

July 30, 2025 Moriyama Christian Gospel Church Executive Committee Representative: Yuya Ueda

Important Notice Regarding the Lord's Garden Project

In the early spring of 2024, we heard from Sister Ozaki about the possibility of disposing of the land and buildings in Harimada. At that time, we proposed, "If that is the case, may we purchase and use them as a church?" After obtaining the consent of Sister Ozaki and her family regarding the purchase of the land and buildings of the Ozaki residence, the "Lord's Garden Vision" was given to us.

Following the Church Board meeting on September 15 and an announcement to the entire church on September 22, we have been preparing for the purchase until this summer. Over the past six months, we have received a total of 20 million yen in donations from many individuals who responded to this vision. Including donation commitments and loan commitments, we have secured the necessary funds to reach the target purchase price of 35 million yen by the end of March 2025.

This time, we decided to proceed with the sale directly between individuals without involving a real estate agent, and with the assistance of a judicial scrivener, we began preparing the specific contract documents. On April 4, we welcomed the Peltonen missionary family from Finland as collaborators in managing Lord's Garden after the purchase.

In this situation, by the end of May, since a suitable relocation site near the church could not be found, we heard from Sister Ozaki herself that she wished to remain in the Harimada house. In July, the husband of the eldest daughter decided to return to Moriyama after retirement due to his job change, and ultimately, the family reached the conclusion as a whole to "not sell the land and buildings."

The board of directors, who had prepared everything up to this point, were surprised and confused, but upon receiving this news, the sale of the land and buildings of the Ozaki residence (Harimada, Moriyama City) could no longer proceed.

However, the vision of "Lord's Garden" that the Lord had given us remained unchanged. We now believe that the Lord will provide another optimal piece of land and buildings to fulfill this vision, and we have begun searching for a new location. All donations made thus far will be used for the acquisition of new land and buildings for the "Lord's Garden Vision." We also intend to provide appropriate financial reports.

If you have any questions, please contact us here [mcg-church@sky.plala.or.jp]. **The possibility and duration of Peltonens future residence are currently under discussion with the Ozaki family. May God Bless you.