

# 33rd EUROPEAN-JAPANESE CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE

HOSTED BY  
JAPANESE EVANGELICAL CHURCH IN SWITZERLAND  
27th-31st July 2016 Zavelstein, GERMANY

## Conference theme Yearning for the Kingdom

"When these things begin to take place, stand up and lift up your heads, because your redemption is drawing near. Even so, when you see these things happening, you know that the kingdom of God is near." **Luke 21:28,31**

Surely we can say that we who are alive today are living through the gradual fulfilment of the events that Jesus prophesied in Matthew 24, Luke 21 and Mark 13, as well as those talked about in many other biblical prophecies. Conflicts are spreading throughout the world and there is increasing political, financial and social turmoil. Just as the Bible prophesies, Jews are returning to the land of Israel and rebuilding the nation. Alongside this, the Gospel is being proclaimed through the world. In spite of these clear facts, many Christians are unable to discern the signs of the present age. At this year's "Tsudoi" (Gathering) we will be investigating three subjects connected with this theme. Based on Scripture, we Christians living in the end times will learn to notice and pay attention to the signs of the age, discern their meaning and live by faith in the light of Christ's second coming as we yearn for His Kingdom.

Pre-conference: Weds. 27th- Thurs. 28th July,  
Main conference: Thurs. 28th - Sun.31st July, 2016

Capacity: 270 people

### Accommodation

Conference venue (plus accommodation for 150 people):

Haus Felsengrund  
Weltenschwannerstr.25  
D-75385 Bad Teinach-  
Zavelstein, Germany  
[www.haus-felsen-grund.de/  
startseite/](http://www.haus-felsen-grund.de/startseite/)



Further accommodation (5km from conference venue) available for 70 people in:

Haus Sonnenblick  
Poststrasse 25  
D-75385 Bad Teinach  
[www.haus-sonnenblick.info/](http://www.haus-sonnenblick.info/)



and for 50 people (11km from conference venue) in:

Gästhaus Bethel,  
Talstrasse10  
D-75378 Maisenbach  
[www.zedakah.de/gaestehaus/](http://www.zedakah.de/gaestehaus/)



### Prices & Booking

Adult (over 15 yrs)	Twin room	€ 55.-
	Twin room with own shower & toilet	€ 60.-
Adult (over 15 yrs)	Single room	€60.-
	Single room with own shower & toilet	€ 65.-
Child (9-14 yrs)		€ 27.-
Child (2-8yrs)		€ 20.-
Child (under 2)		€ 7.-
3rd child in same family stays for free!		

\* The organising committee will be responsible for allocating rooms and lodging houses.

\* The number of single rooms is limited, so please book early if you prefer this kind of accommodation.

Bookings must be made on the official booking form and sent in via your local Japanese church or gathering in Europe as soon as possible to: [tsudoil6@gmail.com](mailto:tsudoil6@gmail.com). Please note that we are not able to accept individual bookings.

After receiving your booking, we will contact you within five days. If you do not hear from us within this time, please contact us. **The booking period is between 1st-20th March, 2016. Please make sure to book during this time.**



We need you !

Up till now, the European Christian Gatherings have been made possible through the work of many volunteers, and in this way brought much glory to God. This time, too, we hope that as many of you as possible will get involved, so that we can avoid the burden of service becoming too much for a few people. We don't want anyone to be too busy to attend any meetings or enjoy fellowship with others! Thank you for making a note on your application form about how you would like to help. (The numbers after the description of different jobs show how many people we need in that area.)

**Small group leaders (30)**

facilitate discussion after the talks.



**CS helpers (10)**

care for children from 4 years upwards, enabling them to learn from the Bible, play, sing praises to God and have an unforgettable time!  
**Teens/Youth** have their own unique programme, studying the Bible, singing dynamic praises to God, sharing joys and sorrows and getting help to grow as Christians. Pastor Oshima will be leading the group, but anyone who would like to spend time fellowshiping with the young people is very welcome!

**Praise Team** Please note on the application form if you would like to be involved in leading or accompanying the worship times before and after talks. There will also be a "Praise Night" on Saturday. Let us know if you want to sing or which instrument(s) you play.

During the sessions, **Babysitters (15)** care for and play with children up to 3 years old in the creche.

**Sound Engineers (4)** operate the audio system and **Technicians (4)** operate the powerpoint slides for sessions. **Interpreters** translate the sessions from an outline into German or English **Cameramen (2)**, **Video cameramen/Editors (2)**, **First Aiders (3)**.



Zavelstein/Schwarzwald (Germany)

Trailer: 33rd Conference

It is Zavelstein by Wilhelm Tell [Click here](#)

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**For non-Japanese speakers**

Saturday afternoon seminar  
4.00 — 5.30 p.m.

**SESSION in English on Fri. & Sat.  
by Dr. Daisuke Okada**

Although all books of the Bible are important to the people of God, Paul's letter to the Romans may be the most significant book for protestant believers. The protestant faith was grounded in the truth recorded in Romans 1:16-17 and the reformers died for this Gospel truth. Our first session will focus on this foundational truth of the Gospel from Romans 1:16-17. Then in our second session, we will focus on the indescribable blessing of those who believe from Romans 8:26-39. Please come join us as we walk through these very special passages to see the wonderful love of God manifested in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

**Bible Study**



**Steps of Christian life**

**Daisuke Okada**

President of Japan Bible Academy

Finding out the direction of life is important. Understanding each step of life provides clear direction and aim as you live your life. The Bible provides such a clear direction for everyone. In this seminar, we will focus on First Peter 1:22-2:10 to see the course of life that the Lord intends all man to live.

**Profile: Dr. D.Okada**

After graduating seminary, Daisuke served as an associate pastor at a church in Osaka for 12 years and as an academic dean at a training center for 10 years. His passion to preach and teach the Word of God led him to begin a new training ministry called Japan Bible Academy in 2013, while he was pursuing his doctorate degree at The Master's Seminary. He currently lives in Tokyo with his wife and 4 children.

**Guest Speaker on Friday**



**Rev. Kenichi Nakagawa,** founder and president of Harvest Time Ministries, Japan, was born in Japan in 1947. He graduated from Hitotsubashi University in Tokyo in 1970 and spent six years

as a businessman until the Lord called him to full-time ministry. Rev. Nakagawa earned an M.Div. degree from Trinity Evangelical Divinity School in Deerfield, Illinois and returned to Japan in 1979 to pioneer a church in Tokyo. He began Harvest Time Ministries in 1986 and it has since become the producer of Christian television programming in Japan. He and his wife, Fumie, have four children.