

In Commemoration of the Great Eastern Japan Earthquake and Tsunami

These prayers may be used to commemorate the third anniversary of the Great Eastern Japan Earthquake and Tsunami at commemoration services on 11th March, at Sunday services on 9th March 2014, or thereafter.

Most merciful and compassionate Lord, we remember before you the Great Eastern Japan Earthquake and Tsunami, which took place (____)* years ago. We pray that you will sustain those in the affected areas; those living in places of refuge; especially those who suffer because of the various hardships they experience in Japanese society; and those who have lost hope in the future. (We particularly pray for ____)* *In March 2014, the word 'three' may be inserted here.*

We remember before you those who have lost their livelihoods due to the nuclear accident, as well as the damage that has been done to the natural environment. We ask you to protect those forced to live far from their homes; those engaged in dangerous work; and their families. Please lead in the ways of righteousness those in positions of responsibility in government and society.

Help us always to remember those suffering in these situations. We ask you to strengthen the work of the NSKK project "Let's Walk Together Part II" and lead all of us, so that we may join together in body and spirit and continue to walk together with those who suffer.

Lord, source of all life, we ask you to gather in your loving arms all victims of the Great Japan Eastern Earthquake and Tsunami; and victims of war and natural disaster all over the world. Grant them eternal peace.

In the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Responsive prayers

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