The Wonders of Amacha Blessing By Rev. Kazuo Yamada July 27, 2014

I have long believed in the extraordinary power of *Amacha* blessing as a unique and wonderful method to bless spiritual entities.

Over the years, my belief and conviction in this miraculous form of service have grown, and today, I do not have the words to describe the utter splendor of *Amacha* blessing.

I am not good at giving sermons. But as for spiritual things, I have gained a lot of experience and knowledge. I firmly believe that *Amacha* blessing is truly one of the treasures of the world. It can bring peace and salvation for unrested spirits, no matter how dire their suffering.

There is a psychic in Hollywood, who became acquainted with the Gedatsu Church through her husband, who was a friend of the late Professor Kenneth Yasuda, who was a church member. The psychic refers clients to our church on a regular basis for the purpose of receiving *Amacha* blessing.

These visitors, who come at the rate of one a month, call me on the phone and make an appointment. They come with various troubles – such as family disharmony, money problems, difficulties with inter-personal relationships, conflicts on their job, intractable disease, mental illness, etc.

It is clear to me that the negative karma that they each possess cannot be resolved without their taking responsibility and making changes in their way of life and thinking.

One must be responsible for one's own karma. This is the law of karma established by God.

Your guardian spirits know this fact – but they are prevented from solving your karma problems on your behalf. This is because if they assume <u>your</u> responsibility, your soul will be blocked from growing. Only when <u>you</u> stand up by your own will, can they be allowed to help you.

As your guardian spirits witness your suffering, they suffer together with you. Unable to assist, they have to wait for you to exert your own will to change. Sometimes, they press you to take action and send you signs. This may occur in the form of your experiencing or witnessing a strange event or having a symbolic dream. Still, however, you may not take heed of these signs and wake up.

Gedatsu Kongo once told members: "The Universe is transmitting messages to us every day. But you cannot receive these signals because your own receiver is broken due to the grime around your mind and heart. Clean away the grime and garbage which have accumulated in your mind and heart." This is the case with the troubled visitors. It is difficult to solve the problems of negative karma within a short period of time. It is necessary for them to earnestly follow specific practices to solve karmic problems and make improvements in the way they conduct their lives.

However, if their problem is spiritual in nature, it is a relatively easy to solve. For this, the best way to settle the problem is through sincere prayers and *Amacha* blessing.

Unfortunately, most of the visitors who settle their problems through *Amacha* blessing do not continue on to become Gedatsu members. However, a number of them make return visits, often bringing a friend.

One such repeat visitor is a therapist of some kind, who initially consulted me because she encountered a ghost who appeared in her office. Because the spirit had committed suicide and was suffering severely, it required three months of *Amacha* blessing to settle the spirit.

Two months ago, this woman came again to consult with me. She said that the number of patients who came to her office had recently decreased.

I ordered an *Amacha kuyo* plaque for the ancestral spirits of her customers and sent it to her, with the instructions: "Perform *Amacha* kuyo for the ancestral spirits every day before and after work."

I had forgotten about this until two days ago, when I received a phone call from her. She excitedly exclaimed: "I have been doing the *Amacha* blessing according to your instructions. A lot of patients have been coming, and now my office is busy. In addition, many patients bring presents for me. The effect of the prayers and *Amacha* blessing is splendid!"

A member of our church cites a similar experience. He runs an auto-repair shop. Every day, when he performs *Amacha* blessing before work, his work runs smoothly. But when he forgets to perform *Amacha* blessing before his work, things do not go as smoothly. He, too, says that the *Amacha* blessing is wonderful.

Archbishop Kishida used to say:

"Some people may think that because God is the source of everything, it is only necessary to pray earnestly to God. This is not so. Even among trees that are planted in the same soil and receive equal amounts of sunshine and water, some trees may grow tall and strong, while others may wither and die. The differences in their fates can be traced to the condition of their roots."

I believe that the "condition of our roots" is related to the movement of the invisible world.

Gedatsu Kongo urged us to live the Gedatsu teaching more fully in our lives to achieve happiness.

Amacha blessing can be applied to many different situations and conditions. There are a variety of *kuyo* plaques you can order. I hope that you personally experience the miraculous benefits of *Amacha* blessing.

Now, we will do *Amacha* blessing in our closing prayer. Let us unite our hearts and offer sincere *Amacha* blessing with gratitude to our ancestors spirits.

Thank you.