



26th SNI International Spiritual Training Seminar

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Of the thirty-nine participants that were in attendance five were first-timers. Though fears of traveling seem to be prevailing at this time, we did manage to have 39 courageous participants who traveled from: 3 /Japan, 3/ California, 2/Canada, 4/Florida, 1/Hawaii, 6/ New Jersey, 19/ New York, and 1/Pennsylvania.

Many thanks to the leaders - Rev. Hiei Ando, Director-in-Charge of ISTC, Chief of New York Missionary Area. Rev. Masayo Tsuruta, Acting Bishop of US Missionary Headquarters, Rev. Mario Kawakami, Chief of Northern California Missionary Area and Rev. Yoshiharu Taka, staff member of Seicho-No-Ie Hawaii. Many thanks to the volunteers that made up the supporting team.

In spite of the thoughts of September 11 in the minds of most, the seminar brought a feeling of bonding. Everyone from the start of the program was enthusiastically involved in singing and laughing. It's as if they came here to not only learn about Seicho-No-Ie, and grow spiritually, but, to be cheered on for wanting to be

joyful.

Witnessing the "Shake Hands of Joy" segment at the close of the seminar everyone expressed their gratitude, love and joy with high spiritual expression after a successful seminar.

Some comments received were - "Each time I meet new and wonderful people. I also leave having learned something new. This one was the best for me since my mind and eyes were truly open to learning the Truth." **Dia Tam**

"I felt full of love and courage to spread the Seicho-No-Ie teaching. During Mind Purification, I felt all my negative feelings leaving me. I am truly thankful." **Ana Paula Westfal**

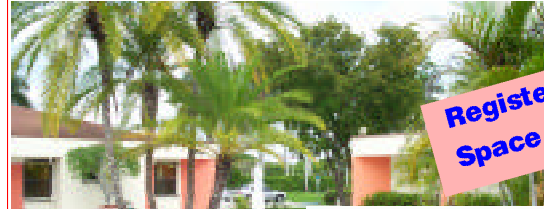


Laughing Practice. l to r: Adriano Westfal, Emilia Koike and Ana Paula Westfal Pires.

Seicho-No-Ie 27th International Spiritual Training Seminar

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Place: MANRESA RETREAT HOUSE Miami, Florida



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This will be the perfect place for you to capture the essence of your beliefs and to learn and practice the wonderful Truth of Seicho-No-Ie.

Begin the year 2002 spiritually refreshed! Also, this will be a good opportunity to see all the beauty that Florida has to offer. **JOIN US!**

To register, please call your local Center or the International Training Center, New York Office – 247 East 53rd Street, New York, NY 10022 – (212) 371-4606 or register on-line at:

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