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To: execdir@mha-net.org

Subject: so late report from Kirikiri in Japan

Hello Richard and all members of M.H.A.,

I have to say that I have neglected the report about our support activity for the suffered people by Tsunami in KIRIKIRI after the report May 19 last year.

Again I appreciate greatly the donation from M.H.A. and many members. After that we have continued the support at Kirikiri village. I can keep bravery and eagerness for the support by your warmheart.

Until the middle of August when the shelter house closed we had served the public bath and shower by firewood boiler.

Many volunteer staffs from whole Japan had helped us all the works for instance collecting broken timbers from destroyed houses, cutting and splitting for firewood, carrying 10 tons water for baths and showers, boiling water and cleaning of bath rooms everyday.

Since May the suffered people proposed us that would like to help us so we had co-worked together and have been making strong friendships between us.

This collaboration had been continued until they moved to temporary houses in August. The most important to be alive is not only meals but to work for neighborhood, community and society we could find again.

And since June we started new project. We had sold the firewood from broken houses to whole Japan. The firewood packed in used paper bags for rice crop were produced and had sold 5000 bags (10kg/bag) to whole country.

We had supported by many voluntary stuffs from not only Japan also many countries (the most was from U.S.A.).

This REVIVAL FIREWOOD PROJECT had been continued until the end of September.

It was support for the suffered people not only economically also spiritually to recover by themselves.

In June suffered people at Kirikiri organized N.P.O. for forestry and they started to prepare to harvest wood from the forests which were planted by their ancestors.

Sugi trees (Japanese Cedar) were planted in almost half of the forests area at coast side including Kirikiri village.

Of course many N.P.O. from whole earth helped them about training, legal procedure to build up n.p.o. and so on.

About 10 people at Kirikiri changes their job from fishery or some business to forestry in order to supply rich and clean water from the forest to the sea.

They have found it is necessary to take care to be rich forest in order to revive clean sea and their fishery.

They are now continuing training about felling and cutting trees, logging by simple wire cable system and build small forest road. The end of the year they sold some logs for the market.

And now almost of broken timbers by Tsunami were cleared at Kirikiri so that they are preparing firewood from small, short, bented, damaged logs from the forest. This is called the chapter 2 of the REVIVAL FIREWOOD PROJECT.

please see the attached photoes.

Our Tono forest service had finished the support as governmental office until August but I am continuing the support privately as one of the member of N.P.O.

Kirikiri. Valuable donation from you have been for the revival of the leaves Kirikiri people.

Thanks so much again.
I wish your happy new year.

best regards,

Hikari Hickory Fukazawa

ps:

I got a e-mail a few days ago about Japanese Masonry Heater from Estonia. Certainly you connected. Thank you.



[co-worked cleaning bath.jpg](#)



[many volunteer came from whole Japan.jpg](#)



[revival firewood project started in June.jpg](#)



[campaign girls \(volunteer stuffs\)of revival firewood project.jpg](#)



[many volunteer came from whole earth.jpg](#)



[members of \(forestry\)N.P.O.Kirikiri.jpg](#)



[training of felling\(the the first experience for almost of them\).jpg](#)



[training of logging\(preparing carriage for skidding by wire\).jpg](#)



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