



Noto Torrential Rain Disaster Relief Efforts Emergency Issue

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Since March of this year, we have started to cook out at Konosu Elementary School in Wajima City. After a few months of calm following the disaster, on September 21, we witnessed the sad news of water cutoffs and isolation following torrential rains in Wajima City and Suzu City. After consulting with our team, we decided to change our normal Tuesday schedule as a response to the situation. When we saw the news, we did not think the blows and impacts were that bad, but after checking the area, we knew the team had made the right decision. On Tuesday, September 24, we prepared 30 packs of supplies and 150 box lunches at the Konosu Community Center, which has always provided a place for us to work. We were guided by a local believer who always helps us in our work, and visited people living around the mountain. We distributed lunch boxes, water, and daily necessities. We listened to many stories, cried along with the victims, and hoped that we could help in some small way through our few supplies. Although the roads were mostly clear, the team decided to visit again on Wednesday the 25th in anticipation that some people might have difficulty getting out, stores might be sold out of goods, and water might be cut off for the rest of the month. On that day, the team distributed 90 boxed lunches and 20 packs of supplies. The boxed lunches were also distributed at a temporary housing complex near the community center. Many people came to pick up their lunches and we feel that we need to increase the number of lunches. We heard another sad news. A person who always came to pick up the lunch boxes was missing after the disaster, but his body was found, and the whole team was very saddened. We are praying earnestly that we will be able to share the gospel with the disaster victims through our support activities." Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world." James 1:27. Now is the time to care for those in need, so we will do our best for the Lord.









Ms. Y, a woman who was affected by the disaster in Anamizu Town and celebrated her birthday in January. Her encounter with Koen Network began the day after her birthday. We started offering hand oil massage and Ms. Y was the first one to receive it. Since then, she has become a repeater and has shared her thoughts and condition with us each time. She shared her thoughts and feelings through this year's 24-hour TV program. She said, "The theme of this year's 24-hour TV is (what saved me). For me, it was being able to meet everyone on the Koen Network team (Aoi, Joyce, Matt, Mandy, Chi-Kei, Eddie and his family, the other Eddie, Hiroshi and his wife), their friends, and all the volunteers. Just being there, seeing them, hearing their voices, seeing their smiles, just being there, their presence is so big, and that alone has saved me from the Koen Network Team." May the love of Jesus Christ touches in her heart. by Takano



Ishikawa Hope International School

by Niwa

I was grateful to be able to share IHI's vision and work at the Hokuriku Mission Conference held on Monday, September 16th (National Holiday). Here are some of the Q&A sessions. Q.1 What kind of school is IHI?

A.1 We are a school that raises children who have the joy of being loved by God, love God and people, and serve the world. In order to cooperate with people around the world, we also focus on English education.

Q.2 What is IHI's vision? A.2 To deliver the love that God has entrusted to us, the church, to the town community. There are children who are not attending school, children who are hurt, children who feel lonely, and families who need help. Just as Jesus went out to the people, we want to go out to the town community through education, become neighbors, and deliver love. Please pray that IHI will be used for the Lord's work.







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