly Memorial Service

The April Monthly Memorial Service will be conducted **IN-PERSON** on **Sunday, April 10, 2022 at 10:00 AM**. Families and friends are asked to attend and gassho. The deceased and seshu (observant) for April are as follows:

DECEASED:

George Kikuo Harada
Yietaro Antoku
Tomichi Kawakami
Kitaro Asakawa &
Mari Miyasaki
Isamu Hara
Yoneko Hatanaka
Bill Hirata & Richard
Yoshito Hirata
Roger Hiyama

George Masanori Hosaka
Akira Shimizu
Setsuko Kimura

Shigeo Naito, Mitsuharu
Naito & Mume Kawasaki
Shizuko Nakata
Fumiko Yamamoto
Charles Kiyoshi Iwasaki
Sadame Iwasaki
Kiyoshi Kawamoto
Yasuzo Sakai
Sakano Ito
Tadata Kubota
Elsie Morita
Michiko Miyamoto
Tomo Nakagawa
Jo Nishida

Kazume Hanemoto
Tokino Kubo
Kazuo Jim Omori
Tom Minoru Sakata

Douglas Sasaki
Joan Masae Sasaki
Kimiko Shiine & Hideo
Shiine

Kenneth Takeo Suemoto

SESHU: (OBSERVANT)

Nancy Abe
Kay Antoku
Betty Aoki
Misa Hatakeda
Wes Hara
Irene Hatanaka

Art Hirata
Denise Hiyama & Teri
Kido

Todd Hosaka
Eloise Ibara
Karen Sakata & Kevin
Kimura

Amy Naito
Carolyn Ikemiya
Chizuko Iwasaki
Larry Iwasaki
Amy E. Naito
Sue Kawamoto
Satoko Kim
Craig Ito
Ben Kubota
Lynn Kurumaji
Michio Miyamoto
Midori Iwasaki
Julia Ueda & Larry
Nishida

Ben Nobuhiro
Kathleen Omachi
Nancy Omori
Nancy Sakata & Gary
Sakata
Paul Sasaki
Lynette Sasaki

Sandra Sunamoto &
Michiko Nobuhiro
Donna Suemoto

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April Monthly Memorial Cont.

DECEASED:

Minoru Yokota & Chiye
Yokota

Tomokichi Sunamoto

Kazuko Taguchi
Toshiyuki Takasaki &
Chisako Betty Matoba
Haruko Tsuboi
Suye Tsuji
Bruce Uyeda

Mary Wada
Ai Fujiwara & Koichi Wada

SESHU:(OBSERVANT)

Linda Doi & Janet
Quiroz

Alma Sunamoto &
Kathy Hamada
Shizuko Taguchi

Yukiye Takayama
Margo Toyota
George Tsuji
Rachel Uyeda &
Mary Uyeda

Greg Wada
Ayako Yamada



Procedures for Requesting a Minister

Funerals:

The family will contact the Funeral Chairperson & Church President, Gary Sakata at (559) 250-9687

Makuragyō Service:

During the week contact the Fresno Betsuin Office (442-4054) or Rev. Nakagawa on weekdays or weekends directly (970-7652).

Family Memorial Service:

For services at the Reedley Buddhist Church: Contact the RBC President to check the availability of the Reedley Church. Then contact **Lee Osaki** at the **Fresno Betsuin** (442-4054) to schedule the service. Fresno Betsuin office hours are 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Monday thru Friday. Return call to Church President to confirm date and time.

For services at family home: Family will contact Lee Osaki at the Fresno Betsuin office to arrange for a minister.

Contact Number for Church Business

Reedley Church Phone: (559) 638-2146

Church President: Mr. Gary Sakata
Phone: (559) 250-9687

Funeral Committee Chair: Mr. Gary Sakata at:
Phone: (559) 250-9687

Fresno Betsuin Office - Lee Osaki: (559) 442-4054 (call to request a minister or schedule a family service in Reedley after contacting Reedley president for church availability)

Rev. Nakagawa: (urgent for Makuragyō) (559) 970-7652

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SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



LOTUS (Corporate) Sponsor - \$1,100

- Half-page personal advertisement in Tournament Program
- One Team Entry (Four Golfers), free carts and Tee prizes
- Awards Ceremony and Team Banquet



LILY (Business/Personal) Sponsor - \$550

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- Half-page personalized advertisement in Tournament Program
- Awards Ceremony and Team Banquet



BAMBOO (Tee) Sponsor - \$125

- Team Name on Tee sign
- Listing under Tee-Sponsorship in Tournament Program

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

DRAGONFLY GOLF CLUB

11:00AM Check-In
12:30PM Shotgun Start

TOURNAMENT BANQUET

(details to be determined... pending State & Local Covid-19 restrictions)

6:00PM No-Host Bar Social
6:30PM Banquet
Awards, Raffle & Silent Auction

THE FRESNO BUDDHIST CHURCH TWENTY-FIRST ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

SUNDAY, MAY 1, 2022
12:30PM SHOTGUN START

DRAGONFLY GOLF CLUB
43369 AVENUE 12, MADERA CA 93636



ENTRY FEE

A \$155 PER PERSON DONATION INCLUDES GREEN FEE WITH CART, TEE PRIZES, CLOSEST TO PIN AND LONG DRIVE AWARDS, BANQUET AND DRINK TICKETS. NON-GOLFERS MAY ATTEND THE BANQUET FOR \$20. TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE MUST BE NOTIFIED OF NON-GOLFERS ATTENDING BANQUET AT LEAST ONE WEEK PRIOR TO TOURNAMENT.

TOURNAMENT BANQUET (DETAILS TO BE DETERMINED)

FRESNO BETSUIN FAMILY DHARMA CENTER
2690 E. ALLUVIAL AVE., FRESNO CA 93720

QUESTIONS OR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

DEAN NISHIJIMA
(559) 917-8573 OR MIDORINISH@GMAIL.COM

RESERVATION DEADLINE
ALL ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY
SUNDAY, APRIL 11, 2021

REGISTRATION, DONOR & SPONSOR FORMS
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INFO@FRESNOBUDDHISTTEMPLE.ORG



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SUNDAY, MAY 1, 2022
12:30PM SHOTGUN START
DRAGONFLY GOLF CLUB

ALL PROCEEDS FROM THE TOURNAMENT WILL BENEFIT THE FAMILY DHARMA CENTER, SERVING THE NEEDS OF THE MEMBERS AND YOUTH THROUGHOUT THE CENTRAL CALIFORNIA SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY

TOURNAMENT ENTRY FORM

GOLFERS:		Banquet?	NCGA	Current
Name (last, first)		(circle)	Established?	Index
1.	_____ Email: _____	Yes No	Yes No	_____
(Team Captain – check in at 11:00AM)				
2.	_____ Email: _____	Yes No	Yes No	_____
3.	_____ Email: _____	Yes No	Yes No	_____
4.	_____ Email: _____	Yes No	Yes No	_____

- * Tournament Format will be a scramble. All levels of golfers are encouraged to participate-adults & children.
 - * Handicaps are subject to verification and will be adjusted, at the tournament committee’s discretion.
 - * Handicap Maximums: Men = 28 and Women = 32.
- If you do not have a NCGA established handicap, the tournament committee will assign one for you.

Please remember, this is a fundraising event, so most importantly, have FUN with your friends and family!

Contact Person: _____ Phone: (559) _____

Address: _____ Email: _____

ENTRY FEES:

Golfers:	# of persons _____ @ \$155.00 each =	\$ _____
Dinner (non-golfers)	# of persons _____ @ \$20.00 each =	\$ _____
	Total Fees =	\$ _____

Fully paid team entry form received prior to deadline will receive a FREE **“Pot of Gold”** entry. **“Pot of Gold”** and **“Extra 100 Yards”** will be available at respective holes.

Please make check(s) payable to: **“THE FRESNO BUDDHIST CHURCH”**
Mail completed form and payment to: **BETSUIN GOLF TOURNAMENT**
8576 N. Calaveras
Fresno, CA 93711

REGISTRATION DEADLINE
Sunday, April 10, 2022

QUESTIONS? Call Dean Nishijima
(559) 917-8573



**REV. DR. TAKASHI
MIYAJI**

Resident minister,
Southern Alameda County
Buddhist Church

**FRESNO BETSUIN BUDDHIST TEMPLE
SPRING OHIGAN SEMINAR**

“THE SUBTLE CALLING VOICE OF AMIDA”

Presented by Rev. Dr. Takashi Miyaji

Zooming Live

Saturday, April 9, 2022

9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

To request Zoom link, email:
fresnohondo@gmail.com

“THE SUBTLE CALLING VOICE OF AMIDA”

Together we will explore through various quotes and everyday life stories how true reality has a voice, and that voice is calling out to us telling us we are embraced as we are. In a world that is technologically advancing at break-neck speed, it seems that life should be great and satisfying with all of the modern-day conveniences we can enjoy. Yet, there seems to be angst that lingers within our hearts. Shin Buddhism explains that it is the calling voice of true reality that will fulfill our hearts with peace of mind.

REV. DR. TAKASHI MIYAJI

Rev. Dr. Takashi Miyaji is currently a minister of Southern Alameda County Buddhist Church since August 1, 2020. In addition, he teaches at the Institute of Buddhist Studies located in Berkeley, California. His previous assignment as a minister was at Tacoma Buddhist Temple from December 2017 to July 31, 2020.

He graduated from the University of California at Berkeley with a Bachelor’s Degree in Philosophy and Japanese language and literature, Institute of Buddhist Studies at Berkeley, California with a Master’s in Buddhist Studies, Ryukoku University in Kyoto, Japan with a Master’s Degree in Shin Buddhist Studies, and completed the doctoral coursework at Ryukoku University. He specializes in the areas of Japanese Buddhism and religion, translation of Buddhist scripture, and Jodo Shinshu doctrine and ethics.

Rev. Dr. Miyaji received his Tokudo and Kyoshi qualifications at the Honpa Hongwanji school located in Kyoto, Japan. He also obtained the academic ranking of *hokyō* recognized within Hongwanji. He most recently completed his doctoral dissertation entitled, “Shin Buddhist Ethics,” through Ryukoku University.

Rev. Dr. Miyaji is the son of Rev. Nobuo and Yoshiko Miyaji. Rev. Nobuo Miyaji is the former Rinban of the Fresno Betsuin Buddhist Temple.



Reedley Buddhist Church 2nd Annual - A Taste of Bazaar

Teriyaki Beefsticks • RBC Chow Mein • Namasu Salad • Rice • Cookies

Sunday, April 24, 2022

Drive Thru/Pick Up Only - 3:00 - 5:00 PM

\$17 each

Pre-sale ONLY * A limited number of dinners available

Deadline: Tuesday, April 4, 2022

Send to: Reedley Buddhist Church - P.O. Box 24

Reedley, CA 93654 Attn: A Taste of Bazaar

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Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Address: _____

Email: (for confirmation) _____

Taste of Bazaar Dinner: _____ x \$17.00 = Total Enclosed: _____

Deadline: Tuesday, April 4, 2022

Make checks payable to: REEDLEY BUDDHIST CHURCH

Questions: Call Vickie Nishida at (559)903-0317 or email: vlnishida1@gmail.com
or email Karen Sakata at: kgsakata@verizon.net



Japanese American Incarceration Memorial Legacy Project

Flag Signing Event

To: ALL Japanese-American WWII Incarceration Camp Internees
 Date: Saturday, April 2, 2022
 Time: 10am – noon
 Location: Fowler Buddhist Church – 210 S. 9th Street
 Fowler, CA 93625

Manzanar Tule Lake Poston Gila River Granada



Heart Mountain Minidoka Topaz Rohwer Jerome

Inspired by Santa Clara County Superior Court Judge Roberta Hayashi, Dr. Karen Korematsu, and Civil Rights Attorney Dale Minami, Santa Clara Judge Johnny Cepeda Gogo obtained a WWII era, 48-star, American flag with the goal of inviting ALL Japanese American incarceration camp internees to sign the flag. The first flags has been donated to the Japanese American Museum of San Jose, Japanese American National Museum, the Fred T. Korematstu Institute, and JAM-Oregon; one flag will travel to colleges and universities. For more information about the project, please see the following site:

www.discovernikkei.org/en/journal/2021/5/27/flag-signing-project/

Please register to sign the flag on April 2nd at b.ashida@sbcglobal.net or 559-284-2955. Please leave your name and phone number.

For questions about the flag signing project, please contact Judge Gogo at JGogo@scscourt.org
 this event will follow all Covid-19 requirements: please wear face coverings/masks; physical distancing; etc.



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David will try 70 Mile Fundraiser Run Benefiting Buddhist Ministry Training on April 2, 2022.

You can follow and help this fundraiser at the link below (jump to **Instagram** Fundraising Page of Fresno Buddhist Temple [church].

tinyurl.com/hm8urx8x



David Thull
Ultramarathon Runner

