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Dear Pastor Vogel,

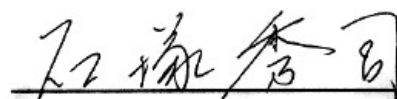
Greetings in the Lord to you and your church in Gimte. We are writing to you this day from Nara Christ Church. As you well know, it has been nearly three months since the terrible earthquake and tsunami occurred in the Northeast (Tohoku in Japanese) area of Japan. Many still suffer deprivations and of course the nuclear disaster yet hovers over us as a reminder of the fierce destructive power which was so suddenly unleashed. We in Nara are rather distant from these scenes. However, as members of the Worldwide Anglican Community, we have been working together with all Protestant sects as well as the Catholic Church in a truly ecumenical effort to relieve as much of this suffering as possible.

We are so grateful not only for the relief offering you have sent, but also for the organization and extended efforts you have made with Mana Usui and Yasuka Nambu to stage a charity concert in the Marienkirche in Gimte. We are sure that the music must have been transcendent and inspiring.

The donation we have received from the charity concert is being put to good use. In particular, we have specified that these funds be used for kindergartens and nursery schools in the area to purchase musical instruments, sheet music, and musical toys appropriate for young children. We pray that the musical enlightenment originating in Gimte's Marienkirche will soon be spread directly around these area kindergartens and nursery schools.

From our hearts we deeply thank you for sharing Christ's Love and being a witness to the power of the Holy Spirit.

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