

From the Editor

This issue we share with you an important gift: our new field vision, strategy and values. We thank God for leading us and ask for his empowering in the outworking. For the strategists out there, and/or the intercessors, we very much welcome your prayers!

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News and Prayer Points

Recently Shuichi and Elaine Kitamura had the joy of seeing a young man come to repentance and faith. He has been in touch with the very rural Kinomoto church on and off for many years. Please pray for his spiritual growth!

Dean and Lillian Kim meet many people in their community. Some then visit the church in Moriyama! Please pray for Lillian's hand acupuncture lecture in citizen hall on 22 & 26th Feb, and Korean culture class in Moriyama middle school on 12th of February; that these events too would breed new contacts.

Three new workers from Hong Kong will join us next month: Moon, Sophia & Rosa.

Please pray for our committee members who are researching and suggesting improvements on how we manage some important areas: our Third Culture Kids (Edi Wilson responsible), Language Acquisition (Jaehyun Cho), Field Administration (Peter Wilson), and Member Care (Rita Feldt and Eonmee Lee).

A New Field Vision

Why have a field strategy? To essentially be responsible governors of the precious vision God has given us. That **vision** is:

'We want to see vibrant, indigenous and reproducing churches flourishing in Japan, transforming its society and mobilising for missions'.

Please pray for this to happen!

The following Strategy and Values were agreed at our last missionary meeting on January 31st 2015.

Strategy

1. Pioneering: Planting Churches
To plant reproducing churches, that prioritise discipleship, in strategic and under-churched areas.

2. Training: Leadership Development

To raise up potential leaders and help to develop Japanese church leadership.

To train and equip Christians to minister and to be an influence in their community, work place and church.

3. Mobilisation

To promote world mission vision in churches.

To recruit workers for Japan and overseas.

To provide opportunities for ministry overseas and for missions training inside and outside Japan.

4. Partnership



To partner and network with mainly SFDK and other like-minded churches and

organisations in church planting and in sending workers to help and develop churches and ministries, in line with the field vision.

Values

1. Prayer

Prayer is our priority and the basis of every WEC activity.

2. Team-based Ministry

We aim to function in teams, as much as possible in multi-cultural teams.

3. Effective Ministry

We aim to carry out effective ministries through:

Working strategically

Sufficient research and prayer

Persistent and committed ministry

Appropriate evaluation

Wise utilisation of resources

4. Member Care and Personal Development

We aim to provide training, support and accountability for missionaries so that they can fulfil their calling.

We recognise each individual's own responsibility for self-care and personal development.

A lot of prayer has gone into pursuing and then putting into words these vision, strategy and values. We are dependent on the Lord from now on to; but thankfully He is forever faithful.