

Ash - Men made of dust. Affirmation of humanity

Earl Larson, vet WWII, FECOM, Gen. Yamashita for Luzon
 not pun
 Alienation, exclusion; to violation of human rights
 To redress. Past time for repentance
 Can't gain on innocence
 must admit on error.
 LITANY OF RECONCILIATION
 (Congregational Response - Standing)

Franklin
 WDO
 Learning from History

Day of
 * Frank/Naoy
 sent to Tanjore
 (Fantastic Okinawa
 before dropping of bomb. Had no consciousness)

Anna Heiberg
 (85 yrs old)
 innocent + ignorant
 have been splintered
 do not know who we are & what we are
 reaching also can not do it
 "A nation I would give but what key little knowledge of the world every little knowledge of ourselves Middle West incubator of bad ideas college teacher was not accepted in high school then to Mississippi learned to African sent to Arkansas in 1940s, dropped beauty of color went to Japan - saw the beauty
 AMEN.

ALL: We have come here to call up from our memories the internment of Japanese Americans. We are witnesses before God and before our neighbors.

LEADER: We know the words of Jesus: "If you are coming to the altar and there remember that your sisters or brothers have something against you, leave the altar and go, first, be reconciled to them."

PEOPLE: There can be no true reconciliation without repentance. Therefore, we confess our common history in this nation.

LEADER: For the sake of a few, many were forced to give way or were denied citizenship; the Native Americans, on this, their land.

PEOPLE: Black slaves who were kidnapped and sold into slavery; Chinese exploited for their bitter strength.

LEADER: The Japanese, Filipinos, Mexican, and Central Americans who have met subhuman working conditions and racist violence as they try to provide for their families.

PEOPLE: Forgive us, our Creator, for this history and our lack of courage and vision.

LEADER: Renew our faith and our resolve so that in the memory of the Japanese American internment we will have the strength to work for justice for all peoples.

PEOPLE: And on this day, especially, for the justice due Japanese Americans.

Let our witness never be silent, so that together we may manifest the body of Christ, the source of our unity with all humankind.

Went to Philippines
 visited Pinan Antonio Aguin
 began his education
 Recy (Mother Apple Vietnam West Point Cadet)
 Economic interest
 Commercial arena
 Decision inter-related
 Arnold Toybee
 Religion of Establishment
 "Was doing nothing for workers"
 To be Christian should be a ministry
 all stand up against the establishment
 God's creative ministry

1960 failed to believe on own
 Jesus of Nazareth

6. "Longing" - remembering California Poem by poet laureate

7. Going to school
8. Chores by each member of family
9. Putting up laundry
10. Haircuts
11. Camp canteen
12. Violence (Rev. Yamazaki's assault) (Henry Suzuki) translator
13. Telegram / brother would be a translator
14. Wife of 442-mm received letter from home
15. Leaving camp

Last month - Smithsonian - requested one of his works

1. Farm help being taken away
2. Family staying grateful to neighbors
3. Moved by cattle trade
4. Living quarters unfurnished (Jerome)
5. Common heavy loads



A DAY OF REMEMBRANCE

Interchurch Center
February 18, 1985

"When Moses' father-in-law noticed all his dealings with the people, he remarked, 'What are you doing to the people? Why do you hold court alone, with all the people standing around from morning till evening?'"
(Exodus 18:14)

Opening. Frank M. Ichishita, Moderator
(Presbyterian Church USA)

Introduction of Henry Sugimoto, artist
. Arthur Kamitsuka
(Presbyterian Church USA)

Mr. Sugimoto painted the story and life of the Japanese American incarceration in Jerome (Arkansas), one of the ten concentration camps in the USA during World War II.

Selected slides of Mr. Sugimoto's paintings
. Elinor Kajiwara, Narrator
(United Methodist Church)

Remembrance and Hopes for the Future

- Franklin Woo (National Council of Churches)
- Earl Larson (Presbyterian Church USA)
- Anna Arnold Hedgeman
(Dr. Hedgeman is an African American educator and civic leader who had a major role in the church's participation in the civil rights movement in the 1960s.)

Litany of Reconciliation Naomi Southard, Leader
(United Methodist Church)

Benediction Naomi Southard