

# The Essence and Practice of Shin Buddhism: A Path for Meaning and Happiness In An Anxious Life and World

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at the Buddhist Temple of Chicago

Guest Speaker: **Rev. Dr. Kenneth Tanaka**  
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Kenneth Kenshin Tanaka was born in 1947 in Yamaguchi, Japan and moved with his family to California at the age of 10. He grew up at the Mt. View Buddhist Temple and went on to study Buddhism at Stanford Univ. (B.A.), a temple in Thailand, Institute of Buddhist Studies (IBS)(M.A.), Tokyo University (M.A.), and Univ. of California at Berkeley (Ph.D.). He served as Associate Professor and Assistant Dean at IBS for 10 years and a resident minister for 3 years in a Jodo Shinshu temple in California, before becoming Professor of Buddhist Studies at Musashino University for 20 years.

He has several publications in English and Japanese and is best known in the U.S. for the book *Ocean: An Introduction to Jodo Shinshu Buddhism in America* (WisdomOcean Publication, 1997). He has lectured throughout the world and with his wife Carrie presented workshops at the Eastern Buddhist League conference in 2016 in Seabrook, New Jersey.

In this lecture he will share humorous stories comparing Shin Buddhism with other religions and will discuss in detail about incorporating the Nembutsu as meditation in our daily life.

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