



Gift for the Next 100 Years

Grief Camp Project for victims of The Tohoku Region Pacific Coast Earthquake

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Thank you for the warm messages and donations.

We have received many messages from all over the world, as well as reports of your generous donations. You have encouraged us greatly, and we will continue our sincere efforts for the Grief Camp Project. We appreciate your concern for Japan.



The number of the orphans has reached over 100.

At this moment, the full extent of the damage has not been determined, but the number of newly-orphaned children has reached over 100. The number of children who have lost one of their parents is more than 500. We know that the numbers will increase. One of our important issues is to develop relationships with the children in order to plan for the camps.

Project in collaboration with YMCAs and Asahi

The National Camping Association of Japan will be developing the Grief Camp Project in partnership with the National Council of YMCAs of Japan and the Asahi Shinbun Social Welfare Organization (a social service organization affiliated with one of the most famous newspaper companies in Japan). Both organizations have a long history of camping and social services and are the most appropriate partners for this project.



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Invitation from El Tesoro de la Vida.

El Tesoro de la Vida of Camp Fire USA, a grief camp with more than 25 years history, has invited us to learn about the administration of the camp by sending several representatives to observe and participate in their camp this summer. It is a great opportunity for us to design our own camp program and counselor training curriculum.



Prepare for the ICC and AOCC in Hong Kong.

At the ICC&AOCC in Hong Kong, we are planning to offer a session about the Grief Camp Project. We request that attendees bring information about grief camps from their countries. We are looking forward to sharing the collective knowledge of the international camp community.

We ask you to...

- Provide information about previous grief camps
Research about the camps, articles about the camps, staff training materials, etc., are welcome.
- Donate to support the project
Donations are being accepted through the ICF website: <http://www.campingfellowship.org>

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The full project plan is available at http://www.camping.or.jp/grief_camp_ncaj.pdf

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It's a miracle that we have you in the camping community. ARIGATOU !**