CALENDAR OF EVENTS AT THE INSTITUTE

Academic Year April 1977 - March 1978

April 1, 1977: Two new research members (on a one year contract) join our staff:

Oda Yoshiko (Islamic studies, Sufism)
Narikawa Mineo (history of Sōtō Zen, Sesshū)

April 14: Start of the series of monthly dialogue sessions with the redaction committee of the Pure Land Buddhist journal *Gankai*

April 22: Start of the series of fortnightly seminars for the Institute members: each in turn gives a report of the research in process, followed by a general discussion.

May 20: Resumption of the interdisciplinary seminar on Shinran under the guidance of Professor Takeuchi Yoshinori.

June 3: Colloquium on "Japanese religiosity" given by Prof. Nishitani Keiji, professor emeritus of Kyoto University.

September 17: The Institute co-sponsors a public lecture on Siberian archeology by Prof. Joachim Werner, professor emeritus of München University.

October 14-16: Three members (Jan Van Bragt, Jan Swyngedouw, and Oda Yoshiko) read a paper at the Annual Convention of the Japanese Association for Religious Studies, held at Aichi Gakuin University (Nagoya)

October 14: Colloquium on "The scriptural sources of the Upadesa and their respective value" given by Prof. Etienne Lamotte, professor emeritus of Louvain University (held at the site of the above-mentioned convention)

January 4-6, 1978: Buddhist-Christian Symposium (see report below)

Further items should be mentioned:

- Co-sponsoring by the Institute of, and active participation by the members in inter-religious dialogue meetings:
  Conference on Religion in Modern Society (CORMOS)
Tokyo, July 19-20, 1977
Kyoto, December 27-28, 1977
World Conference on Religion and Peace (WCRP)
Nikkō, March 13-14, 1978
Ecumenical Group for the Study of Interfaith Dialogue (EGSID)
Tokyo, April 2-4, 1977
Ômiya, November 19-20, 1977

- Direction of seminars on Japanese religion by members of the Institute:
  Himeji, May 1-3, 1977
  Kyoto, August 3-5, 1977
  Taipei (Taiwan), October 26-28, 1977
  Nagoya, January 2-4, 1978
CALENDAR OF EVENTS AT THE INSTITUTE

Academic Year April 1978 - March 1979

April 1, 1978: Jan Swyngedouw, CICM, moves to Nagoya to become a full-time fellow. Kobayashi Kazushige (Buddhist folk religion, Shugendō) joins our staff as a research fellow on a one year contract.

April 4-6: James Beckford, lecturer in the Sociology of Religion at the University of Durham, England, visits the Institute.

April 16: The first of a series of meetings of the Executive Committee of our East-West Spiritual Exchange plan (cf. article below) is held.

April 30-May 2: Jan Swyngedouw and Jan Van Bragt lead a seminar on "Current Japanese Religiosity" for the CICM Fathers in Himeji.

May 16: The series of monthly dialogue sessions with the Buddhist GANKAI group is resumed.

May 29: Groundbreaking ceremonies are held for our guest house, "the Paulus Heim".

June 19: A colloquium on "Shugendō, the Mountain Religion" is given by Gorai Shigeru, professor at Ōtani University, Kyoto.

June 23: The Director leaves for Europe in preparation for the East-West Spiritual Exchange project, and a Seminar on "Zen and Christianity" in The Hague.


August 31: Our Bulletin Nr. 2 appears.

September 1: James Heisig joins our staff as a full-time fellow.

October 1: Consultations leading to the incorporation of the Institute into Nanzan University begin.

January 1-2, 1979: Seven members of the C.I.S.R. (Conférence Internationale de Sociologie Religieuse) visit our institute: Professors Carlo Caldarola (Alberta), Karel Dobbelaere (Leuven), Thomas Luckmann (Konstanz), David and Bernice Martin (London), Hans Mol (McMaster), and Bryan Wilson (Oxford). There is an informal symposium followed by a New Year party.

January 25: Inauguration ceremonies for our new guest house "the Paulus Heim," are held.
February 7: A colloquium on "Buddhism and Christianity" is given by Fritz Buri, Professor Emeritus of Basel University.
From Feb. 5 - 8, Prof. and Mrs. Buri are our first guests in the Paulus Heim.

March 26-29: A Preparatory Seminar for our East-West Spiritual Exchange project is held in Sankt Augustin, Germany (near Bonn).
CALENDAR OF EVENTS AT THE INSTITUTE

Academic Year April 1979 - March 1980

April 1, 1979: The Institute is incorporated into Nanzan University. Hino Shōun (the relationship of Hinduism and Indian Buddhism) joins our staff as a research fellow on a one-year contract, and Kobayashi Kazushige receives a one-year renewal of his contract. Satō Michio, Professor at Rnyūkoku University in Kyoto, begins a year's study of Christianity as a visiting scholar at the Institute.

April 11: A seminar of the Amida Sutra and its interpretation according to the "five houses" esoteric tradition begins.

April 21: Press Conference in Sophia University (Tokyo) on the forthcoming East-West Spiritual Exchange Program (see article below).

April 26: The series of bi-monthly dialogue sessions with the Buddhist GANKAI group resumes.

April 27: A monthly seminar on "Problems of the Apostolate in Japan" begins (cosponsored by Bishop Sōma Nobuo of Nagoya diocese).

May 4: A conference and colloquium on "Euthanasia" is presented by Henry van Straelen SVD, Professor emeritus of Nanzan University.

June 2-3: A preparatory seminar for the participants in the East-West Spiritual Exchange Program is held at the Institute.

June 5: A colloquium on "The Rise of Neo-Confucian Orthodoxy in Yuan China" is presented by Theodore W. De Bary, Professor of Columbia University, New York.

June 6: A seminar of Karl Rahner's GRUNDKURS DES GLAUBENS is initiated.

June 18: ABSOLUTE NOTHINGNESS, the first volume of our projected series, Nanzan Studies in Religion and Culture, is accepted for publication by the Paulist Press of New York.

July 27: The Director leaves for Europe to conduct a seminar on
"Buddhism in the West" at the Salzburger Hochschulwochen (July 30-August 10) and for participation in the East-West Spiritual Exchange Program.


September 26: The East-West Spiritual Exchange group is granted an audience with Pope John Paul II.

September 30: Bulletin Nr.3 of the Institute appears.

November 7: J. Van Bragt and J. Swyngedouw lecture on Christianity at the Dendōin (formation seminary) of Nishi-Honganji (Kyoto).

November 13: A colloquium on "Religious Research in a Global Community" is presented by Thomas Berry, Professor emeritus of Fordham University and Director of The Riverdale Center of Religious Research, New York.

November 18: A meeting of the Ecumenical Group for the Study of Interfaith Dialogue (EGSID) is held at the Institute.

November 24: A colloquium on "The Philosophy of Cardinal Wójtila" is conducted by Anna-Teresa Tymieniecka, President of The World Institute for Advanced Phenomenological Research and Learning.

November 27: A colloquium on "The Basis of Rudolf Otto's Philosophy of Religion" is presented by Ansgar Paus OSB, Professor of Salzburg University, Austria.

December 6: A colloquium on "The Dialectic of Plotinus" is presented by R. Baine Harris, Chairman of the Department of Philosophy, Old Dominion University, Norfolk, Virginia.

January 10, 1980: A colloquium on "Ethical Perspectives in Shinran" is conducted by Alfred Bloom, Professor of Hawaii University.

March 31-April 2: The Third Nanzan (Buddhist-Christian) Symposium is held at the Institute on the theme "Christianity and the Kyoto School of Philosophy (Nishida Kitarō, Tanabe Hajime)."
CALENDAR OF EVENTS AT THE INSTITUTE

Academic Year April 1980 - March 1981

March 31-April 2: The Third Nanzan (Buddhist-Christian) Symposium is held at the Institute on the theme "Christianity and the Kyoto School of Philosophy (Nishida Kitarō, Tanabe Hajime)."

April 1: Hino Shōun receives a one-year renewal of his contract as a research fellow.

April 3: Prof. Dr. Hans Waldenfels, Dean of the Department of Theology at Bonn University, who stayed with us from March 22, returns to Germany.

April 4: Prof. Graham Howes, Director of Studies for the "Religious and Social Change Programme" at the University of Cambridge, visits the Institute.

April 23: The series of monthly seminars on the Amida Sutra and its interpretation according to the esoteric Shinshū tradition (soden) resumes.

April 28: Father Matthias Eder SVD, founder and editor of the Asian Folklore Studies journal, passes away at age 78. For the last four years Fr. Eder had his editorial office in our building and was a "fatherly presence" in our midst.

April 30: The series of bi-monthly dialogue sessions with the Buddhist GANKAI group resumes.

May 8: Prof. Fausto Gomez OP, Dean of the Department of Theology at the Santo Tomás University of Manila, visits the Institute.

May 20: A colloquium on "The Structure of the Mandala in Esoteric Buddhism" is presented by Miyasaka Yushō, Professor of Indian Philosophy at Nagoya State University.

May 31: Members of the Institute participate in the meeting of the Ecumenical Group for the Study of Interfaith Dialogue (EGSID) at Sophia University in Tokyo.

June 11: Religion and Nothingness, a translation of Nishitani Keiji's Shukyō to wa nani ka, is accepted for publication in our English-language monograph series by the University of
June 14: A contract is signed with the Shunjūsha Publishing Co. of Tokyo for the publication of Symposium III.

October 6: A colloquium (co-sponsored by the Department of Philosophy) on "Man, a Dialogue" is presented by Prof. Heinrich Rombach of Wurzburg University.

October 5-9: Hava Lazarus-Yafeh, Professor of Islamic Studies at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, and her two children visit us.

October 7: A colloquium on "Theory and Practice of Karma and Reincarnation" is presented by Prof. Nara Yasuaki of Komazawa University in Tokyo.

October 20: The editing of the manuscripts of Symposium III is completed and delivered to the publisher.

October 30: A colloquium on "The Essence of Christianity" is presented by Prof. Werner Dettloff, Director of the Grabman Institute of Medieval Philosophy and Theology at the University of Munich. Prof. Dettloff lived with us as our guest from October 24 to November 3.

November 21: A colloquium on "The Religious Consciousness of the Japanese" is presented by Yanagawa Keiichi, Professor at Tokyo State University and President of the Japanese Association for Religious Studies.

December 19: Bulletin No.4 of the Institute appears.


Jan.17-Febr.3: Jan Swyngedouw leaves for Manila, for a consultation meeting on "Inculturation" at the East Asian Pastoral Institute (EAPI), and for guest lectures on Shinto and Japanese religiosity at the Maryhill School of Theology.

Febr.1-March 5: Jan Van Bragt leaves for Manila, for guest lectures on Buddhism at the University of Santo Tomás and the Maryhill
School of Theology.

February 10: Jan Swyngedouw's book, Wa to bun no kōzu (The structure of shared harmony) appears.

Febr.11 and Febr.14-15: Dr. Frederick Franck of "Pacem in Terris" (New York) directs seminars on "The Zen of Seeing" at the Institute. Dr. and Claske Franck were our guests from January 21 to April 5. During that time they not only completed the editing of a new volume for Nanzan Studies (The Buddha Eye), but brought a touch of creativity to many areas of our life, including the interior decoration of our Paulus Heim and the donation of a sculpture to the Institute's front lawn.

March 20-29: James Heisig travels to Rome to take part in the meetings of an international missiological commission on discussing modern problems of mission.
CALANDER OF EVENTS AT THE INSTITUTE

(Academic Year of 1981-1982)

April 1, 1981 Akamatsu Akihiko (a specialist in Buddhist logic in India) joins our staff as a research member.

April 4 Jan Van Bragt is reappointed as director, effective to March 31, 1983.

April 7 Dr. Frederick and Claske Franck leave us to return to "Pacem in Terris" in Warwick, N.Y.

April 20 The series of monthly seminars on the Amida Sutra and its interpretation according to the Sōden resumes.

April 20 The second volume in our (Japanese Language) Nanzan Symposium series, Zettai iku to kami (Absolute Nothingness and God) appears.

May 19 The series of bi-monthly dialogue sessions with the Shinshū Buddhist GANKAI group resumes.

June 17 Prof. Jay McDaniel of Hendrix College (Arkansas, U.S.A.) joins us as a visiting scholar for six weeks, to work on a comparative study of Zen and Process Theology.

June 19-21 The director takes Msgr. Jean Jadot, President of the Vatican Secretariat for Non-Christians, on a guided tour of Buddhist headquarters in Osaka and Kyoto.

June 24 Prof. Gilbert Johnston of Eckerd College (Florida, U.S.A.) joins us for a fortnight of study on Kiyozawa Manshi.

June 26 A colloquium on "New Trends in Catholic Ethics — Beyond Natural Law" is presented by Rev. Inugai Masakazu, professor of Kanagawa University.

June 27 Vol.8 nrs.1-2 of the Japanese Journal of Religious
Studies, the first issue under our editorship, appears.

July 16 Jan Swyngedouw is awarded the annual prize of the Japanese Federation of Catholic Universities for his book *Wa to bun no kōzō* (The Structure of Shared Harmony).

August 1 Dr. W. Michael Kelsey joins our staff as an associate member to serve in the capacity of copy editor for our journals.

September 1 Bulletin No.5 of the Institute appears.

September 21 A colloquium on "Religion and Politics - The Christian Right" is presented by Thomas M. Gannon, professor at Loyola University, Chicago.

November 4 A colloquium on "Human Dignity in an Era of International Interdependence" is presented by Gerald and Patricia Mische of the Global Education Associates.

November 6 A colloquium on "Religion and Socialism" is presented by Saki Akio, noted Japanese scholar of religion.

November 20 A colloquium on "Jonathan Edwards and Zen Master Hakuin Ekaku" is presented by John Dykstra Eusden, professor at Williams College, Williamstown, U.S.A.

December 7 The Institute hosts the meeting of the Ecumenical Group for the Study of Interfaith Dialogue (EGSID), with an address by Dr. Joseph Spae of the Chicago Theological Union.

January 13, 1982 A colloquium on "The Development of My Ideas on Other Religions" is presented by Hans Küng, director of the Institute for Ecumenical Studies at the University of Tübingen (West Germany).

January 27 The Institute takes on role of secretariat for the newly founded Japan Chapter of the Hawaii East-West Religions Project

March 2 *The Buddha Eye*, Vol.2 of Nanzan Studies in Religion and Culture is published by the Crossroad Publishing
March 4-7

The Institute organizes the Manila Conference of Christian Organizations for Interreligious Encounter in Eastern Asia, held in Taytay (Manila, Philippines).

Other visitors passing through included:

- May 30, 1981: Professor Erik Ritter Von Kühnelt-Leddian (Austria)
- June 27: Prof. Valdo Viglielmo of Hawaii University (Honolulu)
- August 23: Prof. Teresa Johnson of St. Louis University (U.S.A.)
- September 29: Rev. Alois Osterwalder, director of the Ost-Asien Institut in Bonn (Germany)
- November 16: Prof. Karel Dobbelaere, Head of the Department of Sociology at the University of Leuven (Belgium)
- December 14: Prof. Sai of Toa University of Pusan (Korea)
- December 22: Prof. Bryan Wilson, fellow of All Souls' College, Oxford University (England)
- January 4, 1982: Anthropologists John and Mary-Evelyn Grim of Fordham University (U.S.A.)
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Academic Year 1982—1983

1982

April 1  Igeta Midori, a graduate of Tokyo University specializing in Jungian thought, and Ms. Keta Masako, a graduate of Kyoto University specializing in Husserl's phenomenology, join our staff as research members.

Jan Van Bragt is reappointed to the post of Director, effective to March 31, 1985.

Rev. Willi Müller, S.V.D., editor of Monumenta Serica and a specialist in Shingon Buddhism, joins us for nine months of research and study.

April 6  The series of monthly seminars on the Amida Sutra and its interpretation according to the Süten resumes.

April 23  A series of seminars on "Religion and Ethics" begins, prompted by a questionnaire circulated by the Vatican Secretariat for Non-Believers.

April 30  A colloquium on "The Future of the Seminary" is presented by Philip Hefner, Professor of Theology of the Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago.


May 19  A colloquium on "Buddhism in Korea" is presented by Rev. Yoon Man-yon, Director of the Prajña Society in Seoul.

May 30  The Members of the Institute participante in a meeting of the Ecumenical Group for the Study of Interfaith Dialogue (EGSID) and attend a special reception honoring the Rev. Heinrich Dumoulin (our first Director) on his 70th birthday, both at Tokyo's Sophia University.

May 31  Gilbert Johnston, Professor of Philosophy and Religion at Eckerd College, St. Petersburg, Florida, joins us for two months to work on a book about Kiyozawa Manshi.

June 25  The Director is called to Tokyo to receive a check of ¥2 million from the Society for the Promotion of Private Schools as a grant to support our study of Shinto and Christianity.

June 30  A colloquium on "Shinto and Systematic Doctrine" is presented by Ueda Kenji, Professor at Kokugakuin University, Tokyo.

July 7  The first in a series of consultations at the Zen Cultural Center in Hanzaono University of Kyoto, in preparation for the coming visit of a group of European monks to stay in Japanese Zen Halls (October, 1983), takes place.
Valdo Viglielmo, Professor of Japanese Literature at the University of Hawaii, comes to work on Nishida and Tanabe translations.

Jan Van Bragt leaves for a three-month furlough and lecture tour in Europe.

Professor Lee Jonj-hoo, Director of the Contemporary Religious Problem Institute at Daegu, Korea, visits the Institute for consultations on possible collaboration.

The First Convention of the Japan Chapter of the Hawaii East-West Religions Project, which was founded on February 27, 1983, and for which our Institute is serving as a Secretariat, meets.

Jan Van Bragt returns from his European tour.

Jan Van Bragt and Jan Swyngedouw, accompanied by Professor Kokubu Keiji of Nanzan University, travel to Korea to attend the Inauguration of the Sokdang Institute for Korean Culture in Dong-A University, Pusan, and to sign an Agreement of Collaboration with the Contemporary Religious Problem Institute in Daegu.

A colloquium on "The Pilgrimage Tradition in Japan" is conducted by Lawrence Highfill, Professor at North Carolina State University.

A word-processing system is purchased to facilitate production of our publications.

A colloquium on the theme "Ancestor Worship in Japan" was held with Professor Robert J. Smith of Cornell University.

Jim Heisig leaves for a two-month tour of lectures and conferences in the United States.

The first copies of Vol. 3 of Nanzan Studies in Religion and Culture, *Religion and Nothingness* by Nishitani Keiji, arrives from the University of California Press.

Jan Swyngedouw assists as a member of the Organizing Committee in the Kokugakuin Centennial Symposium on "Cultural Identity and Modernization in Asian Countries."

We celebrate the 70th birthday (kiju, the "age of rejoicing") of our mention and close collaborator, Professor Takeuchi Yoshinori.

A Colloquium on "Post-biblical Jewish Messianism" is presented by Zwi Werblowsky, Professor at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

Jim Heisig returns from his American trip.

A contract is signed with Shunjūsha Publishers of Tokyo for the publication of the proceedings of the Fourth Nanzan Symposium.

Rev. William Cenkner, O.P., Professor of Religion at the Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C., joins us for three months to study the role of the Zen master as spiritual leader.

Jan Swyngedouw volume of essays, *Nihonjin to no tabi* (My journey with the Japanese) appears.

Jan Swyngedouw leaves for a field research trip to Okinawa.
Other visitors from abroad passing through included:

May 8-12  Professor Howard Hunter and his wife Doris of Tufts University, Bedford, Massachusetts.
August 20  Vernon Gregson, Professor of Theology at Loyola University of New Orleans.
October 5  Professor Brian Bocking of the University of Stirling, Scotland.
October 10  Dr. Georg Evers of the Missiological Institute, Missio Aachen.
October 21  Dr. Donald Hernandez, Senior Researcher at the Kennedy Institute of Ethics in Washington, D.C., and his wife Lila.
October 29  Dr. Edmund Meeuwissen of the Benevolentia Foundation, Holland.
October 31  Msgr. Edouard Massaux, President of the Louvain-la-neuve University, Belgium, accompanied by Professor Terao Nobuzo of the same university.
December 2  Professor Karl Peter Breuer of the University of Siegen in Germany.
December 7  Professor Terry Jordan of Griffith University in Brisbane, Australia, and his wife Elaine.
March 29  Professor Werner Dettloff, President of the Grabman Institute for Medieval Philosophy at the University of Munich.
Calendar of Events

Academic Year 1983—1984

1983
April 1 Ms. Igeta Midori and Ms. Keta Masako continue on our staff for another year as research members.
April 18 A meeting of the Executive Committee for the Preparation of the East-West Spiritual Exchange II Project takes place at the Zen Cultural Center in Kyoto.
April 23-4 Msgr. Jean Jadot, Pro-prefect of the Vatican Secretariat for Non-Christians, accompanied by Msgr. Tanaka Ken'ichi, Bishop of Kyoto, honors the Institute with a visit.
April 24-8 Jan Van Bragt guides Msgr. Jadot on his official visits to the headquarters of several Buddhist sects and Japanese religions.
May 13 The first copies of Takeuchi Yoshinori's The Heart of Buddhism, Vol. 4 of Nanzan Studies in Religion and Culture, arrive from the publishers (Crossroad of New York).
May 14 The first preparatory meeting for a lecture series in continuing education, jointly sponsored by the Institute and the newly-founded Institute for Social Ethics, takes place.
May 25 Watanabe Manabu, a graduate student enrolled in the doctoral program at Tsukuba University, is accepted as a research student by Nanzan University with a view to future collaboration with the Institute.
June 4 Rev. William Cenkner, O.P., Professor of Religious Studies at the Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C., departs the Institute after three months of research on the role of the Zen master as a spiritual leader.
June 16 Rev. Johannes Hirschmeier, S.V.D., President of Nanzan University and founder of the Institute, dies of a heart attack.
June 17 The series of monthly seminars on the Amida Sutra and its interpretation according to the Ōdōningesho resumes.
June 18 Joseph M. Kitagawa, Professor of the History of Religions at the University of Chicago, pays a visit; a scheduled colloquium has to be cancelled because of the funeral of Rev. Hirschmeier.
June 24-6 Jan Van Bragt participates in the Conference on World Spirituality at Fordham University and in the editorial meetings of the Encyclopedia of World Spirituality, planned by the Crossroad Publishing Company.
July 25-7 The second annual convention of the Japan Chapter of the East-West
Religions Project (for which the Institute is serving as secretariat) is held at the Kyoto Seminar House, around the theme: "Hisamatsu Shin'ichi's Critique of Shinshū."

August 4 Lee Wan-jae, a specialist in Confucian thought and Professor of Chinese Philosophy at Yeungnam University in Daegu, South Korea, joins our staff as a visiting research fellow.


Sept. 13-17 The Second Conference of Inter-Religio (Network of Christian Organizations for Interreligious Encounter in Easter Asia) takes place at The Tao Fong Shan Ecumenical Centre in Hong Kong. (See Inter-Religio Bulletin 4, Fall 1983, for a report.)

Sept. 21 A colloquium on "Foundations for a Religio-aesthetic Tradition in Japan" is held with Richard B. Pilgrim, Professor of Religion at Syracuse University.

Sept. 30 The first of a series of 6 seminars on Confucianism is conducted by Lee Wan-jae.

October 1 Rev. Ishiwaki Yoshifusa of the Nagoya Diocese joins our staff as a special research collaborator. He is a specialist in Catholic theology who studied at Fribourg University from 1955-59 and received his S.T.D. from the Gregorianum in Rome.

October 5 Fifteen European monks and two nuns begin a months' stay in Japan during which they shared in the life of Zen halls to experience Japanese Buddhism in loco. A report of this second leg of the East-West Spiritual exchange, prepared by Jan Van Bragt who served as initiator and interpreter, appears elsewhere in this Bulletin.

October 28 A colloquium on "Korean Confucianism and Japanese Confucianism" is held with Professor Lee Wan-jae and Yamashita Ryūji, Professor of Chinese Philosophy at Nagoya State University.

Nov. 11 A colloquium, co-sponsored with the Department of Philosophy of Nanzan University, on "Metaphysics Today" is presented by Frederick Copleston, S.J., Professor Emeritus of London University.

Dec. 2 A colloquium on "The Merits and Demerits of Buddhist Studies in Japan" is conducted with Professor Minoru Kiyota, Dean of the Buddhist Studies Program at the University of Wisconsin in Madison.

Dec. 30-Jan. 4 Jan Swyngedouw attends the third New ERA Conference on "God: The Contemporary Discussion" at San Juan, Puerto Rico.

1984 Jan. 3-11 Jan Van Bragt and Jim Heisig attend the 2nd Conference on East-West Religions in Encounter at Hawaii's Loa College.

Jan. 16-20 The Institute, together with the Nanzan Institute for Social Ethics, sponsors a series of five lectures in a program of continuing education on the theme "Life and Death."

January 21 The members of the Institute meet with the new president of Nanzan University, Robert Riemer, S.V.D., to evaluate their work and discuss
future activities.

Jan. 30 The third volume of our Japanese-language Nanzan Symposium Series, entitled Shintō to kirisutokyō 神道とキリスト教 arrives from the publishers, Shunjūsha of Tokyo. It contains the proceedings of our 4th symposium held from 16 to 18 March, 1983. (See the report in Bulletin No. 7, pp.15-19, 25-27.)

Feb. 8 A colloquium on "The Development of Confucian Spirituality" is conducted with Julia Ching, Professor of Religious Studies at Victoria College of the University of Toronto. Professor Ching stayed with us from January 13 until February 16.

Feb. 13 A colloquium on "Buddhism and Political Dissent" is held with Stephen Large, Professor of Japanese History at the University of Adelaide in Australia. Professor Large stayed with us from February 5 to 19.

March 13 Jim Heisig leaves for Hong Kong to conduct a workshop at Tao Fong Shan with Professor Thomas Immoos of Sophia University in Tokyo, and from there travels to New York to attend the first United Nations Interreligious Conference, co-sponsored by the United Nations University for Peace and the Department of Theology of Fordham University.

March 15-16 The Institute hosts a conference on "Buddhist–Christian Encounter: Conflict or Dialogue?", sponsored jointly with the Journal of Ecumenical Studies (Temple University, Philadelphia), and The Eastern Buddhist (Ötani University, Kyoto). The participating panelists were Doi Masatoshi (Director, NCC Center for the Study of Japanese Religions, Kyoto), Minoru Kiyota (University of Wisconsin, Madison), Nishitani Keiji (Professor Emeritus, Kyoto University), Leonard Swidler (Temple University), Takeuchi Yoshinori (Professor Emeritus, Kyoto University), and Hans Waldenfels (Bonn University).

Other visitors from abroad passing through included:

April 19-28 Jim Heisig's parents and sister Becky.
June 8 Paul Watt, Asst. Professor of Religion at Columbia University in New York.
June 13 Rev. Terry Tekippe, Professor at Notre Dame Major Seminary in New Orleans.
Aug. 28-31 Julia Ching and Willard G. Oxtoby, Professors of Religion at the University of Toronto.
December 15 Gordon Kaufman, Professor of Theology at Harvard Divinity School. Bardwell Smith, Professor of Buddhism at Carlton College
Jan. 27-30 Purusottama Bilimoria, Professor of Indian Philosophy at Deakin University in Victoria, Australia, and his wife.
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Academic Year 1984–1985

1984

April 25–27 Jan Van Bragt attends the "Encounter with Emptiness" Conference at Smith and Amherst Colleges (Massachusetts).

April 29–May 1 Jan Van Bragt attends a Symposium on "Shin Buddhism and Christianity at the Center for the Study of World Religions, Harvard University.

May 4 Dr. Jean-Noel Robert of the Centre National des Recherches Scientifiques (Paris) joins our staff as a Visiting Research Fellow, to do research on Tendai Disputations, until August 22.

June 8 A series of seminars with J.-N. Robert on Tendai disputations begins.

June 17 A colloquium on "Faith and Practice in Korean Zen Buddhism" is held with Sung-bae Park, Professor of Buddhist Studies at the State University of New York, Stony Brook.

June 19 The new copy editor of our publications, John P. Keenan, a specialist in Buddhist Studies, arrives at the Institute with his wife Linda (doctoranda in Japanese Literature) and two children, Daniel and Melanie.

June 29 The series of monthly seminars on the Amida Sutra and its interpretation according to the Sōdengisho resumes.

July 4 A colloquium on "Religion and Nothingness in Lonergan" is presented by Quentin Quesnell, Professor of Theology at Smith College (Massachusetts).

July 5 Richard Rubenstein, Professor of Jewish Theology at Florida State University, and his wife Betty, Professor at Florida A and M University, join us for three weeks of study on Japanese religion, until July 30.

July 5 Professor Kyŏlsang Park, Director of the Sok-dang Institute for Traditional Culture at Dong-A University (Pusan, Korea), accompanied by Professors Sung-hook
Choi, Young-do Chung, and Tong-gyun Kang of the same University, visits the Institute with a view to future collaboration between our institutes.

July 7-13 Jan Swyngedouw attends the "Dialogue Congress: Western Europe--U.S.A.--Japan" at Alpbach, Tyrol (Austria).

July 23-25 The Third Annual Convention of the Japan Chapter of the East-West Religions Project (for which the Institute is serving as secretariat) is held at the Kyoto Seminar House. The theological themes treated at the second Hawaii Conference (January 3-13, 1984) are investigated anew.

July 31 Dr. Michael Kelsey, who rendered the Institute invaluable services during his three years as copy editor of its publications, leaves us for greener pastures.

August 9-15 Jan Swyngedouw attends the Fourth New ERA conference on "God: The Contemporary Discussion" in Seoul, South Korea.

August 18 Ewert Cousins, Professor of Religion at Fordham University, New York, and General Editor of the 25-volume Encyclopedia of World Spirituality, and Richard Payne, in charge of the Encyclopedia's publication, visit the Institute for consultations on the Buddhist volumes.

August 20 A three-day conference on "Process and Reality East and West," co-sponsored by the Institute and the Japan Society for Process Studies, begins at Nanzan University. Foreign participants included: Charles (and Mrs.) Hartshorne, John B. Cobb (Claremont School of Theology), Lewis Ford (Old Dominion University), David R. Griffin (Claremont School of Theology), Hyung-gwan Ahn (Hyosung University), Steve Odin (University of Hawaii), David A. Pailin (University of Manchester), Donald W. Sherburne (Vanderbilt University), Jan Van der Veken (University of Leuven), and Ernst Wolf-Gazo (University of Münster).

August 30 Gilbert Johnston, Professor at Eckerd College, St. Petersburg, Florida, joins our staff for research on the Kiyozawa Manshi-Soga Ryōjin line of thought in Shinshū, until December 20.

Sept. 3 Our Junior Research Fellow, Watanabe Manabu, temporarily joins us for research in Yogacāra Buddhism, until January 31.

Sept. 4 Whalen Lai, Associate Professor of Religious Studies at the University of California, Davis, joins our staff for
research on Chinese and Japanese Buddhism, until March 27, 1985.

Sept. 14 A Colloquium, co-sponsored with the Latin-American Center of Nanzan University, on "Political Guidance and Education for Peace" is conducted with Rodrigo Carazo, former President of the Republic of Costa Rica and currently President of the United Nations University for Peace in Colón, Costa Rica.

Sept. 19 The first of a series of seminars with John P. Keenan on his Yogācāra interpretation of Christian doctrine is held.

Sept. 29 Karel Dobbelaere, Professor of Sociology at the University of Leuven, Belgium, and President of the C.I.S.R. (Conference Internationale de Sociologie des Religions), joins our staff for a comparative study of secularization in Japan, until November 4.

October 13 Bulletin No.8 of the Institute appears (belatedly!).

October 26 A Colloquium on the topic: "Is Western Europe Secularized?" is held with Professor Karel Dobbelaere.

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January 14- Together with the Nanzan Institute for Social Ethics, the Institute sponsors a series of lectures on the theme "Attitudes to Work" as part of a program of continuing education.

February 14 Joseph S. O'Leary, philosopher and theologian from Ireland, joins our staff as a Visiting Research Fellow and undertakes the task of a final editing of the English translation of Nishida Kitarō's Intuition and Reflection: Explorations in Self-Consciousness, until May 21.

February 16 The Institute hosts the bi-annual meeting of the Ecumenical Group for the Study of Interfaith Dialogue (EGSID).

March 25- The Fifth Nanzan Symposium is held at the Institute on the theme "Historical Religion and Folk Religion—Shin- gong Mikkyō and Christianity".

March 28 Members of the Institute attend the farewell party for Professor Masatoshi Doi, who resigns his post as Director of the NCC Center for the Study of Japanese Religions after twenty years of dynamic leadership as the "Dean of Interreligious Dialogue in Japan."
April 1  Jan Van Bragt leaves for a year's sabbatical and Jan Swyngedouw takes over as Acting Director, until March 31, 1986.

Other visitors passing through from abroad included:

April 3  Professor Geoffrey Sims, Vice-Chancellor of Sheffield University.
April 25  Robert Allinson, Professor at the Chinese University in Hong Kong.
April 29  Professor Monthlee Chulasanaya and Pinit Ratanakul of Mahidol University, Bangkok.
May 15  Lewis Lancaster, Professor of Buddhist Studies at Berkeley University.
May 16  Sister Mary L. O'Hara, Professor of Philosophy at St. Paul's University, Minnesota.
July 11  Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Brenninkmeier of C and A, Belgium.
July 15-26  Valdo H. Viglielmo, Professor of Japanese Literature at the University of Hawaii, Manoa.
July 27-  Antoon Vergote, Professor of Philosophy and the Psychology of Religion at the University of Leuven, Belgium.
August 8  David Griffin, Professor at Claremont School of Theology and Executive Director of the Center for Process Studies.
August 29-  Jan Van der Veken, Professor of Philosophy of Religion at the University of Leuven, Belgium.
August 30  William Matthews, Professor Emeritus of Knox University, and his wife Robin.
August 23  Fr. James Conner and Srs. Pascaline Coff and Helen Barrow, animators of the inter-monastic dialogue in the United States.
August 29  John R. Crocker, Secretary General of the Pontifical Biblical Institute in Rome.
Sept. 6  Dr. Edmund Tang, Director of Far Eastern Affairs at the Pro Mundi Vita Institute in Brussels.
Sept. 12  Dolores Sikat, Professor at Santo Tomas University, Manila, and currently doing research at the Ricci Institute for Chinese Studies in Taipei.
October 3  Claudia Mattiello, Professor of Theology at Del Salvador University, Buenos Aires.
October 15 Minoru Kiyota, Dean of the Buddhist Studies Program at the University of Wisconsin, Madison.
October 24 Leonard Swidler, Professor of Religion at Temple University, Philadelphia.
Dec. 14 John Maraldo, Associate Professor of Philosophy at the University of North Florida, Jacksonville.
February 6 John R. Sneets, Professor of Theology at Creighton University, Omaha, Nebraska.
February 18 Mr. Edmund Meeuwissen of the Benevolentia Foundation, Amsterdam.
March 22 George F. Maclean, Professor of Philosophy at Catholic University, Washington D.C.
Calendar of Events

April 1985 – March 1986

April 1, 1985
Tsuchida Tomoaki, a specialist in Chinese Buddhism and a graduate of Tokyo University and Harvard University joins our staff as a Research Associate for one year. Jan Van Bragt, reappointed Director for two years, leaves for a sabbatical, and Jan Swyngedouw assumes the post as Acting Director for the current academic year.

April 15
The series of monthly seminars on the Amida Sūtra with the Gankai group resumes.

May 23
Jan Swyngedouw leaves for the United States to attend a Symposium on East Asian Development Models in New York.

July 22
Jan Swyngedouw leaves for Europe to attend the C. I. S. R. (International Conference on the Sociology of Religion) at Leuven, Belgium.

Aug. 25–28
James Heisig, John Keenan, Jan Swyngedouw, and Jan Van Bragt attend the U. S.—Japan Conference on Japanese Buddhism at the University of Wisconsin in Madison.

Aug. 31
Lawrence Sullivan, newly appointed Professor of Religious Studies at the University of Chicago, arrives with his family for a ten-month stay as a Visiting Scholar.

Sept. 1
Richard Wentz, Professor of Religious Studies at the University of Arizona in Tempe, begins five months as a Visiting Scholar.

Sept. 1-4
Our first Seminar for Interreligious Encounter takes place at the Carmelite Retreat House in Uji City near Kyoto (see report in this Bulletin).

Sept. 6-9
The third Conference of Inter-Religio (A Network of Christian Organizations for Interreligious Encounter in Eastern Asia) takes place at the Institute (see Inter-Religio 8, Fall 1985, pp. 62-99).
Sept. 10-24  A group of 20 scholars of religion, mainly from the Inter-Religio network, visits mainland China.

Sept. 12  Professor Winston and Mrs. Jocelyn King arrive at the Institute for a year of work on the Anjinketsujōshō, a Shinshū text.

Sept. 30  Nam Key-young, Professor of philosophy at Kyung Hee University in Seoul joins our staff as a Visiting Scholar for 8 months.

Oct. 8  An informal colloquium takes place with Bryan Wilson, Reader in the Sociology of Religion at Oxford University.


Nov. 22  A colloquium on the thought of Watsuji Tetsurō is held with William LaFleur, who is spending the year at Tsukuba University to do research.

Dec. 2  In collaboration with the Institute for Social Ethics and the Center for Latin-American Studies, the Institute sponsors a colloquium and panel discussion on Liberation Theology with Gustavo Gutiérrez, Professor of Theology at the Catholic University of Lima.

Jan. 13, 1986  In collaboration with the Nanzan Institute for Social Ethics, the Institute opens a week-long annual lecture series for continuing education. This year’s topic was “The Meaning of Work.”

Jan. 25  James Heisig leaves for Hong Kong to attend a Conference on Missiological Education in South East Asia and to assist at a consultation to discuss the future of the Tao Fong Shan Ecumenical Center.

Jan. 30  Jan Swyngedouw leaves for Manila to attend a meeting of ACUCA (Association of Christian Universities and Colleges in Asia).

Other Visitors included:

April 2, 1985  Toh Kwang-soon, Professor of Kanyō University and President of the South Korean Association for Taoist Studies

April 10  Paul Desjardin, Professor of Philosophy at Haverford College, U. S. A.

May 1  Rev. Francis Clark, S. J., of the East Asian Pastoral Center in Manila
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Calendar of Events

April 1986 — March 1987

April 1, 1986 Miss Kawakami Mitsuyo, graduate of Aichi Gakuin University and specialist in Buddhist ritual and folklore, joins our staff as a Research Associate for one year. Jan Van Bragt reassumes his tasks as director.

April 10 A Colloquium on “The Evangelical Mosaic in Twentieth-Century America” is held with Timothy L. Smith, Professor of History at John Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland.

April 12 Volume 5 of our Nanzan Studies in Religion and Culture, Winston L. King’s *Death was his Kōan: the Samurai Zen of Suzuki Shōsan*, arrives from Asian Humanities Press.

April 14 The series of monthly seminars on the *Amida Sūtra* with the Gankai group resumes.

April 16 Professor Winston and Mrs. Jocelyn King, who were scheduled to stay with us until the end of September, return early to Madison, Wisconsin, for reasons of Jocelyn’s health.

April 18 The fourth volume of our Nanzan Symposium series, 「密教とキリスト教」 *Shingon Buddhism and Christianity* arrives from the publishers.

May 19 A colloquy is held with Dale S. Wright, Assistant Professor of Religious Studies at Occidental College, Los Angeles, on his travels to Zen Buddhist sites in China.

June 6 A colloquy is held with Paul Knitter, Professor of Theology at Xavier University of Cincinnati on “Crossing the Rubicon in the Theology of Religions.”

June 15 Nam Key-young, Professor of Philosophy at Kyung Hee University in Seoul, returns home after a stay of nine months as Visiting Scholar.

June 18 Dr. Paul Swanson, specialist in Tendai Buddhism, arrives with his family to join our staff as Editorial Assistant.

June 25 Lawrence Sullivan, Professor of Religious Studies at the University of Chicago, and his family leave us after 10 months as a Visiting Scholar.
Dr. John Keenan, our Editorial Assistant for two years, returns to the United States with his wife Linda (and children Daniel and Melanie) to take up teaching assignments at the University of Middlebury in Vermont.

Francis Cardinal Arinze, President of the Roman Secretariat for non-Christian Religions, accompanied by his secretary, Rev. John Shirieda, pays an official visit to the Institute. A colloquy on the religious situation in Japan and a reception are held in his honor.

David Chappell, Professor of the University of Hawaii, conducts a preparatory meeting for the Buddhist-Christian Encounter conference to be held in Berkeley in August of 1987. Professors Doi Masatoshi and Yagi Seiichi are present for the discussions.

Carlo Cardinal Martini, Archbishop of Milan, visits the Institute, together with Monsignor Tanaka Ken'ichi, bishop of Kyoto, Monsignor Leonardo Legaspi, archbishop of Naga in the Philippines), Rev. Luigi Testore, and Mr. Edmund Meuwissen. All join in a colloquy on Japan and Asia.

Joseph O'Leary leaves the Institute after many months as a freelance Associate Researcher, leaving behind the fruits of his labors as translator and editor.

Jan Swyngedouw leaves for New Delhi to deliver a paper at the World Congress of Sociology.

Nanzan Bulletin 10 appears.

A Colloquium on “Oriental Religion and Depth-Psychology” is held with Yuasa Yasuo, Professor of Comparative Philosophy at Tsukuba University.

Jan Van Bragt leaves for Taegu, Korea, to deliver a paper at a Conference on Religion and Nature, organized by the Contemporary Religious Problem Institute.

A Colloquium is held with Wilfred Cantwell Smith, Professor Emeritus of Harvard University, on “Sacred Scriptures in Religion.”

In collaboration with the Center for Latin American Studies, the Institute sponsors a Colloquium on “Developmental Labor and Human Independence” with Drs. Ivan Illich and Barbara Duden.

Our second Seminar for Interreligious Encounter is held at Kōyasan, the Headquarters of Shingon Buddhism (see report in this Bulletin).

Jan Swyngedouw leaves for Manila to teach at the Maryhill
Seminary until 31 March.

Jan. 12
In collaboration with the Institute for Social Ethics and the Anthropological Institute, the Institute opens a week-long annual lecture series for continuing education. This year’s topic is “Japanese Women Today.”

Jan. 13
Volume 6 of our Nanzan Studies in Religion and Culture, Tanabe Hajime’s Philosophy as Metanoetics, arrives from the University of California Press.

Jan. 19
Volume 7 of our Nanzan Studies in Religion and Culture, Nishida Kitarō’s Intuition and Reflection in Self-Consciousness, arrives from Suny Press.

Feb. 2
Gerald Cooke, Professor of Religion at Bucknell University, begins two months as a Visiting Scholar to do research on the present state of the Shinshū Ōtani-ha.

March 16–18
The Sixth Nanzan Symposium is held at the Institute on the Theme “Theory and Practice in Religion—Tendai Buddhism and Christianity” (see report in this Bulletin).

March 23
Jim Heisig departs for a brief visit to the United States.

Other visitors included:

April 6, 1986
Professor Harvey Cox of Harvard University.

April 25–30
Jac Kamstra, Professor of Comparative Religion at the Vrije Universiteit at Amsterdam.

May 12
John Ross Carter, Professor of Philosophy and Religion at Colgate University, Hamilton, New York.
Edward J. Malatesta, S. J., Director of the Institute for Chinese-Western Cultural History at the University of San Francisco.

May 20
David Kolb, Professor of Philosophy at Bates College, Maine.
Richard Woods, O. P., Professor of Theology at Loyola University, Chicago.

June 15–19
Harrie Vanderstappen, S. V. D., Professor of Oriental Art at the University of Chicago.

June 18
Professor George Minamiki, S. J. of Notre Dame University, Indiana.

June 20–July 9
Whalen Lai, Director of the Religious Studies Program at The University of California in Davis.

June 24–26
Beatrice Bodart-Bailey, Professor of Japanese History at the University of Ottawa.

July 6–27
Abe Masao, Visiting Professor at Haverford College, Pennsylvania, and his wife.
July 7
Jack Kuepers, S. V. D., Vice-President of Fujen University in Taipei.

July 19–21
Christian W. Troll, S. J., Professor of Islamic Studies at Vidya-jyoti Institute of Religious Studies in New Delhi.

Sept. 10
Kishida Hiroshi, Lecturer at Stockholm University.

Oct. 9–11
Roland Robertson, Professor of Sociology of Religion at the University of Pittsburgh.

Oct. 22
Rainer Wassner, Professor of Sociology at the University of Hamburg.

Nov. 24–26
Dr. Frederick and Claske Franck of Pacem in Terris, Warwick, New York.

Dec. 18
Professor Frederick and Mrs. Suzy Streng of Southern Methodist University, Dallas.

Jan. 6–8, 1987
Peter Koepping, Professor of Asian Studies at the University of Melbourne.

Jan. 18
Gilbert Johnston, Professor of Religion at Eckerd College, St Petersburg, Florida.

Feb. 1
Reverend Han Jung-kwan, Professor at the Catholic Theological College in Seoul.

Feb. 20
Willy Wielemans, Professor of Educational Sciences at the University of Leuven, Belgium.

March 4
Valdo Viglielmo, Professor of Literature at Hawaii University, and his wife Frances.
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 1987 – March 1988

April 1, 1987  Jan Swyngedouw returns from a three months teaching stint in Manila, Philippines.

Gerald Cooke, Professor of Religion at Bucknell University, Lewisburg, ends his two months stay as a Visiting Scholar and returns to the States via Kyoto.

April 6  The series of monthly seminars with the Gankai Group resumes, but the theme changes from the Amida Sūtra to “Jōdo Shinshū ‘theology’ questioned by Christianity.”

April 17  James Heisig opens a series of twice-monthly seminars on “Psychology and Religion” for the general public. A group of about 25 attended regularly throughout the year.

May 30  Paul Cardinal Poupard, currently President of the Pontifical Council for Culture, accompanied by his secretary, Hervé Carrier, S.J., pays an official visit to the Institute. A colloquium on religion and culture in Japan and a reception are held in his honor.

A colloquy, co-sponsored by the South-East Asia Study Circle, is held with Sulak Sivaraksa, leader of the Asian Cultural Forum on Development (ACFOD) in Bangkok on “Buddhism and Development.”

June 1  Steve Odin, Professor of Religion at the University of Hawaii at Manoa, arrives with his wife Jaya and six-month old son Vajra, to begin a 15 months stay as a Visiting Scholar to do research on kenōsis and śānti.

June 14  John Meagher, Professor at St. Michael’s College, University of Toronto, arrives at the Institute after several months in India to begin a one-month study of Japanese Religion as a Visiting Scholar.
June 16  Michael Saso, Professor of Religion at the University of Hawaii, presents the results of his research on Tendai esoteric practices (taimitsu) in a seminar of our staff.

June 19  Miyuki Mokusen, Professor at California State University and a practicing Jungian analyst, comes for a few days with his daughter Agnes and addresses the open seminar on "Psychology and Religion".

June 20  Jan Van Bragt speaks at a meeting of young Zen monks, held at the Institute for Zen Culture in Hanazono University, Kyoto, to prepare the unsui for their stay in European monasteries in Europe as part of "Spiritual Exchange III."

Aug. 10–15  James Heisig, Paul Swanson, and Jan Van Bragt attend the Third Buddhist-Christian Conference in Berkeley, California.

Aug. 11  Jan Swyngedouw leaves for Europe to attend the International Conference of the CISR and to teach as a Visiting Professor at the Catholic University of Leuven in Belgium from October until February 1988.

Aug. 31–Sept. 3  Our third Seminar for Interreligious Encounter is held at the Yamashina Betsuin, a historically important temple of the Jōdo Shinshū, Nishi Hongan-ji branch, under the direction of Fr. Ishiwaki Yoshifusa.

Sep. 10–13  The fourth Conference of Inter-Religio (A Network of Christian Organizations for Interreligious Encounter in Eastern Asia) takes place at Jakarta and Sukabumi, Indonesia, around the theme "Interreligious Dialogue and Asian Theology."


Nov. 2  Prachar Hutanuvatra, a member of the Thai Interreligious Commission for Development with a Buddhist monastic experience of 12 years, begins his eight months term as a Visiting Scholar during which he plans to study Japan's Buddhism and New Religions.
Nov. 17 A colloquy on “Upward and Downward Directions in Buddhism” is held with Nagao Gadjin, Professor Emeritus of Kyoto University.

Nov. 20 *Nanzan Bulletin 11* (finally!) appears.

Professor Marcelino Foronda from the Philippines, a visiting scholar at the Southeast Asian Institute of Kyoto University, addresses the open seminar on “Psychology and Religion” on the topic “Religion in the Philippines.”

Nov. 26 Together with the Institute for Social Ethics and the Center for Latin American Studies, the Institute sponsors a colloquium on “The Third World and Social Justice” with Juan Sobrino S.J., Professor of El Salvador National University.

Dec. 2 The Institute hosts the bi-annual meeting of The Ecumenical Group for the Study of Interfaith Dialogue (EGSID).

Jan. 13 *Inter-Religio 12* comes off the press.

March 11 In collaboration with the Institute for Social Ethics and the Center for Latin American Studies, the Institute sponsors a colloquium on “The Nicaraguan Revolution and the Catholic Church” with Father Ernesto Cardinal, Minister of Culture of Nicaragua.

March 14 A colloquy is held with Thomas Luckmann, Professor of the Sociology of Religion at the University of Konstanz, Germany, on “Religion and the Social Conditions of Modern Consciousness.”

**Other Visitors Included:**

April 1–15 Whalen Lai, Professor of Religious Studies of the University of California, Davis.

May 7 Professor Bardwell Smith of Carlton University and Elizabeth Harrison of the University of Chicago.

May 8 Professor Joel Smith of Skidmore College.

May 11 Joseph A. Bracken, S.J., Department of Theology, Xavier University, Cincinnati.
June 5  Professor Dennis Gira of the Institut Catholique de Paris
June 12  Professor and Arlene Leonard Swidler of Temple University.
June 15  Wolfgang Somary, President of the Intercultural Cooperation Foundation, Zürich.
June 16–July 8  John McCallum, Professor of the Australian National University at Canberra.
June 29  Frederic J. Kelly, S.J., Professor of Religious Studies, Canisius College, Buffalo, N. Y.
July 10  W. John Brennan, Dean of the Department of Commerce, University of Saskatchewan.
Sep. 23  Hubert Morsbach, Professor of Philosophy at the University of Glasgow.
Oct. 5  Taitetsu Unno, Professor of Religion at Smith College, Northampton.
Nov. 21–23  Professor and Anne Kolb of Bates College, Auburn.
Dec. 12  Professor Klaus-Peter Koepping of the University of Melbourne, Australia
Feb. 4  Edmund Meuwissen and Peter Merckx of the Benevolentia Foundation, Amsterdam.
March 30  Etienne De Jonghe, Secretary General of Pax Christi International, Antwerp.
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 1988 – March 1989

April 1, 1988  Kimura Noritsugu, graduate of Aichi Gakuin University and specialist in folk rituals, joins our staff as a Research Associate for one year. On the same day, two Visiting Scholars begin their research period at the Institute: Yoshihara Kazuo, specialist in folk religion in the ethnic Chinese communities in South-East Asia (for one year), and Frank Podgorski, professor of religion at Seton Hall University, New York (for 4 months).

April 8  James Heisig resumes his twice-monthly seminars on “Psychology and Religion.”

April 13  A series of seminars, led by Paul Swanson, on the Two Truths Theory in Chinese Buddhism begins.

April 18  The series of monthly seminars with the Gankai Group resumes. The dialogue topic for this year is the Shinshū “Theology” of Soga Ryōjin.

April 19  The fifth volume of our Nanzan Symposium series, 天台仏教とキリスト教 [Tendai Buddhism and Christianity] arrives from the publishers.


June 10  Jan Van Bragt leaves for Europe to participate as chairman and introducer in the International Conference on Buddhism-Christianity, De Tiltenberg, Holland, 17-19 June.

Sept. 23–29  Jan Van Bragt attends the Meeting for the Consultors in Asia of the Pontifical Council for Interreligious Dialogue, Hua Hin, Thailand.
Oct. 22  Jan Swyngedouw leaves for Sasbachwelden, West Germany, to deliver a lecture on The Cultural Background of Japan's Economic Development at a management conference of the Monsanto Company.

Oct. 26  In collaboration with the Religious Education Committee of Nanzan University, the Institute sponsors a colloquium on "Commitment to Justice and Faith in Education" with Dr. Jean-Yves Calvez S.J..

Nov. 28  James Heisig leaves for the Philippines to attend the S.V.D. Missiological Consultation at Tagaytay.

Dec. 1  A Colloquium on "The non-duality of waki and shite in Nō Drama" is held with Royall Tyler, Professor at the University of Oslo.

Dec. 9  A Colloquium on "Kannon Cult and Meiji Restoration" is held with Martin Colcutt, Professor of East Asian Studies at Princeton University.

Dec. 17  At St. Agnes Church In Kyoto, several members of the Institute attend the funeral of Professor Doi Masatoshi, long-time director of the NCC Center for the Study of Japanese Religions (Kyoto) and pioneer of the interreligious dialogue in Japan.

Dec. 20  A Colloquium is held with Yanagida Seizan, Professor Emeritus of Kyoto University on "The two Prodigal Sons" (in Gospel and Lotus Sūtra).

Jan. 2  James Heisig leaves for Hawaii to spend the second semester as Visiting Professor at the University of Hawaii at Manoa, Department of Religion.

Jan. 6  Rosana Tositrakul, member of the Pracha Dhamma Institute at Bangkok, starts her stay as visiting scholar, interested in Japanese Buddhism and natural agriculture.

Jan. 21  Jan Swyngedouw leaves for the Philippines where he will be teaching two months at the Maryhill School of Theology (Quezon City).

Jan. 30  Jan Van Bragt leaves for Belgium for a two-month stint as Visiting Professor at the University of Louvain. (So,
faute de combattants, no further happenings at the Institute for the remainder of the school year . . .

Other Visitors included:

April 4  Vladimir Viacheslavovich Malyavin, Senior Research Member at the Institute of Ethnography, USSR Academy, Moscow.

April 5  Prof. John and Mary-Jo Maraldo, of the University of North Florida.

April 11–13  Sulak Sivaraksa, Director of the Pracha Dhamma Institute in Bangkok.

April 19  Willy Vande Walle, Professor of Japanology at the University of Louvain.

April 23  Dr. Yagi Seiichi, Christian Theologian.

April 29  Takeuchi Yoshinori, Professor Emeritus of Kyoto University.

June 13  Dr. Joseph Simon, Director, Divine Word College, Epworth, Iowa

June 24–25  Minoru Kiyota, Professor of Buddhist Studies, University of Wisconsin, Madison

June 25  Ian Reader, Professor at Sterling University, Scotland.

July 8–9  Dr. and Mrs. Miyuki Mokusen,

Sept. 16  David Reid, Professor at Tokyo Theological Seminary.

Oct. 21–23  Michael von Brück, Professor of Comparative Religion at the University of Regensburg.

Oct. 25  Stuart John of Oxford University and Jane-Mary Franklyn of the London School of African and Oriental Studies.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 1989–March 1990

April 1
Watanabe Manabu, who obtained a licentiate in religious studies at Chicago University in 1986 and recently obtained his doctorate in philosophy from Tsukuba University, joins our staff as a full-time researcher. Kimura Noritsugu continues for one more year as a research associate. Jan Van Bragt is reappointed director for his last two-year stint.

April 6
The members gather for the first planning session of the year.

April 19
Eugeen Roosens, Dean of the Anthropology Department at the Catholic University of Leuven (Belgium), arrives for a one month stay as Visiting Scholar.

April 21

May 9
James Heisig comes back from the University of Hawaii, where he was teaching for four months as a Visiting Professor.

May 10
A Colloquium is held with Professor Eugeen Roosens on "Ethnic Minorities in a Unifying Europe: The Case of Immigrant Labor."

June 15
Volume 11 of our Nanzan Studies in Religion and Culture, Foundations of T'ien-l'ai Philosophy, by our copy editor, Paul Swanson, arrives from Asian Humanities Press.

June 18–July 11
Jan Nattier, Professor at the Religion Department, University of Hawaii, stays with us to prepare a book on Central Asian Buddhism. She conducts seminars for our staff on June 27 and 30, July 4 and 7.

June 26
A Colloquium on "Mount Fuji and Shugendō" is held
with H. Byron Earhart, Professor of Religion at West Michigan University, Kalamazoo.

June 30  Inter-Religio No.15 rolls off our presses.

July 6  Paul Ingram, professor at Pacific Lutheran University, Tacoma, begins his stay as Visiting Scholar (till August 25).

July 8  The Institute hosts the bi-annual meeting of EGSID, the contact organization of the Christian Dialogue Institutes in Japan. Horst Bürkle, Professor of Theology at the University of Munich, Germany, is our guest lecturer.

Sept 4–6  The Seventh Nanzan Symposium is held at the Institute on the theme “The Pure Land School of Buddhism and Christianity” (see report in this Bulletin).

Sept 8  A Colloquium is held with Rabbi Herman E. Schaalman of Chicago on “Basic Concerns of Contemporary Judaism.”

Oct 2  James Heisig leaves for the U. S. to deliver a paper at the “International Conference on Metanoetics” held at Smith College, Northampton.

Oct 18  Minor Rogers, Professor of Comparative Religion at Washington and Lee University (Lexington, Va.), shares with us his ideas on “Rennyo’s Legacy” in a Colloquium.


Nov 6  The Institute co-sponsors a Colloquium on “The Role of Communication in Spreading Religious Values” with Rev. Thomas Luiz, Counselor of the S.V.D. Generalate in Rome.

Nov 8  A Colloquium is held on “Incarnation and Inculturation” with Raynundo Panikkar, Professor of Religious Studies at the University of California, Santa Barbara.

Nov 17  Nanzan Bulletin 13 appears.

Nov 21  A Colloquium on “Tibet’s Cultural Heritage” is held with Wang Yao, Professor of Tibetology at the Central Institute for National Minorities, Beijing, China.
Alan Sponberg, Associate Professor of Buddhist Studies at Stanford University, stays with us to work at his book on Yogācāra in China. He conducts seminars for the institute staff on January 19 and 22.

Jan 19

Jan Swyngedouw leaves for Manila to teach there for two months at Maryhill School of Theology.

Feb 1

Paula Arai, Ph.D. Candidate of Harvard University begins her stay as Associate Researcher (till July 31) to finish her doctoral dissertation on Buddhist Nuns in Japan.

Feb 15

Toh Kwang-Soon, specialist in Korean Intellectual History and professor at Hanyang University (Seoul), joins our staff as a Visiting Scholar, for one year.

Feb 26–March 1

James Heisig, Paul Swanson, and Jan Van Bragt participate in the Fifth Inter-Religio Conference, held at Seoul, on the theme “Liberative Elements in East Asian Religious Traditions.”

March 5

Keel Hee-Sung, Professor of Religion at Sogang University (Seoul), arrives for a year’s stay as Visiting Scholar, studying the Japanese Pure Land Tradition.

March 10

Edmund Skrzypczak, Senior Lecturer at the Japan Centre, Faculty of Asian Studies at the Australian National University, Canberra, arrives to take up the post of copy editor at our Institute and the Anthropological Institute.

March 17

At the Nanzan church a funeral service is held for Father Albert Bold S.V.D., one of the founders of the Institute who died on February 22, only a few days after his return to Germany.

Other visitors included:

April 26

Janet R. Goodwin, Professor of Medieval Japanese History at the University of California.

April 27

Laurens Minnema, Ph.D. Candidate in Theology at the Theological Faculty at Kampen (Netherlands).
May 24  Jacynthe Tremblay, Ph.D. Candidate of the University of Montreal, Canada.
May 26  Karol H. Borowski, Associate Professor at Tomson State University, Maryland.
June 1–8  Rev. James Fredericks, Professor of Philosophy at St Patrick's Seminary, Menlo Park, California.
June 18–19  George Tanabe, Professor of Religion at the University of Hawaii.
June 19  Rev. Leo Lefebure, Professor at Mundelein College, Mundelein, Illinois.
June 25  William and Robin Matthews, lecturers at the Buddhist Institute of Buddhist Studies, Berkeley, California.
July 5–10  Joel Smith, Professor of Philosophy at Skidmore College, Saratoga Springs, New York.
July 20  Abdullah Ibrahim, Head of the Folklore Department at the University of Khartoum, Sudan.
Aug 25  Helen Hardacre, Professor of Japanese Studies at Griffith University, Queensland, Australia.
Oct 15  Rev. Joseph O'Leary, Professor of English Literature at Sophia University, Tokyo.
Nov 2  José de Mesa, Professor of Systematic Theology at Maryhill School of Theology, Manila, Philippines.
Nov 5–7  David (and Anne) Kolb, Professor of Philosophy at Bates College, Auburn, Maine.
Nov 6  Dr. Jean-François Mayer, Researcher of the Fonds National de Recherche Scientifique, Fribourg, Switzerland.
Nov 8–Dec 15  Whalen Lai, Professor of Religious Studies at the University of California, Davis.
Nov 16  Professor Kirti Bunchua, Director of the Religion and Culture Research Center at Bangkok, Thailand.
Nov 17–21  Frederick (and Claske) Franck, artist and philosopher by the grace of God.
Dec 2  Helmut Morsbach, Visiting Professor at the International Christian University (ICU), Mitaka-shi.
Dec 6  Akizuki Ryōmin Rōshi, Professor at Hanazono University, Kyoto.
Dec 28 Rev. Henri Debruyne, Professor of Bible Studies at Yaounde, Cameroon.
Jan 6, 1990 Joseph Prabhu, Professor of Religion at California State University.
March 8  Susan Mattis, Ph.D. Candidate at Boston College.
March 14 Ian Reader, Lecturer at the Scottish Centre for Japanese Studies of the University of Stirling, Scotland.
March 23 Sr. Maryann Hedaa, Academic Dean of the Maryknoll School of Theology, together with Rev. Robert Gilbert, Director of the Center for Mission Studies (Maryknoll) and Rev. Patrick O'Donoghue, Lecturer at Tsukuba University.
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 1990–March 1991

April 1  The new school year starts without any changes in our personnel. Our two visiting scholars, Toh Kwang-Soon and Keel Hee-Sung, will be with us till nearly the end of the school year.

April 3  The last of a series of seminars on Watanabe Manabu's doctoral dissertation on C. G. Jung is held.

April 5  Jan Van Bragt attends the funeral of Yanagawa Keiichi, Professor Emeritus of Tokyo University, long-standing friend of the Institute and member of the advisory board of the Japanese Journal of Religious Studies.

April 27  Anna Seidel of Hōbōgirin in Kyoto addresses a colloquium on her research in the world of the dead and religious activities at Tateyama.

May 15  A colloquium is held with Akizuki Ryōmin Rōshi of Tokyo on “The Kōan in Hakuin.”


June 22  A colloquium is held on “The social ramifications of the genealogies of the Kumano ‘Bettō’” with Miyake Hitoshi, professor of sociology of religion at Keio University (Tokyo).

July 1  Jan Swyngedouw leaves for Spain to attend the meeting of the International Sociological Association.

Aug. 11  A six-day tour of exposure to Japanese religion for Cardinal Godfried Danneels of Belgium and Archbishop Leonardo Legaspi of the Philippines, guided by members of the Institute, ends with a colloquium on Japanese religion at the Institute.

Aug. 27  The sixth volume of our Nanzan Symposium series,
Pure Land Buddhism and Christianity, arrives from the publishers.

Aug. 29 Nanzan Bulletin 14 appears.


Sept. 26 The Institute cosponsors a colloquium, with the Department of Managerial Sciences, on “Capitalism and Christianity” with Dr. David J. Jeremy, Senior Lecturer in Economic History at Manchester Polytechnic.


Oct. 29 The Religious Philosophy of Tanabe Hajime: The Metanoetic Imperative (vol. 16 of Nanzan Studies in Religion and Culture) arrives from Asian Humanities Press.

Nov. 26 Jan Van Bragt and James Heisig attend the funeral, at Shōkokuji (Kyoto), of Nishitani Keiji, Professor Emeritus of Kyoto University, who died in his sleep at age 90 on November 24 (see the In memoriam below).

Dec. 20 Hakamaya Noriaki, Professor of Buddhism at Komazawa University (Tokyo) leads a Colloquium on “Honne and Tatmae from the perspective of the critique of Original Enlightenment thought.”

Jan. 14 Inter-Religio No. 18 rolls off our presses.

Jan. 16 A colloquium is held with Dr. Robert Duquenne, Researcher of the Ecole Française d’Extrême Orient, on “The Glorification of the Buddha: From Śākyamuni to Vairocana.”

Jan. 17–21 The Institute becomes the venue of an international meeting of SVD Universities in Asia, chaired by James Heisig.

Jan. 30 Jan Van Bragt leaves for Belgium for a second two-month stint as Visiting Professor at the University of Leuven.

Feb. 15 Toh· Kwang-Soon, Professor of Hanyang University
(Seoul), who has been with us for a year as Visiting Fellow, returns to Korea.

Feb. 16 Jan Swyngedouw leaves for Belgium for a three-week period of teaching at the University of Louvain (French section).

Feb. 26 Keel Hee-Sung, Professor at Sogang University (Seoul), who studied Shinran's thought with us for a year, returns to Korea.

Other Visitors included:

April 5 Dr. Leo Garcia, Professor at the Ateneo de Manila
April 16 Michael Pye, Professor of Religious Studies at the University of Marburg
April 17 Kilian McDonnell, President of the Ecumenical Institute, Collegeville, USA
April 17 Tong Chie Kiong, Professor at the National University of Singapore
May 9 Ama Samy, of the Dhyana Ashram, Madras, India
June 1 Gilbert Johnston, Professor at Eckerd College, St. Petersburg, Florida
June 30 Bernardin Cardinal Gantin, Prefect of the Congregation of Bishops, Vatican City, accompanied by Robert Pung, SVD.
Sept. 3 Hendrik Van Gorp, Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Letters, University of Leuven in Belgium
Sept. 4–12 Jesus Gonzalez Valles, Professor of Missiology at the University of Madrid (Spain)
Sept. 8 Ludwig Bertsch and Georg Evers of Missio Aachen, Germany
Oct. 12 R. E. Asher, Professor of Literature, University of Edinburgh, Scotland
Oct. 27–30 Catherine Cornille, Lecturer at the Theological Faculty, University of Leuven
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<td>Michael Fitzgerald, Secretary of the Pontifical Council for Interreligious Dialogue, Vatican City</td>
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<td>K. Peter Takayama, Professor of Sociology at Memphis State University, USA</td>
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<td>Zwi Werblowsky, Professor of Religion at Hebrew University, Jerusalem</td>
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<td>Bernard Durel, Professor at the University of Strasbourg, France</td>
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<td>Professor and Mrs. Willis M. Stoess, Chairman of the Department of Religion, Wright State University, USA</td>
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<td>Steven Fox, Professor of Psychology at the University of Iowa</td>
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<td>John MacInnis, Director of Ecumenism, Archdiocese of Boston</td>
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<td>David Reid, Professor Emeritus of Tokyo Theological University</td>
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<td>Jan. 2, 1991</td>
<td>Gotelind Müller, a graduate student from the University of Munich studying Buddhist movements in China in the 1920s</td>
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<td>Jan. 8</td>
<td>Maki Hubbard, Professor at Smith College, USA</td>
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<td>John McRae, Professor of Buddhist Studies at Cornell University, USA</td>
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<td>Franco Sottocornora and Maria de Giorgi of the Schweitzer Institute in Kyūshū</td>
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<td>Julio Terán, President of the Puntifical University of Ecuador</td>
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<td>Ary Crollius, Professor at the Gregorian University in Rome</td>
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<td>Feb. 21</td>
<td>Edward Malloy, President of the University of Notre Dame in the United States</td>
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<td>March 5</td>
<td>William Johnston, Professor Emeritus of Sophia University, Tokyo</td>
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1 April Horo Atsuhiiko and Fuchigami Kyoko join the Institute as researchers for one year.

2 April Paul Swanson leaves for ten days in England, Belgium, and France to attend a workshop at the University of Cambridge on "Religious Folk-Literature in Japan." horo

10 April Jim Heisig begins the fifth year of bi-monthly seminars for the public at large.

15 April Frederick Franck’s To be Human Against All Odds, the latest volume of Nanzan Studies in Religion and Culture, arrives from the publishers.

17 April Maria de Giorgi of the the Schweitzer Betsuin in Kumamoto comes for the first of several visits to work on an Italian translation of Takeuchi Yoshinori’s The Heart of Buddhism.

27 April Jim Heisig leaves for a ten-day conference in Rome on "In-culturation, Dialogue, and Secularization."

7 May David Reid’s New Wine, the first volume to be published in Paul Swanson’s new series, Nanzan Studies in Asian Religions, arrives from the publishers.

14 May The first copies of Nishitani’s Nichido Kiiko, another of the Nanzan Studies in Religion and Culture, arrives from University of California Press.

16 May Dr. Rainer Wassner, a research associate of the NCC Center for the Study of Japanese Religions in Kyoto and an affiliate member of the Nanzan Institute for the year, comes for the first of several visits.

18 May The semi-annual meeting of EGSID is held at Nanzan, with a talk by Kadowaki Kikichi on "The Metaphysics of Tao."

29 May A seminar is held with Karen Smyers, a doctoral student in anthropology from Princeton University, on her research on the Inari Fox and Shinto deities.

31 May Roger Corless of Duke University arrives for a three-month stay at the Institute to pursue research on Pure Land Buddhism.

20 June Jamie Hubbard and wife Maki arrive from Smith College in Mas-
sachusetts for a one-year stay, Jamie as a visiting research fellow at the Institute and Maki to carry on her own study in teaching Japanese as a foreign language.

2 July  Jamie Hubbard runs a seminar on “Pre-Modern, Modern, and Post-Modern: Doctrine in Japanese Religion.”

10 July  A seminar is held with Roger Corless on “Shinran and the Vajra Mind.”

11 July  A seminar is held with Paul Swanson on his research into “Recent Japanese Critiques of Buddha-nature.”

22-24 July Paul Swanson and Jan Van Bragt attend the 10th Annual Meeting of the Tōzai Kōryū Gakkai, where Jan makes a presentation on “The Logic of Emptiness and Pure Land Shin Buddhism.”

21 August  Jan Nattier begins a final three-week stay to complete her monograph dealing with Central Asian Buddhist prophecies of decline.

5 Sept.  Harrie Vanderstappen, professor emeritus at the University of Chicago, arrives for six months as a visiting scholar.

8-9 Oct.  Antonino Forte of the Italian Culture Institute in Kyoto arrives with his wife Lila for a few days. They are in Nagoya for the examination of a collection of ancient apocryphal texts at Nanatsu-dera.

17 Oct.  The first of a series of five seminars is held with Jamie Hubbard on the Sangaikyō.

31 Oct.  Jim Heisig leaves for a brief trip to Hong Kong and Bangkok to transfer the editorship of Inter-Religio to the Christian Study Centre on Chinese and to arrange for the March 1993 Inter-Religio conference in Bangkok.

10 Nov.  Peter Igarashi, a visiting specialist in New Testament studies who has come to Japan to do research on Shinran’s use of Chinese scriptures, comes to the Institute for the first of several extended visits. His study is co-sponsored by the NCC Center for Japanese Religions in Kyoto and the Nanzan Institute.

14 Nov.  A seminar is held with Fuchigami Kyōko on shamanistic elements in contemporary Korean Christianity.

15 Nov.  Livia Kohn, professor at Boston University and currently on research leave in Kyoto, visits the Institute.

Brian Lawless, an associate member of the Christian Study Centre on Chinese Culture and Religion in Hong Kong, comes to Nanzan to complete arrangements for transferring publication of the *Inter-Religio* bulletins to Hong Kong.

A seminar is held with visiting scholar Harrie Vanderstappen on reinterpreting Chinese art through landscape paintings.

A colloquium is held with Dr. Juan Carlos Scannone of the Universidad del Salvador in Buenos Aires on “The Social Teaching of the Catholic Church: A Latin American Perspective.”

A conference is held with Yamaori Tetsuo of the International Center for the Study of Japanese Culture in Kyoto on “Goddesses.”

The first of two seminars is held with IIoro Atsuhiko on his research on the philosophers of the Kyoto School.

Paul Swanson leaves for two weeks in Hawaii, where he attends the Lotus Conference and a conference on Japanese spirituality held at the East-West Center.

Shimazono Susumu of Tokyo University comes for a colloquium on “Dialogue and the Role of Religion in Modern Society.”

Harrie Vanderstappen and Jamie Hubbard depart for the United States, concluding their stays at Nanzan.

Kadowaki Ihkichi, director of the Institute for Oriental Religions at Sophia University comes for a colloquium on “Zeami, Ki, and Interreligious Dialogue.”

Tom Kirchner arrives to assume the post of editorial assistant.

Herbert Guenther, professor emeritus of the University of Saskatchewan, Canada, arrives for three weeks of residence to work on his forthcoming book, *The Ecstasy of Spontaneity*.

Paul Hoornaert of Kanazawa University comes for three days to discuss the publication of his manuscript on “The Controversy Between Madhyamika and Yogācāra,” and gather material on Buddhist-Christian dialogue.

Dr. K. P. Jog of Deccan College in Poona, India, delivers a colloquium on “The Assimilation of Buddhism into Hinduism.”

Ed Skrzypczak returns to Australia after two years as editorial assistant on the staff.
**Other Visitors included:**

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<td>Yusa Michiko, professor at West Washington University, Bellingham, Wa.</td>
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<td>14 May</td>
<td>Margarita Medina, graduate student and lecturer at Universität Hamburg</td>
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<td>4 July</td>
<td>Miyuki Mokusen, professor at California State University at Northridge.</td>
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<td>18 July</td>
<td>Peter Nosco, professor at the University of Southern California, Los Angeles. Kim Sung-gon of Seoul, Korea, Ph.D. diplomat of Temple University, Philadelphia, Pa.</td>
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<td>4 Aug</td>
<td>Romulo Rañada, Ph.D. candidate in the Department of Theology at the University of Leuven, Belgium.</td>
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<td>25 Jul</td>
<td>Silvio Vita, professor of Oriental studies at the Università di Roma.</td>
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<td>Carver T. Yu, professor at Hong Kong Baptist College.</td>
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<td>9 Oct</td>
<td>Dr. Gerhard Schepers, professor of German literature and culture at the International Christian University, Tokyo.</td>
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<td>21 Oct</td>
<td>Paul Waddell, professor of ethics at the Catholic Theological Union in Chicago.</td>
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<td>21 Oct</td>
<td>Ozaki Makoto, formerly of the University of München and recently returned to Japan.</td>
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<td>24 Oct</td>
<td>Atsumi Reiko, senior lecturer in Asian and international studies at Griffith University in Australia.</td>
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<td>4 Dec</td>
<td>Donatella Trotta, a journalist for <em>Il Mattino</em>, and Paola Gaggianone, editor at Editoriale Marcon in Città di Castello, Italy.</td>
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<td>19 Dec</td>
<td>Lawrence Nemer, professor of Christian history at the Yarra School of Theology in Brisbane, Australia.</td>
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<td>3 Jan</td>
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<td>4 Jan</td>
<td>Tanya Sienko, a researcher for NASDA in Tsukuba University.</td>
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14 Feb. Dennis Hirota of the Nishi Hongan-ji International Center in Kyoto.

16 Feb. Hans Ucko, executive secretary of the Office on Inter-religious Relations at the World Council of Churches in Geneva, comes for a brief visit and a night at the Paulus Heim.

20 Feb. Trevor Ashley, a graduate student at Waseda University.

2 March Gene Reeves, formerly professor of divinity in Chicago and currently teaching in Japan.

17 Dec. Lee Yearley, chair of the Department of Religious Studies at Stanford University, California.

31 March Prof. Gary L. Chamberlain of the Department of Theology and Religious Studies at Seattle University, Washington.
Calendar of Events

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7 April  William Johnston of Sophia University comes for a series of seminars on his current research into mystical theology. Three sessions are held with members of the staff.

23 April  Ueda Kenji of Kokugakuin comes for a colloquium on Shinto, the fifth in our series on “Perspectives on Religion and Culture.”

27 April  Harvey Cox, an old friend of the Institute, accompanied by two members of the Sōka Gakkai, comes for a brief visit and overnight at the Paulus Heim. We watch together the BBC production of “Jesus Christ, Moviestar,” which he helped produce.

14 May  The first copies of Rennyo, vol. 3 of Nanzan Studies in Asian Religions, arrive from the publishers.

21 May  Joe O’Leary comes for the weekend to help complete work on a final version of the introduction to volume 1 of the two Buddhist volumes of the World Spirituality Encyclopedia. Horo Atsuhiko makes the first of two presentations on Tanabe’s meta-noetics and logic of species.

28 May  In the morning, a second session is held with Horo Atsuhiko on his work on Tanabe Hajime. Ueda Shizuteru addresses the question of “Culture and Interreligious Dialogue” at a colloquium in the afternoon.

4 June  Peter Igarashi addresses a seminar on his work on hermeneutics and Shinran’s Kyōgyōshinshō.

11 June  Jan Van Bragt addresses a seminar on the chapter on Scripture in a planned book on a theology of world religions. Joe O’Leary arrives for a week of work on a book and the usual conviviality.

12 June  William Johnston comes for two days of seminars on the first three chapters of his book on mystical theology, continuing the sessions held in April.

19 June  Miyashita Seiki and Robert Rhodes of the Shinshū Sōgō Kenkyūjo at Otani University stop in for a visit.
23 June  Ed Skrzypczak returns to the Institute for a week, to assist with editing the next volume of Nanzan Studies in Asian Religions, and to complete a book of his own.

29 June  Keel Hee-Sung arrives for a month to work on his Shinran manuscript.

30 June  Paula Arai (doctoral candidate at Harvard University and formerly an affiliated member of the Institute) returns for a brief visit. She is in Nagoya to attend a sesshin with Aoyama Sensei.

2 July  Jan Van Bragt presents his colloquium on “Problems in Interreligious Dialogue,” the last in our series of colloquia connected with the coming symposium in September.

4 July  Peter Igarashi returns to the U. S., after having spent a year at Nanzan and the NCC Center in Kyoto.

7 July  Cardinal Arinze, head of the Pontifical Council for Interreligious Dialogue, pays a visit with his secretary, Rev. M. Shirieda. The semi-annual EGSID meeting is hosted at Nanzan, at which the Cardinal holds a colloquium with representatives from Oriens, Sophia, Schweitzer Betsuin, the NCC Center in Kyoto, and Nanzan.

9 July  Simon Kaner, graduate student in archaeology from Cambridge University, visits for three days to help finish work on the annual double issue of the *Japanese Journal of Religious Studies*. He co-edited the issue with Mark Hudson of the Australian National University.

15 July  Ms. Lin Pang, a graduate student in the Department of Anthropology at the Catholic University of Leuven, arrives for a month of research on “International Japanese Youth,” the subject of her doctoral dissertation. She is a student of Prof. E. Roosens.

17 July  Miyuki Mokusen of the State University of California comes for a two-day seminar on “The Secret of the Golden Flower.” The event is sponsored by the Tōkai Branch of the Jung Club of Japan.

23 July  Jim Heisig leaves for Hawaii, where he is to conduct a short workshop at the Japan-American Institute for Management Science.

27 July  Jan Van Bragt and Paul Swanson depart for the United States, where they will be joined by Jim Heisig and other members of the Tōzai Shūkyō Kōryū Gakkai for the Buddhist-Christian Conference, held at Boston University.

8 Aug  Paul Mommaers, a Flemish scholar from the University of Antwerp working on natural mysticism, comes for a five-month stay at the Institute as a visiting scholar.

5 Sept  Sulak Sivaraksa comes to join the staff as a visiting scholar.

14 Sept  Watanabe Manabu is honored with an academic award from the Japanese Association for Religious Studies in recognition of scholarly
achievement.

18 Sept Cindy Mullins comes to work with the Nanzan staff on the first issue of the *Japan Christian Review*.

21 Oct Paul Mommaers holds the first of five seminars on natural mysticism in the thought of Jan van Ruusbroec.

23 Oct Sulak Sivaraksa conducts a colloquium on “Buddhist Ethics in Asia: A Thai Perspective.”

Anton Quack, editor of *Anthropos*, stops in for a visit.

28 Oct Miguel D’Escoto, formerly minister for the Sandinista government in Nicaragua, comes to Nanzan for a visit and dinner with representatives from the Institute and the Latin American Research Center. Jan Swyngedouw leaves for a teaching stint at the Maryhill School of Theology in Manila.

4 Nov A seminar is held with Sulak Sivaraksa on his work in Buddhist-Christian relations and problems of development.

3 Dec A formal colloquium is held with Paul Mommaers on “No-Self in Christian Mysticism.”

11 Dec A meeting of the regents of the Tōzai Shūkyō Kōryū Gakkai is held at Nanzan with Yagi Seiichi, Akizuki Ryōmin, Honda Masaaki, and Ueda Shizuteru coming for the occasion.

1993

7 Jan Ian Reader, currently visiting professor in the Department of Religion at the University of Hawaii, stops in for a day’s visit to discuss common projects with Paul Swanson.

26 Jan Joe O’Leary, member extraordinaire of the Institute staff, comes for three weeks of work on his forthcoming book.

19 Feb Sister Kim Sung-Hae of Sogang University pays a three-day visit to discuss the idea of forming an institute for interreligious dialogue in Korea.

23 Mar Larry Sullivan, director of the Center for the Study of World Religions at Harvard University and a former visiting scholar at the Nanzan Institute, stops in for a two-day visit and formal discussion with the staff.

25 Mar Nicholas Gier, professor of philosophy at the University of Idaho, stops in for a ten-day research visit.

29 Mar Mark Mullins of Meiji Gakuin University in Tokyo comes for intensive work on a collection of readings in Japanese religions he is co-editing with Paul Swanson and Shimazono Susumu.

30 Mar Kokubu Keiji, professor emeritus of Nanzan University, leads a troupe of six to the headquarters of the Tensokōyō, a post-war religion with
Christian roots, in the outskirts of Nagoya. The group’s chief theologian, Matai-ju, was present for a two-hour discussion.

**Other visitors included:**

**1992**

2 April Dr. Frans Kuylaers, retired professor of Bonn University  
11 April Hirata Masanobu and Heiner Heine, journalists working with the Lutheran Church in Germany  
18 April Brian McVeigh (Ph.D. in Anthropology from Princeton), now teaching at Kōryō University in Toyota City  
21 April Jean Van Hautte, president of the UFSIA University in Antwerp  
1 May Murano Nobutada of Myōchō-ji in Kamakura  
8 May William E. Paden, professor of comparative religion at the University of Vermont  
14 May John R. Mayer, professor of philosophy at Brock University in Ontario  
23 July Tamura Kazuyoshi of the Risshōkōseikai, Tokyo  
6 Aug Jacques Scheuer, professor at Louvain-La-Neuve in Belgium and Director of “Voies de l’Orient” in Brussels  
20 Aug Marvin Bordelon, president of the American Conference on Religious Movements  
30 Aug Simon Moon, a Ph.D. student in the Department of Religious Studies at the University of Toronto  
3 Sept Mark Hudson, Ph.D. student in archaeology and anthropology at the Australian National University in Canberra  
Akima Toshio, senior lecturer, University of Auckland, New Zealand  
24 Sept Dan Bauer of Fu Jén University in Taipei  
14 Nov Carlos Pape, a member of the Generalate of the Society of the Divine Word, Rome  
30 Nov Royall Tyler, Australian National University, Canberra  
15 Dec Morten Munch of Aarhus, Denmark  
Robert Schreiter, professor of systematic theology at the Catholic Theological Union in Chicago

**1993**

10 Feb Urs App, Associate Director at the International Research Institute for Zen Buddhism, Hanazono University  
4 March Robert Carter, professor at Trent University in Canada  
23 March Mark Blum, Ph.D. in Buddhist studies from the University of California in Berkeley, and Theresa Austin, professor at New York University
Calendar of Events

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1 April     Bob Kisala joins the staff as a research student, and Ed Skrzypczak rejoins the staff as a copy-editor-at-large for the Nanzan Gakuen.

7 April    A morning seminar of three hours is held with William Johnston on four more chapters of his ongoing book on mystical theology.

25 May     Martin Colcutt, Professor of Far Eastern Literature and History at Princeton University, presently in Japan on sabbatical at the Kokusai Nihon Bunka Sentā, gives a special lecture on “Politics and Religion in the Early Kamakura Period: The Case of Yoritomo and Masako.” The event was co-sponsored by the Institute and the Department of Japanese Studies at Nanzan University.

24 June    The first of a series of periodical meetings with local scholars of religion is held, with a paper presented by Kawahashi Noriko on “Gender and Religion.”

10 July    The staff travels to Tokyo for the semiannual meeting of EGSID (Ecumenical Group for the Study of Interreligious Dialogue), held at Sophia University.

3–5 Aug.   Paul Swanson, Jan Van Bragt, and Jim Heisig attend the International Shinshū conference at Ōtani University in Kyoto, and each presents a paper.

30 Aug.    Yusa Michiko, Associate Professor at West Washington University, U. S. A., arrives for a year’s stay as a Japan Foundation Fellow to do work on her book on Nishida Kitarō.

            The first copies of Religion and Society in Modern Japan (volume 5 of Nanzan Studies in Asian Religions) arrive.

4–11 Oct.  Jim Heisig represents the Institute at an international conference sponsored by the Pontifical Council for Theology and Culture, held at Les Fontaines, Chantilly, France.

15 Oct.    Onodera Gō presents a paper comparing images of the river to the world of the dead in ancient Greece and Japan to the second meeting of local scholars of religion.

28 Oct.    Jan Van Bragt delivers a seminar on his work with Paul Mommaers on “Mysticism Christian and Buddhist.”

10 Nov.    Paul Swanson leaves for a lecture tour in the United States and pre-
sentations at the annual meeting of the American Academy of Religion in Washington, D.C.

20 Nov. Jim Heisig goes to Tokyo to receive the Culture Translation Award from the Japan Society of Translators for the Japanese translation of Rudolf Otto’s *Öst-Westliche Mystik*, which he collaborated on with Hino Shōun and Hanazono Toshimaro.

24 Nov. Jan Van Bragt leaves for the Philippines to address a meeting of the Federation of Asian Bishops on the subject of the Theology of Religions.

26 Nov. Nakano Tsuyoshi, a fellow of the Tōyōtetsugaku Kenkyūjo and Professor of Humanities at Sōka Daigaku, comes for a colloquium on “Sōka Gakkai: Ideals and Movements.” He is joined by Shiozu Tōru, Director of Research at their institute.


10 Dec. Tom Kirchner completes his Master’s Thesis for Ōtani University on the Tendai *Shōshikan*.

11 Dec. Jim Heisig addresses a conference in Kyoto on “Shinto’s Internationalism.”


21 Dec. Jan Van Bragt is approved at the University Senate as Professor Emeritus and his term is extended for another three years.

Word reaches us that two books in the series “Nanzan Studies in Asian Religions” were awarded prizes this past year. Minor and Ann Rogers’s *Rennyo: The Second Founder of Shin Buddhism* was selected as one of *Choice* magazine’s “Outstanding Academic Books, 1994”; and Jan Nattier’s *Once Upon a Future Time: Studies in a Prophecy of Decline* was awarded the Gustave O. Arlt Award in Religious Studies for 1993.

1994

19 Jan. Robert Carter, an associate researcher based in Kyoto for the year, comes for a first visit to discuss his translation of Watsuji. He is in Japan on a grant from the Japan Foundation to work with Yamamoto Seisaku.

20 Jan. William Johnston holds another seminar concerning his work on mystical theology.

4 Feb. The third meeting of local scholars of religion is held, with a presentation by Bob Kisala on “Ideas of Peace in the New Religions.”

19 Feb. Bob Kisala successfully defends his doctoral thesis at the Department of Religious Studies in the Faculty of Arts and Letters of Tokyo
23 Feb. Paul Swanson and Liang Xiao-Hong participate in a survey and examination of the Heian-period copy of the Buddhist canon discovered in a warehouse at Nanatsu-dera in Nagoya. The canon contains many heretofore undiscovered or lost apocryphal texts.

24-26 Feb. Jan Van Bragt, Ishiwaki Yoshifusa, Paul Swanson, and Watanabe Manabu attend a dialogue seminar for Catholic seminarians at the Yamashina Honganji Betsuin. Jan Van Bragt gives a lecture on the importance of interreligious dialogue, and Paul Swanson gives a lecture on basic Buddhist ideas. The theme of the seminar is “Dialogue with Japanese Religions—Jōdo Shinshū.” The two Shinshū guest lecturers are Sasaki Shōten and Ōmura Eishō, who describe both Shinshū dogmatics and the daily life of a Shinshū member.

26 Feb. Jan Van Bragt, Jim Heisig, Paul Swanson, and Watanabe Manabu travel to Kyoto to attend the biannual meeting of EGSID (Ecumenical Group for the Study of Interreligious Dialogue) meeting at the NCC Center in Kyoto.

28 Feb. Jim Heisig leaves for Europe to hold discussions with the Institute for Social Ethics of Nanzan and its counterpart in Leuven University. While there, he delivers a lecture on Japanese philosophy.

8–12 Mar. A five-day conference on “Zen, The Kyoto School, and Japanese Nationalism” is held in Santa Fe, New Mexico. Jan Van Bragt, Jim Heisig, Yusa Michiko, and Tom Kirchner all attend.

22 March Jan Van Bragt presents a lecture on “World Religion: Its Conditions and Tasks” at the tenth annual conference of the Tōyō Tetsugaku Kenkyūjo of Sōka University (reprinted in translation in this issue).

Other visitors from abroad included:

1993

6 April Maggi Nordström and Anna Åkerlund, theological students from the University of Uppsala, Sweden
18 April David and Ann Kolb of Bates College, Maine
22 April Rev. G. Hofsteede, a member of ACUCA (Association of Christian Universities and Colleges in Asia)
24 April Raimon Panikkar, Tavertet, Catalunya
20 May Gereon Kopf, a graduate student in religion from Temple University, U. S. A.
8 June Galen Amstutz, Department of Religion, Florida State University
22 June Tom Minehart, Western Michigan University, U. S. A.
7 July Thomas Kasulis, chair of the Department of East Asian Languages and
9 July  Michael Pye, Secretary to the International Association for the History of Religions; and Christine Pye, Teaching Fellow, Japanese Studies Programme, both of Lancaster University

16 July  John Maraldo, professor of philosophy, Florida State University

23 July  Gilbert and Sheila Johnston, Howard and Nancy Carter, all of Eckherd College, St. Petersburg, Florida

25 July  Nico Tydeman, director of a Zen center in Holland, and Christa Anbeek, Ph. D. candidate at the University of Leiden and the Free University of Amsterdam

26 July  Jay Demerath, professor of sociology at Amherst College

31 July  Tanya Sienko, National Institute of Science and Technology Policy in Tokyo

1 Aug.  Pieu Hut, Institute for Advanced Study in Princeton

2 Aug.  Brian Levitt, independent computer software developer

29 Aug.  Van Der Meersch of Leuven University

30 Aug.  Larry Sullivan, director of Harvard’s Center for the Study of World Religions

Gary Ebersole of the Divinity School, University of Chicago

Pahich Vandermeersch, professor of the psychology of religion in Groningen

1 Nov.  Yvonne Dahlin of the Church of Sweden mission

11 Nov.  Michiko Ishigami-Iagolnitzer of the Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique in Paris

30 Nov.  Chris Ives, associate professor at the University of Puget Sound, Washington

1994

8 Jan.  Mary Flaherty, currently employed at Osaka Gakuin University

31 Jan.  Gerard Hall, Catholic Theological Union in Melbourne

10 March  Nils Grueber, Consul General of the Federal Republic of Germany

23 March  Eric Baye, director of “Economie et Humanisme,” Lyon, France
Calendar of Events

April 1994–March 1995

1994

1 May  Jan Van Bragt, Yusa Michiko, Tom Kirchner, and Jim Heisig travel to Kyoto for a follow-up session to the International Zen Symposium meeting in Santa Fe.

18 May  William Johnston continues his seminars on mystical theology with the Institute.

8 June  Professor Ty Unno of Smith College, Northhampton, Mass., presents an interim report on his study of nationalism and the Kyoto School.

17 June  The fourth meeting of local scholars of religion is held, with a paper presented by Yusa Michiko on “Thoughts on the Origins of Nishida Kitarō’s Idea of Pure Experience.”

6 July  Kenneth Dale, Professor at Japan Lutheran Theological College in Tokyo and Director of its Personal Growth and Counseling Center, comes to discuss his project on “Christian Witness in the Buddhist-Secularist Society of Japan.”

10 July  Paul Swanson travels to Bandai-sō in northern Japan to participate in the “International Conference on the Lotus Sutra,” a meeting of the International Buddhist-Christian Theological Encounter Group.

18 July  Jan Van Bragt, Paul Swanson, and Jim Heisig travel to Kyoto for the annual meeting of the Japan Chapter of the Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies.

20 July  A colloquium is held with Johan Verstraeten of Leuven University on “Ethical Perspectives in Europe.” The event is jointly sponsored with the Institute for Social Ethics.

18 August  John Maraldo arrives for work on the editing of the volume from the Santa Fe International Zen Symposium.

16 Sept  Keel Hee-Sung of Sogang University comes for a week of work on his book on Shinran.

13 Oct  A colloquium with Kobayashi Masahiro of the Tōyō Tetsugaku Kenkyūjo is held.

15 Oct  Iemoto Hiroichi, a member of the Nanzan Institute for Social Ethics, travels to the Tōyō Tetsugaku Kenkyūjo in Tokyo for a colloquium on

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“Catholicism and Social Movements.”

18 Oct Jim Heisig delivers a lecture on “Religion and Society” in the fourth of a series of five lectures held in Tokyo under the theme “Religion and Society.” It is organized by the Institute for Oriental Philosophy of Sōka University.

27 Oct Antony Fernando and his wife Vivyan arrive for a year as a Visiting Scholar in residence.

20 Nov Jim Heisig travels to Osaka for a four-day conference at the Minpaku on Indian Cosmology, where he delivers a paper on “The Quest for the True Self.”

24 Nov A colloquium is held with Yamamoto Shūichi of Sōka University’s Institute for Oriental Philosophy on “Sōka Gakkai and the Problem of the Environment.”

25 Nov Okuyama Michiaki delivers a paper on “Historical Determination and Religious Creativity” at the fifth meeting of the local scholars of religion.

1995

31 Jan Jan Van Bragt leaves for a brief stint at Harvard as holder of the Numata Chair. While there, he team teaches a course with Gordon Kaufman.

11 Feb John Kirby, director of the Tamale Institute for Crosscultural Studies (TICS) in Ghana, comes to spend a week at the Institute.

24 Feb The first copies of *Mysticism Buddhist and Christian* arrive from the publishers.

19 March Jim Heisig leaves for Vietnam to meet with Buddhist and Christian scholars and see about collaboration in the future.

**Other visitors from abroad included:**

**1994**

11 May Steven Rowe, Professor of Religion, Grand Valley State University

17 May Roald Kristiansen, Assoc. Professor at Finnmark College, Norway

21 May Mark Blum, Director of Japanese Studies at Florida Atlantic University

28 May Jan Nattier of Indiana University

30 May Ilsen Bulhof, Professor of Philosophy at the University of Leiden

1 June Aasulv Lande, Professor of Lund University, Sweden

29 June Steven Heine, Religious Studies Department at Penn State University

5 July Lonnie Wigg, Oregon State

25 Oct Ian Reader, University of Stirling
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April 1995–March 1996

1995

1 April Umezawa Yumiko joins the staff as a Research Associate. She will be working on her own doctoral thesis (Nothingness and God) and preparing a translation of Panikkar’s *Cosmotheandric Experience*.

19 April Antony Fernando gives a first seminar on chapter 1 of his book, *Understanding Christianity*.

23 May The seventh of our colloquia with the Sōka Gakkai is held in Tokyo with Bob Kisala speaking on “The Christian Concept of Peace.”

13 May An EGSID (Ecumenical Group for the Study of Interreligious Dialogue) meeting is held at the Oriens Institute in Tokyo. Ernst Priyens addresses the assembly on current problems of missiology.

31 May The first copy of the latest volume of Nanzan Studies in Religion and Culture, *Rude Awakenings*, arrives from the publishers. A second in our series of seminars with Antony Fernando is held in the morning.

1–4 June Jan Van Bragt, Paul Swanson, and Watanabe Manabu attend the 2nd Annual Meeting of the International Association for Asian Philosophy and Religion in Tokyo.

3 June Jim Heisig delivers a lecture at the Italian Kaikan in Kyoto as part of a commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the death of Nishida Kitarō. His topic is “Tanabe’s Logic of the Specific and the Critique of the Global Village.”

6–11 June Jim Heisig directs a weeklong conference with the brothers of DeLasalle in Negombo, Sri Lanka, on the topic of “Globalization.” He delivers a final lecture on “Re-imagining the World.”

15 June Shiozu Tōru of the Institute for Oriental Philosophy presents the eighth in our series of colloquia with the Institute for Oriental Philosophy. His topic is “Social Action and the Sōka Gakkai.”

27 June Torisu Yoshifumi talks at the Institute for Oriental Philosophy in Tokyo on “The Role of the Religious Order in Catholicism.” His is the ninth in our ongoing colloquium series.

28 June Antony Fernando delivers another in his ongoing series of seminars.
30 June  Cheryll Allam comes for two days to work on the final editing and produc-
tion of the issue of the Japan Christian Review.

6 July  A colloquium is held with Kurihara Toshie on “Women’s Movements
in the Sōka Gakkai.” It is the tenth and final colloquium of our series of
dialogues with the Institute for Oriental Philosophy.

7 July  A farewell party is held for Jan Swyngedouw, who retires from the
Institute after nearly twenty years of service.

15 July  A day’s symposium is held in Tokyo, in closed session, between the full
staffs of the Nanzan Institute and the Institute for Oriental Philosophy.
The starting point for the discussion is Jan Van Bragt’s paper on “World
Religion: Its Conditions and Tasks.”

21 June  Heinrich Dumoulin, noted scholar of Zen and first director of the
Nanzan Institute dies. (See In Memoriam in this issue.)

24–26 July  The annual meeting of the Japan Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies
is held at the Palace Side Hotel in Kyoto.

7–11 Aug  Jim Heisig, Jan Van Bragt, and Paul Swanson travel to Mexico to attend
and make presentations at the International Congress for the History
of Religions.

11–16 Aug  Bob Kisala travels to Korea for a symposium conducted by Japanese and
Korean religious researchers.

1 Sep  Watanabe Manabu leaves for a sabbatical at Harvard’s Center for the
Study of World Religions.

13–14 Sep  The 9th Nanzan Symposium is held with Sōka Gakkai’s Institute for
Oriental Philosophy.

6–15 Oct  Paul Swanson travels to Paris to attend the Conférence Tendai de Paris.

22 Oct  A delegation from Vietnam’s Van Hanh Zen Monastery comes to spend
a week in Japan at our invitation. The staff, together with Thich
Nguyen Tam accompanies them to Kyoto and Tokyo. A discussion is
held at Nanzan on the afternoon of 24 October. The delegation
includes Thich Tri Quang, Thich Giac Toan, and lay brother Tran Tuan
Man.

5–9 Nov  Bob Kisala was in Pune, India for a meeting on missiological education
and research in the Asia-Pacific region.

24 Nov  Stefano Cammelli of “Viaggi di Culture” and a group of 9 persons from
Italy come for an afternoon of reflection on religion in Japan.

30 Nov  Victor Mair, Professor of the University of Pennsylvania, presents a col-
loquium on “Southeast Asian Bottle-Gourd Myths and their Assimi-
lation into Chinese and Japanese Culture.”

9 Dec  Nanzan hosts the bi-annual EGSID meeting. Kenneth Dale addresses the
group on the growth patterns of the Christian Churches in Japan.
1996

2 Jan  Copies of Understanding Shinran, vol. 6 of Nanzan Studies in Asian Religions, arrive from Asian Humanities Press.

30 Jan  Bob Kisala and Jim Heisig travel to the Seton Interreligious Center in Seoul for a two-day meeting on restructuring the Inter-Religious network.

9 March  A farewell party is held for Jan Van Bragt, who retires from the Institute after more than 20 years of service.

11 March  Jim Heisig travels to Mexico City to chair an international conference on “The Megalopolis” and to deliver a summary lecture.

Other visitors included:

1995

6 May  Paula Arai, Department of Religious Studies, Vanderbilt University

1 June  Prof. Václav Wolf of the Catholic Faculty of Theology, Charles University, Prague

5 June  Madeleine Neave, student at Nara Women’s University, Department of Geography

13 June  Bernard Faure, Professor of Religious Studies, Stanford University

19 June  Ian Reader, Nordic Institute of Asian Studies in Copenhagen

1–3 July  Ng Yu Kwan, Senior Lecturer in the Department of Religion and Philosophy, Hong Kong Baptist College

19 July  Ruben Habito, Professor, Perkins School of Theology.

Lucia Dolce, doctoral candidate at the University of Leiden

9 Sep  Clark Chilson, lecturer in Japanese Religions, University of Lancaster

29 Sep  Dr. Werner Freistetter, secretary to the Pontifical Institute for Theology and Cultures

Dr. Jan Nattier, Assoc. Professor, Department of Religious Studies, Indiana University

John MacRae, Assoc. Professor, Department of Religious Studies, Indiana University

2 Dec  Tina Hamrin, doctoral candidate, Stockholm University

12 Dec  Professor Michael Brannigan, LaRoche College, Pittsburg

1996

2 Jan  Karel Dobbellaere, Professor of Sociology, Leuven University

10 Jan  Wendy Smith, Senior Lecturer, Department of Japanese Studies, Monash University
13 Jan  Pat Crosby, Editor at the University of Hawaii Press
6 Feb   Prof. David Fand, George Mason University’s Center for Study of Public Choice
         Prof. Onitsuka Yūsuke, Tokyo University, Department of Social Sciences
15 Feb  Gurbakhsh Sing, Nehru scholar of Zen Buddhism and a doctoral student at Delhi University
16 Feb  David Olson, translator, Tokyo
21 Feb  Robert Eppsteiner of the Boston Research Center for the Twenty-First Century (SGI) in Boston
         Prof. Ruth Hayhoe, University of Toronto
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1996

1 April Inaba Kōyu 稲葉広由 joins the staff as an Associate Research Fellow, and Sr. Kimura Akiko 木村晶子 begins a term as an Affiliated Researcher.

5 April Jim Heisig begins his thirteenth year of seminars for the public at large, concluding a three-year study of the history of magic.

16 May A colloquium is held with Loek Halman, research fellow at the Work and Organization Research Center of Tilburg University in the Netherlands, on “Changes in Religion and Morality in Western Societies: Results from the European Values Studies 1981–1990.”

29 May Paul Swanson and Watanabe Manabu leave for Taiwan to present papers at the annual meeting of the International Association for Asian Philosophy and Religion.

3 June Mark Mullins, professor at Meiji Gakuin University in Tokyo, comes for three days of research concerning his study of indigenous Japanese Christian movements.

6 June Jamie Hubbard, Numata Professor at Smith College, arrives for an extended stay to collaborate with Paul Swanson on a volume of essays concerning “critical Buddhism.”

8 June Jim Heisig, Ishiwaki Yoshifusa, and Bob Kisala travel to Tokyo for the semiannual meeting of the Ecumenical Group for the Study of Interreligious Dialogue, held at Sophia University.

14 June A meeting is held with representatives from the Institute for Oriental Philosophy (Sōka University), the International Institute for the Study of Religion (Kokugakuin University), and Nanzan to discuss a Japanese version of the European Values Study.

28 June The seventh meeting of Local Scholars of Religion is held. Hisamatsu Eiji of Nanzan makes a presentation on “Quiétude in the Orthodox Tradition.”

29 June The first copies of Catholicism and Sōka Gakkai arrive from the publishers.

7 July Okuyama Michiaki, former research fellow, leaves for a year’s study in the United States as a foreign research scholar of the Institute.
17 July Paul Swanson, Umezawa Yumiko, and Jim Heisig go to Kyoto for the annual meeting of the Japan Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies.


30 Aug. Word reaches us from Daisanbunmei-sha that Catholicism and Sōka Gakkai is going into a reprint of 3,000 copies, after the first printing of 3,000 copies sold out within two months.

1 Sep. Jim Heisig and Umezawa Yumiko leave for Spain to meet with Raimon Panikkar and discuss the translation of his The Cosmotheandric Experience into Japanese.

2 Sept. Philip Vanhaelemersch, who is pursuing doctoral studies at Leuven University, comes as a visiting researcher for three months.

15 Sep. Su Jun 蘇軍 of the Academy for Social Sciences in Beijing begins his term as a scholar in residence to work on Sung-dynasty Buddhism.

16 Oct. A first seminar is held with Philip Vanhaelemersch concerning his comparative work on Buddhist and Christian mysticism.

17 Oct. The eighth meeting of Local Scholars of Religion is held, with a paper presented by Kurokawa Kazufumi 黒川和文 of Aichi Kyōiku University on “The History and Thought of the Russian Orthodox Church.”


6 Nov. A second seminar is held with Philip Vanhaelemersch concerning his work on Buddhist mysticism.

7 Nov. A colloquium is held with Horio Tsutomu 堂尾孟 of Ōtani University on “What Nishitani Expected from Christianity.”

12 Dec. The Anthropological Institute, in collaboration with the Institute for Religion and Culture, hosts a colloquium by Klaus Peter Köpping, Professor of the Institute for Ethnology at the University of Heidelberg, on “Salvation in a Playful Mode: Religious Legitimization through Linguistic Means in the Case of Mahikari’s Founder.”

1997

7 Jan. Paul Swanson leaves for the University of Leiden, where he contributes to a symposium on “The Canonization and Decanonization of Scripture” and takes the occasion to deliver a series of seminars in the graduate school.

14 Jan. Bob Kisala leaves for Bali, Indonesia, to assist in preparing an international conference to be held at Nanzan in September 1997.
27 Jan.  Paul Swanson, Jim Heisig, and Bob Kisala travel to Kyoto for the seventh Inter-Religio conference, sponsored this year by the NCC Center for the Study of Japanese Religions.

28 Feb.  Watanabe Manabu returns from his sabbatical studies at Harvard, and immediately heads off to Tokyo to collaborate with an American scholar on a book on Aum Shinrikyō.

11–24 March  Bob Kisala leaves for the University of Stellenbosch in South Africa, where he gives a series of special lectures at Stellenbach University on Japanese religious values.

24-26 March  The tenth Nanzan symposium on the theme “What Does Christianity Have to Learn from Buddhism?”, is held. (See keynote address in this issue.)

Other visitors included:

1996

15 May  Sachiko Kaneko Morrell, Librarian of Asian and Near Eastern Studies at Washington University in St. Louis, U. S. A.

11 June  Pekka Huhtinen, a pastor in the Japan Evangelic Lutheran Church of Nagoya.

13 June  Daniel Metraux of Mary Baldwin College, Staunton, Va.

22 June  Mark Blum, director of Japanese Studies at Florida Atlanta University.

13 July  Catherine Cornille and Jeff Bloechel of the University of Leuven.

22 Aug.  Mahinda Deegalle, a recently graduated Ph.D. from Harvard and research collaborator in the Department of Buddhist Studies, Kyoto University.


1-5 Sep.  Shih Heng-ching, Professor in the Department of Philosophy and Center for Buddhist Studies at National Taiwan University.

16 Sep.  Phil Blosser, Professor in the Philosophy Department at Lenoir-Rhyne College in North Carolina.

16 Sep.  Prof. Fred Dallmayr, the Packey J. Dee Professor of Political Theory at the University of Notre Dame.

6 Oct.  Werner Ustof, Professor of Mission in the School of Philosophy and Theology of Birmingham University.

10 Oct.  Nagami Isamu of Rikkyō University, Tokyo.

1 Nov.  Prof. Ann Harrington of Mundelein College, Chicago.

26 Nov.  Brian Bocking, director of the Study of Religions Department at Bath
College in England.
Kang Sung Do of the Center for Pacific and Asian-American Ministries at the Claremont School of Theology.

3 Dec. Johann Klinghorn of the University of Stellenbosch in South Africa.
10 Dec. Han Marie Siekema, a medial doctor and spiritual writer from Holland.

1997

20 Jan. Jorn Borup of Aarhus University in Denmark and currently a visiting member of the NCC Center for the Study of Japanese Religions in Kyoto.
26 Feb. Aasulv Lande from the Department of Theology and Religious Studies at Lund University.
24 March Professor Hans Waldenfels, University of Bonn.
Professor Luis Gómez, University of Michigan.
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1997

1 April Watanabe Manabu returns from sabbatical at Harvard University.

6 April Yoshiko Howard comes as a visiting scholar for two months’ work on Endō Shūsaku.

17 April A colloquium is held with Ilse Bulhof of the Catholic University of Leiden on “Derrida and the Formless Self.”

24 April Ian Reader comes for a month’s stay to work on a special edition of the JJRS dealing with pilgrimage in Japan.

30 April Ben Dorman, a graduate student at The Australian National University, joins the staff as a research student to carry on doctoral work in Japanese religions.

7 May A seminar is held with Yoshiko Howard on “Endō Shūsaku and Love.”

7 June Biju Kizhakkele, a member of the Divine Word Missionaries Overseas Training Program, joins the Institute as a research student for the third year of his training.

2 June Daniel Metraux of Mary Baldwin College arrives for two weeks of work on a book about Aum Shinrikyō.

6 June The ninth meeting of scholars of religion from central Japan is held at the Institute, with a paper by Oda Yoshiko of Kansai University on “Religious Philosophy and the Meaning of Religious Community.”

1 Aug. Victor Hori of McGill University in Canada arrives for a year as a Visiting Research Fellow to work on his translation of the collection of Zen sayings, 禅林句集.

Watanabe Manabu leaves for the United States to do work with Prof. Robert Jay Lifton on their forthcoming book about Aum Shinrikyō and to deliver a paper at the annual meeting of the International Association for Asian Philosophy and Religion.


1 Sept. Paul Swanson begins a sabbatical at the University of Indiana.

21–27 30 members of ASPAMIR (Asian-Pacific Association of Mission Researchers) hold their inaugural symposium on “Religious Movements
in the Contemporary World.” The meetings are held at the Institute under the direction of Bob Kisala. Jim Heisig delivers the keynote address.

17 Oct. A colloquium is held with Ikado Fujio on the theme “Globalization and Religious Popularism.”

2 Nov. Bob Kisala leaves for the U.S. to make presentations at the Center for Millennial Studies at Boston University and the annual meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion.

4 Nov. Pratoom Angurarohita from the department of philosophy of Chulalongkorn University in Bangkok arrives to begin an eight-month stay to work on a translation of the writings of Nichiren.

Watanabe Manabu departs for the U.S. to deliver a special lecture and make a presentation at the annual meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion.

17 Nov Bryan Wilson delivers a colloquium on “Toleration, Secularization, and New Forms of Religiosity.” A reception is held afterwards.

20 Nov. Jim Heisig leaves for the U.S. to attend the American Academy of Religion and deliver a paper.

1998


5 Feb. Clark Chilson joins the staff as copy editor. He begins a two-month overlap with Tom Kirchner to learn the ropes.

17 Feb. Jesper Garsdal, a doctoral student from Denmark, begins a three-month stay at the Institute.

29 Feb. Joe O’Leary of Sophia University comes for three weeks of work on editing the second of two Buddhist volumes for the *Encyclopedia of Spirituality*.

25 March Mark Mullins comes for a week of work on his book, *Christianity Made in Japan*.

28 March Bob Kisala chairs a panel on “Arguing Religion in Prewar Japan” at the annual meeting of the Association for Asian Studies in Washington, D.C.

31 March Horo Atsuhiko, a research associate, leaves us after 7 years to take up a teaching post in Wakayama. Tom Kirchner, editorial assistant for the past 6 years, leaves to take up a position at the Tenryū-ji Institute for Philosophy and Religion in Kyoto. Inaba Köyu, a junior researcher for the past two years, returns to the family temple outside of Nagoya to take up duties there.
Other visits from abroad included:

1997
28 May  Vargese Puthuparampil, a Franciscan from India, studying in Kyoto.
2 June  Arai Shinobu, doctoral student at the University of Wisconsin, Madison.
        Paula Arai, Asst. Professor at Vanderbilt University.
27 June  Lucien Cosijns, Director of the regional office of the United Religions Institute in Belgium.
18 July  Jamie Hubbard, professor in the Numata Chair, Smith College.
27 Aug.  Hans-Rudolf Kantor, a doctoral student from Bonn University.
15 Oct.  Eli Franco, Privat Dozent at the University of Hamburg.
13 Nov.  Daniel Metraux, Mary Baldwin College.
17 Nov.  Eamon Adams, a Columban missionary working in South Korea.
 9 Nov.  Yoshiko Howard, University of Western Sydney, and her son, Brian.
28 Nov.  Nicholas H. Barker, visiting research fellow at the Graduate School of International Development in Nagoya University.
17 Dec.  Georg Evers of Missio Aachen.
16 March  Ranjana Mukhopadhyaya, a doctoral candidate from India studying at Tokyo University.
       Yusa Micho, Professor at West Washington University, U.S.A.
21 March  Bernard Stevens of Louvain University, now studying in Kyoto.
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April 1998–March 1999

1998

1 April Okuyama Michiaki 奥山倫明 returns from study in the United States to assume his post as a Permanent Research Fellow.

Kondô Mitsuhiro 近藤光博 begins a two-year position as a Junior Research Fellow.

9 April Jim Heisig begins his 13th year of bimonthly seminars for the public at large. After completing last year’s study of Gurdjieff, the sessions will center on the thought of Martin Buber.

15 May Paula Arai, Asst. Professor of Religious Studies at Vanderbilt University, begins a year’s stay as a Visiting Research Scholar, to work on a book on the role of women and Japanese Buddhist rituals.

23 May Pratoom Angurarohita completes her year as a Visiting Scholar in residence and returns to Chulalongkorn University in Bangkok to resume her teaching.

3 June Bob Kisala gives the first of 3 seminars on his forthcoming book, Peace in Japan’s New Religions.

4 June A colloquium is held with Professor James Foard of Arizona State University on “Icon, Deity, and Body in Medieval Japan: The Tale of the Burned-Cheek Amida.”

10 June Bob Kisala gives his second seminar on Peace in Japan’s New Religions.

12 June A presentation, organized in collaboration with the Anthropological Institute, is made by Karen Smyers on her work on “Seishinkō 性信仰.”

17 June Bob Kisala gives his third seminar on Peace in Japan’s New Religions.

24 June Kondô Mitsuhiro presents a seminar on the RSS group and Hindu nationalism.

1 July Kim Sun-Chol 金承哲 comes for a month’s stay to study interreligious work in Japan and pursue his study of religious pluralism.

1 Sept. Janine Sawada, Assoc. Professor of Religious Studies at Iowa University, joins the staff for 10 months as a visiting fellow to work on a study of popular religions in Japan during the Meiji period, focusing on the veneration of Mt. Fuji.

14 Sept. The Japanese Association for Religious Studies officially accepts Nanzan as the venue for its annual academic conference in 1999. At the same meeting,
Jim Heisig is made a Regent of the Academy, and Paul Swanson and Watanabe Manabu are elected as Councillors.

11 Dec. Ben Habito, now visiting Professor at Ryūkoku University, comes to deliver a colloquium on “Beyond the Images of Nichiren in Modern Japan.”

1999

13 Jan. Raquel Bouso, Amador Vega, and Victoria Cirlot come for two months to work on a final editing of the Spanish translation of Nishitani’s *Religion and Nothingness*.

2 March Paul Swanson returns from sabbatical in the United States and resumes his responsibilities as editor of the *Japanese Journal of Religious Studies*.

31 March The papers from the 1997 symposium on “What does Christianity have to learn from Buddhism?” are published by Hōzōkan of Tokyo as 『キリスト教仏教から何を学べるか』.

Other visits from abroad included:

1998

20 April Peter Clarke, Professor of the history and sociology of religion at the University of London, editor of the *Journal of Contemporary Religion*, and director of the Centre for New Religions.

1 June Michael Brannigan of LaRoche College.

Daniel Metraux of Mary Baldwin College

7 June José María Fernández-Martos (SJ provincial of Toledo) and Guillermo Rodríguez-Ixquierdo Gavala (SJ provincial of Andalucía and Canarias).

8 July Ben Habito, Professor at the Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University.

Jackie Stone, Professor of Religious Studies at Princeton University.

13 July Larry Barnet, a Columbian Missionary from Taiwan.

15 July Prof. Nabetani Gyōji 鍋谷光煕 of Kōbe International University.

15 July Lucia Carassia, doctoral candidate at the Università Ca’ Foscari de Venezia.

23 July John and Linda Keenan, former members of the Nanzan editorial staff.

Harold Kasimow, George Drake Professor of Religious Studies at Grinnell College, Grinnell, Iowa.

24 July Kevin W. K. Lam 林永強, a doctoral student at the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology.

24 Sept. Werner Jeanrond and Aasulv Lande of the Department of Theology and Religious Studies of Lund University.

5 Oct. Prof. Joseph Bracken of the Department of Theology, Xavier University, Cincinnati.

13 Oct. Rev. Josho Warner, a Sōtō nun from the Stone Creek Zendo in Sebastopol,
California; the French Benedictine contemplatives Sr. Samuel Nougué-Debat, and Sr. Marie Pinlou.


13 Dec. Takashima Ken’ichi 高嶋謙一, Professor in the Department of Asian Studies at the University of British Columbia in Vancouver.

1999

4 Feb. Nils Grueber, formerly German Consul General in Osaka and currently professor of international relations at Meijō University in Nagoya.

30 March Kevin W. K. Lam 林永強, a doctoral student at the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology.
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<td>Paul Arai completes her year with us as a visiting scholar and returns to her post at Vanderbilt University.</td>
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<td>21-23 July</td>
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<td>18 August</td>
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2 Sept. Frank Gerry, an SVD priest from Australia, came for a month’s visit to examine interreligious work going on throughout Japan.

16 Sept. The Fall issue of the *Japanese Journal of Religious Studies*, a special thematic issue devoted to “Revisiting Nichiren,” is delivered from the printers.

17–19 Sept. The Institute organizes the hosting of the 58th annual meeting of the Japanese Association for Religious Studies at Nanzan University, which includes an international symposium.

5 Oct. The first copies of *La religión y la nada*, the Spanish translation of Nishitani’s 『宗教とは何か』, arrive from the publishers in Madrid.


14 Nov. The 12th Institute Seminar is held, with a paper by Kumata Kazuo on “The Byakko Shinkokai and the Medicalization of Religious-Psychological Movements.”


2000

3 Jan. Bob Kisala leaves to spend a term lecturing on Japanese religion at Catholic Theological Union in Chicago.

17 Jan. Donald Luck of Trinity Seminary in Columbus Ohio joins the staff as a Visiting Research Scholar for six months.


24 March A day’s symposium is held to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the founding of the Nanzan Institute.

Other visits from abroad included:

1999

18–21 May June McDaniel, Associate Professor of Religious Studies at the College of Charleston

2 June Alberto Recupero, graduate student in Buddhist studies at Venice University

9 June Louis Roy, associate professor in the Theology Department, Boston College, stops in for three days to discuss his research on Kyoto School philosophy.

7 July Lin Chen-Kuo 林鎮國, Associate Professor of the Department of Philosophy, National Chengchi University, Taiwan

5 Oct. Dag Hareide, director of leader of the national dialogue between all the major religions and life-view societies in Norway
17 Nov. A delegation from Scandinavia of the Christian Mission to Buddhists made up of Ms. Anne Skov Sörensen, Rev. Christel Eyerman, Rev. Hans Arne Aakerö, and Ernst Harbakk

2000

14 Jan. Carina Roth, research student at Kyoto University
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2000

20 April Word arrives that the Institute (with Paul Swanson as representative) has received a JSPS scholarship to support the production and publication of a “Guidebook for the Study of Japanese Religions.”

24 April Okuyama Michiaki’s book 이데의 종교의 연구: 비교·역사를 통한 (The development of Eliade’s study of religion: Comparison, history, and interpretation) arrives from the publisher.

2 June Robert Kisala leaves for Rome to represent the SVD Japan Province at a meeting of the Divine Word Missionaries, returning in mid-July.

11 June The 14th Institute Seminar is held, with a paper by Yoshida Kazuhiko on (資料について) Rennyo (資料について) Rennyo (資料について)

11 June Paul Swanson gives the Commencement Address at the 33rd graduation ceremonies of the Nagoya International School.

12 June Gereon Kopf (Luther College) arrives to spend two months at the Institute researching the Kyoto School of philosophy.

15 June Donald Luck gives an in-house seminar focused on his paper on “Paradoxical Reversal in Mahayana Buddhism and Luther.”

23 June 21世紀の日本と宗教, containing an essay by Watanabe Manabu, is published by Daisan Bunmeisha.


11-15 July Watanabe Manabu travels to the United States to attend a meeting of a select Working Group of Scholars organized by the Harvard Divinity School at the behest of the United Nations Millennium World Peace Summit of Religious and Spiritual Leaders, which will convene on 28–31 August 2000.

24–26 July The annual meeting of the Japan Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies is held in Kyoto, attended by Paul Swanson and Watanabe Manabu, in preparation for the Japan group to attend and present a panel at the Conference of the Society for Buddhist Christian Studies in Tacoma, Washington.

5–12 Aug. Paul Swanson and Watanabe Manabu attend the 6th International Conference of the Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies on the theme...

5–12 Aug. Robert Kisala, Okuyama Michiaki, and Clark Chilson travel to Durban, South Africa, for the XVIIIth Quinquennial World Congress of the International Association for the History of Religions, on the theme “History of Religions: Origins and Visions.”


13–15 Sept. Paul Swanson, Watanabe Manabu, Robert Kisala, and Okuyama Michiaki attend the 59th annual conference of the Japanese Association for Religious Studies held at Komazawa University.


29 Sept. The 15th Institute Seminar is held, with a paper by Iwata Fumiaki on the theme “Salvation religions and psychological healing: Thoughts on the Ajâtasatru complex” 仏教宗教と心理療法——阿闍婆薩糅産論をめぐって.

7 October The Institute is used as a location for filming scenes from Chibusa, a drama filmed to celebrate the 40th anniversary of CBC, a local TV network.

12 October A colloquium is held with the free-lance journalist Yonemoto Kazuhiro on the theme “A journalist’s view of the ‘cult’ problem: Religion as a social problem.” ジャーナリストから見た今日の<カルト>問題——社会問題としての宗教をめぐって. This is the first in a series of colloquia leading up to a future Nanzan symposium on the theme of “Cults, Anti-Cultists, and the Role of Religion in Contemporary Japan.”


14 Nov. The Fall issue of the Japanese Journal of Religious Studies, a special issue on “Mortuary Rites in Japan” with guest editors Elizabeth Kenney and Edmund Gilday, arrives from the printers.


30 Nov. Robert Kisala is invited as a guest lecturer at the Institute for the Study of Christian Culture of Kinjo Gakuin University in Nagoya, speaking on “The Pursuit of World Peace as a National Mission.”


8–11 Dec. Robert Kisala travels to Chicago to attend a symposium and consultation on
“Mission for the 21st Century,” marking the 100th anniversary of the SVD presence in Techny.

11 Dec. A colloquium is held with Sakurai Yoshihide of Hokkaido University on the theme “Joining a ‘Cult’—A Look at the Unification Church.” This is the second in a series of colloquia leading up to a future Nanzan symposium.

26–27 Dec. Watanabe Manabu and Okuyama Michiaki attend the annual CORMOS meeting in Kyoto.

2001

5–12 Jan. James Heisig interrupts his sabbatical to return to Japan for a brief period, and to finish the camera-ready copy for his book *Philosophers of Nothingness*.

6 Jan. A workshop is held at the Institute to discuss the content of essays for the “Guidebook for the Study of Japanese Religion,” with guest speaker and consultant Hayashi Makoto.

26 Jan. A colloquium is held with Nakano Tsuyoshi of Soka University on the theme “New Religious Movements and the Anti-cult Campaign.” This is the third in a series of colloquia leading up to a future Nanzan symposium.

1 Feb. A number of representatives from Risshō University visit the Institute and examine the facilities as part of their planning process to establish a new Institute on their campus.

15–20 Feb. Paul Swanson, Robert Kisala, and Okuyama Michiaki travel to Taiwan to attend a conference sponsored by the Interreligio network on the theme “Narrating Religious Experience in East Asia.”

16–19 Feb. Watanabe Manabu travels to Kanagawa Prefecture to attend and present a paper at an interdisciplinary forum (異分野研究者交流フォーラム).

23–27 Feb. Watanabe Manabu travels to Atlanta, Georgia, to attend a meeting of the American Academy of Religion Committee on International Connections.

2 March Robert Kisala and Clark Chilson attend a workshop for editors and specialists working with scholarly publications in Japanese studies, sponsored by *Monumenta Nipponica* at Sophia University.

12 March Kim Seung Chul arrives to spend a year at the Institute to study the Japanese understanding of Christianity and its influence on Korea.

15–17 Mar. Paul Swanson travels to Tokyo to give a presentation on online publishing at a workshop sponsored by the Japan National Institute of Informatics 国立情報学研究所, and to attend an editorial committee meeting of *Shūkyō kenkyū*.

30 March Okuyama Michiaki is presented with the 9th annual Nakamura Hajime Award for his book on Eliade.
Other visits from abroad included:

2000

25 April  Kawashima Sachio, Professor, Seinan Gakuin University.
15 May  Anne Bouchy, EFEO (L’École Française d’Extrême-Orient), pays a visit to Nanzan to see Peter Knecht and Paul Swanson and collect materials on Shugendo.
26 May  Joseph Prabhu and his wife arrive to visit the Institute and give lectures in many places around Japan. They stay at the Paulus Heim through June 2.
6 June  Royall Tyler, the Australian National University.
16–17 June  Aasulv Lande, Professor of Missiology with Ecumenical Theology in the Department of Theology and Religious Studies of Lund University.
3 July  Dr. Lai Sen-Chon 賴賢宗, Department of Philosophy, Huafan University, Taiwan, and Hans-Rudolf Kantor, post-graduate researcher on T’ien-t’ai Buddhism, Bonn University.
27 July  Jean Bauberot, President of Ecole Pratique des Hautes Etudes in Paris, visits the Institute to discuss possible ways of future cooperation.
28 July  Silvio Marquardt, graduate student.
27–28 Sept.  Peter Buchmann, multimedia producer from Zurich, visits the Institute to discuss and prepare for a video/multimedia presentation on Shinto.
7 Nov.  Cristina Rocha, Ph.D. Candidate, Western Sydney University, and Marc W. Stahel, Zen monk.

2001

12 Jan.  Fr. Antonio Pernia, Superior General of the SVDs.
29 Jan.  Luigi Menegazzo and Tiziano Tosolini, members of the Xaverian Missionaries, visit the Institute to discuss possible future cooperation and a visiting research position for Fr. Tosolini.
31 March  Dr. and Mrs. Martin Wu of Bond University (Australia).
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6 April Dr. Richard Seager of Hamilton College, Robert Eppsteiner of the Boston Research Center for the Twenty-First Century, and Sumimoto Tokihisa, Director of Research for Soka Gakkai International, came to the Institute to discuss Dr. Seager’s current research project on Soka Gakkai.

9 April Tiziano Tosolini arrives to spend a year at the Institute studying Japanese philosophy and the Kyoto School.

Dr. Hendrik Vroom, professor of religion at the Faculties of Theology and Philosophy of Vrije Universiteit in Amsterdam, arrives to spend three weeks at the Institute, continuing his research on interreligious dialogue and the idea of God in Buddhism.

19 April Okuyama Michiaki attends an international conference on “The Spiritual Supermarket: Religious Pluralism in the 21st Century” at the London School of Economics (19–22 April), where he gives a paper on Ōe Kenzaburō and Murakami Haruki (see Bulletin 25).

20 April Word arrives that the Institute (with Robert Kisala as representative) has received a scholarship from the Ministry of Education (¥15,200,000 over three years) to support the undertaking and analysis of a “Values Study Survey” in Japan.

22 April Victor Hori arrives to spend three months at the Institute to work on his book Zen Words.

19 May Erin McCarthy of St. Lawrence University arrives to spend a few weeks at the Institute to conduct research on Watsuji Tetsurō.

21 May Copies of Jim Heisig’s new book, Philosophers of Nothingness, arrive from the publisher, University of Hawai‘i Press.

26 May An EGSID meeting is held at the Nanzan Institute, attended by representatives from the NCC Center, Sophia University, and Oriens Institute. A research report was given by Martin Repp on “Hōnen and the Structure of Religious Reformation.”

28 May Dr. Claire Wolfteich, assistant professor at Boston University School of Theology, visits the Institute to discuss the project on “Church and Theology in the Contemporary World.”

31 May A colloquium is held with Yamaguchi Hiroshi on the debate on the “Guidelines on Religious Activity” prepared by the Japan Lawyer’s
Association. This is the fourth in a series of colloquia leading up to the 11th Nanzan symposium. 26 persons attended.

8 June The 16th in a series of seminars for local scholars of religion is held, with a paper by staff member Hirashima (Okumura) Misa on Christianity and Ethnic Identity in Malaysia. 16 persons attend.

11 June Gereon Kopf arrives at the Institute to spend several weeks of research.

16 June Robert Kisala, Watanabe Manabu, and Okuyama Michiaki attend the annual conference of the Japanese Association for the Study of Religion and Society in Tokyo.

23 June Robert Kisala and Clark Chilson attend the annual meeting of the Asian Studies Conference Japan at Sophia University, where they present papers for a panel on “Hidden Religiosity.”

29 June Paul Swanson attends the annual conference of the Japanese Association of Indian and Buddhist Studies at the University of Tokyo (29 June–1 July), where he presents a paper on issues of translating Buddhist texts.


5 July Okumura Hiroki gives an in-house seminar on his research, reading a paper “The Development of the Stories behind the Košåmbi Debates over the Precepts.”

6 July Paul Swanson attends the “International Symposium on Historical and Buddhist Sources in Japan” in Tokyo (6–9 July), sponsored by the Historiographical Institute of The University of Tokyo.

17 July Piet Hut, Professor of Astrophysics at the Institute for Advanced Study, School of Natural Sciences in Princeton, drops by for lunch and a lively discussion on science and spirituality.

19 July Richard Payne, Dean of the Institute of Buddhist Studies in Mountain View, CA, visits the Institute to discuss the Nanzan Guidebook project.

23 July Paul Swanson and Watanabe Manabu attend the 20th annual conference of the Japan Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies (23–25 July) in Kyoto.

3 August Scott Schnell, of the University of Iowa, visits the Institute to discuss a possible future research stay at Nanzan.

27 August Religion and Social Crisis in Japan: Understanding Japanese Society through the Aum Affair, edited by Robert J. Kisala and Mark R. Mullins, arrives from the publisher (Palgrave).

10 Sept. Jim Heisig returns from a year’s research sabbatical in Barcelona, Spain, and a five-month lecture tour in Latin America.

14 Sept. Paul Swanson, Robert Kisala, Watanabe Manabu, and Okuyama Michiaki travel to Kyūshū for the 60th annual conference of the Japanese Association for Religious Studies held at Kurume University (14–16 September). The annual meeting of the advisory board of the Japanese Journal of Religious Studies is convened during this conference. Papers are presented by Kisala, Watanabe, and Okuyama.
17 Sept. Okuyama Michiaki leaves for 10 days in Romania at the invitation of the Institute of Philosophy of the Romanian Academy, where he presents a paper on Mircea Eliade at an international symposium on “Mircea Eliade in Eternity.”

21 Sept. Dr. Liu Xiao-feng, Academic Director of the Institute of Sino-Christian Studies in Hong Kong, and his wife visit the Institute to discuss ways to cooperate in inter-religious dialogue in Asia.

24 Sept. Robert Kisala participates in a symposium on “The Mission and Role of the Church in a Pluralistic Society” at the annual meeting of the Japan Catholic Theological Association, held at Sophia University.

27 Sept. Paul Swanson travels to Taiwan at the invitation of Hua Fan University to be the keynote speaker at the 4th Conference on T’ien-t’ai Studies sponsored by the Association of the T’ien-t’ai School (27–30 Sept.).

1 Oct. Dr. Jean-Noël Robert, Directeur d’études at the École Pratique des Hautes Études, Sorbonne, visits the Institute for lunch and editorial consultation.

1 Oct. Dr. Brian Mooney, Head of the School of Philosophy and Ethics in the College of Theology at The University of Notre Dame, Australia, begins a three-day stay at the Institute to discuss ethical issues and the problem of suicide in Japanese Shinto and Buddhism.

14 Oct. Robert Kisala travels to India to attend two weeklong conferences: a symposium sponsored by Aspamir, the svd Asian-Pacific Association of Mission Researchers, in Mumbai (15-19 October), and a colloquium on “The Church in Mission: Universal Mandate and Local Concerns,” called to mark the Silver Jubilee of Ishvani Kendra (24–28 October).

15 Oct. James Turner, Director of the Erasmus Institute, University of Notre Dame, visits the Nanzan Institute to initiate contact and discuss ways of possible cooperation in the future.


26 Oct. The 17th Seminar for local scholars of religion is held, with a paper by Itō Masayuki of Aichi Gaguin University on “Global and Local Aspects of the New Spiritual Culture: A Look at the Osho Rajneesh Movement.” 11 persons attend.

8 Nov. A colloquium is held with Yumiyama Tatsuya, associate professor at Taishō University, on the theme “Between Religion and ‘Cults’,” the sixth in a series of colloquia leading up to the 11th Nanzan symposium. 17 persons attend.

15 Nov. Paul Swanson, Robert Kisala, Watanabe Manabu, and Clark Chilson travel to the United States to attend the annual conference of the American Academy of Religion in Denver (16–20 November). Watanabe and Kisala
present papers at a special topics forum on “Religion and Society after the Aum Affair.”

Nov. 25  Jim Heisig leaves for Europe to deliver a special lecture in Amsterdam to the Porticus Foundation.

26 Dec.  Paul Swanson attends the 48th annual CORMOS meeting in Kyoto (26–27 December).

27 Dec.  Shimazono Susumu is invited for a formal discussion of his new book, New Religions in the Postmodern Age: The Undercurrents of Spirituality in Contemporary Japan. Prepared responses were read by Itō Masayuki and Hayashi Makoto of Aichi Gagin University, and Okuyama Michiaki of the Nanzan Institute. 16 people attend.

2002

13 Jan.  Paul Swanson travels to Osaka to give a lecture on Buddhism at a symposium of the Xaverian Missionaries, and then to Tokyo to attend a meeting of the Organizing Committee for the Tokyo Symposium on “Science and the Spiritual Quest.”

15 Jan.  Maria De Giorgi of Seimeizan visits the Institute for a four-day stay to pursue her research on Buddhism and interreligious dialogue.

17 Jan.  A colloquium is held with Ashida Tetsurō, professor at Kōnan Women’s University, on the “Iesu no Hakobune and Aum Shinrikyō: Between ‘Understanding’ and ‘Misunderstanding,’” the seventh in a series of colloquia leading up to the 11th Nanzan symposium. 20 persons attend.


28 Jan.  Watanabe Manabu travels to Osaka and Tokyo to give talks on “Reflections on the ‘Cult’ Problem” at the headquarters of Shōkoku-ji (28 January), and “Religion and Education among Young People” at the Catholic Center of Sophia University (30 January).


1 March  Watanabe Manabu travels to Atlanta, Georgia, to attend a meeting of the American Academy of Religion “Committee on International Connections.”

11 March  The 11th Nanzan Symposium on the theme “Religion and Social Problems,” begins, with 14 panelists and over 50 participant observers attending the three-day event.

17 March  Jim Heisig and Paul Swanson begin a two-week journey to New York, Barcelona, and Venice, where, together with Institute Research Associate Tiziano Tosolini, they deliver papers at the University of Ca’ Foscari.

23 March  Nagatani Chiyoko arrives to begin a two-year stint as a post-doctoral Junior Research Fellow.
24 March  Robert Kisala leaves for a short trip to Korea to discuss the Value Studies survey and the possibility of conducting a similar survey in Korea.

Other visitors included:

2001

13 April  Claudia Romberg, Ph.D. candidate and research fellow at the Vrije Universiteit in Amsterdam.
14 May  John Harding, Ph.D. Candidate, University of Pennsylvania.
28 May  John F. Griffin, financial analyst.
7 July  Yamabe Nobuyoshi, Kyūshū Ryūkoku Junior College.
21 August  Dr. Thomas Hentrich, a German theologian based in Montreal, Canada.
13 Sept.  Ian Reader (Religious Studies, Lancaster University) and his wife, Dorothy.
5 Nov.  Dr. J. Preisinger, Generalkonsul der Bundersrepublik Deutschland.

2002

13 Jan.  Higashibaba Ikuo of Tenri University.
6 March  Mizuno Tomoharu, Curtis Rigsby, and Kevin Lim, all currently at Kyoto University’s Center for Philosophical Research.
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8 April Jean-Pierre Denis, Chef du Service Religion for La Vie, visits the Institute to discuss religion and archaeology in Japan.

15 April James Heisig and Paul Swanson attend the funeral of Takeuchi Yoshinori, who passed away on 12 April.

20 April Word arrives that Okuyama Michiaki has received a scholarship from the Ministry of Education to support a three-year research project on Mircea Eliade, in cooperation with colleagues in Romania.

15–20 May Okuyama Michiaki travels to Atlanta for a workshop on the internationalization of the Journal of the American Academy of Religion.


26 May Okuyama Michiaki travels to Port Antonio, Jamaica, for a conference of the International Society for the Comparative Study of Civilizations, where he presents a paper on “Religious Nationalism in the Modernization Process: State Shinto and Nichirenism in Prewar Japan.”

1 June Victor Hori arrives to finish up work on his book Zen Sand. He stays until the end of July, and the manuscript is completed and sent to the publisher for final proofreading.

7 June The 18th in a series of seminars for local scholars of religion is held, with a paper by Hori Masahiko on “One Hundred Years of the Varieties of Religious Experience: Who read it, why it was read, and why it was not.” 11 people attended.


22 June Okuyama Michiaki attends the Fulbright American Studies Institute on “Religion in the U.S.: Pluralism and Public Presence” program in Santa Barbara, including on-site experiences in Indianapolis, Atlanta, and Washington, D.C.

22 June James Heisig travels to Tokyo to receive a grant from the International Foundation for the Promotion of Languages and Culture for a joint trans-
lation project with Nicolae Mariș of the Romanian Academy, to render works on Japanese philosophy into Romanian.

1 July Tullio Lobetti arrives to spend two months at the Institute for research on his dissertation topic.

5 July Paul Swanson travels to Tokyo to attend meetings of the Japan Academy of Religious Studies.

11–17 July Paul Swanson attends a conference on “The Lotus Sutra and Chan/Zen Buddhism” organized by Gene Reeves and Risshō Kōseikai in Tokyo and Nagano, presenting a paper on “Ch'an and Chih-kuan.”

17 July The inaugural issue of the Journal of the Japan Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies, containing the papers from the 2001 annual meeting of the Japan Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies, arrives from the printers.

22–24 July James Heisig and Watanabe Manabu attend the 21st annual conference of the Japan Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies in Kyoto.

20 Aug. 『宗教と社会問題の（あいた）: カルト問題を考える』, the proceedings of the Eleventh Nanzan Symposium, arrives from the publisher, Seikyūsha.

4–5 Sept. Robert Kisala travels to Miyazaki to give a talk on the Asian Values Study.

13–24 Sept. Robert Kisala travels to Thailand to attend a meeting of the Asia-Pacific Zone of the Society of the Divine Word.

14–15 Sept. Paul Swanson, James Heisig, Watanabe Manabu, and Okuyama Michiaki travel to Tokyo for the 61st annual conference of the Japan Academy of Religious Studies held at Taishō University in Tokyo. The annual JJRS advisory board meeting is convened during this conference.

29 Sept. Robert Kisala travels to Osaka to give a talk on the Asian Values Study.

7 Oct. A delegation of ten scholars from the Chinese Institute of Social Studies (headed by Zhou Xinping, director of the Institute of World Religions) visits Nanzan University, including stops at the Nanzan Institute for Religion and Culture and the Anthropological Institute.

12 Oct. The Permanent Fellows of the Institute travel to Tokyo for an EGSID meeting held at the Oriens Institute. Paul Swanson, Watanabe Manabu, and Okuyama Michiaki also attend the first meeting of the 2005 International Association of the History of Religions conference planning committee.

18–19 Oct. Paul Swanson travels to Tokyo to attend the Science and the Spiritual Quest Japan Symposium on “Science and Spirit: Science, Values, and the Limits of Knowledge,” for which he was a member of the Organizing Committee, and chaired the final panel discussion.

23 Oct. Okuyama Michiaki travels to Bucharest, Romania, at the invitation of the Romanian Academy of Bucharest University, to conduct on-site research on Mircea Eliade.


7 Nov. Watanabe Manabu serves as coordinator and chair of the “Forum:
Creativity in the Twenty-First Century,” with Nobel laureates Ōe Kenzaburō and Amartya Sen as invited speakers on the topic “The Independent Mind and the Reconstruction of Morality: For the Sake of Human Dignity.” Sponsored by Yomiuri Shinbun, NHK, and Nanzan University.

8 Nov. The 19th in a series of seminars for local scholars of religion is held, with a presentation by Yamaguchi Aki, Ph.D. student at Nagoya University, on “The Dawn of Religious Studies in Modern Japan and the Missionaries: Unitarianism and the Intellectuals of the Meiji Enlightenment.” 13 people attend.

18 Nov. The JJRS special fall issue on “Tracing Shinto in the History of Kami Worship” arrives from the printers.

21–26 Nov. Paul Swanson, James Heisig, Watanabe Manabu, Okuyama Michiaki, and Clark Chilson travel to Canada to attend the annual American Academy of Religion conference in Toronto. Clark Chilson presents a paper, and Paul Swanson is respondent, at a panel on “The Contemporary Teachings of Traditional Buddhism.”

6 Dec. A colloquium is held with Mase Hiromasa on the topic “Pluralism and Religious Studies in Japan.” 21 people attend.

16–18 Dec. James Heisig attends a Symposium on the topic of “language and translation” sponsored by Kyoto University, where he presents a paper on “The Desacrilization of Philosophical Translation.”


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10 Jan. The Institute sponsors the first of two meetings to promote participation at the 2003 Annual Conference of the American Academy of Religion in Atlanta by Japanese scholars, as part of the efforts to promote the “Focus on Japan” at this year’s American Academy of Religion. 8 people attend.

11 Jan. Paul Swanson and Okuyama Michiaki attend a symposium on “Is a New Memorial Facility Necessary?—Comments from Young Religionists,” held at Taisho University and sponsored by the International Institute for the Study of Religion.

16 Jan. Walter Van Herck, a Senior Research Fellow at the University of Antwerp, Belgium, gives a colloquium on the topic “Four Ways of Doing Philosophy of Religion.” 18 people attend.

17 Jan. Clark Chilson makes a presentation of his research on secret Shinshū groups at an in-house seminar.

27 Jan. The Institute sponsors the second of two meetings to promote participation at the 2003 Annual Conference of the American Academy of Religion in Atlanta by Japanese scholars. 18 people attend.
4 Feb. James Ford of Wake Forest University arrives for a three-month stay to pursue his study of the medieval monk Jõkei.

5 Feb. The Institute sponsors a meeting to discuss wider participation in the Institute’s application for a “Center of Excellence” grant. 27 people attend.

6 Feb. Paul Swanson and Watanabe Manabu, along with representatives of the Nanzan president’s office, travel to Osaka to attend an explanation of the “Center of Excellence” program.

16–24 Feb. Robert Kisala travels to Europe to discuss the Asian Values Study.

18 Feb. Paul Swanson and Watanabe Manabu travel to Kyoto to attend a symposium on the future of research in the Humanities in Japan, sponsored by the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science.

19 Feb. The first copies of Zen Sand (volume 6 in the Nanzan Library of Asian Religion and Culture) arrive from University of Hawai’i Press.


21–25 Feb. Watanabe Manabu travels to Atlanta, Georgia, to attend a meeting of the American Academy of Religion Committee on International Connections.

2–5 March James Heisig and Robert Kisala attend the Inter-religio Conference in Pattaya, Thailand. The theme of the conference is “Religion and Popular Culture in East Asia Today.”

6 March Nanzan University and the Institute submit a proposal to the Japanese Ministry of Education for a Twenty-first century “Center of Excellence” program, with the theme “An International and Comparative Study of Religious, Cultural, and Social Values.”

8–9 March Paul Swanson travels to Tokyo for the oral defense of a doctoral dissertation at Taishõ University, and an editorial committee meeting of Shûkyô kenkyû.

9 March Paul Swanson, Watanabe Manabu, and Okuyama Michiaki attend the second meeting of the 2005 IAHR conference planning committee.

13–31 March Paul Swanson travels to Venice to give a two-week graduate seminar and other lectures at the Università Ca’ Foscari in Venice, Italy.

17–21 March Robert Kisala travels to the Philippines where he pursues further contacts for the Asian Values Studies.

27 March Yamanashi Yukiko arrives to begin a two-year stint as a post-doctoral junior research fellow.

Other visitors included:

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15 April John Langan, Professor of Ethics, Georgetown University.

15 May  Veronica Calafell, one of the translators of Tezuka Osamu’s *Buddha* and *Hi-no-tori* into Spanish.
10 June  Cindy Bentley, graduate student, McGill University.
17 June  Motoyoshi Akiko, lecturer in Near Eastern Studies and Arabic literature at Notre Dame Women’s College of Kyoto.
24 June  Scott Schnell of the University of Iowa.
24–25 July Ng Yu-kwan of Hong Kong Baptist University.
19 Sept.  Nagasaka Itaru of the Niigata University of International and Information Studies.

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13 Feb.  Yamanashi Yukiko of Taishō University and Sakai Yūen of Ōtani University.
Calendar of Events

April 2003–March 2004

2003

2 April Chris Antal of the Unification Church visits the Institute to discuss an appeal on behalf of members abducted for de-programming.

5 April Paul Swanson, James Heisig, Watanabe Manabu, and Okuyama Michiaki travel to Tokyo for various committee meetings of the Japanese Association for Religious Studies.

9 April James L. Ford (Wake Forest University) gives an in-house seminar on his research on “Jõkei and Established Buddhism in Early Medieval Japan.” 10 people attend.

10–12 Apr. James Heisig travels to Seoul to assist the Seton Interreligious Research and Spirituality Center with a publication project.

21 April Word arrives that the Institute has received a three-year grant from the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science to promote international cooperation in the study of religion.

1 May A colloquium is held with Fujita Masakatsu of Kyoto University on “Passion in Emptiness.” 29 people attend.

6–15 May Okuyama Michiaki travels to Europe to attend the 3rd congress of European Association for the Study of Religions, held in Bergen, Norway, 8-10 May. This is a regional association of the International Association for the History of Religions, which is to hold their 19th world congress in Tokyo, March 2005.

10–11 May Paul Swanson travels to Tokyo for a board meeting of the International Institute for the Study of Religions, and a meeting at the offices of Iwanami Shoten on an upcoming special issue of Shisõ on “Zen Studies Today.”

17 May A consultation is held for members of the COE program to report the contents of the final proposal and discuss future options. 15 people attend.

25–29 May Paul Swanson attends the International Conference of Tendai Studies, sponsored by the Tendai Gakkai and Eizan Gakuin on Mt. Hiei.

31 May Bob Kisala, Felipe Muncada, and Fujimoto Tetsushi travel to Tokyo for a meeting of the Asian Values Study Working Group.

4 June Paul Swanson travels to Tokyo to make a presentation at a workshop on “Death and Life in Buddhism,” sponsored by the “Construction of Death and Life Studies, COE Program” at the University of Tokyo.

7 June Watanabe Manabu and Okuyama Michiaki travel to Tokyo to attend a work-
shop sponsored by the University of Tokyo “Construction of Death and Life Studies, COE Program.”

15 June  Robert Kisala gives a talk on “Religion and Culture: The Activities of the Nanzan Institute for Religion and Culture” for the Nanzan University Alumni Association.

19 June  A colloquium is held with Victor Sōgen Hori of McGill University, on the topic “To Sell Gold, You Mix It With Sand: Translating the Zenrin kushū,” to celebrate the publication of his book Zen Sand. 25 people attend.

21–22 June  Watanabe Manabu travels to Tokyo to attend and respond to papers at the Asian Studies Conference Japan at Ichigaya Campus, Sophia University.

27 June  The 20th in a series of seminars for local scholars is held, with a presentation by Kashimura Aiko, associate professor at Aichi University, on “A Sociological Analysis of ‘Reality Programming.’” 15 people attend.


29 June  Paul Swanson travels to Tokyo to attend an editorial meeting of Shūkyō kenkyū.

30 June  Paul Swanson gives a public lecture at Komazawa University in Tokyo on the topic “Bodhidharma, Wall-Contemplation, and Mixed Binomes.”

Copies of Dialogues At One Inch above the Ground: Reclamations of Belief in an Interreligious Age, by James Heisig, and Ramon Llull and the Secret of Life, by Amador Vega (trans. by James Heisig), arrive from the Herder & Herder.

5 July  Paul Swanson, James Heisig, Manabu Watanabe, and Okuyama Michiaki travel to Tokyo to attend various committee meetings and the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Japanese Association for Religious Studies.

9–15 July  Okuyama Michiaki travels to the United States to visit and participate in a Fulbright program at UCLA.

14–16 July  Timothy W. Richardson, Assistant Professor at Brigham Young University Hawaii, visits the Institute to discuss a project on the Chinese writing system with Jim Heisig.

20–26 July  Okuyama Michiaki travels to Italy to attend a conference of the ISSR in Torino.

17–30 July  Jin Y. Park, Assistant Professor at American University in Washington DC, visits the Institute to pursue her research on Korean and Japanese Zen.

18 July  The 21st in a series of seminars for local scholars is held, with a presentation by Nagatani Chiyoko, junior research fellow at the Nanzan Institute, on “The Practice of Religion in Everyday Life: Guan Gong Worship among the Dehong Dai (Thai minority) of China.” 17 people attend.

22–24 July  The 22nd annual conference of the Japan Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies is held at the Nanzan Institute in Nagoya.

26 July –3 Aug.  Paul Swanson travels to Thailand to visit the Center of Buddhist Studies in Bangkok, visit the Institute for the Study of Religion and Culture at Payap Univeristy in Chiang Mai, and participate in the International Conference on Religion and Globalization at Payap Univeristy in Chiang Mai.
27 July - 12 Aug. James Heisig travels to Italy, Spain, Romania, and Turkey to visit various research centers and attend the World Congress of Philosophy.

4–5 Aug. Martina Roessl of University of Graz (Austria) visits the Institute to gather material for her study of *chashitsu*.

25 Aug. Okuyama Michiaki travels to Holland to visit the Leiden Institute for the Study of Religions and give a paper.

1–30 Sept. Chloé Sondervorst, a philosophy student at the Catholic University of Louvain-la-Neuve, visits the Institute to pursue her research on Japanese philosophy and the work of Nishitani Keiji.

3–5 Sept. Paul Swanson, James Heisig, Watanabe Manabu, Robert Kisala, and Okuyama Michiaki travel to Tenri for the 62th annual conference of the Japanese Association for Religious Studies held at Tenri University. The annual *JJRS* advisory board meeting is convened during this conference.

14–24 Sept. Okuyama Michiaki travels to Finland and Russia to visit Helsinki University and the Sorokin/Kondratieff Institute in St. Petersburg, where he presents a paper at the 32nd annual meeting of the International Society for the Comparative Study of Civilizations.

18 Sept. Paul Swanson travels to Tokyo to attend a reception at the United States embassy sponsored by the Japan-United States Educational Commission (Fulbright program).

19–20 Sept. Thomas Kasulis, Professor in the Department of Comparative Studies at Ohio State University, and Lloyd Steffen, Professor of Religious Studies at Lehigh University, visit the Institute to discuss the Japanese philosophy project.

26 Sept. William LaFleur, professor at the University of Pennsylvania, gives a colloquium, co-sponsored by the Nanzan Institute for Social Ethics, on the theme “Is ‘Human Nature’ Ready for Autopsy? Philosophy and Biotechnology.” 33 people attend.

3 Oct. The 22nd in a series of seminars for local scholars is held, with a presentation by Madoka Assemat Michiyo, associate professor in the Department of Psychology, Nanzan University, on “The Secret Teaching ‘un’ in the *i-ro-ha* poem and Kūkai’s ‘gyatei’: Intuition and Methodology for the Science of Life and Death.” 12 people attend.

4 Oct. Watanabe Manabu and Okuyama Michiaki travel to Tokyo for a special meeting of the IAHR Executive Committee to plan the plenary sessions for the 2005 IAHR conference.

11 Oct. Paul Swanson travels to Kyoto to attend a symposium on “Japanese Religiosity and the World of Monotheism” at Doshisha University, a symposium held to celebrate the opening of the Center for Interdisciplinary Study of Monotheistic Religions, the center for the Doshisha COE program.

17–18 Oct. Paul Swanson travels to Tokyo to serve on a panel to interview Fulbright scholarship scholars, and attend a workshop sponsored by the “Life and Death Studies” COE project.
20 Oct. Watanabe Manabu attended the meeting of the Executive Members Meeting of the IAHR in Tokyo.

25 Oct. Paul Swanson and Okuyama Michiaki travel to Sophia University in Tokyo to attend the semiannual EGSID meeting. James Heisig travels to Kyoto to attend a symposium on interreligious dialogue sponsored by Kyoto University.

25–26 Oct. Manabu Watanabe travels to Awajishima to attend an International Meeting on Life Science and the Crisis Facing Humanity at Awaji Yumebutai.

29 Oct. Paul Swanson travels to Kyoto to attend the CORMOS (Conference on Religion in Modern Society) Board of Directors meeting.

31 Oct. Paul Swanson and Okuyama Michiaki travel to Tokyo to meet with Kore-eda Hirokazu to discuss the screening of his film “Distance,” to be followed by questions and discussions, at the annual AAR conference in Atlanta.

7 Nov. The JJRS special issue on “Feminism and Religion in Contemporary Japan” arrives from the printers.

9 Nov. Okuyama Michiaki attends the special lectures on “Proposals from Religionists to Society” and a reception held at Kokugakuin to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the founding of the International Institute for the Study of Religions.


19 Nov. The Nanzan University 21st Century COE Program Project Committee holds its first meeting and discusses the proposal submitted by the Institute. Paul Swanson represents the Institute.

20–26 Nov. Paul Swanson, James Heisig, Watanabe Manabu, Robert Kisala, Okuyama Michiaki, and Benjamin Dorman travel to Atlanta to attend the annual AAR conference. As part of the “Focus on Japan”, the Institute members are involved in activities such as a special session on “Religious Studies in the Japanese Context,” a screening of the film “Distance” followed by discussions with the director Kore-eda Hirokazu (supported by a grant from the Japan Foundation), a reception co-sponsored by the University of Hawaii Press, and various research panels. (see report in this Bulletin, pp. 37–50).

14–19 Dec. Watanabe Manabu travels to Lancaster, England, to gather materials and establish contacts with research centers on religious studies in this area.

17–26 Dec. Okuyama Michiaki travels to Paris, France, to gather materials and conduct research on M. Eliade.

18 Dec. The Nanzan University 21st Century COE Program Project Committee holds its second meeting and discusses the proposal submitted by the Institute. Paul Swanson, James Heisig, and Robert Kisala represent the Institute.

20 Dec. Paul Swanson and Watanabe Manabu travel to Tokyo to attend the funeral of Abe Yoshiya, president of Kokugakuin University, a longtime friend and
advisor to the Institute and a member of the JJRS Advisory Board. Watanabe also attends the meeting of the Board of Directors of Japanese Association for the Study of Religion and Society at the same university after the funeral.

26–27 Dec. Paul Swanson attends the 50th annual Conference on Religion in Modern Society (CORMOS) meeting in Kyoto.


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11 Jan. The Institute sponsors a meeting to promote participation in the 2005 IAHR Conference and plan the organization of various panels.

14 Jan. Carlo Saviani, of the Università Orientale in Naples arrives to spend two weeks at the Institute working on an Italian translation of Nishitani Keiji’s *Religion and Nothingness*.

16 Jan. Thomas Kasulis, Professor at Ohio State University, arrives to spend 8 months at the Institute working with James Heisig on a project to compile a book on “Japanese philosophy.”

23 Jan. Yoshizawa Gorō, professor at Reitaku University Center for Comparative Civilizations and Cultures, gives a colloquium on the theme “The Dialogue Between Civilizations and the Universality of the Sacred: From the Perspective of Comparative Civilizations.” 23 people attend.

26–27 Jan. James Heisig and Paul Swanson travel to Tokyo to demonstrate the potential of e-books on CD-ROM, to interested parties at the University of Tokyo and Kosei Publishing.

28 Jan. Dr. Charles Cohen, Chair of the Religious Studies program at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, pays a visit to the Institute and gives a brief presentation on “American Politics and American Religious Exceptionalism.”

30 Jan. Robert Kisala sponsors an International Conference on Values Research at Nanzan University, with 10 participants from Europe and Asia.

15 Feb. Paul Swanson and Watanabe Manabu travel to Tokyo for the fifth IAHR Executive Committee meeting.


20–21 Feb. Paul Swanson travels to Kyoto for a international workshop on “War and Violence in Religion: Responses from the Monotheistic World,” sponsored by CISMOR at Doshisha University.

27 Feb. Ursula King, Professor Emerita and Senior Research Fellow at the University of Bristol, gives a colloquium on the theme “Gender and Interreligious Dialogue.” 23 people attend.
2 March Robert Kisala travels to Tokyo for a consultation on the values study project.

10 March Robert Kisala travels to Tokyo with Fujimoto Tetsushi and Felipe Muncada for a meeting of the working group of the values study project.

14–23 Mar. Robert Kisala travels to Malang and Ledalero, Indonesia, to make contacts and lay the foundation for a values-study survey in Indonesia.

23 March The 23rd in a series of seminars for local scholars is held, with a presentation by Rossa O’Muireartaigh, doctoral candidate at Nagoya University, on “The Problem of Reification in D.T. Suzuki’s Translation of Zen.” 10 people attend.

27 March Yamaguchi Aki arrives to begin a two-year stint as a post-doctoral junior research fellow.

28 March James Heisig, Paul Swanson, and Watanabe Manabu travel to Tokyo to attend various meetings of the Japanese Association for Religious Studies.

29–30 Mar. Fredrik Stromberg, Ph.D. student in the Philosophy Department at Uppsala University in Sweden, visits the Institute to discuss his essay “On Conventional Truth: Nagārjuna and Dōgen.”

Other visitors included:

3 April Ulrike Schmidt, Ph.D. candidate at Waseda University.

27 May Maria Cristina Barrón Soto, Coordinator of the Department of International Studies, Universidad Iberoamericana, Mexico, DF.

31 May Andrew and Anne-Marie Feenberg of Simon Fraser University, Burnaby, Canada.

17 June Dennis P. McCann, Alston Professor of Bible and Religion in the Department of Religious Studies at Agnes Scott College, Atlanta.

23 June Charlotte Eubanks, a doctoral student in comparative literature at the University of Colorado.

7 July Markus Goebl, a researcher at Dōshisha University.

19–20 Sept. Ian Reader, Professor of Religious Studies at Lancaster University.

23 Sept. Richard H. Moore, Associate Professor in the Department of Human and Community Resource Development, Ohio State University.


30 Oct. Soizic Conrath, a graduate student at École Pratique des Hautes Études.

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30–31 Jan. Ethan Lindsay, a graduate student in Japanese religions at Indiana University.

18 Feb. Paul Morris (Department of Religious Studies) and Duncan Campbell (Chinese Programme, School of Asian and European Languages and Cultures) of the Asian Studies Institute, Victoria University of Wellington, in New Zealand.
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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2004

2 April  James Heisig receives word that a scholarship for ¥300,000 has been granted from the Suntory Foundation to support the Romanian translation of Nishitani Keiji’s Religion and Nothingness.

17 April  Paul Swanson travels to Tokyo with Hayashi Makoto to join Helen Hardacre, Sueki Fumihiko, and Yasumaru Yoshio for a meeting to discuss and plan a plenary session of the 2005 IAHR.

19–25 April  James Heisig travels to Europe to give lectures at the Universitá Orientale and the Pontificia Facoltà Teologica dell’Italia Meridionale in Napoli, Italy. From there he travels to Adeldoorn, Holland for an international conference.

23 April  Isomae Jun’ichi, professor at the Japanese Women’s University, delivers a lecture on “The West and the Study of Japanese Religions.”

28–30 April  An Asia-Europe Workshop on the theme “In Search of a Humanized Globalization: The Contribution of Spirituality-Based Social Movements,” sponsored by the Nanzan Institute (with Okuyama Michiaki as one of the main organizers), Nanzan University, the Asia-Europe Foundation, and Le Havre University is held at the Garden Palace Hotel in Nagoya. Keynote speakers include Sulak Sivaraksa, social activist from Thailand, and Eileen Barker, Professor Emeritus of the London School of Economics.

29 April  Robert Rauther, a lawyer from Osnabrück, Germany, comes for four weeks of work with James Heisig on a German textbook on Chinese characters.

14–27 May  Andre van der Braak, philosophy teacher at the University of Amsterdam and at Luzac College in Alkmaar, visits the Institute to pursue his research on Nietzsche and Nagarjuna.

14 May  James W. Jones, professor at Rutgers University, gives a colloquium on “Terror and Transformation: The Paradox of Religion.” 27 people attend.

15 May  An EGSID meeting is held, attended by representatives from the NCC Center for the Study of Japanese Religions, the Sophia University Institute for Oriental Religions, and the Oriens Institute. A report is given by Nakata Kö of the Dōshisha University Center for Interdisciplinary Study.
of Monotheistic Religions (CISMOR), on “The Vision and Activity of CISMOR,” followed by a business meeting.

19 May –29 June Michael Brownstein, Department of East Asian Languages and Literatures, University of Notre Dame, arrives for a short-term visit to pursue his research on Chikamatsu.

24 May –25 June Erin McCarthy, Department of Philosophy, St. Lawrence University, comes for a month’s stay to pursue her research on Japanese philosophy and feminism.

28 May –23 June Annewieke Vroom, visiting researcher at the NCC Center for the Study of Japanese religions, Kyoto, joins us to pursue research on Rinzai Buddhism and Kyoto School philosophy.

1 June The first copies of La religione e il nulla, the Italian translation of Nishitani Keiji’s Religion and Nothingness, prepared with the collaboration of the Institute, arrives from the publishers, Città Nuova of Rome.

4 June Vol. 31/1 of the Japanese Journal of Religious Studies, the first issue with a newly-designed cover, arrives from the printers.

7–10 June The 12th Nanzan Symposium is held on the theme “Redefining Philosophy.” 16 participants and 5 observers from 10 countries come for the event.


23 June –2 July Paul Swanson travels to the United States to visit scholars and research centers as part of a project funded by the Japanese Ministry of Science and Education to promote connections with international research centers.

27 June –3 July Robert Kisala and Benjamin Dorman travel to Australia for the annual conference of the Asian Studies Association of Australia.

30 June –8 July James Heisig travels to Europe to attend an interreligious gathering at the Monastery of Montserrat, and to speak at events of “Foro 2004” in Barcelona.

3–10 July Okuyama Michiaki travels to Havana, Cuba, to attend the “Fourth International Meeting of Socio-Religious Studies.”

5–10 July Yoyo Chan Yiu Kwan, a graduate student in the Religion Department, Chinese University of Hong Kong, visits the Institute for a short stay.

15 July The 24th in a series of Discussions with Local Scholars is held, with Barbara Ambros giving a presentation on “Viewing ‘Opening the Gates to Heaven,’ a documentary on Ôyama.” 14 people attend.

16 July Gereon Kopf, visiting research scholar from September 2002 to August 2004, gives an in-house seminar, on the theme of “Nishida Philosophy as a Multi-Subjectivity.”
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20–22 July The 23rd annual conference of the Japan Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies is held at the Institute.

23 July A consultation is held with Professor Pranab Das concerning possible participation in the John Templeton Foundation project on “Global Perspectives on Science and Spirituality.”

24 July–2 August Okuyama Michiaki travels to the United States (Atlanta and Berkeley) to meet with scholars and pursue his research on Eliade.

30 August–14 Sept James Heisig travels to Lithuania, Estonia, Finland, France, and Turkey to meet with scholars of the philosophy of religion and make contacts with various research centers.

6–15 Sept Okuyama Michiaki travels to Spain to attend the 4th Congress of the European Association for the Study of Religion, and to meet with scholars and pursue his research on Eliade.

10–12 Sept Paul Swanson travels to Tokyo for an executive committee meeting of organizers for the IAHR and the 63rd annual conference of the Japanese Association for Religious Studies. James Heisig and Watanabe Manabu are elected to the board of regents, and Paul Swanson to the board of managing regents.

17 Sept A colloquium with Yamamoto Sukeyasu, professor emeritus in physics at the University of Tokyo, on the theme “Science and Religion in Harmony: A Christian Perspective.” 26 people attend. A business meeting is held before the colloquium to discuss the Templeton project on Global Perspectives in Science and Spirituality.

21–28 Sept Paul Swanson travels to Taiwan to visit scholars and research centers as part of the project to promote connections with international research centers.

30 Sept Prof. Zaza Piralishvili from Tbilisi State University, Georgia, arrives in Nagoya to conduct his research for six months as a visiting research fellow, with the support by the Daikō Foundation.

4–6 Oct Pauline Couteau, a Ph.D. student of Prof. Bernard Stevens of Louvain University, comes for a short stay to discuss her research and gather materials on Japanese philosophy.

8 Oct Paul Swanson attends, as an observer, the third annual meeting of the religious-organization related research centers, held at the Shinshū Ōtani Branch Research Institute in Kyoto.

22 Oct–5 Nov Jim Heisig travels to Barcelona, Madrid, and Palermo to take care of various Institute business and promote various publication and research projects.

30 Oct–5 Nov Watanabe Manabu travels to Hawai’i to conduct research related to his government-funded project on economic ethics.

5–8 Nov Paul Swanson travels to Shingu, Wakayama, to take part in a symposium commemorating the acceptance of the Kumano area as a World Heritage
site, and attend the annual conference of the Japan Academy of Mountain Religion. He takes the occasion to meet with Adam Engle in Kyoto to discuss possible participation by the Institute in a dialogue on Buddhism and the sciences.

11 Nov A colloquium is held with Ashina Sadamichi, associate professor in the Graduate School of Letters at Kyoto University, on the theme “The Dialogue Between Science and Religion in Japan.” 25 people attend.

19–23 Nov Paul Swanson, Watanabe Manabu, Robert Kisala, Okuyama Michiaki, and Benjamin Dorman travel to the United States to attend the annual conference of the American Academy of Religion in San Antonio, Texas, and also attend to various Institute projects.

11 Dec Watanabe Manabu sponsors a seminar on “The Cult Problem and the Social Order.” 7 people attend, with three giving research reports.

14 Dec A colloquium is held with Frank Budenholzer, Professor of Chemistry at Fu Jen University (Taiwan) and Director of the Center for the Study of Science and Religion on the theme “The Science and Religion Dialogue in Greater China: The Current Situation and Future Possibilities.” 20 people attend.


26–27 Dec Paul Swanson attends the 51st annual cormos meeting in Kyoto and chairs the panel discussion on “Sensibility and Spirituality in Education.”

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1 Jan Robert Kisala takes office as Provincial Superior of the Society of the Divine Word in Japan, but remains connected to the Institute as an associate research fellow.

19–31 Jan James Heisig travels to Lund, Sweden, to give a commemorative lecture, and from there to Barcelona, Spain, where he participates in defense of a doctoral dissertation by Raquel Bouso on the philosophy of Nishitani Keiji.

18 Jan Benjamin Dorman travels to Hachiōji, Tokyo, to present a paper at Sōka University’s Institute for Oriental Philosophy.

18 Feb Paul Swanson presides over the oral defense of his doctoral student Peter Baekelmans, on “A Sacramentology of Religions.”

24 Feb Yamanashi Yukiko 山梨有希子 presents an in-house seminar on her research at the Institute: ”Thoughts on Theories of Interreligious Dialogue.”

28 Feb Prof. Ulombe Kaputu Felix from Lubumbashi University, Democratic Republic of Congo, arrives in Nagoya to conduct research for one month
at the Institute, with the support by the Japanese Ministry of Education and Science.

4 March Official confirmation arrives that the Nanzan Institute has been awarded a GPSS (Global Perspectives on Science and Spirituality) grant to pursue a program of academic research on “Science—Spirit—Religion: Reflections on Science and Spirituality in the Japanese Context” (March 2005 to July 2006).

7 March Prof. Zaza Piralishvili, visiting research fellow, presents an in-house seminar on “Aum Shinrikyō: The Tenth Anniversary of a Terrorist Act in the Tokyo Subway.”

10–12 March Paul Swanson travels to Tokyo to meet with prominent scientists Satō Tetsuya 佐藤哲也, director of the Earth Simulation Center, and Tanaka Keiji 田中啓治, vice-director of the RIKEN Brain Science Institute, to invite their participation in the GPSS project. He also attends an editorial meeting for 『宗教研究』 [Religious studies].

18 March Dr. Steven Engler of Mount Royal College, Calgary, arrives in Osaka to give a lecture tour at Tenri University, Hokkaido University, and Keio University, and to attend the 1AHR, as a visiting research fellow of the Institute, with the support by the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science.

21 March The Institute sponsors a conference on “In Search of Dialogue among Religions in the Middle East,” a program of intellectual exchanges sponsored by The Japan Foundation in cooperation with the Nanzan Institute for Religion and Culture. Participants include scholars from Tunisia, Egypt, Israel, and Turkey, including Sallah Hannacchi, the ambassador of Tunisia in Japan.

22 March The Institute sponsors a roundtable discussion on “The Dialogue among Religions: Reports from around the World,” with reports from Hungary, Romania, Ukraine, Belgium, Cuba, Brazil, the Philippines, Korea, and Japan.

24–31 March The Institute members attend the 19th World Congress of the International Association for the History of Religions (1AHR) in Tokyo, where they are actively involved in numerous events.

Other visitors included:

10 May Ranjana Mukhopadhyana, Assistant Professor in the Graduate School of Humanities and Social Sciences at Nagoya City University.

13 May Venerable Dr. Mettanando Bhikkhu, Director of International Affairs for The Foundation of King Rama the Great in Bangkok, Thailand.

13–14 May Ellen Schattschneider, Assistant Professor of Anthropology at Brandeis University.

19 Aug. Rosemary Morrison, a scholar and translator of Watsuji Tetsurō.
27 Aug. Senda Tomoko 千田智子, research fellow at Tokyo Geijutsu Daigaku.
30 Oct. Mathew Varghese, research fellow ICPR, New Delhi, and Fukuroi Yuko, Ph.D. in Buddhist art.
7 Dec. Franz Winter, a scholar from Vienna and research associate at the NCC Center for the Study of Japanese Religions in Kyoto.
21 Dec. James Baskind, Ph.D. student in Buddhist Studies at Yale University.

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21 Jan. John Powers, Professor in Buddhist Studies at Australian National University.
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8–27 April James W. Jones, professor in the Department of Religion and Graduate School of Professional Psychology, Rutgers University, comes to do research on Aum Shinrikyo.

8 April James Heisig begins his twentieth year of “Maru-ha” seminars for the public.

9 April James Heisig, Paul Swanson, Okuyama Michiaki, and Watanabe Manabu travel to Tokyo to attend various committee meetings of the Japanese Association for Religious Studies at the University of Tokyo.

10 April Watanabe Manabu attends the board of directors meeting of the Japanese Association for the Study of Religion and Society at Kokugakuin University.

10 April John Maraldo, professor of philosophy at the University of North Florida, comes to the Institute to work on a translation of works by Kuki Shūzō, part of the Japanese philosophy sourcebook project.

22 April A colloquium is held with Yokoyama Teruo, professor of anthropology and philosophy at Nanzan University, on the theme “Science and Religion in Debates Over Evolution.” This is the first official colloquium of the year in the grss “Science and Religion” series. 21 people attend.

25 April An in-house seminar is held with James W. Jones on “The Psychological Roots of Religious Terrorism with Special Reference to Aum Shinrikyo.”

1–5 May Thomas Kirchner, former associate editor at the Institute, visits the Institute to work on the layout of Ruth Fuller Sasaki’s annotated translation of the Rinzairoku.

9 May Watanabe Manabu travels to Tokyo to attend committee meetings of the Japanese Society for Ethics to plan the special topic forum of their annual meeting.

13 May A colloquium is held with Satō Tetsuya, Director of The Earth Simulator Center, on the theme “Can Humanity and Nature Be Under-
stood with Reason Alone?” This is the second colloquium in the gpss “Science and Religion” series. 18 people attend.

16 May Robert J.J. Wargo’s *The Logic of Nothingness: A Study of Nishida Kitarō*, the 7th volume in the Nanzan Library of Asian Religion and Culture series from University of Haw’i Press, arrives from the printer.

19 May A colloquium is held with Tanaka Keiji, Director at the Neuroscience Research Center of RIKEN, on the theme “Kokoro and Brain Science: Goal-Directed Behavior, and the Pre-Frontal Association Cortex.” This is the third colloquium in the gpss “Science and Religion” series. 21 people attend.

21 May Enrico Fongaro and Tiziano Tosolini, both associate research members of the Institute, come to work with James Heisig on a forthcoming book in the series “Tetsugaku” that Heisig is co-editing with Carlo Saviani for L’Epos publishing house in Palermo.

1–9 June Okuyama Michiaki travels to Palermo, Sicily, to attend and give a paper at the CENSUR 2005 International Conference.

3–9 June Paul Swanson travels to Los Angeles (USA) to attend and present a paper at the 7th International Conference on Buddhist-Christian Dialogue, sponsored by the Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies at Loyola Marymount University.

10 June The latest *Bulletin of the Nanzan Institute for Religion and Culture*, vol. 29 (2005), arrives from the printers.

3–11 June James Heisig travels to Geneva (Switzerland), to attend and give a paper at an international assembly of the World Council of Churches.

11–12 June Watanabe Manabu travels to Tokyo to attend the annual meeting and the board of directors meeting of the Japanese Association for the Study of Religion and Society at Kokugakuin University.

16 June A colloquium is held with Kaya Wataru 賀陽 濁, head priest of Tanashi Shrine and director of the Kaya Clinic, on the theme “Traditional Japanese Beliefs and Psychoanalysis.” This is the fourth colloquium in the gpss “Science and Religion” series. 26 people attend.

23 June A colloquium is held with Hashimoto Shūji 橋本周司, Professor at Waseda University and Director of the Humanoid Research, on the theme “Is it Possible to Make Machines with a Mind/Heart/Kokoro?” This is the fifth colloquium in the gpss “Science and Religion” series. 20 people attend.

27 June The first 2 volumes of a new series entitled “Tetsugaku: Studi e testi di filosofia giapponese” edited by James Heisig and Carlo Saviani, arrive from the publishers, L’Epos of Palermo.

29 June Park Kyutae (Professor, Hanyang University) and Sung Min Ryu (Professor, Hanshin University) visit the Institute to discuss ways of cooperation between Nanzan and The Korea Institute for Religion and Culture.
Thomas Kasulis arrives at the Institute for a two-month research visit to work on the Japanese philosophy project.

2 July James Heisig, Paul Swanson, and Watanabe Manabu travel to Tokyo to attend various committee meetings of the Japanese Association for Religious Studies at the University of Tokyo.

7 July Sueki Fumihiko 末木文美士 is invited for a meeting at the Institute to discuss his 2-volume publication 「近代日本の思想・再考」 (Rethinking modern Japanese thought): 明治思想家論 (Essays on Meiji intellectuals) and 近代日本と仏教 (Buddhism and modern Japan). The book was reviewed by Yamaguchi Aki 山口亜紀 and Ōtani Eiichi 大谷栄一, junior research fellows at the Nanzan Institute, and Hayashi Makoto 林淳 of Aichi Gakuin University. 21 people attended.

7 July Philip Vanhauelmeersch arrives at the Institute for a two-month period of post-doctoral research.

13 July James Heisig leaves for two months in Bogotá (Columbia), and Rio de Janeiro (Brazil), to give lectures and prepare a book on the Gospel of Thomas.

14–19 July Paul Swanson travels to Paris (France) to attend the Global Perspectives on Science and Spirituality Paris international workshop.

19–21 July Watanabe Manabu travels to Kyoto to attend the annual meeting and the board of directors meetings of the Japan Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies.

15–25 July Okuyama Michiaki travels to Zagreb (Croatia), to attend the 28th Conference of the International Society for the Sociology of Religion.

27–28 July Paul Swanson travels to Shingū (Wakayama) to conduct field research on Takagi Kenmyō and the Taigyaku (“Great Treason”) Incident.

18–26 Aug Aasulv Lande, Professor in the Department of Theology and Religious Studies at Lund University (Sweden), pays a visit to the Institute to conduct research on Shinto.

25 Aug Paul Swanson travels to London (England) for the XIVth Conference of the International Association of Buddhist Studies, and to Vienna (Austria) for the 11th International Conference of the European Association of Japanese Studies.

9–11 Sept James Heisig, Paul Swanson, Watanabe Manabu, and Benjamin Dorman travel to Osaka to attend the annual meeting of the Japanese Association for Religious Studies at Kansai University.

14–26 Sept Okuyama Michiaki travels to Antwerp (Belgium) to attend the UCSIA Summer Seminar and visit some research institutes.

17–21 Sept Paul Swanson and Watanabe Manabu attend the Fourth Yoko Civiliza-
tion International Conference on “Science and Religion in the Age of Crisis,” at the Awaji Yumebutai International Conference Center.

29 Sept A colloquium is held with Tanaka Yutaka 田中 裕, professor of philos-
phy at Sophia University, on the theme “Three Views on Hansen’s Disease: Literature, Ethics, and Religion.” This is the sixth colloquium in the gpss “Science and Religion” series. 20 people attend.

3 Oct Paul Swanson travels to Kyoto to attend the meeting of the cromos Board of Directors to plan for the annual end-of-the-year conference.

5–11 Oct James Heisig travels to München and Bologna to attend conferences on religion.

7 Oct Paul Swanson travels to Kyoto to attend the opening ceremony of the “National Treasures of Saichō and Tendai” exhibit at the Kyoto National Museum, and to give a presentation on Tendai Buddhism to the Asian Studies Group in Kyoto.

7–10 Oct Watanabe Manabu travels to Okayama to attend the annual meeting of the Japanese Society for Ethics at Okayama University.

8 Oct Paul Swanson and Okuyama Michiaki travel to Tokyo to attend an egsid meeting, sponsored by the Oriens Institute.

4 Nov A celebration party is held to commemorate the publication of the Nanzan Guide to Japanese Religions; attended by 10 people.

11 Nov A colloquium is held with Ōshima Yasuji 大嶋泰治, Professor Emeritus of Osaka University, on the theme “Earth Life and Human Activity.” This is the seventh colloquium in the gpss “Science and Religion” series. 19 people attend.

12–17 Nov Okuyama Michiaki accompanies visitors from France to Kyoto and Tokyo.

18–22 Nov Paul Swanson, Watanabu Manabu, Okuyama Michiaki, and Benjamin Dorman travel to Philadelphia (USA) to attend the annual meeting of the American Academy of Religion.

2 Dec A colloquium is held with Tomita Naohide 富田直秀, Professor of Kyoto University, on the theme “Diversity and Peace of Mind in Medical Engineering Technology.” This is the eighth colloquium in the gpss “Science and Religion” series. 17 people attend.

2–5 Dec Watanabe Manabu attends the conference of the Society for the Body-Mind Science, at Ehime University, where he gives a response to a panel on the contemporary society and spirituality.

9–19 Dec James Heisig travels to Bilbao (Spain) to participate in the International Congress on Interreligious Dialogue.

11 Dec A colloquium is held with Matsuzawa Tetsurō 松沢哲郎, Professor of Kyoto University and Director of the Primate Research Institute, on the theme “The Evolution of Mind in Humans and Chimpanzees.” This is the ninth colloquium in the gpss “Science and Religion” series. 40 people attend.

21 Dec The Institute staff celebrates its annual end-of-the-year party.
26–27 Dec  Paul Swanson and Watanabe Manabu attend the 52nd annual CORMOS meeting in Kyoto.

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28 Jan  An international workshop on “The Internationalization of Religious Studies: International Cooperation Among Research Centers Around the World” was held at the Institute, with five international guests from Estonia, Belgium, Brazil, and the USA.

3 Feb  A colloquium is held with Sanda Ichirō, Professor of Nagoya University, on the theme “Physics and God.” This is the tenth colloquium in the GISSS “Science and Religion” series. 33 people attend.

25 Feb –8 March  James Heisig travels to Techny (USA) for a symposium on “Confucian Philosophy” as part of his long-term project on Japanese philosophy.


11 March  Klaus Gresbrand arrives to work with James Heisig on Die Kana lernen und behalten.

15 March  The first copies of 『日本哲学の国際性』, edited by James Heisig, arrive from the publishers, Sekai-shiho-sha.

17 March  Paul Swanson, Ben Dorman, and Peter Knecht attend an editorial workshop sponsored by Monumenta Nipponica at Sophia University.

17 March –3 April  Robert Rauther, a lawyer and doctoral student at the University of Osnabrueck, Germany, visits the Institute to work with James Heisig on Die Kanji lernen und behalten, vol. 2.

22–29 March  Okuyama Michiaki travels to Egypt to renew contacts with scholars at Cairo University.

30 March  Audrius Beinorius, Associate Professor at Vilnius University, arrives for a one-month research stay to investigate the role of divination in traditional Japan.

Other visitors included:

2–3 May  Michele Marra, Professor in the Department of East Asian Languages and Cultures at University of California-Los Angeles.

19 May  Gerald Cipriani, research fellow in the Aesthetics and Art History Department of Kyoto University.

15 June  Nami Kim, Assistant Professor of Religion at Spelman College (Atlanta, Georgia, USA).

30 June  Tanaka Norihiko, director of the Research Institute of Bukkyō University, and two assistants (Yamamoto Hiroko and Yoshioka Noriko). Senda Tomoko, research fellow at Tokyo Geijutsu Daigaku.
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<td>Fr. Jacques Grenier, priest at Futamatagawa Church in Yokohama, and</td>
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<td>Dr. Marcel Viau, Doyen in the Faculté de théologie et de sciences religieuses of Université Laval in Québec, Canada.</td>
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<td>Michelle La Fay, a specialist on the work of Uchimura Kanzō.</td>
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<td>Gereon Kopf, professor at Luther College (Iowa, USA).</td>
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<td>Bradley D. Park, assistant professor of Philosophy in the Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies at St. Mary’s College of Maryland.</td>
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<td>Alena Govorounova, lecturer at Kansai University. Royden Muranaka, University of Hawai‘i Press sales manager.</td>
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<td>1 March</td>
<td>Tsutsui Yū 筒井裕, Ph.D. candidate in religion and geography at Kyoto University.</td>
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<td>Terry F. Kleeman, Associate Professor of Chinese and Religious Studies, University of Colorado at Boulder.</td>
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<td>28–30 March</td>
<td>Stefan Baumberger, Professor at Hochschule für Philosophie, München, Germany.</td>
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<td>Jason Josephson, PhD candidate at Stanford University.</td>
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2006

3 April Paul Atkins, assistant professor at University of Washington, arrives for a half-year research sabbatical (April-September).

4–10 April Paul Swanson and Benjamin Dorman travel to San Francisco, USA, to attend the annual conference of the Association for Asian Studies, including a panel for discussing the recently-published *Nanzan Guide to Japanese Religions*, and a reception sponsored by the University of Hawai’i to celebrate the publication of this book.

11 April Thomas Kasulis, first holder of the Roche Chair for Interreligious Research, arrives for a six-month research stay.

14 April Inoue Tokuta 井上懸太, advisor to the Genesis Research Institute, visits the Institute.

21 April Kuroda Kōtarō 黒田光太郎, Professor in the Department of Quantum Engineering, Nagoya University, visits the Institute along with three assistants to discuss the “Science Café” (sponsored by the Japanese Ministry of Education) to be held the next day.


After twenty years, James Heisig brings to a close his “Maru-ha” seminars for the public.

1–5 May Thomas Kirchner comes to the Institute to work on his ongoing new edition of Ruth Fuller Sasaki’s annotated translation of the *Lin-chí lún/Rinzairokū*.

12–14 May The 13th Nanzan Symposium is held on the theme “Science—Kokoro—Religion: A Scientific Perspective on 'Kokoro’.”

16 May–2 June James Heisig travels to Barcelona, Bologna, and Leiden for academic conferences and to accompany, interpret, and dialogue with Ueda Shinzuteru 上田閑照.

2–8 June Watanabe Manabu travels to London (England) for a *csjr* Workshop on “Rethinking Embodiment: A Contemporary Japanese Perspective.”
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<td>Benjamin Dorman travels to Dōshisha University, Kyoto, to attend the annual meeting of Japanese Association for the Study of Religion and Society.</td>
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<td>9 June</td>
<td>Hayashi Makoto 林淳 of Aichi Gakuin University is invited for a discussion of his publication『近世陰陽道の研究』[Studies on Ying-yang in the early modern period in Japan], with the theme “Rethinking the history of religion in early modern Japan.” The book was reviewed by Kiba Akashi 木場明志 (Ōtani University), Endō Jun 遠藤潤 (Kokugakuin University), and Ōtani Eiichi 大谷栄一 (Nanzan Institute). 21 people attend.</td>
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<td>22 June</td>
<td>A reception is held to celebrate the commencement of the Roche Chair for Interreligious Studies, attended by Robert Roche, representatives of Nanzan University, and many others.</td>
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<td>30 June</td>
<td>A colloquium is held with Nishihira Tadashi 西平直, professor of education in the graduate school at the University of Tokyo, on the theme “Identity and Spirituality: The Horizon of Understanding Existence and Escaping the Unreal Self.” This is the eleventh official colloquium in the gpss “Science and Religion” series. 36 people attend.</td>
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<td>Paul Swanson travels to Tokyo to participate in a panel on “The Roles of Religion in the University,” held to commemorate the commencement of the Faculty of Liberal Arts at Sophia University.</td>
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<td>6 July</td>
<td>Keller Kimbrough, visiting research fellow at the Institute, gives an in-house seminar on his research on “Narrating the Six Realms: Supernatural Travelers’ Tales of Late Medieval Japan.”</td>
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<td>1–13 July</td>
<td>Okuyama Michiaki travels to Paris for the annual meeting of the International Society for the Comparative Study of Civilizations, and from there to Santa Barbara, where he is invited to lecture at the Institute for United States Studies.</td>
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<td>15 July</td>
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<td>26 July– 1 August</td>
<td>Paul Swanson travels to Paris, France, for a gpss (Global Perspectives on Science and Spirituality) workshop.</td>
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<td>29–30 July</td>
<td>Watanabe Manabu travels to Hakone to attend the bi-annual meeting of the University of Tsukuba Ethics Society.</td>
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<td>Okuyama Michiaki travels to Paris where he will spend six months on sabbatical leave.</td>
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21 August–12 Sept  The 2nd floor of the Institute is shut down for removal of asbestos from the research rooms.

1 Sept  Drs. Christina and Manfred Hofmann of Lund University in Sweden arrive for a two-month research visit.

6–7 Sept  Paul Swanson attends the Kōyasan International Conference on Esoteric Buddhist Studies at Kōyasan University, where he is discussant for a panel on “The Role of Practice and Faith in the Study of Religion.”

15–18 Sept  Paul Swanson, Watanabe Manabu, and Benjamin Dorman travel to Sendai for the annual conference of the Japanese Association for Religious Studies.

24–28 Sept  Paul Swanson travels to China for his first visit to Mt. Tiantai, traditional home of the Buddhist Tiantai school.

1 Oct  Keel Hee-Sung arrives to start his one-year tenure as the second holder of the Roche Chair for Interreligious Research.

6 Oct  A colloquium is held with Iriki Atsushi 入来篤史, specialist in brain science at RIKEN, on the theme “The Neurobiology of Intelligence: The Budding Evolution of Symbolic Identity Thinking in the Brains of Tool-Using Monkeys.” This is the twelfth official colloquium in the gPSS “Science and Religion” series. 36 people attend.

10 Oct  Jesús Blas Vicens, Professor at the University of Barcelona, begins a six-week stay at the Institute to pursue research on Buddhist approaches to the problems of sustainability. His wife Ángels and daughter Claudia join him for two weeks.

18–22 Oct  James Heisig travels to Bologna and Berlin to attend meetings and give lectures connected with the gPSS “Science and Religion” project and the Japanese Philosophy project.

27 Oct  Watanabe Manabu travels to Tokyo to give a talk on “Self-Cultivation and the Body” at Risshō University (administered by the Nichiren-shū).


31 Oct–5 Dec  Erin McCarthy, Department of Philosophy, St. Lawrence University, arrives for a short research stay to work on a project concerning the philosophy of Watsuji Tetsurō.

31 Oct–5 Nov  Watanabe Manabu travels to Boston for meetings at the Harvard Center for the Study of World Religions.

10 Nov  Paul Swanson attends a dinner with Jane Goodall and Matsuzawa Tetsurō (Kyoto University Primate Research Institute), sponsored by Benesse in commemoration of the establishment of a new fund to support a research group on the “Comparative Study of Cognitive Development.”

11 Nov  Jane Goodall, noted primatologist, naturalist, and environmentalist, and head of the Jane Goodall Institute, gives a presentation at Nanzan...
16 Nov Andrea Molle arrives from Italy to spend two years in Japan for research on Japanese religion, with a scholarship from the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS).

23–29 Nov Watanabe Manabu and Benjamin Dorman travel to Washington D.C. to attend the annual conference of the American Academy of Religion.

28 Nov Rosemary Morrison arrives to spend a month at the Institute to prepare a selection of translations from Watsuji Tetsurō for the Japanese Philosophy project.

1–3 Dec Paul Swanson travels to Tokyo to visit RIKEN and various participants in the GPSS-MAP project.

7 Dec The Institute sponsors a “book review” discussion to examine the new Japanese translation by Okada Masahiko of James Kete-laar’s classic Of Heretics and Martyrs in Meiji Japan (1990). The book was reviewed by Hayashi Makoto of Aichi Gakuin University, Kawakami Tsuneo, post-doctoral researcher at the Nanzan Institute, and Haga Shōji, with comments by Ōtani Eiichi. 31 people attended.

8 Dec The Institute staff celebrates its annual end-of-the-year party.

13 Dec The first interreligious dialogue meeting of the “Group of Research Institutes Affiliated with Religious Organizations” is held at the Nanzan Institute to explore from a variety of traditions the question, “What is Salvation?” Included were presentations by Paul Swanson (Christianity) and Kageyama Kyōshun. 30 people attended.

15 Dec A colloquium is held with Alena Govorounova on the theme “Exploring Controversies in Christian vs. Buddhist Approaches to Bioethics: Is a Transreligious Framework for Reintegration of Science and Spirituality Possible?” 9 people attend.

26–27 Dec Paul Swanson attends the 53rd annual CORMOS meeting in Kyoto, where he serves as chair of the general panel on the theme “Prayer and Memorials.”


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1 Jan Timothy Richardson, of Brigham Young University, Hawai‘i, arrives with his family to spend four months at the Institute working with Jim Heisig on a multi-volume series of books on simplified and traditional Chinese characters.

13–14 Jan Benjamin Dorman travels to Kokugakuin University, Tokyo, to participate and act as commentator in a symposium on using academic online
resources and the development of Kokugakuin University’s Academic Media Center.

26–27 Jan  Paul Swanson travels to Tokyo with Andrea Molle to assist in his research, and to attend the Board of Directors meeting of the Japanese Association for Religious Studies.

29 Jan  Okuyama Michiaki returns to Japan from his sabbatical in Paris.

2 Feb  Rafael Shoji of the Pontifícia Universidade Católica de São Paulo arrives to begin a two-month research stay at the Institute.

3 Feb  Paul Swanson, Watanabe Manabu, and Okuyama Michiaki travel to Tokyo to attend an egsid meeting at Sophia University.

23 Feb  Nakayama Shigeru 中山茂, Professor Emeritus of Kanagawa University and specialist in the history of science in Japan, gives a talk on “The Mind-Body Problem as Seen in the Classical Texts of Eastern Medicine,” a colloquium in the gPss “Science and Religion” series. 39 people attend.

4–26 March  Okuyama Michiaki travels to Brazil for research on state and religion issues in South America.

5–6 March  Paul Swanson travels to Tokyo to attend the Board of Directors’ meeting of the International Institute for the Study of Religions and to see to other Institute business.


7 March  Paul Swanson travels to Kyoto for a workshop on “Lessons for Monotheistic Religions from Japanese Religions,” the first meeting of a study group associated with the Dōshisha University cismor project.

17 March  Paul Swanson travels to Tokyo for an editorial committee meeting of Shūkyō kenkyū 宗教研究.


19 March  Jim Heisig’s book Filozofiji ništavila: Esej o Kyoto školi arrives from the publishers in Sarajevo.

21–30 March  Paul Swanson and Benjamin Dorman travel to the United States (Boston) for the annual meeting of the Association for Asian Studies. Paul Swanson also gives a paper at the Bob Dylan Symposium at the University of Minnesota (25–27 March), and Benjamin Dorman visits the headquarters of ATLA (American Theological Library Association) in Chicago to discuss their database and issues related to journal publication and promotion.

29 March  Kawanami Hiroko 川並宏子 of the Department of Religious Studies, Lancaster University, gives a talk on “Women in Buddhism: Understanding the Struggle.” 15 people attend.
Other visitors included:

24 April Fredrik Stromberg, PhD student in the Philosophy Department at Uppsala University in Sweden.

28 April Cornelia Dragusin, PhD candidate at the Australian National University.

8 May Naoko Frances Hioki, PhD candidate at the Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley.

31 May Mark MacWilliams, Professor in the Religious Studies Department of St. Lawrence University.

7–8 June Jamie Hubbard, Yehan Numata Lecturer in Buddhist Studies Department of Religion and Biblical Literature at Smith College.

2–3 July Larry Sullivan, Notre Dame University, and Richard Gardner, Dean of the Faculty of Liberal Arts at Sophia University.


18–20 July Gereon Kopf, assistant professor for Asian and comparative religion at Luther College, Iowa.

25 July Galen Amstutz, Professor at Ryūkoku University, Kyoto.

31 July Lin Chen-kuo 林鎮國 (professor, National Chengchi University of Taiwan), Cheung Ching-yuen 張政遠 (PhD student, Tōhoku University), and Lam Wing Keung 林永強 (Kyoto University, postdoctoral visiting research fellow).

18 Aug Mark Blum, professor at the State University of New York.

4 Oct Dr. Evgeny S. Steiner, adjunct professor at New York University and member of the Institute of Synergetic Anthropology (Moscow).

1 Nov Karel van der Leeuw, professor at the University of Amsterdam and currently Visiting Professor of Learning Science at Hiroshima University.

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17–18 Jan Elena Lange, a doctoral candidate from the University of Hamburg, Germany.

31 Jan Maja Vodopivic, research student at the Tokyo University of Foreign Languages.

1 March Karl Rosvold, student at Keio University's Center for Japanese Studies.

2 March Clinton Godart, PhD student from the University of Chicago.
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1–4 April  Tom Mackenzie, from the gpss head office in Paris, visits the Institute for a review of the gpss “science and religion” project.

3 April  *Filozofi ništavila: Esey o Kyoto školi*, the Bosnian translation of James Heisig’s *Philosophers of Nothingness*, arrives from the printers.

7 April  Paul Swanson, James Heisig, Watanabe Manabu, and Okuyama Michiaki travel to Tokyo for various committee meetings of the Japanese Association for Religious Studies.


5 May  Paul Swanson travels to Tokyo to attend a Board Meeting of the International Institute for the Study of Religions, and a retirement reception for Wakimoto Tsuneya 脇本平也.

7 May  Heup Young Kim, Professor of Systematic Theology, Kangnam University (Korea), visits the Institute to discuss future cooperation with the gpss project.

8 May  Watanabe Manabu was appointed as director of Nanzan Anthropological Institute for 2 years to help it reestablish itself, while remaining as permanent research fellow at Nanzan Institute.

14 May  Keller Kimbrough arrives for a three-month research visit.

15 May  Joseph O’Leary, Professor of Literature at Sophia University, visits the Institute for a brief research stay.

John Maraldo, Professor at University of North Florida, arrives for a one-month visit to work on the Japanese Philosophy project.

Scott Schnell arrives for the first of two short visits (15–28 May, 8–20 June).

26 May  Erin McCarthy, Department of Philosophy, St. Lawrence University, arrives for a one-month research stay at the Institute.

30 May–4 June  Paul Swanson, James Heisig, and Okuyama Michiaki travel to Tunisia for a conference on “The Challenges of Religious Pluralism and Dia-
logue: The West, the Middle East, and Japan.” They are accompanied by three graduate students from Nanzan University.

31 May
Charlotte Eubanks, Assistant Professor of Comparative Literature and Japanese at The Pennsylvania State University, arrives for a one-month research stay at the Institute.

9–10 June
Watanabe Manabu and Okuyama Michiaki travel to Tokyo to attend the annual conference of the Japanese Association for the Study of Religion and Society at Komazawa University. It is decided that the next year’s annual conference will be held at Nanzan.

12–16 June
Hayo Krombach from the Centre for Philosophy of Natural and Social Science at The London School of Economics and Political Science, pays a visit to the Institute.

17–19 June
Watanabe Manabu travels to Tokyo to give a talk at the Institute of Christian Culture/Oriental Religions at Sophia University and to attend the preparatory meeting for the opening symposium of the annual meeting of the Japanese Association for Religious Studies at Risshō University in September.

22–24 June
Paul Swanson travels to Niigata and Sado Island to participate in a tour of Nichiren-related sites and give a lecture on Tendai Buddhism.

25 June
Tanaka Yutaka, Professor at Sophia University, gives a talk on “The Philosophy of Nothingness and Hayathology,” 11 people attend.

6 July
Paul Swanson, James Heisig, and Okuyama Michiaki are invited to the Tunisian Embassy in Tokyo for a special dinner hosted by the Tunisian ambassador.

7 July
Paul Swanson and Watanabe Manabu attend the Board of Regents and other committee meetings of the Japanese Association for Religious Studies.

9 July
Martin Lu, arrives for a two-month research visit.

22–26 July
Okuyama Michiaki travels to Leipzig, Germany, to attend a meeting of the International Society for the Sociology of Religion.

24 July
*Science, Kokoro, Religion: A Scientific Perspective on the Meaning of Kokoro* 「科学・こころ・宗教——科学から見る「こころ」の意義」, the collection of papers and discussion from the 13th Nanzan Symposium, arrives from the printers.

27–29 July
Paul Swanson and Okuyama Michiaki participate in the Nagoya American Studies Summer Seminar, held at Nanzan University, on the theme “Religion in America.”

30 July
Timothy W. Richardson, Assistant Professor at Brigham Young University Hawaii, arrives for a three-week visit to continue work on a Chinese version of “Remembering the Kanji.”

31 July
Keel Hee-Sung, current holder of the Roche Chair for Interreligious
Research, gives an in-house seminar on the topic of his recent research interest on “Evil and Eschatology.”

1 August A colloquium is held with Gary Laderman, Professor of Religious Studies at Emory University, on the theme “Science is Not a Religion, But It Can Be Religious.” This is the nineteenth official colloquium in the GPSS “Science and Religion” series. 19 people attend.

2–3 August Watanabe Manabu travels to Tokyo to consult with the International Institute for the Study of Religion concerning research materials on Aum Shinrikyo, and to attend a workshop.

3 August Clark Chilson arrives to begin a one-year research stay at the Institute as a JSPS Research Fellow.

30 August Watanabe Manabu travels to Tokyo to give a talk at the meeting of the Institute for the Interreligious Dialogue presided by Rev. Minegishi Shōten, the head priest of Chōrakuji, Sōtō Temple, in Gunma prefecture and to attend the board meeting of the Japanese Society for Ethics.

4 Sept Paul Swanson travels to Kyoto to visit the newly-established Kokoro Research Center, and discuss future cooperation with the Director (Yoshikawa Sakiko 吉川佐紀子).


11 Sept John and Linda Keenan arrive for a ninth-month stay, with John Keenan to start his tenure as the third holder of the Roche Chair for Interreligious Research.

15–17 Sept Paul Swanson, Watanabe Manabu, Okuyama Michiaki, and Benjamin Dorman travel to Tokyo to attend the annual conference of the Japanese Association for Religious Studies, sponsored this year by Risshō University. Watanabe Manabu gives a presentation on “Self-Cultivation and the Body in the Religious Traditions” at the opening symposium.

17 Sept– Benjamin Dorman travels to Indiana University in Bloomington USA where he meets the future co-editor of Asian Ethnology Scott Schnell (University of Iowa), and holds talks concerning Asian Ethnology (formerly Asian Folklore Studies) with various academics and editors. He then travels to the University of Iowa in Iowa City to discuss the co-editorship with Scott Schnell, to meet with his colleagues, and to finalize details concerning the special issue of Asian Folklore Studies (65/2) dedicated to celebrating the achievements of former editor Peter Knecht.

12–15 Oct Paul Swanson and Ōtani Eiichi travel to Taiwan to attend the GPSS workshop on “Consciousness, Brain Science, and Religion: Some Asian Perspectives,” cosponsored by the Nanzan Institute and Fu Jen Catholic University.
12–14 Oct  Manabu Watanabe travels to Niigata to attend the board meeting and the annual meeting of Japan Ethical Society at Niigata University.

15–24 Oct  Sangeetha Menon, Fellow of the National Institute of Advance Studies in Bangalore, India, arrives at the Institute for a short research stay and to present colloquia for the gpss program.

19 Oct  Sangeetha Menon gives a colloquium on “Brain and Consciousness: Challenges in Science-Spirituality Dialogues.” This is the twentieth official colloquium in the gpss “Science and Religion” series. 17 people attend.

3–5 Nov  Paul Swanson attends the annual conference of the Association for the Study of Mountain Religion held at Kiso Fukushima.

15 Nov  Cornelia Dragusin, PhD candidate at the Australian National University, arrives for a research visit (until 20 Dec) to pursue her research on Tenrikyo.

15–20 Nov  James Heisig travels to Portugal for a conference and lecture tour.

15–23 Nov  Watanabe Manabu, Terao Kazuyoshi, Ōtani Eiichi, and Kawakami Tsuneko travel to San Diego, USA, for the annual conference of the American Academy of Religion.

5 Dec  Clark Chilson gives an in-house seminar on his research project on “religion and secrecy.”

6 Dec  The Institute staff gathers for the end-of-year bōnenkai.

7 Dec  John Keenan, current holder of the Roche Chair for Interreligious Studies, gives an in-house seminar on his book manuscript on “A Christian Reading of the Heart Sutra.”

7–13 Dec  Benjamin Dorman travels to Australia and meets academics in Melbourne (Deakin University, Monash University, University of Melbourne) and Sydney (Sydney University, University of Western Sydney) to discuss Asian Ethnology (formerly Asian Folklore Studies).

8–9 Dec  A two-day overnight workshop was held for the internal gpss network members, to deepen discussion on the themes highlighted at the gpss Symposium in 2006 and published as a book in 2007.

7–20 Dec  Benjamin Dorman travels to Australia to consult with various anthropologists and other specialists on the future of the journal Asian Ethnology (formerly Asian Folklore Studies).

8–20 Dec  James Heisig travels to Spain and Italy for a lecture tour in connection with the publication of his book El gemelo de Jesús.

9–16 Dec  Okuyama Michiaki travels to Paris, France, for an international conference on “Ancient Civilisations, New Beginnings: A Dialogue of Change.”

26–27 Dec  Paul Swanson, Watanabe Manabu, and Terao Kazuyoshi travel to Kyoto for the annual cormos meeting.
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3–20 Jan  Mark Blum, Associate Professor at the State University of New York, arrives for a three-week visit to work on the Buddhist section of the Japanese philosophy project.

14–15 Jan  James Heisig and Watanabe Manabu attend the funeral of Nagakura Hisako, Nanzan professor of Medieval philosophy and former Research Fellow of the Nanzan Institute.

18 Jan  A colloquium is held with Frédéric Girard, Professor at the Ecole pratique des hautes études, on the theme “Points of Contact between Zen and Nenbutsu in the Early Kamakura Period: Nyojō’s Verses on Wind Chimes.” 23 people attend.

23 Jan  Paul Swanson travels to Kyoto to attend a workshop sponsored by Matsuzawa Tetsurō, director of the Kyoto University Primate Research Institute, to discuss the theme “nature” (shizen), an event that is part of the preparations for a new research center at Kyoto University for the study of “animals in the wild.”

25 Jan  The Institute sponsors a “book review” study group to examine Yasumaru Yoshio’s 安丸良夫 most recent collection of essays on “The Experience of Becoming Civilized” (2007). The book was reviewed by Katsurashima Nobuhiro 桂島宣弘 of Ritsumeikan University and Ōtani Eiichi of the Nanzan Institute, and the meeting was chaired by Hayashi Makoto 林淳 of Aichi Gakuin University. 35 people attended.

15–25 Feb  Okuyama Michiaki visits Oregon University, USA, to examine postwar SCAP documents on religion in Japan.

20 Feb  John Keenan gives a second in-house seminar on his book manuscript on “A Christian Reading of the Heart Sutra.”

22 Feb  Andrea Molle, visiting JSPS research scholar at the Institute, gives an in-house seminar on his research on spirituality and martial arts.

6–7 March  Paul Swanson travels to Tokyo to attend the annual meeting of the Board of Advisors of the International Institute for the Study of Religions, and for other GPPS business.

13–19 March  Okuyama Michiaki visits New York on personal business.


15 March  Paul Swanson and Watanabe Manabu travel to Tokyo for an editorial meeting of the journal Shūkyō kenkyū.

17–31 March  Paul Swanson travels to the USA to attend a conference on “Religion and the State” at Indiana University, Bloomington, and meet with a number of advisors for Asian Ethnology.

17–19 March  Benjamin Dorman attends the Institute for Oriental Philosophy’s Annual Conference at Sōka University, Hachioji.
Other visitors included:

3 May  Oddbjørn Ørbech Jensen, graduate student in the Kyoto philosophy at Aarhus University, Denmark.
11 May  Juanito Santosdedios, a retired priest from the Archdiocese of Toronto.
28 May  Cath Knight, Lecturer at International Pacific College, New Zealand.
 3 July  Duncan Williams, Director of the Center for Japanese Studies at the University of California-Berkeley.
 4 July  Lori Meeks, Assistant Professor at University of Southern California.
30 July  Pamela Winfield, Assistant Professor in the Department of Religion and Philosophy at Meredith College, North Carolina, USA.
 1 Sept  Emily Anderson, PhD candidate in Japanese history at the University of California, Los Angeles.
14–15 Oct Graham Parkes, Professor at the University of Hawaii, Honolulu, and his wife Setsuko.
 17 Oct  Markus Goebi, Ph.D. student from the University of Heidelberg, currently studying at Kyoto University.

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 1 Feb  Dr. Yoriko Yamada-Bochynek, of the Freie Universität Berlin.
15–16 Feb Carina Roth, researcher at the University of Geneva.
22–23 Feb Galina Vorobyova, Senior Tutor at the Kyrgyz Republic Japan Center for Human Development and currently in Japan as a visiting scholar at the National Institute for Japanese Language.
24–27 Feb Silja Graupe, a researcher on economics and Nishida philosophy from Berlin.
13 March Jacques Fasan, Doctoral Candidate, Department of History, University of Chicago.
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12 April Annewieke Vroom, Faculty of Theology, Free University of Amsterdam, arrives for a short research visit (14 April–30 May) to pursue her work on Nishida and Nishitani. Paul Swanson, James Heisig, Okuyama Michiaki, and Watanabe Manabu travel to Tokyo for various committee meetings of the Japanese Association for Religious Studies.

16 April A “double” in-house seminar is held, with presentations on “Conundrums Secrecy Creates” by Clark Chilson, and “Religions among Japanese Brazilians” by Rafael Shoji. 14 people attended.

23 April Kawakami Tsuneo gives an in-house seminar on his research over the past years on “Organizational Reform and Believers in the Sekai Kyūseikyō.” 9 people attended.

24 April John Keenan gives a third in-house seminar on his book manuscript on “A Christian Reading of the Heart Sutra.”

9 May A colloquium is held in the gRss “Science and Religion” series, with two speakers from the newly established Kokoro Research Center of Kyoto University. Funahashi Shintarō, a specialist in Brain Science, spoke on “The Human Kokoro and the Pre-Frontal Association Cortex,” and Yoshikawa Sakiko, a specialist in Cognitive and Affective Psychology, spoke on “Kokoro and Facial Expression: A Psychological Approach.” This is the twenty-first official colloquium in the gRss “Science and Religion” series. 39 people attended.

13 May Victor Hori arrives for a short-term research visit.

15 May R. Keller Kimbrough arrives for a research visit. Watanabe Manabu gives a talk on “The Religious Consciousness of People Today” at a conference in Central Japan on Peace, Chūbu Peace Hall, Nagoya.

16 May Scott Schnell arrives for a short-term research visit.

23–24 May Ishii Samoa of Sophia University visits the Institute to work on the layout of the bulletin of the Japan Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies 『東西宗教研究』.

24 May Watanabe Manabu gives a talk on “Tasks for Religious Studies: From...”
Tradiional Religions to Contemporary Spirituality,” as the first in a Public Lecture Series at Nanzan University, Nagoya.

23–26 May  Paul Swanson travels to Seoul, Korea, to meet with colleagues at Sogang University and discuss the upcoming October international GPSS workshop.

24–26 May  Kawanami Hiroko, professor at Lancaster University, visits the Institute to participate in an evaluation committee meeting on the future of the Anthropological Institute.

Tom Kirchner visits the Nanzan Institute to work on the final proof-reading corrections of the new edition of Ruth Fuller Sasaki’s annotated translation of the *Lin-chi lun/Rinzairoku*.

4–5 June  Beverly Stoeltje, Professor of Anthropology, and Richard Bauman, Professor of Folklore and Ethnomusicology, both of Indiana University, visit the Institute and participate in the Reisai (Main Annual Festival) at Atsuta Shrine in Nagoya.

7 June  Okuyama Michiaki travels to Kyoto to attend a conference of the Association for Religious Law.

7–8 June  James Heisig hosts an international workshop for scholars involved in the “Japanese Philosophy” project, including Uehara Mayuko, Saitō Takako, Clinton Godard, Keta Masako, Britta Boutry-Stadelmann, Kazashi Nobuo, Isaac Sylvain, Kitagawa Sakiko, Shimizu Takashi, and Terao Kazuyoshi.

12 June  A colloquium is held as the first in a series (organized by Okuyama Michiaki) on the theme “Rescue, Recovery, and Religion: Humanitarian Aid and Spiritual Care in Times of Crisis.” Nishiyama Shiho of Yamashiri University gives a presentation on “The Lessons of Mutual Assistance during the Hanshin-Awaji Earthquake Disaster: Volunteer Spirit and Subsistence.” 15 people attended.

14–15 June  The 16th annual conference of the Society for the Study of Society and Religion is held at Nanzan University, including a panel on “Rethinking the Dialogue of ‘Science and Religion’ in Japan,” co-sponsored by the GPSS project. More than 230 people attend the conference, and about 50 people attend the panel.

21 June  Watanabe Manabu travels to Tokyo for the editorial committee of the Japanese Association for Religious Studies.

22–23 June  Mark and Theresa Blum visit the Institute to work on the Japanese Philosophy project.

23 June  Tom Kasulis arrives at the Institute for a short visit (23 June–9 September) to work on the Japanese philosophy project.

28 June  Paul Swanson travels to Kyoto to attend the G8 Religious Leaders Summit 2008 meetings at Dōshisha University.

5–12 July  James Heisig travels to Bogotá, Columbia, to attend the annual conference of the Asociación Latinoamericana para el Estudio de las Religiones (ALER) and give a keynote speech.

5 July  Paul Swanson, Watanabe Manabu, and Okuyama Michiaki travel to Tokyo to attend various committee meetings of the Japanese Association for Religious Studies.

8–14 July  Paul Swanson travels to Paris for a workshop of the Principle Investigators of the Global Perspectives on Science and Spirituality project.

18 July  A colloquium is held with Uehara Tatsuto, who spoke on “The Okinawan Trauma and its Denial: The Postwar Mentally Disabled and Home Care.” This is the second in a series on “Rescue, Recovery, and Religion.” 16 people attended.

30 July  Timothy Richardson, Brigham Young University Hawaii, USA, arrives to work with James Heisig on volume 2 of Remembering Traditional/Simplified Hanzi.

1–4 August  Paul Swanson travels to Pusan, Korea, to attend the inaugural international conference of the Association for the Study of East Asian Religion and Culture.

9 August  Robert Rauther, junior lawyer with the Higher Regional Court of Düsseldorf, Germany, arrives to work with Jim Heisig on a German version of the “Remembering Hanzi” books.

17 August–2 September  Okuyama Michiaki travels to Denmark (University of Aarhus) to attend an international conference.

23 August  Watanabe Manabu travels to Tokyo for the board meeting of the Japanese Association for Ethics.

25 August  Watanabe Manabu travels to Tokyo to present a paper on Aum Shinrikyō materials held at Nanzan Institute for Religion and Culture at Kokugakuen University in Tokyo.

27 August–20 September  Benjamin Dorman travels to Australia to gather materials for his research project on indigenous Australians. He is provided a visiting fellowship at Australian National University as a visiting research fellow at the Research School of Pacific and Asian Studies, and also visits Melbourne to meet with anthropologists and Asian regional specialists at the University of Melbourne.

1 September  Yusa Michiko, Professor of Japan Studies and East Asian Studies, Western Washington University, Bellingham, arrives to work on the “Japanese Philosophy” project.

1–3 September  Watanabe Manabu and Terao Kazuyoshi travel to Kyoto for the annual meeting of Japanese Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies.

10 Sept Benjamin Dorman is an invited speaker for a graduate seminar class on the subject of preparing an article for publication in peer-reviewed journals at The Australian National University's School of Music.

13–15 Sept Watanabe Manabu and Okuyama Michiaki travel to Tokyo to attend the annual conference of the Japanese Association for Religious Studies, sponsored this year by Tsukuba University. Watanabe presents a paper on religious education at universities managed by a religious organization.

16–19 Sept Okuyama Michiaki travels to Milano, Italy, for a conference on “In Arte, Buddha La filosofía e l’arte de Shinjo Ito.”

22–29 Sept James Heisig travels to Torino, Italy, to give an address at an international conference on “Turin Spirituality.”

27 Sept Watanabe Manabu travels to Tokyo for the board meeting of the Society for the Study of Religion and Society.

3 Oct A colloquium is held with Miyahara Kōjirō on the theme “Disaster Recovery from the Perspective of Social Aesthetics.” This is the third in a series on “Rescue, Recovery, and Religion.” 18 people attend.

3–5 Oct Watanabe Manabu travels to Tsukuba to attend the annual conference of the Japanese Association for Ethics.

4 Oct John Maraldo arrives to hold the Roche Chair for Interreligious Research (until April 2009).

9–15 Oct James Heisig and Okuyama Michiaki travel to Cairo, Egypt, for a conference on “Development between the Traditional and the Modern: The Egyptian and Japanese Experiences,” sponsored by the Program for Civilization Studies and Dialogue of Cultures, Cairo University.

11 Oct Paul Swanson travels to Tokyo to attend a meeting of the Board of Regents of the Japanese Association for Religious Studies.


24–27 Oct Paul Swanson and Ōtani Eiichi travel to Seoul, Korea, for the gpss conference on “Brain Science and Religion: Some Asian Perspectives,” co-sponsored by the Nanzan Institute (gpss project) and Sogang University’s Center for the Study of Religion.

27 Oct Watanabe responds to panelists at an International forum on “Shinto and Japanese Religions on the Internet: Where is Religious Education Headed Today?” at the Institute for Japanese Culture, Kokugakuin University, Tokyo.
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Oct 28 Benjamin Dorman presents a paper to the Nanzan Academic Society’s Area Studies/International Relations group.

30 Oct– 5 Nov James Heisig and Watanabe Manabu travel to Chicago to attend the annual meeting of the American Academy of Religion. Watanabe presents a paper on Yuasa Yasuo’s philosophy.

31 Oct Paul Swanson travels to Nagano/Niigata to attend the annual conference of the Japan Mountain Shugen Society, held near Mt. Myōkō.

9–30 Nov Mark Teeuwen, Professor of Japanese at the University of Oslo, comes to the Institute to work on the “Shinto Thought” section of the Japanese Philosophy project.


14–17 Nov Paul Jen-kuei Li of the Academia Sinica, Institute of Linguistics in Taipei, visits the Institute to access material in the library of the Anthropological Institute.

19–26 Nov Benjamin Dorman travels to San Francisco to attend the annual conference of the American Anthropological Association, where he holds discussions with co-editor Scott Schnell and other scholars concerning Asian Ethnology.


A colloquium is held with Ranjana Mukhopadhyaya on the theme “Social Development, International Aid, and the Revival of Buddhism: ‘Engaged Buddhism’ in Cambodia.” This is the fourth in a series on “Rescue, Recovery, and Religion.” 20 people attend.

22–23 Nov Laura Spaeker, graduate of Williams College, visits the Institute to meet with Victor Hori and discuss future academic plans.

27 Nov John Breen, currently doing research at the International Center for Japanese Studies (Nichibunken) in Kyoto, visits the Institute to discuss a publication project.

29–30 Nov A two-day overnight workshop is held for the internal GPSS network members, on the theme “Brain Science and Kokoro.” Presentations were made by Tanaka Keiji and Iriki Atsushi, of RIKEN, and Funahashi Shintarō of the Kyoto University Kokoro Research Center.

6–8 Dec Jessica Main, PhD student at McGill University presently completing her research at Ōtani University, visits Victor Hori to consult about her dissertation.

11 Dec Les philosophes du néant: Un essai sur l’école de Kyoto (Éditions du Cerf,
2008), by James Heisig and translated by Sylvain Isaac, Bernard Stevens, and Jacynthe Tremblay, arrives from the printers.

12 Dec Richard Jaffe, chair of the Department of Religion at Duke University, visits the Institute to discuss a special issue for the *JJRS*.

A colloquium is held with Miyaji Naoko on the theme “Facing Trauma: Using a ‘Circular Island’ Model.” This is the fifth in a series on “Rescue, Recovery, and Religion.” 17 people attend.

16 Dec The fall issue of the *Japanese Journal of Religious Studies* (volume 35/2), arrives from the printers.


20–21 Dec Watanabe travels to Tokyo for the board meetings of Japanese Association for Ethics and Japanese Association for the Study of Religion and Society.

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1–9 Jan Gereon Kopf, Associate Professor in the Faculty of Religion at Luther College, Iowa, visits the Institute to work on his research on Japanese philosophy.

4–9 Jan Bret Davis, Assistant Professor of Philosophy at Loyola College in Maryland, visits the Institute to discuss the Japanese philosophy project and other future projects.

4–19 Jan Mark Blum, Associate Professor at the State University of New York, arrives for a three-week visit to work on the Japanese philosophy project.


23 Jan Imaizumi Yoshiko, a senior researcher at the Meiji Jingu Research Institute, visits the Institute to discuss her research on Meiji Shrine.

23–25 Jan Felix Kaputu, Professor and visiting researcher at the Nichibunken, doing work on a comparison between Japanese *itako* and Congoliese *mikishi* shamanistic rituals, visits the Institute.

29 Jan A colloquium is held with Inaba Keishin on the theme “Thoughts on an Age of Confusion: The Social Contributions of Religion and Thoughtfulness,” the sixth in a series on “Rescue, Recovery, and Religion.” 18 people attend.

15 Feb–March 9 Aasulv Lande, Professor Emeritus at Lund University, arrives to work on a book about Shinto.

17 Feb–30 May Annewieke Vroom, researcher at the Faculty of Theology, Vrije University, Amsterdam, arrives to work on her thesis on Abe Masao.

18 Feb A new publication by James W. Heisig, Robert Rauther, and Timothy W. Richardson, *Vereinfachte Hanzi lernen una behalten. Bedeutung und*
Schreibweise der häufigsten chinesischen Schriftzeichen (Frankfurt: Klostermann Verlag), 471 pages, arrives from the printers.

27–28 Feb The 14th Nanzan Symposium is held on the theme “Rescue, Recovery, and Religion: Humanitarian Aid and Spiritual Care in a Time of Crisis,” with over 30 participants of at least 11 nationalities (including Finland, Lebanon, Chechen, Macedonia, Holland, India, Sweden, and Congo).

8–11 March Raphael Shoji, researcher at the Pontifical Catholic University of São Paulo, Brazil, visits the Institute.

8–14 March Joseph O’Leary, Professor of literature at Sophia University, visits the Institute.

12 March John Maraldo, current holder of the Roche Chair for Interreligious Research, gives an in-house seminar on “An Alternative Notion of Normativity.” 13 people attend.

13–14 March Watanabe Manabu travels to Tokyo to attend the 4th planning meeting of the “Specialists in Religious Culture” (宗教文化士) project, and an editorial meeting of the journal Shūkyō kenkyū 『宗教研究』.

16–18 March Benjamin Dorman attends the annual meeting of the Institute of Oriental Philosophy at Soka University, Hachiōji.

18 March A farewell dinner is held for Ōtani Eiichi.

25 March–6 April Benjamin Dorman presents a paper at the annual Association of Asian Studies conference in Chicago, and co-chairs an Asian Ethnology editorial board meeting with co-editor Scott Schnell. From 29 March he travels to Iowa where he and Scott Schnell work on the journal and consult with colleagues from the University of Iowa.

23–28 March James Heisig travels to Fukuoka and Kyoto to give a series of lectures and attend a conference at Dōshisha University.

Other visitors included:

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2 April Ian Reader, Professor at Manchester University; Ioannis Gaitanidis, doctoral candidate at White Rose East Asia Centre, University of Leeds.

4 April David Kolb, Charles A. Dan Professor Emeritus of Philosophy, Bates College.

14 April Anton Luis Capistrano, a Japan Foundation fellow from the Athena-de-Manila University.

1 May Daniel Metraux, Professor of Asian Studies at Mary Baldwin College.

17 June Richard Reitan, Assistant Professor at Franklin and Marshall College.

20 June Anna Bertova, a research student at Nagoya University.


22 July Jean-Noël Robert, Professor at École des Hautes Études, Paris, and member of l’École Française d’Extrême-Orient.
25 July  Odagiri Takushi, doctoral student at Stanford University.
2–3 Aug  John D. Dadosky, Associate Professor of Systematic Theology at Regis College (Ontario, Canada).
9–10 Aug  Sija Graupe, post-doctoral researcher at the University of Cologne.
3–4 Sept  Iwamoto Akemi, former post-doctoral research fellow at the Institute.
19–20 Sept  Kunihiro Akiko, post-graduate research fellow at Ochanomizu Women’s University.
8 Oct  Kiri Paramore, Assistant Professor in Japanese History, Leiden University.
19 Oct  Inagaki Kyōsuke, Associate Professor at Yokohama City University.
20 Oct  Alberto Silva, poet, cultural critic, and Visiting Professor at the University of Foreign Studies, Kyoto.
13 Nov  Awazu Kenta, lecturer at Soka University.

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9 Jan  Dermott Walsh, a graduate student in Japanese philosophy at Leiden University.
21 Jan  Omoto Kumi, a post-graduate student at Taishō University.
19–23 Jan  Wamae Muriuki, a graduate student at Ohio State University.
3 Feb  Hayashi Yoshihiro, a lecturer at Ritsumeikan University.
4 Feb  Date Kiyonobu, Post-Doctoral Research Fellow at the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science.
16 March  Michael Saso, Professor Emeritus of the University of Hawai‘i Department of Religion.
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11 April Watanabe Manabu travels to Tokyo to attend the Board meeting of the Japanese Society for Ethics held at Mita Campus of Keiō University.


18 April Paul Swanson and Watanabe Manabu travel to Tokyo to attend the Board meeting of the Japanese Association for Religious Studies held at Taishó University.

18–22 April Okuyama Michiaki travels to the Phillipines to attend a conference on “The Future of the Dialogue of Cultures and Civilizations,” sponsored by the Asia-Europe Foundation

8 May A dinner party is held to welcome the new members of the Institute staff.

15 May Felix Ulombe Kaputu from the University of Lubumbashi, Congo, begins a four-month research visit (mainly located in Tokyo and Kyoto).

20 May Imaizumi Yoshiko 今泉宜子 gives an inhouse presentation on her research on Meiji Shrine.


30 May–7 June James Heisig travels to Spain to attend and give a presentation at a conference on “Japanese Philosophy: Confluences and Cross Currents.”

1 June R. Keller Kimbrough arrives for a research sabbatical (6/2009-7/2010)

5 June Victor Hori arrives to occupy the Roche Chair for Interreligious Research (until December 2009).

6–7 June Watanabe Manabu, Okuyama Michiaki, and Benjamin Dorman attend the annual meeting of the Japanese Association for the Study of Religion and Society, held at Soka University, Tokyo.

9 June Copies of Kana: Snel Japans leren lezen en schrijven, by James Heisig and Sarah Van Camp, arrive from the publishers, Grant of Belgium.
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<td>12–15 June</td>
<td>Hank Glassman visits the Institute to work on a special issue of the JJRS with co-editor Keller Kimbrough.</td>
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<td>19 June</td>
<td>Jan Nattier, Professor at the International Research Institute for Advanced Buddhology, Soka University, gives a colloquium on “Thinking through Translations: Learning from Early Chinese Buddhist Texts.” 18 people attend.</td>
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<td>Timothy Richardson, of Brigham Young University Hawaii, arrives for a 3-4 week visit to work with James Heisig on the Remembering Hanzi volumes.</td>
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<td>10-19 July</td>
<td>Okuyama Michiaki travels to Santiago, Chile, to attend the 21st World Congress of the International Political Science Association.</td>
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<td>24 July</td>
<td>A colloquium is held with Nakamura Yūjirō 中村友太郎 speaking on “Catholic Charismatic Renewal in Japan: Its history and status quo” (日本におけるカトリック「聖霊による刷新」運動の台頭と展開) , the first in a planned series on “Charismatic Religion in East Asia.” 20 people attend.</td>
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<td>Muto Akihi 武藤亮飛, graduate student at Tsukuba University, visits the Institute to gather research materials on interreligious dialogue.</td>
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<td>5–7 Aug</td>
<td>Pranab Dab, Principal Investigator for Global Perspectives on Science and Spirituality (GPSS) visits the Institute to conduct the final review of the Nanzan GPSS project.</td>
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<td>11–13 Sept</td>
<td>All the Permanent Fellows attend the annual conference of the Japanese Association for Religious Studies, held at Kyoto University. The annual JJRS Advisory Board Meeting is held during this time.</td>
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<td>23 Sept</td>
<td>An in-house seminar is held with Victor Hori, who presents his research on “Little Jade: Language and Experience in Zen.” 11 people attend.</td>
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「沖縄における遺骨収集と語りの分析」(Collecting remains in Okinawa: Its histories and narratives). 12 people attend.

2 Oct Aaslav Lande and his wife visit the Institute in preparation for next year's research stay.


16–18 Oct Nanzan hosts the annual conference of the Japanese Society for Ethics. Watanabe Manabu, as a member of the Society's Board of Directors, was responsible for the planning and execution of the conference.


31 Oct Benjamin Dorman attends a conference on media and religion at Musashino University, Tokyo.

5–10 Nov Watanabe Manabu, Okuyama Michiaki, and Benjamin Dorman travel to Montreal, Canada, to participate in the annual conference of the American Academy of Religion.

19–20 Nov Benjamin Dorman attends a symposium on the political participation of Japanese religions at the German Institute for Japanese Studies, Tokyo.

20 Nov Paul Swanson is a presenter and panelist for a Symposium on “The Allure of Kumano” 世界から見た熊野の魅力, along with the Assistant Governor of Aichi Prefecture and the Governor of Wakayama Prefecture, held to celebrate the fifth anniversary of the Kumano area's recognition as a World Heritage Site.

28–29 Nov Nanzan hosts an international conference on “Brain Science and Religion: Some Asian Perspectives,” the final event of the five-year Global Perspectives on Science and Spirituality project.

4 Dec John McRae, Chair of the Publication Committee of the BDK Tripitak Translation Series, gives a colloquium on “Meditative Experience and the Hermeneutic of Dismission: Critiquing Robert Sharf’s Critique of a Modern Buddhist Rhetoric.” 18 people attend.

7–10 Dec Robert Reuther visits the Institute to work on the German version of “Remembering Hanzi.”


21 Dec Watanabe Manabu travels to Tokyo to attend the Board meeting of the Japanese Society for Ethics held at Mita Campus of Keio University.

26–27 Dec Okuyama Michiaki attends the annual cormos meeting in Kyoto, where he chairs a panel on “Suicide, Lonely Deaths, and Euthanasia.”
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31 Jan Watanabe Manabu and Awazu Kenta travel to Tokyo to consult with Professor Shimizu Katsuyuki at Meiji University and the wife of late Kōmoto Mitsugi to accept the donation of his library books.

18 Feb Ikegami Yoshimasa 池上良正, professor at Komazawa University, gives a presentation on “The Holiness movement in modern Japan” 近代日本における聖霊派の系譜――初期ホーリネスを中心に, in a new series of colloquia on “Charismatic Movements in Japan.” 16 people attend.

26 Feb The Institute sponsors a “book review” study group to examine the recent publication『民主主義と宗教』(TransView, 2009), a translation of Marcel Gauchet’s La Religion dans la Démocratie: Parcours de la laïcité (Gallimard, 1998). The book was reviewed by Awazu Kenta, research fellow of the Nanzan Institute, and Maruoka Takahiro, professor of Nanzan University, with responses by the two translators, Date Kiyonobu of Tōhoku Fukushi University and Fujita Hisashi of Kyūshū Sangyō University. 23 people attended.

17 March Nagasawa Sōhei, research associate of the Institute, gives an inhouse seminar on the topic 農村の伝統的祭礼における「社会参加」「つながり」―山形県鶴岡市の王祇祭を例に (“Social engagement” and “connections” in rural traditional rituals: The ōgi matsuri in Tsuruoka, Yamagata Prefecture).

13 March Paul Swanson and Watanabe Manabu travel to Tokyo to attend the editorial committee of the Japanese Association for Religious Studies held at the University of Tokyo.

16–18 March Benjamin Dorman attends the annual meeting of Soka University’s Institute of Oriental Philosophy held in Tokyo.

22 March Sarah van Camp arrives at the Institute to finish work on the Dutch version of Remembering the Kanji

24–29 March Benjamin Dorman attends the annual Association of Asian Studies conference in Philadelphia, and co-chairs an Asian Ethnology editorial board meeting with co-editor Scott Schnell.

Other visitors included:

2009

1 June Jamie and Maki Hubbard, Smith College.
Scott Schnell, University of Iowa, and co-editor of Asian Ethnology.

2 June Andrew Armstrong, PhD candidate, Boston University.

19 June John Shultz, PhD candidate, University of Manchester

7 Sept Girardo Rodriguez, graduate student at Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University.
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3 July Paul Atkins, assistant professor of Japanese at the University of Washington.
20 July Steven Fesmire, Associate Professor of Philosophy & Environmental Studies at Green Mountain College.
9 Aug Purushottama Bilimoria, Editor in Chief of Sophia, The University of Melbourne.
3 Sept Letizia Coccia, Università di Macerata, Italy, and Selusi Ambrogio, Università di Bologna, Italy.
14 Sept Alexei Stephenson, graduate student at Oxford University.
8–9 Oct Morten Schlütter, Associate Professor in the Department of Religious Studies, The University of Iowa.
24 Oct Susan Andrews, graduate student at Columbia University.
18–20 Nov Jeffrey Watson, a religion and philosophy student at Hofstra University, New York.
4–6 Dec Richard Reitan, Assistant Professor at Franklin and Marshall College.

2010
13 Jan Marleen Kassel and Sara Lizzul, from the Asian Initiatives Program of Queens College, CUNY.
14–15 Jan Vanessa Ward, University of Otaga, New Zealand
9 Feb Amos Nascimento, Assistant Professor in philosophy at the University of Washington (USA), and Marcio de Moraes, President of Universidade Metodista de São Paulo (Brazil).
9 March Philippe Bordeyne, dean of the Institut Catholique de Paris, and Boris Gudziak, rector of the Ukranian Catholic University.
16 March Bryan Rill, PhD candidate and adjunct faculty in the Department of Anthropology, Florida State University.
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2010

22 March Sarah van Camp comes to the Institute for three weeks to finish work on the Dutch version of volume 1 of Remembering the Kanji.

5 April Mark Mullins, professor of Sophia University and new editor of Monumenta Nipponica, visits the Institute to discuss common editorial concerns and the Institute’s project on charismatic religious movements in East Asia.

12 April Lucy Schultz arrives to spend seven weeks at the Institute pursuing her research on comparing the dialectics of Hegel and Nishida Kitarō.

15 April Lorenzo Marinucci arrives to spend two months at the Institute pursuing research on “Decovestruzione: un Derrida nipponico.”

24–25 April Benjamin Dorman attends the Anthropology of Japan in Japan Spring Workshop in Tenri University.

1 May Åasulv Lande arrives to occupy the Roche Chair for one year.

11 May Paul Swanson travels to Tokyo to give a lecture on interreligious dialogue and Buddhist truth for the staff at the Risshō Kōseikai headquarters.

14 May Kim Seung Chul resumes his monthly book discussions.

17 May A dinner party is held to welcome Åasulv Lande as the new holder of the Roach Chair.

24 May Wai Man Yuen, Reichelt Professor of Mission Spirituality and Theology at Lutheran Theological Seminary (Hong Kong), visits the Institute for a week of library research.

31 May Kuwano Moe 桑野萌, doctoral student at Ramon Llull University in Barcelona, comes for a few days to gather material for her research on Japanese philosophy.

5–6 June Watanabe Manabu, Benjamin Dorman, Awazu Kenta, and Nagasawa Sōhei travel to Kyoto to attend the annual conference of the Japanese Association for the Study of Religion and Society at Ritsumeikan University.

10 June A colloquium is held with Yamada Masanobu 山田政信 of Tenri University on “Dekasegi and the Pentecostal Movement: A Look at the Bra-

13 June Timothy Richardson of Brigham Young University Hawaii arrives for two weeks of collaboration with James Heisig on 2 more volumes of their work on Chinese characters.

18 June A colloquium is held with Levi McLaughlin, Wofford College, on “Soka Gakkai’s Internal Doctrinal Training Program.” 13 people attended.

22 June Suga Kōji, associate professor of Kokugakuin University, visits the Institute on the occasion of a lecture at the Nanzan Gakkai.

29 June Bryan Rill, a doctoral student at Florida State University, gives a presentation on “Cultivating Consciousness in Shugendo,” focusing on the use of film in anthropological research. 11 people attend.

3–4 July Paul Swanson, Benjamin Dorman, and David White travel to Tokyo for a “Workshop on Journal Development” sponsored by the Graduate School of Global Studies at Sophia University. Swanson and Dorman present papers.

9 July Chen Shuman, a doctoral student at Northwestern University, comes for a few weeks to gather materials on Tiantai/Tendai Buddhism.

13 July Ed Drott, assistant professor in the department of Religious Studies at the University of Missouri, arrives for a month of research.

15 July Ian Chun and Emi Kanzawa of Matcha Latte Media visit the Institute to discuss ways to improve the Institute web site and internet activities.

16 July Kawanami Hiroko, Lecturer at Lancaster University, comes for an Asian Ethnology editorial Board meeting.

21 July James Heisig and David White depart for Spain to join John Maraldo and Tom Kasulis for an intensive final proofreading and editorial check of the sourcebook in Japanese Philosophy.

8–14 August Benjamin Dorman travels to Toronto to deliver a paper at the 7th International Conference on Media, Religion and Culture.

19 August Benjamin Dorman departs for three weeks in Melbourne and Canberra to carry out research on war memorials. On 2 September he gives a talk on publishing in peer-reviewed journals for graduate students at the Australian National University.

30 August Watanabe Manabu attends the annual meeting of Japan Society for the Buddhist-Christian Studies, held at Hanazono University in Kyoto.

3 Sept Paul Swanson, Watanabe Manabu, and Okuyama Michiaki attend the three-day annual conference of the Japanese Association for Religious Studies held at Tōyō University in Tokyo. The annual meeting of the Advisory Board of the Japanese Journal of Religious Studies is held on the final day.

14 Sept Okuyama Michiaki travels to Ireland for an international conference on
“Economic/Social Exclusion and Collective Action: Europe and Asia Compared.”

8 Sept Paul Swanson takes a week in the United States to consult with colleagues at Indiana University.

13 Sept Yusa Michiko, professor at Western Washington University, visits the Institute.

16 Sept Paul Swanson, James Heisig, and Watanabe Manabu travel to Tokyo for a hearing at the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science.

30 Sept A colloquium is held with Suzuki Michitaka, Associate Professor of Okayama University Graduate School, on “Icons and Shamanism?”, another in a series of colloquia on “Pentecostalism and Charismatic Movements.” 23 people attended.

8 October Watanabe Manabu attends the annual meeting of Japanese Society for Ethics, held at the Mita campus of Keio University.

15 October A colloquium is held with Fuchigami Kyōko, on “Pentecostalism and the Development of ‘Prayer Centers’ in Korea,” another in our series of colloquia on “Pentecostalism and Charismatic Movements.” 14 people attend.

29 October Watanabe Manabu travels to Tsukuba to attend the annual meeting of the Society of Philosophy at Tsukuba University.

2 November Anders Melin of Lund University arrives for a three-week period to study the issue of environmental ethics and Buddhism in Japan.

7 November S. Brent Rodriguez Plate, Associate Professor of Religious Studies at Hamilton College, spends three days at the Institute, during which time he conducts a seminar on “The Altar and the Screen: Filmmaking and Worldmaking.”

Thomas Kasulis, professor at Ohio State University, arrives for a month of research.

11 December Watanabe Manabu travels to Tokyo to present a paper on “Yuasa Yasuo and Mind-Body Science” at the annual meeting of the Society for Mind-Body Science.

17 December Roger Munsi presents a paper on “The History and Present State of Kirishitan Jinja.” 12 people attend. This is the first in a series of colloquia on the meaning of “kami” in modern Japan.

James Heisig travels to Kyoto to give a paper at an international conference celebrating the hundredth anniversary of the publication of Nishida Kitarō’s An Inquiry into the Good.

26 December Paul Swanson, Watanabe Manabu, and Kim Seung Chul attend the annual meeting of CORMOS (Conference on Religion and Modern Society) in Kyoto. The theme for this year’s meeting was “Education in Religious Culture and the Education of the ‘Heart’.”

29 December The 7th volume of the “Frontiers of Japanese Philosophy” series, Classical
Japanese Philosophy, edited by James W. Heisig and Rein Rand, arrives from the printers.

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8 January Rafael Shoji arrives to spend three months of research at Nanzan as part of the project on “Pentecostalism and Charismatic Movements.”

18 January Nikki Bado and Eric Waite of Iowa State University arrive for a five-month stay in Japan to prepare a film on the Shikoku pilgrimage. Andrew Kim arrives to spend a week at Nanzan as part of the project on “Pentecostalism and Charismatic Movements.”

20 January An international workshop is held as part of the project on “Pentecostalism and Charismatic Movements,” with presentations by Rafael Shoji (charismatic movements among Japanese-Brazilians), Andrew Kim (Korean Pentecostalism), and Alena Govorounova (Pentecostalism in Russia). Mark Mullins and Noguchi Ikuya 野口生也 are among the 19 other participants in the event.

Book 1 of Traditionelle Hanzi lernen und behalten. Bedeutung und Schreibweise der häufigsten chinesischen Schriftzeichen, prepared by James Heisig with Robert Rauther and Timothy Richardson, arrives from the publishers, Klostermann Verlag.

21 January A colloquim is held with Alena Govorounova on the Russian Orthodox church in Japan.” 14 people attend. This is the second in a series of colloquia on the meaning of “kami” in modern Japan.

26 January Nagasawa Shiho 長澤志穂 gives a seminar for the staff on Taoist alchemy in the Chin period, the topic of her doctoral dissertation. 9 people attend.

2 February Paul Swanson travels to Tokyo to give a paper on “Mind, Kokoro, and Language” at the FIRST International Conference on “Biology of Mind: Toward a Human Evolutionary Perspective.”

24 February Roger Munsi presents a seminar to the staff outlining his research on the inculturation of Christianity in the Congo. 13 people attend.

5 March Watanabe Manabu travels to Tokyo to attend a meeting on the certificate for specialists in religious culture.

10 March James Heisig delivers a series of six lectures on the theme “Nothing and Desire: A Philosophical Antiphony” as the 2010-2011 Jordon Lectures in Comparative Religion at the University of London, SOAS.

11 March The disastrous earthquake, tsunami, and nuclear crisis in Eastern Japan results in the cancellation of most academic meetings until at least the end of March.

13 March Nikki Bado and Eric Waite lead a discussion on their project to produce a film on the role of ritual in the Shikoku pilgrimage. 11 people attend.

30 March James Heisig, Paul Swanson, Benjamin Dorman, and David White travel
to Honolulu, Hawai‘i, to attend the Association of Asian Studies Annual meeting and participate on panels. During the meeting Benjamin Dorman convenes a meeting of the Editorial Advisory Board of *Asian Ethnology*.

**Other visitors included:**

**2010**

5 April Mei Tin Huang (Sonja Huang), post-doctoral fellow at Academia Catholica, Fu Jen University, and Davis Yin-Chun Cheng, Assistant Professor in the Religious Studies Department, Fu Jen University.

30 April Franco Bertossa, Associazione Spazio Interiore Ambiente (ASIA), Bologna, Italy.

12 May William Londo, Michigan State University.

13 May Clark Chilson, University of Pittsburg.

17 May Barbara Ambros, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

8 June Ovidi Carbonell Cortés and Hiroyasu Yoshioka, of the Centro Cultural Hispano-Japonés, Universidad d’Salamanca (Spain).

14 June Miyashita Satoko 宮下聡子東大助教, Assistant Professor at the University of Tokyo, Department of Ethics.

5–6 July Valentina Mejía, graduate researcher at the Center for Asian and African Studies of El Colegio de México.

23 Sept Michael Gardiner, Warwick University.

4 October Kristina Buhrman, PhD student in Japanese religion and history at University of Southern California.

18 October Maria Elvira Ríos Peñafiel, Ph.D. student from Colegio de México, Centro de Estudios de Asia y Africa.

21 October Tom Fallon, Ph.D student at Sheffield University.

25 October Saitō Takako 斉藤多香子, Associate Professor, Université du Havre, France, and Simon Ebersol, graduate student, INALCO, Paris.

6 November Nishimura Akira 西村明, from Kagoshima University 鹿児島大学.

Keiko Tamura 田村恵子, from the Research School of Pacific and Asian Studies, Australian National University.

9 November Bardwell Smith, Joyhn W. Nason Professor of Religion and Asian Studies, Emeritus, Carleton College.

15 December Erica Baffelli, Lecturer in Asian Religions at University of Otago, New Zealand.

29 December Maya Stiller, graduate student at UCLA on Korean pilgrimage.

**2011**

10 January Han Hyung Mo, research associate at Kyoto University.

11 January John Bray, President of the International Association of Ladakh Studies.
14 February  Christopher S. Thomson, Associate Professor of Japanese Language and Culture at Ohio University.

21 February  Laurent Stehlin, researcher at Osaka University and Lausanne University (Switzerland).

15 March  David Quinter, Assistant Professor of East Asian Religions in the Interdisciplinary Program in Religious Studies and the Department of East Asian Studies at the University of Alberta.
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31 March  Paul Swanson, David White, Benjamin Dorman, and James Heisig travel to Honolulu to attend the 70th annual meeting of the Association for Asian Studies held from 31 March to 3 April. During the event an editorial board meeting is held for Asian Ethnology.

1 April  Watanabe Manabu is appointed as Director of Nanzan Institute for Religion and Culture for a year, succeeding Paul Swanson.

5 April  Approval comes through from the Japanese government for a three-year research grant on “The History and Internationalization of Religious Studies in Japan,” spearheaded by Watanabe Manabu.

19 April  Ian Reader, Professor at Manchester University, visits the Institute to work on a special issue of the Japanese Journal of Religious Studies devoted to the aftermath of the Aum affair.

30 April  Åasulv Lande, Professor Emeritus at Lund University, Sweden, concludes his term in the Roche Chair for Interreligious Research.

10 May  Giedrė Šmittienė, a research fellow at Lithuanian Institute for Literature and Folklore, Lithuania, joins the staff for short-term research on Japanese phenomenology.

21 May  Paul Swanson and Watanabe Manabu attend the annual two-day conference of the International Kumano Association, held at Nanzan University.

28 May  Watanabe Manabu travels to Kokugakuin University in Tokyo to attend a preliminary meeting of a project to compile teaching materials for the study of religious culture.

2 June  Ligia E. Fragoso, a graduate student in anthropology at the University of Iowa, joins us for seven weeks of research on the reconfiguration of religious space in contemporary Japan.

6 June  Charles E. Strozier, director of the Center on Terrorism at John Jay College, City University of New York, visits the Institute with his wife and presents a colloquium on “Religious Fundamentalism and Violence.”

20 June  Timothy W. Richardson, Associate Professor of Chinese and Spanish at Brigham Young University in Honolulu comes for a month to work with
James Heisig on the second volume of their series of books on the Chinese writing system.

Thomas Kasulis, Professor at Ohio State University, comes for a short visit to continue his study of the history of Japanese Philosophy.

21 June *Japanese Philosophy: A Sourcebook*, a book in the making over the past seven years, is published at the University of Hawai‘i Press in collaboration with the Nanzan Institute.

23 June Okuyama Michiaki conducts the third in a series of workshops on “A Comparative Study of the Idea of God in Modern Japan.”

25 June Paul Swanson and Benjamin Dorman serve as panelists for a panel on “Meet the Editors” at the Asian Studies Conference Japan held at International Christian University in Tokyo.

30 June Nikki Bado, Associate Professor of Religious Studies at Iowa State University, and her graduate student Eric Waite, conclude their five-month project on the Shikoku pilgrimage.

8 July Barbara Ambros, Associate Professor of Religious Studies, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, comes for three weeks of research on Japanese Buddhism.

14 July A colloquium is held with Noguchi Ikuya 野口生也, a doctoral candidate at the Free University of Amsterdam, on “A Case Study of Korean Pentecostalism in Japan.”

16 July A first meeting of collaborators in the “Internationalization of Religious Studies and General Research on the History of Religions” project is held at the Institute with the team’s principal researcher, Watanabe Manabu.

19 July James Heisig and Thomas Kasulis give talks at the Tokyo University Center for Philosophy on the recently published *Japanese Philosophy: A Sourcebook.*

29 July A colloquium is held with Iida Takafumi 飯田剛史, Professor of Sociology at Ōtani University, on “Charismatic Churches among Koreans in Japan.”

1 Aug Benjamin Dorman leaves for three weeks of research in Sydney, Canberra, and Melbourne on war memorials.

23 Aug Paul Swanson, Benjamin Dorman, and James Heisig attend the 13th International Conference of the European Association for Japanese Studies in Tallinn, Estonia.

30 Aug Watanabe Manabu and Benjamin Dorman participate in a two-day workshop hosted by the German Institute for Japanese Studies in Tokyo on the theme “Aftermath: Religion in the Wake of the 1995 Aum Affair.”

2–4 Sept Watanabe Manabu and Okuyama Michiaki attend the 70th annual meeting of the Japanese Association for Religious Studies, held at Kwansei Gakuin University.

12 Sept James Heisig delivers an inaugural lecture on the occasion of the found-
ing of the Irish Institute of Japanese Studies at University College Cork, Ireland.

20 Sept James Heisig presents a paper at an International conference on “Inter-religious Dialogue and the Cultural Shaping of Religions” held at Boston College.

30 Sept Watanabe Manabu attends the 62nd annual meeting of the Japanese Association for Ethics held at Toyama University from 30 September to 2 October.

1 Oct Thomas Kasulis returns to the Institute for six weeks of work on his history of Japanese philosophy.

6 Oct A colloquium is held with Thomas Kasulis on “Japanese Philosophy and Religious Thought in the Modern Period.”

9 Oct Yusa Michiko 游佐道子, Professor at West Washington University, joins the staff for two months of research on Japanese philosophy.

13 Oct Paul Swanson represents the Institute at the University of Indiana in Bloomington on the occasion of the signing of an agreement of cooperation between the American Folklore Society and the Japan Folklore Society.

17 Oct Paul Swanson gives a talk on “Takagi Kenmyō and Buddhist Socialism: A Meiji Martyr and Misfit” at the Center for East Asian and Pacific Studies, University of Illinois.

19 Oct Paul Swanson gives two talks at Purdue University: an address to the Center on Religion and Chinese Society, on “The Threefold Truth as the Basic Pattern for T’ien-t’ai Buddhist Philosophy,” and a public lecture on “Takagi Kenmyō and Buddhist Socialism: A Meiji Martyr and Misfit.”

22 Oct Watanabe Manabu leaves for a week in Qatar to attend the 9th Doha Conference on Inter-faith Dialogue.

17 Nov James Heisig, Paul Swanson, Watanabe Manabu, and David White attend the annual meeting of American Academy of Religion in San Francisco and make presentations.

1 Dec Ian Astley, Senior Lecturer in Japanese at the University of Edinburgh, comes for a month’s research on Japanese Buddhism.

3 Dec The 21st annual meeting of the Society for Mind-Body Science is held at Nanzan University with the cooperation of the Institute staff.

15 Dec Rafael Shoji, Research Associate at the Pontifical University of São Paulo, joins the staff for six weeks to continue research on the religious activities of Japanese-Brazilians in Japan.

26 Dec Watanabe Manabu represents the Institute at the annual meeting of the Conference on Religion in Modern Society in Kyoto.

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7 Jan Paul Swanson returns to Japan briefly from his sabbatical year to wind
up the research program he directed on Pentecostalism and Shamanism in Asia.

8–9 Jan  James Heisig attends a workshop in Barcelona with ten representatives of the team of translators which has undertaken a Spanish edition of *Japanese Philosophy: A Sourcebook*.

8–20 Jan  Mark MacWilliams, Professor of Religious Studies at St. Lawrence University in Canada, Ian Reader, Professor of Japanese Studies at Manchester University, Andrew Kim, Professor of Sociology at the Korean University in Seoul, Frank Korom, Professor of Religion and Anthropology at Boston University, Erica Baffelli, Lecturer in Religious Studies at the University of Otago, New Zealand, and Mark Mullins, Professor at Sophia University, join us for short periods to conduct their own research and take part in a conference at the Institute.

8–20 Jan  Mark MacWilliams, Professor of Religious Studies at St. Lawrence University in Canada, Ian Reader, Professor of Japanese Studies at Manchester University, Andrew Kim, Professor of Sociology at the Korean University in Seoul, Frank Korom, Professor of Religion and Anthropology at Boston University, Erica Baffelli, Lecturer in Religious Studies at the University of Otago, New Zealand, and Mark Mullins, Professor at Sophia University, join us for short periods to conduct their own research and take part in a conference at the Institute.

9 Jan  A second meeting of the research team for the “Internationalization of Religious Studies and General Research on the History of Religions” is held at the Institute.

10 Jan  Graham Parkes, Professor of Philosophy at University College Cork, Ireland, arrives to assume the Roche Chair for Interreligious Research for six months.

15 Jan  *Asian Ethnology* welcomes Frank Korom of Boston University as co-editor of the journal, replacing Scott Schnell.

20–21 Jan  An international symposium on “Pentecostalism and Shamanism in Asia” is held at the Institute. A report has been prepared for this issue of the *Bulletin*.

25 Jan  Gereon Kopf, Associate Professor of Religious Studies, Luther College, Iowa, comes for a week of research on Japanese Buddhist philosophy.


22 Feb  Benjamin Dorman’s monograph, *Celebrity Gods: New Religions, Media, and Authority in Occupied Japan*, is published by the University of Hawai‘i Press.

27 Feb  Okuyama Michiaki travels to Paris for a week’s research on recent works in France on modern Japanese religions.


1 March  Yoshida Shin 吉田 新, Research Fellow at Heidelberg University’s Institute for Japanese Studies, begins two months of research into the archives of the “Hidden Christians.”
Paul Swanson gives a talk on “Takagi Kenmyō and Buddhist Socialism: A Meiji Martyr and Misfit,” at The University of Edinburgh.

28 March Paul Swanson gives a talk on “Takagi Kenmyō and Buddhist Socialism: A Meiji Martyr and Misfit,” A Humanities Commons Event, at the College of Arts and Sciences, University of Dayton, Ohio.

Other visitors included:

2011

1–4 May Joseph O’Leary, Professor at Sophia University, Tokyo.
2–3 May Miikael Lotman, graduate student in Japanese Studies, University of Tallinn, Estonia.
22 May Frédéric Girard of the École française d’Extrême-Orient.
21–23 May Clark Chilson, Assistant Professor, University of Pittsburgh.
26–27 May Timoteo Tommasini, graduate student at Ōtani University.
13–15 June Mario Poceski, Associate Professor, Department of Religion, University of Florida.
11 July Micah Auerback, Assistant Professor, University of Michigan.
18 July James Mark Shields, Assistant Professor of Comparative Humanities and Asian Thought, Bucknell University.
23–27 Oct Saitō Takako 齊藤多香子, Associate Professor, Université du Havre, France.
3–7 Nov Connie Lasher, formerly Professor at St. Joseph’s College, Standish, Maine.
10 Nov David Burke, researcher at Kyoto University.
28 Nov Mathias Nygaard, Associate professor, Fjellhaug International University College, Norway, currently Guest Professor at the Kōbe Lutheran Theological Seminary.

2011

16 Feb Elvin Zoet and Suzuki Yoshiko 鈴木淑子, doctoral candidates at the Erasmus University in the Netherlands.
12–15 March Salvatore Gianmusso, Lecturer, University of Naples “Federico II.”
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**April 2012–March 2013**

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<td>James Heisig attends the Board of Regents meeting of the Japanese Association for Religious Studies.</td>
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<td>Rein Raud (University of Helsinki, Tallinn University) visits the Institute (until 24 May).</td>
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<td>Mario Poceski (Associate Professor, University of Florida) arrives at the Institute for a research visit (until 15 August).</td>
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15 June  Kim Seung-Chul begins a research project on (supported by the Nanzan Pache fund) on “Fundamental Research on Integrated Theology.” The first speaker was Inagaki Hisakazu of Tokyo Christian University, who spoke on “Japanese Developments in Science and Religion: From logical negativism to critical realism.”

16 June  Thomas Kasulis (Ohio State University) arrives to research Japanese philosophy (until 7 August).

22 June  A colloquium is given by Graham Parkes (University College Cork), on “Getting Better: How Philosophy Can Help Improve Things.”

23 June  Yusa Michiko, on sabbatical from Western Washington University, finishes her stay at the Institute.

30 June  Graham Parkes finishes his tenure as holder of the Roche Chair (2012).

2 July  Benjamin Dorman travels to Tokyo for an AE meeting.

7 July  Okuyama Michiaki and Awazu Kenta attend various committee meetings of the Japanese Association for Religious Studies.

13 July  Mario Poceski gives a colloquium on “The Growth and Transformation of Christianity in Modern China” as part of the Nanzan project on Christianity in East Asia.

15 July  Ricardo Baeza (Universidad Católica de Valparaíso, Chile) arrives to conduct research on Nishitani Keiji and M. Eckhart (until 4 August). He is accompanied by Rocío Barreiro Rodríguez (University of Oviedo, Spain).

16 July  Gereon Kopf (Associate Professor, Luther College) arrives to conduct research on Buddhist philosophy (until 26 July).

27 July  A colloquium is held (co-sponsored by the Nanzan Institute for Social Ethics and the Law Department) with Frank S. Ravitch (Michigan State University) on “Religion and the 2012 U.S. Presidential Election.”

Benjamin Dorman attends the International Symposium on “Transmitting the Memory of War” in Kagoshima.

1 August  Benjamin Dorman leaves for Australia to conduct research on memorials for the war dead (until 8 September).

7 August  Paul Swanson returns to Japan from his sabbatical.

James Heisig travels to Spain, Holland, and the U.S. to work on translating and editing materials on Japanese philosophy (until 31 August).

14 August  Kim Seung-Chul travels to Germany, and then to Stockholm to attend and give a paper at the European Association for the Study of Religion conference (until 30 August).

22 August  Okuyama Michiaki travels to Stockholm to attend the European Association for the Study of Religion conference, and also visits Lund University and Paris (until 31 August).

3–5 Sept  Kim Seung-Chul travels to Kyoto to attend the annual meeting of the
Japan Association of Buddhist-Christian Studies, where he was elected a member of the Board.

7–9 Sept Okuyama Michiaki, Paul Swanson, and Watanabe Manabu attend the 71st annual conference of the Japanese Association for Religious Studies, held at Kōgakkan University in Ise.

11–12 Sept Kim Seung-Chul attends the 60th annual conference of the Japan Society of Christian Studies, held at Meiji Gakuin University.

14 Sept Ashina Sadamichi gives a presentation on “Christian Thought and the Rationality of Communication: Religion and Science,” part of the Nanzan Pache research project.

15–16 Oct Paul Swanson attends and gives a paper at the Seventh International Conference on the Lotus Sutra held at Rissho University in Tokyo.

28 Oct–1 Nov Jörn Rüsen (Kulturwissenschaftliches Institut Essen) visits the Institute, and gives a colloquium on “Humanism and Interreligious Discourse” on 30 October.

3 Nov A memorial mass is held for former Nanzan Permanent Fellow Jan Swyngedouw (1935–2012), who passed away in Belgium on 7 October. James Heisig and Okuyama Michiaki attend.


25–29 Nov Kim Seung-Chul travels to Vienna to attend the Opening Ceremony and Symposium of kaiciid (King Abdullah Bin Abdulaziz International Centre for Interreligious and Intercultural Dialogue).

27 Nov An NHK camera crew and interview team comes to the Institute to interview James Heisig for a program on the Kyoto School of philosophy.

28 Nov–2 Dec Okuyama Michiaki and Awazu Kenta attend and give papers at a conference on “World War II and Religion” in Tallahassee, Florida, sponsoring a panel with Nishimura Akira (Kagoshima University). After the conference Awazu travels to Hawaii for research on war memorials.

14 Dec A colloquium is held as part of the Nanzan project on Christianity in East Asia, with Nagasawa Shiho presenting on “The Current State of Christianity in Taiwan,” and Ma Miaoyan on “The Influence of the Modern ‘Indigenization Movement’ on Contemporary Christianity in China.”

26–27 Dec Paul Swanson and Kim Seung-Chul attend the annual cormos (Conference on Religion and Modern Society) meeting in Kyoto.

2013

6–12 Jan Mark MacWilliams (St. Lawrence University) visits to participate in the “Defining Shinto” research project.

11 Jan Morimoto Anri (International Christian University) gives a colloquium
on “Rethinking the Essence of Christianity from the Perspective of Asian Theology.”

13–15 Jan Kim Seung-Chul travels to Korea to attend and give a paper at the Korean Association for Japanese Christian Literature. At the annual meeting he is elected President of the association.

17–18 Jan Hioki Naoko visits to help with the editing of Pentecostalism and Shamanism in Asia.

20 Jan An interview with James Heisig is aired on the 11th episode of NHK program “What are Japanese thinking?” on “Overcoming Modernity: Nishida Kitarō and the Kyoto School.”

21 Jan Thomas Hastings (Senior Research Fellow in Science and Religion, Japan ICU Foundation, New York) visits the Institute to discuss issues on science and religion.

25–26 Jan Kim Seung-Chul travels to Kobe to attend a meeting of the Study Group on the History of the Encounter of Christianity in East Asia at Kansai Gakuin University.

Alena Govorounova visits to help in the editing of Pentecostalism and Shamanism in Asia and participate in Okuyama Michiaki’s project on Shinto.

22 Feb Chao Hsing-Kuang (Graduate Institute of Education Tunghai University, Taiwan) gives a presentation on “Social Change and the Development of Protestantism in Taiwan after World War II.”

1–5 March Okuyama Michiaki, James Heisig, Paul Swanson, Kim Seung-Chul, Terao Kazuyoshi, Nagasawa Shiho, and Awazu Kenta travel to Korea as part of the project on Christianity in East Asia.

20–25 March James Heisig travels to Shanghai to attend and give a paper at a meeting of the Comparative and Continental Philosophical Circle.

21–24 March Benjamin Dorman, Okuyama Michiaki, Paul Swanson, and David White attend the annual conference of the Association for Asian Studies in San Diego. An Asian Ethnology editorial board meeting was also held.

Other visitors included:

2012

8–9 April Ichijō Atsuko, Senior Researcher in European Studies at Kingston University London, and Hayo Krombach, Centre for the Philosophy of the Natural and Social Sciences at the London School of Economics.

9 May Hans Martin Krämer, Assistant Professor, Ruhr-Universität Bochum.

16 May Nenita Tenefrancia, Director of the Asian Zone of the Teresian Association.

25 May Marc Yamada, Assistant Professor, East Asian Languages and Cultures, Wake Forest University.

28 May Michael Quick, Graduate Student, Duke University.
21 Sept  Karen Rommelfanger, Post-doctoral Fellow, Emory University.
12 Oct  Esben Andreasen, Denmark.
22 Oct  Sharon Kinsella, University of Manchester
29–30 Oct  Hioki Naoko, Institute of Comparative Culture, Sophia University.
27 Nov  Jørn Borup, Aarhus University.
28 Nov  Alberto Silva, Japan Foundation Fellow from Argentina
2, 5–7 Dec  Janaina Maciel Molinar and Myriam Constantino Castillo, Japan Foundation Fellow from Mexico.

2013

  7 Jan  Morisato Takeshi, Graduate Student, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven.
  11 Jan  Mark Mullins, Sophia University.
  12 Jan  Elena Prats, Doctoral Student, Universitat de Barcelona.
  25 Jan  Akaike Noriaki, Aichi Gakuin University.
 17 Feb–4 March  Aasulv Lande, Adger University.
  7–18 March  Thomas Kasulis, Ohio State University.
  9–18 March  Frank Korom, Boston University.
Calendar of Events

April 2013–March 2014

2013

3 April  David W. Johnson (Pennsylvania State University) arrives as a short-term researcher (until 30 July).

17 April  Canon Foundation Fellow Ramunas Motiekaitis (University of Vilnius) arrives to begin a one-year research residence.

26 April  A colloquium is held with Xu Yi Meng (Fukuoka Women’s University) on “The Acceptance of Christianity in a Contemporary Chinese Village: The Institutional Church and the Non-Institutional Church,” as part of the project on “Christianity in East Asia.”

5 May  Victor Hori (McGill University) arrives for a short-term research residence (until 29 July).

17 May  A colloquium is held with Murakami Shiho (Ritsumeikan University) on the topic “The Protestant Church in Shanghai: Changes in the Midst of Economic Development and Urbanization,” as part of the project on “Christianity in East Asia.”

23 May  Esther-Maria Guggenmos (International Consortium for Research in the Humanities in Erlangen, Germany) gives a presentation on “Divining One’s Karma as Spiritual Practice: The Sūtra on the Divination of Good and Evil Karmic Retribution.”

31 May–Saitō Takako, researcher of the Centre d’Études Japonaises of the Institut national des langues et civilisations orientales in Paris and associate professor at the University of Le Havre, comes to consult on her research projects related to Japanese philosophy.

1–2 June  The first Nanzan Seminar for the Study of Japanese Religions is held, with presentations by eight advanced graduate students from around the world.

3 June  Rebeca Maldonado and Andrés Marquina arrive from Mexico to spend a month at the Institute working on a Spanish translation of Tanabe Hajime’s Philosophy as Metanoetics.

5 June  Victor Hori presents the first of three inhouse seminars; the first on “What Can and Cannot be Understood through Language in Zen?”
7 June A colloquium is held with Matsutani Motokazu (Tohoku University) on “Korean Christianity and Nationalism” as part of the project on “Christianity in East Asia.”

15–16 June Kim Seung Chul attends the annual meeting of the Association for the Study of Comparative Thought, held at Taishō University in Tokyo.

17–21 June Clark Chilson visits the Institute to work on the editing and production of his forthcoming book on Secrecy's Power.

19 June Victor Hori presents the second of three inhouse seminars; the second on “A Performative Theory of Zen Language.”

22 June Paul Swanson travels to Kii-Nagashima for the annual meeting of the International Kumano Association.

23 June Paul Swanson travels to Tokyo for a meeting of the Board of Regents of the International Institute for the Study of Religion.


late June The Japanese Journal of Religious Studies (vol. 40/1), the English Bulletin (vol. 37) and Japanese Shohō (vol. 23) arrive from the printers.

26 June– 5 July Kim Seung Chul travels to Ghent, Belgium, for the bi-annual meeting of the European Network of Buddhist-Christian Studies.

1 July Heather Blair (Indiana University) and Kawasaki Tsuyoshi (Shūjitsu University) visit the Institute to discuss guest-editing a special issue of the JJRS.

3 July Victor Hori presents the third of three inhouse seminars; the third on “Recent Critiques of the Concept of Zen Experience.”


7 July Thomas P. Kasulis (Ohio State University) comes for a month to complete his book on Engaging Japanese Philosophy: A History. Word arrives that Japanese Philosophy: A Sourcebook was awarded an “Edited Volume Accolade” in Social Sciences by the ICAS.

16–17 July Thomas John Hastings, a Senior Research Fellow at the Japan International Christian University Foundation in New York City, comes to discuss a joint project on science and religion.

22 July A colloquium is held with Satō Chitose (Hokkaidō Shōka University) on “Chinese Society and Christianity: Home Churches and the Dialogue with the Movement for the Defense of Human Rights.” Copies of Jim Heisig’s Nothingness and Desire arrive from the publishers.

24 July David Johnson (Boston College) presents a seminar on “Gadamer and Nishida.”

1 Sept. Keller Kimbrough (University of Colorado) arrives to spend a few months at the Institute (until 12/31).

6–8 Sept. Okuyama Michiaki and Paul Swanson attend the annual conference of the Japanese Association for Religious Studies at Kokugakuin University (Tokyo)

10–20 Sept. Kim Seung Chul travels to Germany to attend the conference of Deutsche Vereinigung für Religionswissenschaft at Göttingen, Germany.

11–18 Sept. Áasulf Lande, former holder of the Roche Chair and currently Senior Researcher at Agder University, comes to conduct research on Ōmoto-kyō.

18 Sept. Philip Blosser (Sacred Heart Major Seminary, Detroit) presents a seminar on “Person and God in Scheler and Nishitani.”


31 Sept.–1 Oct. Nigel Black (University of South Australia) visits the Institute to pursue his interest in Zen and design.

13–29 Oct. Gereon Kopf (Luther College, Iowa) comes to continue his research on Japanese philosophy.

19–26 Oct. Ian Reader (Lancaster University) visits the Institute to work on his donated photo archive.

21–28 Oct. James Heisig travels to Oregon (USA) to present a paper at the Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy and to deliver a public lecture on “Christianity’s Dialogue with Buddhism in Japan” at the University of Oregon.

22–26 Nov. Kim Seung Chul, Okuyama Michiaki, and Paul Swanson attend the annual conference of the American Academy of Religion in Baltimore, USA.

28 Nov. A book review forum is held concerning the publication by Fujino Yōhei (Tokyo Gaikokugo University) on “Christianity in Taiwan,” as part of the project on “Christianity in East Asia.” Reviews were given by Institute researchers Nagasawa Shiho and Nagaoka Takashi.

4 Dec. Jim Heisig gives a lecture on “An East-West Philosophical Antiphony on Nothingness and Desire” at the University of Tokyo Center for Philosophy.


13 Dec.–6 Jan. Gereon Kopf (Luther College, Iowa) returns to carry on further research in Japanese philosophy.
2014

9–12 Jan. Erica Bafelli (Manchester University) comes to gather materials on new religious movements.

10 Jan. A colloquium is held with I son Jon (Keisen Women’s University) on “Christianity and the Development of Upper-Level Education in Korea.”


17–20 Feb. 7 members of the research staff travel to Hong Kong to consult with local scholars as part of the Institute’s investigation of Christianity in East Asia.

24 Feb.– Kim Seung Chul travels to Vienna to conduct research at the Institut für Osteuropäischen Geschichte of the Vienna University.

25 Feb. The local Nagoya Study Group on Religion and Society holds a meeting with presentations by Awazu Kenta (Nanzan Institute) on “Recent developments in research on memorials for the war dead,” and Ito Masayuki (Aichi Gakuin) on “Religion, spirituality and theories of happiness.”

6 March Copies of Modern Buddhism in Japan (edited by Hayashi Makoto, Otani Eiichi, and Paul L. Swanson) arrive from the printers.

8 March Frank Korom (Boston University) arrives to assist in editing Asian Ethnology (until 17 March).

9 March Mark MacWilliams (St. Lawrence University) arrives to work with Okuyama Michiaki on their project “defining Shinto” (until 16 March).

20–31 March Ben Dorman, James Heisig, Paul Swanson, and David White travel to the US to attend the annual conference of the Association for Asian Studies in Philadelphia.

Other visitors included

2013

15–22 May Mark Mullins (University of Auckland, New Zealand)

17 May Paula Esguerra (PhD candidate at International Christian University in Tokyo)

17–19 May Gary Ross (Kanazawa University)

5 June Jamie and Maki Hubbard (Smith College, USA)

Christian Wittern (Professor at the Center for Informatics in East-Asian Studies of the Institute for Research in Humanities, Kyoto University)

Maria Küchen (Sweden)

10 June Miriam Cho (an undergraduate at Yale University)

14 June Jae-ryong Song (Kyung Hee University, South Korea)

2 July Christopher G. Harding (Lecturer in Asian History, University of Edinburgh)
15 July  Thomas Kirchner (Hanazono University International Research Institute for Zen Buddhism)
18 July  Mazzei Antonella (student at the Università Orientale di Napoli)
21 July  Stefan Vikström (Captain, Finnair)
23 July  Kinoshita Tomio (Principal Program Director, Japan Broadcasting Corporation/NHK)
      5 Aug.  Alan Mattei (exchange student at Dōshisha University from the University of California at Santa Barbara)
26 Sept.  Rein Raud (Professor at Tallinn University in Estonia)
30 Sept.  Nigel Black (PhD candidate, Adelaide University)
21 Oct.  Esben Andreasen (Denmark)
      6 Nov.  Mark Mullins (University of Auckland, New Zealand)
      12 Nov.  Tabuchi Munetaka (Embassy of Japan in Norway)
      14 Nov.  Ikeuchi Suma (graduate student at Emory University)
      27 Nov.  Sara Bodoni (Università degli Studi di Milano)
      19 Dec.  Murayama-Cain Yumi (Nagoya University of Commerce and Business)

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21 Feb.  Thomas Hastings (Center of Theological Inquiry, Princeton)
24 Feb.  Murakami Shigenori (Leader of the Hidden Christians in the Kurosaki District)
25 Feb.  James Mark Shields (Bucknell University)
26 March  Lee Jin Hyon (Pastor of the Korean Methodist Church)
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2–6 April Aingeru Aroz, a graduate student at the University of Tokyo, comes to assist with the preparation of the Spanish edition of Japanese Philosophy: A Sourcebook.

7–13 April Carla Tronu, a visiting researcher at Tenri University, comes to assist with the preparation of the Spanish edition of Japanese Philosophy: A Sourcebook.

11 April Carla Tronu gives an in-house presentation on her research on “Sacred Space and Ritual in Early Modern Japan: The Christian Community of Nagasaki (1569–1643).”

19 April Hayashi Makoto, Ōtani Eiichi, and Miyasaka Kiyoshi join Paul Swanson and Awazu Kenta at the Institute for a research discussion celebrating the publication of Modern Buddhism in Japan.

9 May Jan Van Bragt’s collected essays, Interreligious Affinities, edited by James Heisig and Kim Seung Chul, arrives from the printers.

10 May Costica Bradatan (Texas Tech University) arrives to research his project on “In Praise of Failure” (until 22 June).

11–17 May Kim Seung Chul travels to Groningen (Netherlands) to give a presentation at the European Association for the Study of Religions.

12 May–18 June James Heisig travels to Africa, Europe, and Latin America for lectures and meetings.

26 May–6 June Kim Seung Chul travels to Korea for meetings on dialogue and future publications.

28 May–1 June Paul Swanson travels to Tokyo and Saitama to participate in the International Lotus Sutra Seminar 2014, sponsored by Risshō Kōseikai.

9 June Keller Kimbrough arrives for a month-long research stay (until 7 July).

14–15 June Okuyama Michiaki and Paul Swanson travel to Tokyo to participate as commentators at the Cir Seminar for the Study of Japanese Religion and Culture.

21 June Paul Swanson travels to Jōsen-ji in Shingū (Wakayama) to attend the 100th-year memorial service of Takagi Kenmyō’s death.
25 June W. Puck Brecher (Washington State University) and Juan Edgardo De Pasquale (Kenyon College) arrive at Nanzan to pursue research projects.

27 June Ikeuchi Suma (Emory University) gives a presentation on “Latin American Pentecostalism among Japanese-Brazilian Migrants in Contemporary Japan.”

5 July Robert Rather comes for a few days to work with Jim Heisig on an eBook version of Die Kanji lernen und behalten 1.

6 July Okuyama Michiaki and Paul Swanson travel to Kokugakuin, Tokyo, for meetings of the Japanese Association for Religious Studies.

16–20 July Ben Dorman and David White attend the AAS-in-Asia conference in Singapore.


1 August David Johnson (Boston College) gives a presentation “On Selfhood: With and After Watsuji.”

2 August Kawamura Kunimitsu (Osaka University) and other scholars gather at the Nanzan Institute to hold the annual meeting of the International Association for Japanese Cultural Studies.


25 August– Paul Swanson travels to Ljubjana, Slovenia, for the 14th Conference of the European Association for Japanese Studies, where he gives a keynote speech on “Challenging Topics in the Study of Japanese Religions.”

5 Sept. A colloquium is held with James Baskind on “Myōtei mondō and Discourse on the Afterlife during Japan’s Christian Century.”

9 Sept. Kim Seung Chul travels to Nishinomiya for a Board meeting of the Japan Society of Christian Studies.

10–19 Sept. Kim Seung Chul travels to Germany for a series of academic meetings at the Europäische Kongress für Theologie.


21 Sept. Paul Swanson travels to Tokyo to attend a presentation of an honorary doctorate to Gene Reeves from the Meadville Lombard Theological School of the University of Chicago, held at the Horinkaku Hall of Risshō Kōseikai.
26 Sept. A book review discussion is held with Muramatsu Susumu on his recent publication *The History of Ideas in Modern Japan: Ideas and Experiences of Christianity*, with comments by Institute Research Fellows Nagaoka Takashi and Murayama Yumi.


8 Nov. The Institute celebrates its 40th anniversary by sponsoring a symposium on “Issues and Prospects for a Research Center on the Study of Religion.” Aoyama Gen, Yamanaka Hiroshi, and Gereon Kopf are invited to give presentations.

9–14 Nov. Kim Seung Chul travels to Wien to give a paper at the KAICIID Conference.

15 Nov. Kim Seung Chul gives a special lecture at the PSSJC (Philosophy of Science, Japan) at Nanzan University.

18–25 Nov. Kim Seung Chul travels to Germany for meetings at the Georg Eckert Institut (Braunschweig).

20–26 Nov. Okuyama Michiaki travels to San Diego to attend the Annual Conference of the American Academy of Religion.

24–30 Nov. Paul Jen-Kuei Li, from the Academia Sinica Institute of Linguistics, visits Nanzan to check archives on indigenous Taiwan languages.

25 Nov. Frank Korom visits the Institute to assist in the editing of *Asian Ethnology*

26 Nov. Jim Heisig travels to Mexico City to deliver an opening lecture and participate in seminars on “Ontología e historia: Indagación sobre las vías para otra historia desde la ontología del siglo XX.”

5–6 Dec. Kim Seung Chul travels to Korea to attend and give a research paper at the Association for Japanese Christian Literature in Korea.

17 Dec. Tom Kasulis arrives for a short research visit.

19 Dec. The Japanese translation of Tom Kasulis’s book on *Shinto: The Way Home* is the focus of a colloquium, with discussion by Kinugasa Masaki (Hōsei University), Moriya Tomoe (Hannan University), and Fujimoto Yorio (Kokugakuin University).

2015


31 Jan. An international symposium on “Christianity in East Asia: Its Problem and Outlook,” is held as the culminating event of the three-year “Christianity in East Asia” project.

28 Feb.–  Paul Swanson attends the annual conference of the International
1 March  Kumano Association in Shingu, Wakayama.
2–7 March  Kim Seung Chul travels to Hong Kong for a dialogue on “Science and
Religion” at the Institute of Sino-Christian Studies.
13–23 March  Aasulv Lande arrives for a short research stay to continue his research on
Shinto.
25 March  A “Science and Religion Dialogue” colloquium was held, with a presenta-
tion by Komatsu Yoshihiko of Musashino University.
26–27 March  Kim Seung Chul travels to Seoul for discussions with publishers of a
Nanzan book series.
27 March  Paul Swanson travels to Kyoto for a cormos Board meeting.

Other visitors included

2014

8 April  Lucie Rousselot, graduate student at the Centre International de Recherche
en Intelligence du Développement in Paris
10 April  Melanie Coughlin, graduate student, McGill University, currently doing
research at Kyoto University
10 May  Okuyama Yoshiko, Associate Professor, University of Hawai‘i at Hilo
30 May  Lee Meng Suan, student, Singapore Bible College
26 June  Yang Myung Su, Ewha Womans University
16 Sept.  Anton Luis Sevilla, Nichibunken
19 Sept.  Yangho Francis Lee, Notre Dame University
9 Oct.  Heather Stepp, University of Puget Sound
19 Dec.  Jorge Martinez B., Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile

2015

9 Jan.  Imazu Nobukazu, Minister, Lutheran Church of Norway
13 Jan.  A. K. Zebdi, IT entrepreneur, Okazaki
26 Jan.  Joel Van Fossen, graduate of St. Norbert College, De Pere, wi
9 March  Hayakawa Kenji, a graduate of the University of British Columbia,
Canada
13 March  Milo Brendan Barisof, undergraduate student, Pomona College,
Claremont, CA, USA.
19 March  Jesse Nichols Sargent, graduate student, The Graduate Institute, Geneva,
Switzerland.
25 March  Asuka Sango, associate professor, Carleton College.
25 March  Tom Hastings and Drew Rick-Miller, Templeton Foundation.
Calendar of Events

April 2015–March 2016

2015
27 March–20 April James Heisig travels to Europe and the United States for lectures and conferences.
2–9 April Okuyama Michiaki travels to Paris for research.
6–14 April Kim Seung Chul travels to Germany for a lecture and research at Basel University Department of Theology.
11 April Okuyama Michiaki and Paul Swanson travel to Tokyo for a Board meeting of the Japanese Association for Religious Studies.
15 April Antoon Geels (Lund University) and 10 visitors from Sweden visit the Institute and share a discussion on interreligious dialogue.
19 April Ola Sigurdson (University of Gothenburg) arrives for a short research visit (until 2 May).
12–19 May Kim Seung Chul travels to Germany to attend the 5th Conference of the European Forum for the Study of Religion and Environment in Munich.
30–31 May The second Nanzan Seminar on Japanese religions is held, with presentations by five international graduate students.
6 June–22 August James Morris (University of St. Andrews) begins an affiliation with the Institute in connection with his research on Christianity in Japan.
24 June–1 July Kim Seung Chul travels to Germany to attend the meeting of the European Network of Buddhist-Christian Studies.
1–10 July Chung Il Seung (Asia Life University, Korea) visits the Institute to examine research materials on the Old Testament.
2 July The spring issue of the Japanese Journal of Religious Studies on “Engi: Forging Accounts of Sacred Origins” is delivered from the printers.
3 July–1 October Line Schreyer (Aalborg University) takes up residence at the Institute to focus on her research into multicultural philosophy.
4 July Okuyama Michiaki and Paul Swanson travel to Tokyo for an editorial meeting of “Religious Studies in Japan” and a Board meeting of the Japanese Association for Religious Studies.
21–27 July Kim Seung Chul travels to England for meetings at the Ian Ramsey Center for Science and Religion.
21 August–1 Sept. Okuyama Michiaki and Kim Seung Chul travel to Germany to attend and give papers at the IAHR World Congress. Kim Seung Chul also visits Austria to give a paper at the International Congress Science and/or Religion.

9–11 Sept. Mark Mullins visits the Institute to conduct research on Shinto nationalism in post-war Japan.

2 Oct. A Colloquium is held with Maeda Tsuyoshi, Professor Emeritus of Kagoshima University, on “Vistas for the Study of Religion: The Story of Rudolf Otto’s Travels.”

3–10 Oct. Kim Seung Chul travels to Korea for meetings involving the project on “Science-Religion Dialogue.”

23 Oct. Emeritus Fellow James Heisig is awarded a doctorate honoris causa from Tallinn University, Estonia.

24 Oct. An open Workshop on “Rethinking Religious Diversity in Japan” is held, co-sponsored by the Critical Analysis of Religious Diversity (CARD) Network of Denmark, with presentations by Lene Kühle, Jorn Borup, Marianne Qvortrup Fibiger, Okuyama Michiaki, Kobayashi Naoko, and Murayama Yumi.

6–13 Nov. Paul Swanson travels to the US for a workshop on Tendai Buddhism at Western Michigan University and for talks at Elon University and Duke University in North Carolina.


21 Nov. Paul Swanson attends the opening ceremony of the Bait ul Ahad Ahmadiyya mosque, the largest mosque in Japan, located to the west of Nagoya.

22–29 Nov. Frank Korom of Boston University and co-editor of Asian Ethnology visits the Institute to discuss journal-related issues with Benjamin Dorman and David White, and to prepare for the Asian Ethnology Editorial Board Meeting at the AAS Annual Conference in Seattle.

2 Dec. Mark Mullins, a visiting researcher at the Nanzan Institute, presents for discussion his research on “The Postwar Movement to Restore Shinto in the Public Sphere.”

9 Dec. Christopher Harding (University of Edinburgh) presents for discussion his research on “Buddhism, History, and Culture in the Making of Japanese Psychoanalysis.”

12 Dec. A one-day symposium is held on “The Discourse of ‘Science and Religion’ in Korea and Japan” as part of the Templeton project, with two presentations from Korea and two from Japan.

17 Dec. A Colloquium is held with Nakai Tamae (chaplain, Aichi International Hospital) on “The Faith Development Theory of James Fowler.”

18 Dec. A Colloquium is held with Donald Baker (University of British Columbia) on “A Clash of Assumptions: Jesuit Science and Mathematics in 18th Century Korea.”
2016

29–30 Jan. An international symposium on “Religion and Science in Dialogue: Consequences for Religious Education” is held with presentations from Hong Kong, Korea, Germany, the United States, and Japan.

18 Feb. An in-house seminar is conducted by Joseph O’Leary (the first of five) on “The Impact of Buddhist Emptiness on Western Ontology.”

26 Feb. An in-house seminar is conducted by Joseph O’Leary (the second of five) on “The Teasing Challenge of Nonduality.”

11 March An in-house seminar is conducted by Joseph O’Leary (the third of five) on “The Two Truths: Can Flimsy Conventions be Vehicles of Ultimacy?”

17 March An in-house seminar is conducted by Carla Tronu (International Post-doc fellow) on “Cultural Adaptation in the Making of Catholic Churches in Early Modern Japan: Location, Sacralization, and Naming.”

18 March An in-house seminar is conducted by Joseph O’Leary (the fourth of five) on “Skillful Means: The Interplay of Thought, Communication, and Praxis.”

25 March An in-house seminar is conducted by Joseph O’Leary (the fifth of five) on “Christianity, Philosophy, Mahayana Buddhism: The New Constellation.”

30 March– Benjamin Dorman and David White travel to Seattle to attend the AAS 4 April Annual Conference and chair the Asian Ethnology Editorial Board Meeting on 2 April.

Other visitors included

2015

24 April Edwin Sunderland and Liad Horowitz (Tel Aviv University).

27 May Tao Jin 陶金 (大連海事大学).

29–30 May Esben Petersen, Visiting Research Fellow, Dōshisha University.

7–9 June Saitō Takako 斎藤多香子, Université du Havre, France

10 July J. P. Mukengeshayi Matata, Director of the Oriens Institute for Religious Research, Tokyo.

12–13 July Stig Lindberg, Graduate student, Kyoto University

22 July Thomas and Carol Hastings, Princeton, N. J.

27–29 July Myriam Constantino, Graduate student, Kumazawa University and Colegio de México

29 July Oddbjorn Jensen, Sami High School and Reindeer Husbandry School, Kautokeino, Norway

11 Sept. Thierry Guthmann, Mie University

14–16 Oct. Jude Lal Fernando, Trinity College, Dublin

14 Oct. Marcus Bingenheimer, Nagoya University

16 Oct. Jan Gerrit Strala, Aichi Prefectural University
18 Nov. Yoshiko and Elvin Zoet-Suzuki, PhD students, Utrecht University, Netherlands
30 Nov. Esben Andreasen, Denmark.

2016
14 Jan. Erica Baffelli, The University of Manchester, UK
18 Feb. Or Porath, Ph.D. candidate, University of Santa Barbara
10–12 March Jonatan Navarro, Tokyo University of Foreign Studies
OKUYAMA Michiaki gave a presentation on national administration for religious and Shinto affairs in modern Japan for a research project of the Center for Area Studies of Nanzan University.

HIM Lal Ghimere arrives from Nepal for an 8-month research stay to compare the Lumbini and Shikoku Henro pilgrimage practices.

REBECCA Mendelson (PhD candidate, Duke University) arrives for a 1-month research stay.

An informal meeting is held for religious studies researchers in the Aichi area. 16 people attend.

An international editorial meeting of the Advisory Board of the *Japanese Journal of Religious Studies* is held at the Institute to discuss the future of the journal.

Okuyama Michiaki coordinates a summer course on Asian religions at Hartford Seminary.

Paul Swanson travels to Dunhuang, China, to attend a conference on “Sutra Transmission and Translation.”

The Institute hosts an international conference on “Views of Watsuji Tetsurō from around the World.”

The Institute hosts a research “salon” for local scholars. Papers were presented on Mariya Kannon by Hioki Naoko, and on *Yotsuya Kaidan* by Saitō Takashi.

Paul Swanson travels to Tokyo to participate in a conference on “Tackling Pre-Modern Japanese Texts: New Horizons on Understanding” at the National Institute of Japanese Literature.

Park Yeonjoo arrives to begin her tenure as the 2nd international Nanzan Post-doc fellow (until April 2017).

Seung Chul Kim travels to Nagasaki to participate in a conference on the 50th anniversary of the publication of *Silence* by Shusaku Endo.

Paul Swanson travels to Tokyo to serve as an outside reviewer of a PhD in Religious Studies at the University of Tokyo.
9 Sept Paul Swanson and Okuyama Michiaki attend the Board of Regents meeting of the Japanese Association for Religious Studies (Waseda University).

12–14 Sept Seung Chul Kim travels to Hiroshima to attend the Board of The Japan Society of Christian Studies and the editorial meeting for *The Encyclopedia of Christianity*.

24 Sept Thomas P. Kasulis, Professor Emeritus of Ohio State University, joins us for two months to complete work on his history of Japanese philosophy.


11–25 Oct Seung Chul Kim travels to Busan and Seoul, Korea, to participate in the 5th Busan International Literature Festival, and conferences at Yonsei University and Hanshin University.

14 Oct The Second Nanzan Salon (meeting of local researchers) was held, with presentations by Kitta Naoki on “Radical Orthodoxy” and Minesaki Hiroko on the Ahmadiyya movement in Japan.

18–19 Nov Seung Chul Kim travels to Kyoto to attend the Japan-China-Korea Theological Forum.

26 Nov Seung Chul Kim travels to Nishinomiya to attend the editorial meeting for *The Encyclopedia of Shusaku Endo*.

21 Dec An in-house seminar is conducted by Him Lal Ghimere to report on his research and fieldwork comparing pilgrimage to Lumbini and the Shikoku Henro.

26–27 Dec Paul Swanson attends the 63rd annual cormos conference in Kyoto.

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6–17 Jan Il-Seung Chung, Assistant Professor of Hebrew Bible at Asia Life University, arrives for a brief period of research.

9–13 Jan Seung Chul Kim travels to Seoul to participate in the 1st RePec (Religion and Peace) Symposium.

27 Jan The third Nanzan Salon is held with presentations by Kurita Hidehiko on “Self-Improvement and Political Movements in the Modern World,” and by Miyasaka Kiyoshi on “Buddhist Nationalism in Ladakh, India.”

1 Feb Inuzuka Yū begins residence at the Institute for two months as a short-term visiting researcher.

22 Feb Park Yeon Joo gives an in-house presentation on her research on “Medieval Japanese Tendai Discourse on Kami and Kami-Buddha Amalgamation.”

23 Feb Elvin and Yoshiko Suzuki-Zoet arrive for a month of work on their doctoral dissertations.
11–20 Mar  Seung Chul Kim travels to Seoul, Korea, to attend a presentation of his translation of *Pure Land Buddhism and Christianity* as well as other meetings.


Other visitors

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29 April  Ejima Naotoshi (Den-en Chofu University, Kawasaki, Kanagawa)

7 June  George Keyworth (Saskatchewan University, Canada)

10 June  Suma Ikeuchi (University of Alabama)

13 June  Paul Engler (Brent International School, Baguio, Philippines)

19 July  Sasha Jair Espinosa de Alba (Doctoral student, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México)

22 July  Michael Conway, Takikawa Yoshihiro, and Hyōdō Yoshinori (Ōtani University)

27 July  Yamada Tomoaki, doctoral student, École des Hautes Études en Science Social, Paris, and research assistant at the Fond Ricoeur

28 July  Daniela Elisa Alvarez, graduate student, Universidad del Salvador, Buenos Aires

7 August  Robert Norton, University of Notre Dame

27 August  Heiner Koch, practicing psychotherapist, Berlin

1 Sept  Xiao Yue, Researcher at the Research Institute of Bukkyō University

4–7 Sept  Alexander Lin, Princeton University and Tokyo University

19 Sept  Frédéric Girard, Visiting Scholar, International Research Center for Japanese Studies

6 Oct  Jacynthe Tremblay, Hokkaidō University

21 Oct  Michael Finkenthal, John Hopkins University

4 Nov  Lee Yong-Joo, Gwangju Institute of Science and Technology

20–27 Nov  Frank Korom, Boston University

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22–24 Feb  Jason Lam, 林子淳, Tao Fong Shan, Hongkong.