

Kauai Hongwanji Council Nembutsu Seminar

Manifesting Amida's Compassionate Heart – Legacy of the Nembutsu Followers in Hawaii

Saturday, August 26, 10:00 am – 11:30 am (HST)

Zoom & Kauai Hongwanji Temples

Guest Speaker: Rev. Tatsuo Muneto



The goal of Buddhist Path is to be liberated (saved) from suffering and sorrow caused by one's own blind passion. And the ultimate goal is to achieve the bliss of Nirvana. In Jodo Shinshu, this goal is attained through awakening to one's defiled self and to the boundless compassion of Amida Buddha simultaneously. Are you walking this Nembutsu path here and now with your Dharma friends?

In the 135 years of history of Hongwanji in our Hawaii-nei, there were numbers of Nembutsu followers who attained the joy of walking the path of freedom. They went through search for the spiritual awakening, and left numbers of poems describing how they attained Entrusting Heart (shinjin). They became humble and cheerful persons who shared the Nembutsu path with others.

Through the 2023 Kauai Nembutsu Seminar, I will share with you the legacy of Nembutsu followers who I met during my ministry on Big Island and Kauai.

Rev. Tatsuo Muneto was born on March 8, 1941, and raised in Hiroshima, Japan. He graduated from Ryukoku University with a BA in Buddhist Studies in 1964. In August 1965, he arrived in Hawaii and was appointed as the Assistant Director of the Hawaii Kyodan Department of Sunday School. In 1967, he was awarded the Hawaii Kyodan Scholarship, which allowed him to enroll in the MA program in Religion and Asian Studies at Claremont Graduate University in California. He successfully completed the program.

Upon his return to Hawaii Kyodan in 1970, Rev. Muneto was assigned to various temples in Honolulu, the Big Island, and Kauai. During his assignment on Kauai, he took Clinical Pastoral Education, earning one unit in 1987. He retired from his position as the Rimban of Honpa Hongwanji Hawaii Betsuin on December 15, 2015, at the age of 75.

Registration Fee: Free (Registration Required)

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The maximum capacity is 100 people, first come, first served. We will email you a Zoom link three days prior to the seminar.

Click below to register!

“Registration Deadline August 19, 2023”

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