

SGI-USA General Director Zaitzu Named to Third Term

Fred M. Zaitzu was nominated to a third, three-year term as SGI-USA General Director when the SGI-USA Council met Dec. 5. His new term, which the SGI approved, will end on Nov. 18, 2001. He was first appointed SGI-USA General Director on Nov. 22, 1992.

Mr. Zaitzu joined the Soka Gakkai in Japan on March 16, 1962, and participated in youth activities while attending Kanagawa University. He was hired by the Soka Gakkai in 1964, the year he graduated from college, and began working in public relations. He became a reporter for the *Seikyo Shimbun*, the Soka Gakkai's daily newspaper, in 1967 and came to the United States for the first time in 1971 to report on the Seattle Convention. He moved to Los Angeles with his family in 1973; from 1979 to 1992 they lived in Seattle, then returned to Los Angeles.

At the recent Council meeting, Mr. Zaitzu said: "My determination is to make the foundation of kosen-rufu rock solid in the coming three years and entrust everything for kosen-rufu to the younger, new generation. Let's exert ourselves with the spirit of unity in our propagation efforts as we strive to expand the Daishonin's Buddhism throughout this great land of America."

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