

The 47th ICMDA-EA, Pre-conference (fieldwork for students), first circular

This time, we will hold the 47th meeting at Matsushima, Miyagi prefecture, and also pre-conference (fieldwork for students) in advance. The purpose of this meeting looks for studying the affect and recovery from the great east japan earthquake disaster hit on this area and for preparing to next disasters.

Photo: Sunset on the beach of Kyubuhama, Oshika peninsula in Miyagi prefecture



Theme: Recovery from Disasters and Crisis Situations

—The Role of Christian Health Care Workers—

We know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope. And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us. (Romans 5:3~5)

Proceeding to the main conference, pre-conference (fieldwork for students) will be carried out from August 1st to 3rd at a fishermen's village. The village cited in Oshika- peninsula, one of the severely hit areas by disastrous Tsunami in 2011. They were kindly helped and supported, and eagerly started their life for recovery. We will have a chance to have field-work helping their work.

1. Through this program, Pastor Ichio Kishinami leads as a chaplain. He used to be a kick-boxer is now ministerating Jesus Christ Kurihara Bible Baptist Church.

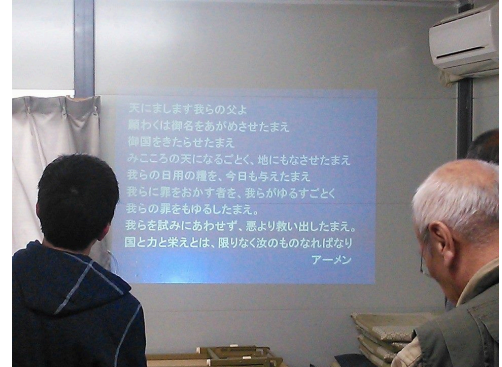
From the disaster, he started supporting the village people and has continued his help with perseverance and vigor. He did fisherman's work with them and preached the Bible. As a result, village people trusted in him and there are a number of families who accepted the faith.

Therefore, you will be able to learn how they got through and live their life strongly, from their mouth while you are working Oyster feeding work with them. (the work itself is simple, easily learned and has no danger)



2. Dr. Toshiaki Yasuda used to work in Nepal as a Japan Overseas Christian Service worker. After getting back, he started to do medical work at one of isolated lands near this beach. He will give precious speech as a medical professional on his experience around the disaster.
3. In the former student program, procedure was proceeded in sincere Christian way as prayer, worship hymnal, and the Bible message.

The coming program will be done in the same way. But, as for Japanese participants, we do not need to be declared Baptism as a condition. Some of the participants is thought to be non-Christian. They are asked to do sincere participation during the program. Thus You are requested to accept them kindly, so that they will be Christians.



4. During the program, language is used in English as international communication. Therefore, all the participants should use English. Oral communication with gesture will work. Take it easy and challenge! Some of the talk in Japanese will be interpreted to English.
5. Through the program, participants are divided into three groups regardless to their nation and language, and facilitator / coordinator will be set to lead each group. First, Mr. Isaku Arai, who is a pastor of Natori Christ church and lecturer of the mission universities. Second, Dr. Masaki

Moriyama, former professor of hygiene department in Hukuoka Medical university, and now lecturer of Kyusyu Red Cross international nursing university. Third, Mrs. Yasuko Nagamatsu, graduate from International community department of Tokyo University, and now associate professor of International nursing in Saint-Luke nursing university.



you are expected to act as a group, and you can experience intercultural communication through English, and may find good friends and yourself which has never been imagined.

7. Dinner time of the second day, we will have joyful cultural exchange meeting with village people. Pastor Kishinami will lead. In relaxing circumstance, you will open yourself with singing and dancing.



Hopefully, the coming program will be the most wonderful encounter, memorized through your life.

Remarks;

Designated meeting time and place: August 1st, 13:30 at the east exit of JR Natori station

Participation fee: 20 thousand Japanese yen, Students are favored to pay totally 25 thousand yen, if you continue to participate the main-conference till 5th.) The fee will be collected at the program.

Registration dead line is July 1st, but maximum capacity is 30. If participatory number reaches to 30 earlier, registration is closed at that time.

Application destination : to Tomoyuki Igari. MD, mail address PXB04020@nifty.ne.jp

Cancelation can be done till July 24th. After that time, you have to send the fee through bank transfer.

Wearing items and personal belongings will be informed later.

- ※ You drop in Ushiroyama-so, Japanese style village inn. The inn was newly rebuilt, is neat and has western style toilet, easy to be used by foreigners.
- ※ Designated place is determined to be JR Natori station. The reason is: easiness of finding the meeting point and chartered bus accessibility. JR Natori is the third stop, ten minutes from Sendai airport via Sendai airport transit line. JR Natori is the forth stop south, fourteen minutes from JR Sendai via JR commuter line. Every train south from Sendai goes to Natori regardless of its destination. Train starts in 20~30 minutes' interval. You have to push the door button to get on and get off from train.
- ※ Atomic radiation revel has been minimal below natural baseline since 2011 in Miyagi prefecture and no health related affect reported since then. You need not be anxious about stay and food.

Schedule;

	august 1st	2nd	3rd
7:00	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:00	To Sendai by Air or train	7:00~prayer, devotion	7:00~prayer, devotion
9:00		7:30~breakfast	7:30~breakfast
10:00		8:30~fellowship time	clean up, check out
11:00		9:00~11:30 work of oyster cultivation with the people	presentation time by the groups
13:00	Meeting point and time JR Natori station by 13:30		Closing prayer
14:00		lunch	11:00~move by bus lunch in the car 13:00 arrival to the hotel
16:00	13:30~16:00 move by bus To Obuchi-hama, oshika peninsula	13:30~15:00 stroll tour of the tsunami hit beach fellowship in each group narrative of the village people	to main conference
17:00	Starting prayer welcome, orientation	16:00~ The Bible message from Pastor I. Kishinami Testimony of the village people	
18:00	17:30~18:30 supper		
19:00			
20:00	19:00~20:30 lecture by DR. T.Yasuda Medical experience around the disaster	19:00~20:30 Banquet/fellowship with the people	
21:00	group time, first meeting	group time, reflection	
	21:30~ bathing, sleep	21:30~ bathing, sleep	