



Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii

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HIS EMINENCE MONSHU KOJUN OHTANI'S OFFICIAL VISIT TO HONPA HONGWANJI MISSION OF HAWAII

It is truly a privilege and great honor for us that His Eminence Monshu Kojun Ohtani and his entourage will be visiting Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii in September 2017.

On June 6, 2014, His Eminence Monshu Kojun Ohtani came to inherit the legacy of the Jodo Shinshu through receiving the transmission from the Monshu Emeritus Koshin Ohtani, succeeding to the posts of the resident priest of Hongwanji and the Jodo Shinshu Hongwanji-ha Monshu. Following his succession, Gomonsu Kojun Ohtani traveled across Japan, making an official visit to each district to directly exchange greetings and converse with ministers and lay delegates of affiliated temples.

From October 2016-May 2017, Gomonsu Kojun Ohtani successfully conducted a series of 80 services called Dento Hokoku Hoyo (The Commemoration on the Accession of the Jodo Shinshu Tradition) at the Hongwanji main temple in Kyoto. Two formal delegations from Hawaii attended the Dento Hokoku Hoyo, and the Gomonsu Kojun Ohtani kindly took the time and held a special audience for those delegates.

Gomonsu Kojun Ohtani is scheduled to visit Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii and its temples as follows. Please contact your temple minister or temple office for more details of this special visit.

September 5 (Tue) – Hawaii District

- Honpa Hongwanji Hilo Betsuin (temple and preschool visitation)
- Visitation and service at Paho Gravesite
- Lunch meeting with Hawaii district ministers
- Gomensetsu meeting with district leaders
- Confirmation ceremony @ Hilo Betsuin
- Welcome dinner

September 6 (Wed) – Maui District

- Kahului Hongwanji Mission (temple visitation)
- Lahaina Hongwanji Mission (temple visitation)
- Confirmation ceremony @ Wailuku Hongwanji
- Welcome dinner

September 7 (Thu) – Maui District

- Makawao Hongwanji Mission (temple visitation)

- Lunch meeting with Maui district ministers

September 8 (Fri) – Honolulu District

- Hongwanji Mission School campus visit
- PBA new school building dedication service & campus visit
- PBA grand opening

September 9 (Sat) – Oahu/Honolulu Districts

- Wahiawa Hongwanji Mission (temple visitation)
- Pearl City Hongwanji Mission (temple visitation)
- Aiea Hongwanji Mission (temple visitation & attend Lay Convention)
- Jikoen Hongwanji Mission (temple visitation)
- Moiliili Hongwanji Mission (temple visitation)

September 10 (Sun) – Honolulu District

- Hawaii Betsuin temple building 100th anniversary kick-off service
- Confirmation ceremony @ Hawaii Betsuin
- Dinner reception with interfaith leaders, Honolulu/Oahu districts' ministers and spouses, and retired ministers and spouses

September 11 (Mon) – Kauai District

- West Kauai Hongwanji Mission (temple visitation)
- Kapaa Hongwanji Mission (temple visitation)
- Lihue Hongwanji Mission (temple visitation)
- Welcome dinner

HONPA HONGWANJI MISSION OF HAWAII FIRST JOINT CONFERENCE

Be a part of history! Join us for the Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii First Joint Conference on September 1 – 3, 2018 at the beautiful Kauai Marriott

The Conference theme is: **Embrace Change – Harmony (Accept Differences)**

Our keynote speaker will be Hawaii's Attorney General, Doug Chin – a national leader in the fight for Civil Rights. Following the keynote speech, AG Doug Chin and Bishop Matsumoto will join in a dialogue exploring Buddhist teachings in Creating Harmony and Accepting Differences in our world today.

Participate in workshops relating to harmony and accepting differences:

- Harmony in Music: Taiko Drumming, Ukulele, Chanting, Singing
- Harmony in Art: Calligraphy, Photography, Crafts, Social Media Platforms
- Harmony in the Body: Health, Qi Gong, Tai Chi
- Harmony in Religion: Nembutsu Moments, Buddhist Perspectives on Peace & Harmony, Buddhism in Popular Music, Green Hongwanji

We hope you'll plan to spend a relaxing and inspiring three days and two nights on Kauai ... deepening your faith, learning new skills, making new friends... with our wonderful Shin Buddhist Sangha.