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Next Stop: Marshall Islands

Thanks to your generous donations, the Golden Rule peace boat will soon be sailing to the Marshall Islands, Guam, Okinawa and Japan.

The *Golden Rule* arrived in Hawaii July 31, 2019, so by the time we depart we will have spent almost 8 months sailing the Hawaiian Islands. We've given over 60 presentations and taken hundreds of people on day sails. And we've learned a lot about the effects of the multiple US bases and bombing ranges in Hawaii, and the military's unwillingness to protect Honolulu water from their 78 year old jet fuel tanks right over the aquifer!

Hawaii was the first stop on our Peace in the Pacific mission to stop the possibility of nuclear war. We are also bringing attention to the environmental and human cost of nuclear and military activity on Pacific Islands, as well as how Island communities are ***Challenging Nuclear Madness and Militarism.***

Pacific Islands Visit Schedule (Approximate)



Depart Hawaii 3/29/20

Marshall Islands 4/18/20 - 4/27/20

Guam 5/14/20 - 5/23/20

Marianas 5/25/20 - 6/11/20 (Visit 3 or 4 islands)

Okinawa 6/12/20 - 6/23/20

Japan 7/1/20 through August or September, including in Hiroshima and Nagasaki to commemorate the 75th anniversary of the US nuclear bombings of civilians in those cities.

Please note that there may be adjustments due to weather conditions.



Goals of the voyage:

- Raise awareness of the growing danger of nuclear war
- Support the United Nations Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons
- Bear witness and take testimony on the effects of nuclear contamination, climate change, and military occupation

- **Provide a platform for affected peoples' voices**

Receive daily updates!

Subscribers receive comments from crew and boat location daily while the Golden Rule is en route. Join the Google Group at <https://groups.google.com/forum/?nomobile=true#!forum/grdaily/join>.

Follow the Golden Rule!

You can follow the *Golden Rule's* voyage on a map that updates every 10 minutes: <https://share.garmin.com/goldenrule>

Get updates at vfpgoldenrule.org and facebook.com/goldenrulepeaceboat

Help Keep the Wind in our Sails!

We raised \$25,000 since the January 29 Urgent Fund Appeal with another \$2000 pledged, so we're almost where we need to be before we get to Hawai'i! Thank you for all of the support!

Please **donate** generously to keep the wind in our sails!

Be part of the voyage!

You can send notes of encouragement, comments or questions to the crew

In addition to financial support, the crew would like to hear from you! Emails sent to vfpgoldenruleproject@gmail.com will be forwarded it to the boat's satellite email account each day.

If you know of people in the Marshall Islands, Guam, Northern Marianas, Okinawa or Japan that we should contact, please connect us at vfpgoldenruleproject@gmail.com. We look forward to talking with people and hearing their stories.

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