

## March 18, 2011

As mentioned in our last notification we have been discussing what action plans we can take to help those in the Tohoku area. The KIU Tohoku Earthquake response executive committee has come up with a comprehensive plan to follow. Of course due to unforeseen developments we will have to make adjustments as we proceed with our action plans. Please keep regularly refer to our website in order to see how things are progressing.

The KIU Tohoku Earthquake Response Executive Committee

### 2011 Sendai Response Executive Committee Report: Entry 1

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As of March 15<sup>th</sup> we discussed the situation: Tohoku/ Tokyo tragedy

Possible Responses: Rescue. Relief. Recovery.

### KIU Organization's Response

**Immediate:** Pray for wisdom

1. With **eight** days of school left:
  - a. **Letter** to KIU stakeholders: to explain our official response to the situation
    - i. Board of Directors – email updates
    - ii. Staff\*– email updates
    - iii. Faculty\*– email updates
    - iv. KIU Families  
Letters should be distributed by Wednesday March 16<sup>th</sup> before school ends (in English and Japanese)

\* We must clearly inform our staff and faculty of our plans and the rationale behind them.

2. **Website** information (on the KIU Website)
  - a. Provide information of trustworthy organizations for potential **monetary** donations
    - i. CRASH <http://crashjapan.com/>
    - ii. WORLDVISION <http://www.worldvision.jp/>
  - b. Provide information of churches that we already have a **relationship** with (Pastor Akira Mori/ Fukushima: 40 kilos away from Nuclear Plant) through a local Tokyo church.
  - b. Generate funds for assistance operations for groups a & b
  - c. Provide information for **material** donations as well (water, blankets, canned or instant food)

### Mid-term

1. Constant **monitoring** of the situation
  - a. Give update report through
    - i. Torch
    - ii. Website
2. Usage of school facilities to support relief effort
3. Possible **temporary educational** services for Christian missionary children who **cannot** enter regular Japanese schools within the area of the disaster **NOTE: this idea has to be approved by the Executive Board of Directors**
  - d. A trimester of education at KIU Academy (tuition waived)
  - e. Providing home-stay program during the trimester (no-charge)
4. **Materials:** will be connected to constant monitoring and periodical appeal to the KIU community
5. **Blood** drive: At this time officials have requested that only people who have a record of donating blood do so. Those who have no experience must wait until further announcements.
6. **Volunteer** services
  - a. Based on instructions and approval by governing authorities (local cities, Nara Prefecture, Kyoto Prefecture, Osaka Prefecture and affected areas) we can coordinate volunteer operations with volunteers among KIU Stakeholders:
    - i. Staff
    - ii. Faculty
    - iii. Students
    - iv. Parents/ guardians

### Long-term

1. 1. To continue to monitor and make appropriate adjustments as things develop.