

40th Anniversary of Josei Toda's Death

On April 2, the 40th anniversary of second Soka Gakkai president Josei Toda's death, memorial gongyo services were held at the Soka Gakkai Headquarters and at centers around the world. To commemorate this significant anniversary, SGI President Ikeda composed three poems.

**For 40 years
Since my noble mentor's passing,
I have continued my struggle
Without rest.**

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**With an indelible memory
Of my mentor's boundless compassion
Deep in my heart,
I hold high the jeweled sword
Of kosen-rufu.**

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**Razing the ramparts of evil,
My gaze ever on my mentor,
I vow to achieve eternal triumph.**

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