



Commemorating the 75th Anniversary of The Atomic Bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki

A Fast for Peace, August 6-9, 2020

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Ceremonial Tree Planting, August 6 at 8:00am, 2020

We gather in solidarity to commemorate the 75th anniversary of those who died, who continue to suffer, and in the hope for peace and justice. We fast in solidarity.



You are invited to join us for a three day fast starting at 8:00 am on August 6 (The day when the first bomb was dropped) to 11:00 am on August 9 (the day when the second bomb was dropped). We fast to affirm our commitment to nonviolence, peace, justice and to move forward the elimination of nuclear weapons and war as a tool of foreign policy.

Fasting is the abstinence of food for a certain amount of time. It is a purposeful act of liberation through discipline and inspiration toward centeredness. It has historical, political, religious, and spiritual significance. We welcome each participant to individually explore and define how they will fast – what they will abstain from - during this commemoration.

Ceremonial Tree Planting

At Fresno State on August 6, 2020 three trees, grown from seedlings from the city of Hiroshima, will be planted as a symbol of peace and solidarity in the Peace Garden at Fresno State. **Due to Covid-19 restrictions this will be an invitation only event. It will be livestreamed on Facebook: www.facebook.com/HRCCV**

This event is coordinated with the Japanese American Citizens League, Judge Dale Ikeda, and Fresno's Sister City, Kochi, Japan. Special guests: Rev. Kakei Nakagawa, Rinban, of the Fresno Buddhist Temple and Rev. Akiko Miyake-Stoner of the United Japanese Christian Church, and the Honorable Toru Maeda, Consul General of Japan in San Francisco.



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