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Japanese Missions

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NEW WESTMINSTER

1898 - 1902 Paul Norimoto
1903 - 1905 Yokoyama
1905 - 1906 K. Imaki
1906 - 1907 K. Sato
1907 - 1910 T. Nishimura
1911 - 1912 Y. Akagawa
1912 - 1913 Abe
1913 - 1914 G. Suga
1914 - 1917 Y. Akagawa
1918 - 1920 A.M. Ozawa
1920 - 1924 Y. Ogura
1924 - 1934 Y. Akagawa
1934 - 1936 Attached to Steveston

FRASER VALLEY

1934 - Y.Akagawa

OCEAN FALLS & SWANSON BAY

1918 - 1922 T. Mizuno
July-Oct.1922 Y. Akagawa
1923(6mos.) T. Harano, B.D.
1924 K. Shimizu, M.A.
1926 Dr. Y. Kokita
1928 M. Maekawa
1929 J. Kabayama

OKANAGAN VALLEY

Summer Supply 1920 K. Shimizu, B.A.
" " 1921 " "
" " 1923 T. Harano, B.D.
1924 (Nov.) 1926 I. Taira
1926 (July)-(Apl)1929 K. Sato, B.D.
1929 (May) Y. Yoshioka, M.A.,B.D.

1942.

Kosaburo Shimizu -- [redacted] Kaslo
Kyuichi Nomoto ---
Yutaka Ogura --
Jun Kabayama -- Grand Forks
Yoshimitsu Akagawa --- Alberta Manitoba

Oct. 1942

W.R. McWilliams --- Yahme. Revelstoke - Seamans Camps
Kyuichi Nomoto --- New Denver
Takashi Komiyama --- Lemon Creek and South Slocan

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JAPANESE MISSIONS

VICTORIA

1894 - 1897	Hirowo Saijo
1897 - 1900	Koichi Ichu
1902 - 1906	Ukichi Oyama
1908 - 1910	P.E.Kuwabara
1911 - 1914	A. Kato
1914 - 1918	M. Ozawa
1918 - 1924	S. Nakanishi
1924	Y. Ogura

CUMBERLAND

1892 - 1894	K. Tajima
1894 - 1897	U. Oyama
1902 - 1903	Kotoku Imaki
1903 - 1913	U. Oyama
1913 - 1916	G. Suga
1916 - 1929	Supplied from Victoria
1929 - 1933	Student Supply - K. Nomoto
1934 - 1936	Y. Ono (6 mos.) K. Nomoto,B.A.,B.D.

STEVESTON

1897 - 1901	U. Oyama
1902 - 1903	P. Norimoto
1903 - 1904	G. Nakagawa
1904 - 1910	P.E. Kuwabara
1910 - 1911	A. Kato
1911 - 1912	P.E. Kuwabara
1912 - 1913	G. Suga
1913 - 1916	C. Shiokawa
1916 - 1921	M. Saito
1922 - 1924	Y. Yoshioka
1924 - 1927	S. Nakanishi
1927 - 1936	J. Mizuno
1936	K. Nomoto, B.A.B.D.

VANCOUVER

1893 - 1895	Okamoto
1896 - 1906	Goro Kaburagi, M.A.
1906 - 1907	Z. Ono
1907 - 1914	K. Kanazawa
1914 - 1917	Fumio Matsunaga
1917 - 1924	Y. Akagawa
May to Sept.1922	K. Shimizu, B.A.
1924 - 1926	Y. Yoshioka
1926 Sept 1942	K. Shimizu, M.A.

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Sept 8th, 1941.

To ministers in charge of
Japanese Congregations,
B.C. Conference.

Dear Fellow Worker:

Many of our Christian ministers and laymen have had in mind the delicate and difficult situation in which our Japanese people find themselves due to the tensions in World Relation and emotions that surge often beyond control under war conditions.

This letter is written to ministers in charge of Japanese congregations to assure them of our brotherly love, of our prayers, and of our efforts to secure what guarantee we can, that in case of further difficulties there will be a steadying and protective care against prejudices that might suddenly arise.

The Heads of Christian Communions have taken Council together on this matter and have agreed as to what is best to do.

We have avoided any publicity for that would stir up the 'rabble' and have the opposite effect from our desire for your good.

This letter and these assurances should not be dealt with publicly but in private conversations with your trusted leaders in your congregations.

We have had conversations with Political leaders and leaders of the Press and they are agreed to exercise their influence against any disturbance and for common security.

They and the leaders of the Christian churches are well aware, that a large percentage of Japanese were born in Canada and that a very high percentage of Japanese people in B.C. are loyal to Canada. Only a very few have been partizan or seditious and those particular persons and their activity have been well known to the police and, should occasion arise, seditious activity would be dealt with in a legal way. Of course we cannot control in any country evil spirits that fan in their selfish interest racial prejudice, but as Christians we are set against them. Our established leaders in Government and Press as in the Church are for law and order and a Christian understanding.

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Will you in your conversation with your leaders and especially with youth leaders, in your congregations, make them aware of our Christian concern for law and order and for the welfare of all citizens regardless of race or creed or standing? Will you at the same time counsel them to have care in their conversation or action not to give offence to authorities which might be made the occasion for some lawless action by prejudiced persons?

We all pray and work for the overthrow of tyrannies and of prejudice and of the ignorance and selfishness from which these arise, and we will not cease to pray and work for your welfare, for the coming of Christ's Kingdom in our own lives and for World Peace again in a more Christian World.

Yours very sincerely,
Hugh Dobson
President.

Nov. 15/1941

在米日本人を基督教會で保護

滿場一致で決議文可決

（シアトル發）カンシル・オフ・チヤーチ・エンド・クリスチヤン・エデユケーションはシアトル教會評議會の人種關係部に『太平洋西北部の日本人に與へるメッセーヂ』を提出し滿場一致で可決したが、その要旨は左の如きもので、キリスト教會が在米日本人保護の任に當る事を明かにしてゐる。

吾人は在米日本人が法律を遵守する立派な記錄保持に對し敬意を表する、第一世と第二世は善良なる市民として又社會道德の遵守者として立派な記錄を示してゐる、諸君が今日までの立派な行動を繼續されて行くなら米國政府又は米國市民より何らの迫害を受けやしないかと心配される必要はない、吾人は諸君に對し同情すると共に協力を誓ふ者である、吾人は諸君が國際關係より生ずる如何なる問題又は如何なる地方的問題をも諸君が交際しつゝあるキリスト教徒に相談される事を勸告する、如何なる問題でも進んでキリスト教會の教師に相談されたい。

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AKAGAM

Post Office Box 55,
Mission City, B.C.,
September 6th, 1941.

Chairman of the Presbytery,
New Westminster, B.C..

Dear sir,

This is a request of our official board asking the Presbytery to discuss the question of a grant from the Home Mission Board for the building of our church.

It is quite apparent that a suitable house of prayer is needed this fall, for our congregation, which has now increased to one hundred thirty five members. It is for this purpose that we have started this campaign to raise sufficient funds. Our objective is $3000.00 for materials. During the one week of our campaign we have collected $2000.00. If we can get a grant of $500.00 fron the Home Mission Board and an equal sum ($500.00) from the Women's Missionary Society, it would undoubtly be of great help and encouragement for us all.

During the past two years the St. Andrews United Church of Mission City have favoured us with the loan of their Church and Sunday School rooms, where we were able to hold our meetings. We have now one hundred thirty-five members baptized including children, but no rooms to hold meetings and Sunday School services, of our own, and realize the extreme necessity for a church, in order to carry out our work to the utmost.

We hope that you will give us the much needed help and encouragement to realize our need.

Yours sincerely,

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Westminster Presbytery

United Church of Canada

OFFICE OF SECRETARY

Box 106 White Rock, B.C.

Sept 16, 1941.

Rev Yoshimitsu Akagawa

Mission City, B.C.

Dear Mr Akagawa;-

Westminster Presbytery has received and reviewed the request of yourself and people for recommendation of a Grant towards your proposed new Church.

Presbytery recommended the Home Mission committee to ask the Home Mission Board for a Grant of $750, and that the Womans Missionary Society be asked to consider a grant of $500.

The Presbytery heartily commends the Japanese Congregation on the spirit of progress shown.

" So built we the wall; For the people had a mind to work". Neh. 4/6.

Kind regards and good wishes,

Yours sincerely,

F W Hardy.

F W Hardy, Secretary

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776 12th Avenue
New Westminster B.C.
20th Oct 1941.

Dear Mr. Akagawa,

Enclosed please find cheque.
Re grant toward the new church. Toronto proposes a grant of $250 and a loan of $250 but all this is subject to a favour — able grant from the W.M.S. Their action does not please me but what can we do about it. I wish Mr. Bunt had been more active in the matter. What do you think of the situation?.
The W.M.S. were out at Mission I suppose and came to some agreement. How far have you agreed to meet their requirements and have they settled on a sum as a grant. Perhaps you could let me know. Can I do anything to help you by a visit to Mission?

I am sorry you are indesposed but hope that in a day or so you will be feeling fit again.

Best regards to you and Mrs Akagawa.

Yours sincerely,

W.R.Walkinshaw

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HAGAMA

Statement of Income and Expense

for the 6 months ended March 7, 1942

RECEIPTS :

Total receipts		$ 3,920.06

EXPENDITURES :

Expenses ~~to~~ (paid) :		
Printing and stationary	$ 33.02	
Postage	38.36	
Exchange	1.34	
Corner stone	15.00	
Water connection, supplies,	11.19	
Bible (in cornerstone)	68	
Plumbing and Furnace	368.00	
Insurance	18.00	
Nels Olund (Contract Acct.)	2,000 .00	
Other Labor	55.81	
General Expenses	2.55	
	2,743.95	
Expenses (Unpaid):		
Olund ,Balance on contract	827.61	800 ~
Valley Radio --Wiring, supplies	283.66	276 50
Alanson's	5.20	
McCallum's	63.90	
T. Nakashima	20.45	
Labour	15.00	
	1,215.82	
Total Expenditures		3,959.77
Deficit		39.71

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BALANCE SHEET as at March 7, 1942

ASSETS:	Cash in bank	1,161.08	
	Cash on hand	15.03	
	Total cash		1,176.11
	Receivables (Pledges)		125.00
Total Assets			1,301.11
Liabilities:	Accounts Payable	1,215.82	
Equity:	Balance	85.29	
Total Liabilities and Equity			1,301.11

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PHONE:
MINSTER 1623L2

Fraser Valley Japanese United Church
Mission City, B.C.
April 4, 1942.

Hashizume Fund.		300.00
Interest Income		4.20
		304.20
Furniture, organ, and other expe.	148.16	356.04
Donation of building Lots:		
K. O. Saito	250.00	
T. Nakashima	50.00	300.00
Donations to building Fund.		3,920.06
less: Total expenses		3,928.66
Deficit		8.60
		347.44
General Treasury		44.61
Total Church Treasury		392.05
Sunday School		74.31
Ladies Aid		23.78

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PHONE:
MINSTER 1623L2

The Fraser Valley Japanese United Church
(The United Church of Canada)
REV. Y. AKAGAWA, *Minister*

Fraser Valley Japanese United Church
Maple Ridge and Mission City, B.C.
April 4, 1942.

Statement of Finances.

General Treasury	-	Maple Ridge	128.00
	-	Mission City	44.61
M. M. Fund	-	Maple Ridge	6.00
Birthday Offering	-	" "	34.94
Sunday School	-	" "	25.00
	-	Mission City	74.31
Ladies Aid	-	Maple Ridge	50.00
	-	Mission City	23.78
			386.64
Church building Fund	-	Mission City	347.44
Total			734.08

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PHONE:
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The Fraser Valley Japanese United Church

(*The United Church of Canada*)
REV. Y. AKAGAWA, *Minister*

R. R. NO. 2 (NORTH ROAD),
NEW WESTMINSTER, B. C.

April 4, 1942.

Rev. W.P. Bunt,
Superintendent of Home Missions,
Toronto, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

The following is the financial statement of the Fraser Valley Japanese United Church, Maple Ridge and Mission City, B.C. as at April 4, 1942;

General Treasury	--Maple Ridge	$ 128.00	100.00 / 100 58
	Mission City	44.61	4461
M. M. Fund	--Maple Ridge	6.00	
Birthday Offering	--Maple Ridge	34.94	3400
Sunday School	--Maple Ridge	25.00	21.66 / 2500
	--Mission City,	74.31	7431
Ladies Aid	--Maple Ridge	50.00	4148
	--Mission City	23.78	23.28 / 2328
		$ 386.64	
Church Building Fund	--Mission City	347.44	34744
TOTAL		$734.08	69012

The minister has received his salary of $240.00 to March 31, 1942, and we have a sufficiently large reserve fund to look after his salary for the balance of the year.

Yours very truly,

Mission City 38.52

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