

【 NICHIREN SHOSHU HONSEIJI TEMPLE 】

July 1st, 2017

Dear Honseiji Members,

I am always happy to see your sincere efforts to practice and share this Buddhism with others each day towards the accomplishment of kosen-rufu; lasting peace in the world based on the true teaching of Nichiren Daishonin.

I have enclosed a copy of the Honseiji Temple activity calendar for July. Among other important activities this month, I would especially like to emphasize the deep significance in attending: **The Urabon-e Ceremony, July 30th 2017, 10:00am**

The Urabon-e is a time set aside for people to make Toba memorial offerings in order to pray for the peace, happiness and enlightenment of their deceased family, friends, and ancestors.

In the writings of Nichiren Daishonin, he explains that the benefits of doing Toba memorial offerings will affect all those who share a karmic bond with us from seven generations in the past and seven generations into the future. Thus, first and foremost, we must embrace the Gohonzon and then share the benefits of our practice with our deceased ancestors and friends. Embracing the Gohonzon is premised on cultivating a spirit of appreciation and returning our debt of gratitude as Buddhist practitioners. So, please do not ever forget this important point.

To request Toba memorial tablets for the Urabon-e Ceremony, please submit your Toba application form and Gokuyo to the Temple, in person or by mail, by **July 23rd, 2017**.

Toba Application Form for the Urabon-e Ceremony on July 30th, 2017

Name of Deceased	Date of Passing	Name of Applicant