

Religious Practice and Daily Life

Life and Marriage

Altar on the Second Floor of the Former Vocational Center

Organ Brought to Japan by Father de Rotz

At the Center, Father de Rotz (1840–1914) and the women who worked and lived there together led extremely frugal lifestyles. De Rotz gave much of their earnings to the poor and people in unfortunate circumstances.

De Rotz not only helped the women of The Center to become independent through their work and skills but, in some cases, also aided with wedding ceremony preparations for those who wished to get married. Documents reveal that when weddings occurred, it was customary to have a celebratory meal with white rice to honor the bride.