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September Highlights

- ***9/3, Sat, 9 am - 3 pm***
  Rummage Sale at MVBT
- ***9/4, Sun, No Services***
- ***9/11, Sun, 10:00 am***
  August & September Shotsuki Hoyo, Hybrid
  * *11:00 am Dharma School Resumes*
  * *11:00 am Japanese Language Service*
  * *11:00 am English Language Discussion*
- ***9/12, Monday, 7:00 pm***
  Buddhist Discussion Group
- ***9/18, Sunday, 10:00 am***
  Fall Ohigan Service, Hybrid
  Guest Speaker:
  Rev. Kenji Akahoshi
  * *Seminar following Service*
- ***9/25, Sunday, 10:00 am***
  Sangha Day Picnic at MVBT

"Excluded" Shows the Tough Compassion of Amida Buddha

In June, my family and I went back to Japan for the first time in three years. Because we lost my mom in May 2021 and because of the pandemic, we were unable to participate last year in her funeral at my family temple, Renko-ji. My dad postponed her first-year memorial until our return this June. Because of his decision, we were able to attend her memorial service with our relatives whom we hadn't been able to see for three years.

Rev. Yushi Mukojima

Good Memories of My Mom

To be honest, I didn't feel like I had actually lost my mom in the past year. But during the service when I saw her photo in the *Onaijin* of the family temple, I was finally able to accept her death as a reality. I still feel really sad at not being able to hear my mom saying, "Welcome home!" anymore. However, throughout our visit this summer, I

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Rev. Yushi Mukojima and family with Sensei's Father in front of Renko-ji Onaijin for Sensei's Mother's Memorial Service

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2022 Obon-Not-At-Home Recap - Live & In Person!

Planning with COVID Uncertainty

It was already April and normally we would be having our first Obon Festival planning meeting at the end of the month. But as we all know too well, this year (like the past couple years) was anything but normal. With COVID concerns still looming, we were faced with a big question: Should we plan to have a 'real live' Obon Festival, or will it be online only? We decided to delay our decision because we were hoping COVID rates would drop and we'd be able to have some sort of in-person event. Delaying the decision would cause some stress, but we really wanted to try to have a live and in-person

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While Sunday Services at the Temple are cancelled, Dharma Messages are available at Temple websites.

https://www.mvbuddhisttemple.org or https://tinyurl.com/MVBT-YouTube

Current and Past Dharma Messages are available.

Namo Amida Butsu – "Let us live with Kindness and Gratitude beyond words..."

Religious Planning — September 2022

September 4, 2022, Sunday, No Services

September 11, 2022, Sunday, 10:00 am, August & September Shotsuki Hoyo Service, Hybrid

Siunday Service & Dharma School resume

11:00 am Japanese Languare Service, Online

11:00 am Engliish Language Discussion Group, Online

September 12, 2022, Monday, 7:00 pm, Buddhist Discussion Group

To join, send email request to staff@mvbuddhhisttemple.org

September 18, 2022, Sunday, 10:00 am, Fall O-higan Service

Fall O-higan: Higan, meaning Other Shore, is a service conducted in the fall on or about the vernal equinox. The practice of the Six Paramitas is emphasized on this occasion

Guest Speaker: Rev. Kenji Akahoshi (retired BCA minister)

11:00 am Seminar titled ""Nembutsu-Appreciating the Gifts of Life"

September 25, 2022, Sunday, 10:00 am, Sangha Day Picnic

* *Outdoors at the Temple*
* *Details will be available soon*

Shotsuki Hoyo Service **Study Class**

JOIN US

Sunday Dharma Messages by Rev. Mukojima and Minister's Assistants John Arima and Devon Matsumoto are available on the MVBT website or YouTube Channel

JOZAI: SUNDAY SERVICE DONATION

Put your Jozai into the Dana Box
Go to MVBT website & Press the Dona Box

Check Temple Website for latest information about Temple activities

The **Mountain View Buddhist Temple** would like to express its heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of:

Yoshiko Hamada ***April 24, 1925 – June 17, 2022***

May you find comfort in the embrace of Infinite Light and Life,

the wisdom and compassion of Amida Buddha.

Namo Amida Butsu — With Kindness and Gratitude beyond words

"Excluded" Shows the Tough Compassion of Amida Buddha (cont'd)

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was able to have pleasant conversations with my relatives full of many good memories of my mom. I was really grateful for this opportunity because lots of fond memories of her filled the big void in my heart. And that is why I wish to express my sincere appreciation to all of the Sangha members of the Mountain View Buddhist Temple for allowing me to stay with my dad for more than one month. I cannot say thank you enough for your thoughtfulness.

Primal Vow

As most of you might know, in the 18th Vow of the 48 vows which Bodhisattva Dharmakara (later known as Amida Buddha) established, Dharmakara made this promise:

> *If, when I attain Buddhahood, the sentient beings of the ten quarters with sincere mind entrusting themselves, aspiring to be born in my land and saying my Name (Namo Amida Butsu) perhaps even ten times should not be born there, may I not attain the supreme enlightenment.*

This 18th Vow is called the selected Primal Vow. Shinran teaches that it is the vow which clearly shows the real intention of Amida Buddha. Therefore, the 18th Vow is the perfect expression of Amida Buddha's great compassion: "I will assure all those saying the Nembutsu and entrusting themselves to the Primal Vow, birth in the Pure Land without exception."

There is no one who will ever be excluded from the Primal Vow. Irrespective of your age or gender or whether you are well-meaning or ignorant, the vast vow of Amida Buddha will surely embrace and accept all beings, abandoning none. No matter what kind of people we are, Amida Buddha will never say, "You are an exception."

However, those of you who are ardent students of Buddhism may question my words. If you object to my claim, saying, "No, Sensei! There is a proviso in the Primal (18th) Vow where Amida Buddha declares that those who commit the Five Grave Offenses and slander the Buddha Dharma will be rejected." If this is your objection, then it shows that you have listened to Dharma talks very well.

Five Grave Offenses

Certainly, according to the Large Sutra, which describes the 48 vows, Amida Buddha clearly says at the end of 18th Vow, "Excluded are those who commit the five grave offenses and those who slander the right Dharma." Yet Amida Buddha had also declared no matter what kind of person one might be, by entrusting oneself to the Primal Vow and reciting the Nembutsu, one will attain Buddhahood. So why are only the five grave offenders and slanderers of the Buddha Dharma excluded? According to these conditions, might there in fact be some excluded from the Primal Vow?

If so, what are the five grave offenses? They are:

(1) Killing your father,
(2) Killing your mother,
(3) Killing one who seeks the Buddha Dharma,
(4) Physically injuring the Buddha, and
(5) Disturbing the peace and harmony of the Sangha community.

Any one of these is considered a serious offense. So these five are the gravest offenses in all of Buddhism.

Because the five grave offenses are caused by the mind that makes light of the Buddha Dharma, those who slander the Buddha's teaching are regarded as ones committing the gravest offense as well. This means that no matter how vast the compassion of Amida Buddha is, those who commit the five grave offenses and those who slander the Buddha Dharma, are excluded from the benefit of the Primal Vow.

This is the way the 18th Vow had been interpreted in the long history of Buddhism, so it is quite understandable that you might conclude some will be denied the Primal Vow, which might make you challenge the words, "Amida Buddha saves all beings equally without discrimination."

However, a point to notice here is one made by our founder Shinran in his writing, *Shoshinge*. In it, he says:

> *When ignorant and wise, even grave offenders and slanderers of the Dharma, all alike turn and enter Shinjin, they are like waters that, on entering the ocean, become one in taste with it.*

To be more specific, irrespective of how ignorant or wise these grave offenders or slanderers of the Dharma are, if they set aside their mind of calculation and entrust themselves completely to the Primal Vow, the ocean of Amida Buddha's boundless compassion will accept all beings in oneness equally and enable them to become established in the stage of the truly settled in this present life and be born in the Pure Land after their death.

Doesn't this strike you as odd? The 18th Vow has the proviso that states clearly that the five grave offenders and slanderers of the Dharma will be excluded from the Primal Vow, yet Shinran says that Amida Buddha accepts all beings without exception. It is quite a contradiction.

Passage of Deterrence

Actually, in Jodo Shinshu tradition, the phrase, "Excluded are those who commit the five grave offenses and those who slander the right Dharma," is called *Okushi-mon*, which means the passage of deterrence. It is very important for all Jodo Shinshu followers to

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regard the passage of deterrence as another side of Amida Buddha's great compassion or his tough compassion that will save all beings without exception. Like those who commit the five grave offenses, we might hurt others when faced by certain circumstances, or even mentally kill many people depending on the situation. And, like those who actively slander the Dharma, even we sincere followers do not always live constantly embracing the Buddha Dharma as our spiritual support. So we should understand that the passage of deterrence is the teaching that makes us become aware of our true selves.

When we consider this deeply, the Buddha's use of the word "excluded" is much like a parent who scolds her child by saying,

"*If you do such a bad thing, I won't care about you anymore!*"

Let me share the rest of my message next month.

In Gassho,

Rev. Yushi Mukojima and family with of photo of Sensei's Mother in front of the scroll written by Rennyo Shonin

Dharma School News

DHARMA SCHOOL FALL PLANS

We are looking forward to the start of a new academic year in September! We will be sending out an update on the fall plans for Dharma School in late August. Stay tuned!

GRATEFULLY ACKNOWLEDGED

The following donations are gratefully acknowledged:

- Jeff and Janice Yee
  For Jill's Birthday
- James Cary & Jadine Yee
- Barry Tao and Mari Ueda-Tao
  In Honor of Our Dharma School Teachers
- Todd and Ashley Uyehara
  For Damon's Birthday

In Gassho,
Brent Izutsu
Dharma School Superintendent

MEMORIAL SERVICES

Memorial services allow us to pay homage to loved ones who have passed away. In our Jodo Shinshu tradition, family members hold a service at certain intervals following a relative's death to express gratitude for and acknowledge their continuing influence in our lives. If you wish to schedule a memorial service for a loved one, please call during weekly office hours.

2022 is the Memorial Year for those who passed away in:

1st Year Memorial	2021	3rd Year Memorial	2020	7th Year Memorial	2016
13th Year Memorial	2010	17th Year Memorial	2006	25th Year Memorial	1998
27th Year Memorial	1996	33rd Year Memorial	1990	50th Year Memorial	1973

マウンテンビュー仏教会「回向」二〇二二年九月法話

「唯除」はお慈悲の裏返し（一）

駐在開教使　向嶋裕史

先の六月中旬から約四週間ほどお休みをいただいて三年ぶりに日本へ帰国しました。昨年五月に母を亡くし、コロナの影響で自坊である蓮興寺での葬儀に参列できなかったことから、父が私達家族の帰国に合わせて母の一周忌法要を六月に延期してくれました。そのお陰で、久しぶりに再会を果たした親戚と共に法要を執り行うことができました。この一年母の死を実感できずにいたのですが、自坊の本堂で母の遺影を前にし、そこでようやく母を失ったという現実を受け入れることができました。母からの「お帰り」という言葉を聞けなくなったことは何とも寂しいものです。しかし、この度の帰国を通して、親戚達と母の思い出話に花を咲かせ楽しい一時を過ごせたことで、母と一緒に過ごした数多くの懐かしい思い出が心にぽっかり空いた大きな穴を埋めてくれました。一カ月以上の日本滞在を快く受け入れて下さった当仏教会のご門徒にこの場をお借りして今一度厚く御礼申し上げます。

さて、皆さんもご存じのように、法蔵菩薩（阿弥陀仏）が建てられた四十八願の中の第十八願には次のように誓われておられます。「わたしが仏になるとき、すべての人々が心から信じて、わたしの国に生れたいと願い、わずか十回でも念仏して、もし生れることができないようなら、わたしは決してさとりを開きません」。この第十八願を「選択本願」と呼んで、阿弥陀仏の本心を誓われた願いであると親鸞聖人は教えて下さっています。

ですから、阿弥陀仏の本心とは「本願を信じ、念仏申す一切の衆生をもれなく往生させよう」という大慈悲の表れなのです。

この本願からは誰であろうとも決して漏れるものはいません。阿弥陀仏の広大な誓願は、老若男女、または、善人であろうと悪人であろうと、決して見捨てることなく全てのものを救われます。「あなただけは例外です」というようなことはありません。

しかし、仏教を熱心に学ばれている方の中には、私の言葉に疑いを持つ人がおられるかもしれません。もし、皆さんの中で、「いや、阿弥陀さまのご本願には但し書きがありますよ。阿弥陀さまは、五逆の罪を犯したり、仏さまの教えを謗るものだけは除きますとご本願の最後に忠告なさっているはずです」と反論する方がおられたら、その方は日々お聴聞されている証拠です。

確かに、『大無量寿経』に説かれている四十八願を見ますと、第十八願の最後に「唯除五逆誹法正法」としっかりと誓われています。本願を信じ、念仏を申せば誰であろうとも仏になれると誓って下さっているにもかかわらず、五逆罪を犯したり、仏法を謗るものだけは除かれるというのは一体どういうことでしょうか。やはり、条件によってはこの本願から漏れる人がいるのでしょうか。

五つの逆罪とは、(一)父親を殺す、(二)母親を殺す、(三)求道者を殺す、(四)仏さまに傷を付ける、(五)和合衆、即ち、仏法の教えを信じ喜ぶ集団、これを破壊する。この五つを五逆罪といいます。仏法の中では、この五つの逆罪が極重の罪であると言われています。

そして、これらの罪はどういう心から起きるのかというと、それは仏法を軽んじる心から起きるといいますから、仏法をそしる者も逆罪であります。ですから、どれほど阿弥陀仏の慈悲が広大といえども、仏法で最も重い罪である五逆罪を犯した者と仏法を謗る者は本願の救いから除かれるということなのです。

第十八願は、仏教の長い歴史の中で、このように解釈されてきました。ですから、私の「阿弥陀仏は分け隔てなく等しく救う」という言葉に反論して、阿弥陀仏の本願には除かれる者はいるのだという人がいても全くおかしくありません。

しかし、ここで注意していただきたいことは、親鸞聖人は、『正信偈』の中で、「凡夫も聖者も五逆の悪人も仏の教えを謗って止まない者も、はからいの心を離れて、他力信心の道に入れば、広大無辺なる阿弥陀仏の本願海によって、生きとし生けるすべての者は分け隔てなく受け入れられ、現生には正定聚の位、つまり、必ず仏になるべき身と定まる位に入り、いのち終われば必ず浄土に往生できるのである」と示されていることです。

皆さん、おかしいとは思いませんか。第十八願で、五逆と正法を誹謗する者は救いから除くと説かれているにもかかわらず、親鸞聖人のお言葉では、除かずに全ての者を受け入れることになっています。完全に矛盾しています。

実は、浄土真宗では「唯除五逆誹謗正法」の部分「抑止文」と呼んでいます。「抑止文」は、阿弥陀仏の一切の衆生を分け隔てなく必ず救うという大慈悲の裏返しだと味わうことが大切です。五逆の罪を犯す人のように、縁によっては人を傷つけ、場合によっては心の中で人を殺めることもある私、そして、仏法を謗るかのように、仏法が生きる拠り所となっていない私であることを自覚させていただくための御文と味わえます。

よくよく考えて見ますと、「除く」というお言葉は、「お前、そんなことをしたら、もう知らないぞ！」と、親が子を思って叱っていることとよく似ています。この続きは来月の寺報でお話しさせていただきます。

2022 Obon-Not-At-Home Recap - Live & In Person! (cont'd)

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event. Working together with the MVBT Reopening Task Force and the MVBT Health & Safety Committee, we decided to move forward with a members only, in-person event. We'd like to thank both of these committees for their time and commitment to making this event possible.

Successful Obon Festival In Person

On Saturday, July 16, approximately 250 MVBT members and their families met on the MVBT grounds to celebrate Obon in person. It had been three years since MVBT held an in-person Obon Festival.

Everyone had a great time

- Enjoying delicious bento boxes, futomaki, spam musubi and manju;
- Watching the kids play Shooting Gallery, Hoop-La, Goldfish, Grab Bag and Tic-Tac-Toe;
- Playing BINGO;
- Listening to the sounds of MVBT Taiko, Jun Daiko and the MVBT Ukulele Club + Choir; and
- Catching up with old friends.

While we missed Rev. Mukojima, who was visiting his family in Japan, we were fortunate to have our two Minister's Assistants, John Arima and Devon Matsumoto, lead us through an outdoor service.

Everyone ended the day dancing to the classic Obon Odori music led by Marilyn Ozawa.

For those who couldn't attend in person, Sue Yuen provided roving reporter live updates and additional online content that was enjoyed by people at home via Zoom.

Thankful Obon Festival

One Sangha member captured the day best in a thank you letter sent to the Obon Committee –

> "Thank you and all the people for opening the Temple for our mini Obon. It was great. Was so nice to see so many friends again. Bento was good and had a wonderful time playing Bingo, too. I was so happy to be able to be at the Temple again with people."

Reading this letter brought tears to our eyes and proved that the decision to have an in-person event was well worth the effort and was the right thing to do.

Thank you to everyone for all their help and support in putting on our 2022 Obon-Not-At-Home event. BIG thanks to all our donors & sponsors who purchased lanterns and contributed generously to MVBT!

With Gratitude & Gassho,

The Zone 12 Obon Committee
Cindy & Nate, Mieko & Ken,
Lisa & Dan, Sheila & Rick, and
Phyllis & Doug

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MVBT Girl Scout Troop #60736

Padma Program

Kendall Ho completed her senior level Padma service project. She designed a special *uchiwa* for the BWA members to dance with at 2022 MVBT Obon Odori.

Obon Odori

Troop scouts participated in the BCA National Scouting Committee program online and in-person. They were also joined by alumni scouts at the MVBT Obon Odori.

Want more information Interested in the Padma Program?

Girl Scouts from any troop are welcome to join our Padma Program. For more information about this, or about our Troop please don't hesitate to contact any leader, or email us at gscouttroop736@gmail.com.

In Gassho,
Girl Scout Troop #60736

Rummage Sale on Saturday, September 3
From 9 am to 3 pm
Mountain View Buddhist Temple Parking Lot

We will have: Japanese Dishes, Japanese Dolls, Kimono/Yukata & Accessories, General Housewares, Antiques, Gently Used Clothing, Cassettes, VHS, Books, Crafts, Paintings and much much more

Mountain View Buddhist Temple Membership Drive

佛 Buddha
法 Dharma
僧 Sangha

Did you receive your Member Directory?

The new Member Directory is complete and has been distributed to all members. Thank you to everyone who updated their information and to the Membership and Salesforce Teams for all their work in updating the directory.

If you didn't receive your new directory, please check with your Zone Chair or the Membership Committee.

Note we will not be updating the Member Handbook at this time and will have a full update of the handbook and directory in the new year.

If you have any questions, please contact the Membership Committee.

In Gassho,
MVBT Membership Committee
Bob, Leslie, Jean, Elise & Steve

MVBT YBA News

Mountain View Buddhist Temple

YBA

YBA TRIP

The YBA had a successful and fun trip to Disneyland/LA this summer. The trip was from July 22-25. Twelve members went on the trip.

YBA TRIP FUNDRAISER

The YBA is still selling Buy-One-Get-One Card fundraiser at Jamba Juice to help subsidize our trip. Contact a YBA member to buy the cards that we are selling for $10.

COAST DISTRICT SUMMER ACTIVITY

Salinas YBA hosted the CD Summer Activity. It was held at the Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk on August 6.

FIRST-YEAR WELCOME EVENT

In August, we will likely have a welcome event to introduce and welcome all of the incoming YBA members. We would usually do this during the camping trip, but we will not have one this year.

In Gassho,
Evan Itow
2021 - 2022 YBA President

Join MVBT Sangha

- **Five membership categories — One will fit you**
- **Build & Support your Sangha, so that we can learn & live the teachings of the Dharma**
- **Impermanence & Interdependence — we are in this together**

Support Your Temple

Donate to Past & Upcoming Services

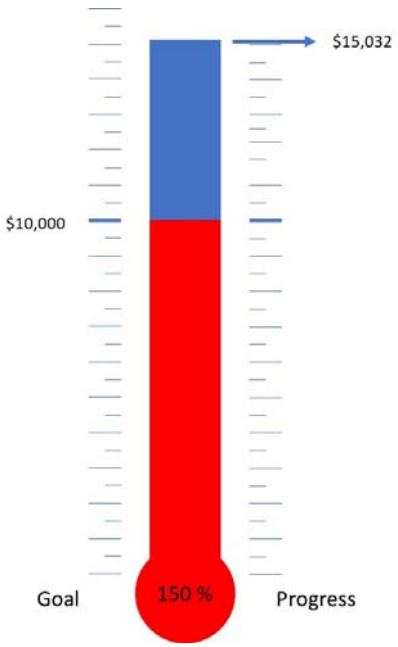
Kangi-e Obon / Hatsubon / Fall Ohigan

Your donations go to the General Fund supporting day-to-day operations

(1) Use the MVBT online "DONATE" or

(2) (2) Send a check to the Temple office

SANGHA CONNECT DONATION DRIVE



As of August 13, 2022

Thank you so much everyone! We crossed the $15,000.00 threshold!

When we started the Sangha Connect Donation Drive, we really had no idea what our goal should be. We researched what we needed and settled on an amount that would sufficiently pay for disinfection, air purification, and modification of current facilities. Your benevolence has allowed us to not only cover these necessary adaptations, but also to help us with other Sangha Connect concerns.

As we move forward, we believe we have satisfied the many issues we had a year and a half ago regarding returning to the Temple safely. Again, we humbly thank you for your kindness and generosity.

A Donation Link and a Wish List can be found on the Sangha Connect Page:

https://sangha.mvbuddhisttemple.org/

Donations can also be made on the Mountain View Buddhist Temple's donation page:

https://secure.qgiv.com/for/mvbt

As always, a check written out to MVBT with Sangha Connect in the note section can be mailed to the office too!

In Gassho
MVBT Reopening Task Force

MVBT thanks you for your continued support

Thank You to All of the "Sangha Connect Donors"

The Mountain View Buddhist Temple thanks all of our donors who have supported this effort from July 11, 2022 through August 8, 2022 . These donors are:

John and Chau Arima

The Temple again thanks our donors who supported this effort prior to August 8.

"With your support, the MVBT Reopening Task Force is able to maintain the connections that the Mountain View Buddhist Temple has nurtured over the years"

In Gassho,
Sangha Connect Committee

Seniors Activities & Crafts Program News

MVBT Seniors Activities and Crafts

Welcome back everyone! We hope you have been staying well during this pandemic and will join us as we reopen incrementally. The goal is to slowly add activities and have activities again from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon.

It has been over two years since we had to discontinue our Senior Program. We can only hope it will continue to be a popular Senior Activities and Craft as before, hopefully to add more activities, as we reopen.

Reopening Plans

For now, we plan to reopen on September 15 with the Taiko class joining us, both in person and on Zoom. Any Senior Activities and Craft session at the Temple will require that attendees are vaccinated and fill out an Attestation Form before entering. This is for our safety.

Thursday Taiko

Taiko is the only program we have continued in our Senior program every Thursday from 10:00 am to 10:45 am. We are grateful to our instructors, **Susan Yuen**, **Linda Uyechi** and **Trish Kume**, for their patience, in giving our Taiko lesson via Zoom.

Please join in and practice with us for it is never too late to enjoy and learn Taiko. We are looking for interested Taiko members. The resumption of Taiko class on September 15 is a great time to join. For more information, call **Reiko Tsuchida**.

Cookbook Sale

The Senior Cook Book is still available. Contact the Temple Office. Price is $15.

In Gassho,
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2022 150 Club News

The August and September winners will be chosen at the September MVBT Board Meeting.

Thank you to everyone for participating in the 150 Club!

Everyone, please stay safe and healthy!

150 Club Committee

Toban & Echo Schedule

	Toban	Echo Article Deadline	Echo Sent in Mail
SEPT	No Toban	N / A	N / A
OCT	No Toban	Sept 16 (Fri)	Sept 21 (Wed)
NOV	No Toban	Oct 14 (Fri)	Oct 19 (Wed)

Please note the article deadline and mailing dates. This will provide time to layout, proof, finalize and print the issue. Thank you. ***Domo Arigato***.
ありがとうございます。

Email all articles to echo@mvbuddhisttemple.org .

August
&
September

Monthly

Memorial

Service

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Hybrid Shotsuki Hoyo for August & September to be held on Sunday, September 11

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See MVBT website or Putra's Post for details

August & September Shotsuki Hoyo (Monthly Memorial Service)

The Shotsuki (Monthly Memorial) Services are conducted and sponsored by the Temple in memory of the past members and their family members who have passed away during a given month. It is not meant to be a substitute for families to observe their Family Memorial Service for their loved ones. The **August & September** Shotsuki loved ones are:

Kent Abe	**Shina Kinaga**	**Chiyo Ozawa**
George Abey	**Sumiye Kito**	**Edna Ozawa**
Jean Abey	**Albert Kobayashi**	**Haruno Saito**
Kazuo Abey	**Toshio Kochi**	**Harry Sakae**
Thomas Arakaki	**John Kondo**	**Warren Sakae**
Masataro Fujii	**Doris Kuboyama**	**Kitao Sakai**
Helen Fukuma	**Kazuo Kurashige**	**Miyuki Sakano**
Masao Fukumoto	**Chiyomi Masuda**	**Fumie Satake**
Dorothy Furuichi	**Helen Matsuba**	**James Satake**
Masuo Hamada	**Haru Matsuzaki**	**Shimano Satake**
Hiroshi Haruta	**Kazuo Mayeda**	**George M. Sato**
Mary Haruta	**Yoshino Miyamoto**	**Koma Shinke**
Ronald Higaki	**Keiko Mizuhara**	**Hisayo Shinta**
Shoko Hirabayashi	**Kiyoko Muranaka**	**Nancy Irene Smith**
Akira Hiroshige	**Kakuemon Nagasaki**	**Susan Haruta Stokes**
Matsujiro Hiroshige	**John Nagatoishi**	**Hiroshi Sugimoto**
Minoru Hiroshige	**Toshio Nakagawa**	**Sam Sugimoto**
Takeshi Hori	**Edward Nakano**	**Dora Suzuki**
Minoru Horino	**Janice Nakashima**	**George Takaki**
Edith Hoshi	**Magoji Nakashima**	**Michiko Takehara**
Aya Ichinaga	**Allan Nara**	**Kazuko Tashiro**
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Gregory Inamori	**Chieko Okamoto**	**Yukiye Watanabe**
Kiyoye Inouye	**Mineko Okamoto**	**Tom Yamaji**
Asa Ishimaru	**Stanley Okamura**	**Noriko Yanaba**
Satoshi Ishimaru	**Alfred Okubo**	**Akio Yamamoto**
George Izumi	**Tsuyo Okumura**	**Yumi Yokoo**
Kimiko Kashima	**Albert Okuno**	**Ray Yokoyama**
Shigeo Kashima	**Kin'ichi Okuno**	**Totaro Yoshida**
Itsume Kawamoto	**Toshiko Okuno**	**Reiko Yoshimoto**

If a name has been inadvertently left off or you would like to add a family member to the Mountain View Buddhist Temple list of Shotsuki names, please contact Rev. Mukojima.

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Upcoming Events

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Shotsuki Hoyo Service

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Bishops & ABA Memorial Service

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