



On March 11, 2011, an unprecedented massive earthquake and tsunami struck eastern Japan. As a result of this disaster, 15,900 precious lives were lost, and even today approximately 2,500 people remain missing. A total of 350,000 people were forced to live in temporary housing. Even now, fifteen years after the disaster, deep wounds remain in the hearts of those who directly experienced the devastation in eastern Japan.

Oasis Chapel Rifu Christ Church, located in the affected area, began providing disaster relief immediately after the earthquake, starting with the distribution of water, even though its own members were also victims. The church-owned campsite became a base for volunteers who came from across Japan and around the world, making a significant contribution to recovery and reconstruction efforts.

In this fifteenth anniversary year of the Great East Japan Earthquake, we will welcome Pastor Makito Matsuda from Oasis Chapel Rifu Christian Church. We will hear about “the time of the disaster,” “relief and reconstruction efforts,” “the needs that remain fifteen years later,” and “hope for the future.” Together, we will unite our hearts and pray for Japan.

PRAY FOR JAPAN

Saturday, March 14, 2026, 7PM
Gardena Valley Baptist Church, Sanctuary
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