

## Report from Japan

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*"Open Ideological Warfare" against Japan Communist Party at the Shibuya Station Square, Tokyo. A family member teaches the people on the street.*

The year 1972 has now come to the last stage in this extremely strained situation all through the world. Especially in Japan the political situation is very chaotic and we, Japanese family, are now fighting against the Satanic power which schemes to lead this country to the decisive fall. We are poor and have nothing, but are firmly determined to do our best with prayer to perform God's wish which should be fulfilled soon in Japan. Concretely, we Japanese family are now working mainly for the Victory Over Communism Movement, the Little Angels' Performance and the One World Crusade.



*Japanese Crusade members practice their Principle lectures on the street-side.*

### **For Victory over Communism**

After the normalization of diplomatic relations between Japan and Communist China and the breaking of diplomatic relations with the Republic of China by the Japanese government, the political situation in Japan has become extremely strained. In this crisis we are calling for Victory over Communism all through the nation to awaken the people who are in deep sleep and know nothing about the crisis. Now we feel we must reverse this crisis toward the best chance for Victory over Communism.

On Friday, Saturday and Sunday evenings every week, members of our IFVC challenge "Open Ideological Warfare" against the Japan Communist Party at the main station square or in the park. So far, the Japan Communist Party has never attended the debate formally but came covertly to disturb or to heckle the IFVC speaker. But actually our attempt is now effectively influencing the people who seriously want to know

something clearly about the facts or the truth.

We are directly appealing to the members of the Diet as well so that they may realize what direction we Japanese should take in this confused international situation and what is the responsibility of Japan for other nations in Asia as well as in the world.

The tendency of the public opinion in Japan is very unstable and dangerous now, but we still believe that there must be many silent patriots who are seriously concerned about the future of Japan. If we could mobilize their forces, we could surely protect this country from Communist aggression. So, day after day, we are endeavoring to enlighten and awaken the people all through the nation and to mobilize the forces of freedom loving people to struggle against Communism. Only our firm belief based on sweat and tears can save the nation and the world, we know.

## **For the Success of the Little Angels' Performance**

The Little Angels' Performance will be held in Tokyo from November 19 to December 29 (for 40 days) and in other big cities in the beginning of next year. So, one third of the Japanese family members are now in Tokyo selling the tickets.

Some members visit schools, companies and organizations, and others call on every home door to door all through the cities. We must sell 360,000 tickets in all. At first, it seemed a little bit difficult to sell them out, but with prayer we gradually have found the way to victory, and recently a number of tickets are being sold in a day. For example, a sister sold 35 tickets in a day on the street-side. But these miracles can happen only as the reward for much sweat, much tears and much prayers.

Thus, today also at companies, at homes and on the street: side, brothers and sisters are selling and selling, firmly believing that the Performance will succeed and that one ticket means a passport to Heaven for the person who buys it, because they know that the Little Angels is one of the fruits of our Master's Heart.



*Forty for new Japanese Crusade members at end of training session*

## **One World Crusade Strengthened**

One World Crusade in Japan was established by our Master when he visited Japan in May. In the beginning, the number of the Crusade units was 14 and of the Crusade members was 600. But this time Master ordered to increase the number of the Crusade units to 51. So, now in Japan we have one Crusade unit in each district and are making efforts to have 2,000 Crusade members to fill the pressing need. Master ordered each Crusade member to witness and bring forth one family member in one month. So they are now witnessing, witnessing and witnessing day after day with great fervor.



*Japanese Crusade members appeal to the people's hearts with Family songs*

Getting up at six, they have cleaning, morning exercise, morning prayer and breakfast. After breakfast, they have studies on Principle and the Bible for a few hours until about 10:00. As they must have examinations on Principle once in a week, they cannot help being serious in studying. At about 10:00 they go out for witnessing. They usually witness at the station square or on the bustling street-side. At first they pray and sing Family Songs displaying a large banner, on which the Words, "God Speaks Today" or "Let's Return to our Heavenly True Parents" are written in big characters.

Sometimes they continue witnessing without having lunch until it gets dark. And almost every day they have workshops for new comers from 6: 30 P.M. Each member is requested to take at least one person to the workshop. The leader of the unit gives a lecture on Principle until 8:30 there. After the workshop is closed some of the new participants may come to the family Center and have more deep talk. The Family tries to recommend them to attend the District Training Session for 3 days. After graduating from the District Training Session, they usually attend the Bloc Training Session for one week to strengthen and deepen their understanding of Principle: and to become firm family members. At about 11:00 or 11:30 P.M. they have a meeting for reflections and at about 12:00 go to bed with prayers.

Thus One World Crusade in Japan is now progressing step by step with great power. We believe that every soul in Japan will be awakened by this bold Crusade based on our Heavenly Father's Heart.



*Workshop for newcomers held by Japanese Crusade Unit*