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To All Ministers and All Members

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The resurrection of World Church of Messiah (*Sekai Meshia Kyo*) and the decline of *Sekai Kyusei Kyo* (World Church of Salvation)

To all ministers and members of World Church of Messiah, as well as members all over the world connected to World Church of Messiah, we would humbly like to make a report to you.

I believe it is still fresh in your memories. This past February 4 marked the 70th year since Meishu-sama founded World Church of Messiah. On that day, World Church of Messiah Beginning of Spring (*Risshun*) Service grandly, solemnly, yet colorfully took place under the presence of Kyoshu-sama with 5,200 members flocking to join despite being a weekday.

The World Church of Messiah Beginning of Spring Service was a historic service where the name "Messiah" was resurrected by your hands – the name that Meishu-sama loved dearly, the name on which he placed the most importance and told us to "bear in mind." When we think about Meishu-sama's joy, we find ourselves moved to tears.

We have been made to believe that the fact that 5,200 members were able to gather at the service is one sign indicating Meishu-sama's joy.

This number of attendees, 5,200 people, far exceeds the number of attendees at the Beginning of Spring Services that took place on the same day at *Izunome Kyodan's Atami Zuiun-kyo* Sacred Grounds and at *Toho no Hikari's Hakone Shinsen-kyo* Sacred Grounds. Still more, this number exceeds the number of attendees at both of those services combined.

Those of the illegitimate Board of Executive Directors of *Sekai Kyusei Kyo* (hereafter "SKK") umbrella corporation have one-sidedly been asserting that Kyoshu-sama and we of World Church of Messiah have been violating the teachings of Meishu-sama and are carrying out religious activities completely unrelated to Meishu-sama. They are one-sidedly asserting that they have ousted us and Kyoshu-sama from SKK.

As baffling as it is, while they have been going around broadcasting that we were the ones who broke away on our own, it is they themselves who also assert that they nullified the leadership of Kyoshu-sama and that they terminated the ties between *Su no Hikari* Church and the umbrella corporation.

Do they understand the meaning of breaking away on one's own? We cannot help but tilt our heads in wonder. We cannot help but think that they feel guilty for what they are doing and want to maintain that we "broke away on our own."

We would like to ask all of you something.

If Kyoshu-sama and we were to actually violate Meishu-sama's teachings, if we are doing activities completely unrelated to Meishu-sama, would the overwhelming majority of members within the three member organizations of SKK umbrella corporation have attended our past Beginning of Spring Service?

The answer speaks for itself.

A few years ago, Kyoshu-sama established "Great Divine Light" (*Daikomyo*) as the divine scroll for World Church of Messiah (*Su no Hikari Church*). Rather than using "Great God of Light" (*Miroku Ohmikami*, using the Chinese characters for "five," "six" and "seven"), a calligraphy that was pieced together from two different calligraphies by Meishu-sama, Kyoshu-sama said that a divine scroll with Meishu-sama's own work would be better.

Also, currently, for the members who transferred their membership from *Izunome Kyodan*, rather than "Great God of Light" (*Daikomyo-shinshin*) written by Nidai-sama they had until now, they have received permission to have "Great Divine Light" (*Daikomyo*) written by Meishu-sama as their divine scroll.

Still further, Kyoshu-sama gave us guidance to revise Meishu-sama's divine name from simply "our religious teacher" as in "*oshie mioya nushi no Kami*" to "Divine Spirit of Messiah" as in "*Meshia no Mikami*."

Kyoshu-sama also modified the name of the framed photograph of Meishu-sama that is placed next to the divine scroll from "revered image of Meishu-sama" to "divine image of Meishu-sama." He clearly showed that God existed within Meishu-sama.

Furthermore, at this time, as we go forward with religious activities, Kyoshu-sama has given us his approval to use the name that Meishu-sama chose for the church, World Church of Messiah.

Kyoshu-sama has guided us to return to what Meishu-sama was wishing for and what he left us – the divine scroll, the divine name, the divine image of Meishu-sama and the church name, respectively – extremely important matters in advancing religious activities.

Those calling themselves SKK have been trumpeting that "Kyoshu-sama has started a new church group completely different from Meishu-sama." We would like for them to present where the truth is in that.

Meishu-sama said, "Work in concert with Christianity, strive to save humanity and lead it in the right direction." "World Church of Messiah will become extremely close to Christianity." "In the West, there is Christ. In the East, there is Messiah. If these two major forces work in concert with each other – one in the East, the other in the West, and if all members of the two powers diligently fight for peace, eternal peace will surely be brought about." Where exactly does Kyoshu-sama – who accepts and

inherits these teachings of Meishu-sama, his will and his wishes – violate the teachings?

Where exactly does Kyoshu-sama – who has Meishu-sama as his model in every respect and says that we, too, the followers of Meishu-sama, must walk the path of being born anew as Messiahs – go against Meishu-sama?

Those who criticize Kyoshu-sama repeatedly claim over and over again, “The place where Kyoshu-sama is learning about Christianity and the Bible preaches about ‘being born anew.’ Kyoshu-sama is preaching about that. He has drifted away from Meishu-sama. He is violating the teachings.” How are they regarding the words that Meishu-sama left for us, “to be born anew,” words that were said by Meishu-sama himself, whom we follow and look up to?

Those who criticize Kyoshu-sama are also saying the following to us: “You should clearly relay to the members that Kyoshu-sama is called “*Taira Michinari Yoichi*.” First, we have the freedom of choice as to what we do and do not convey to members, but we have absolutely no intention of hiding from all the members the fact that, in the Christian gatherings, Kyoshu-sama is learning as “*Taira Michinari Yoichi-sama*.”

Even during his own private time, Kyoshu-sama has taken upon himself to learn from Christianity and the Bible – for this, we are grateful from the bottom of our hearts, and we respect this.

As Kyoshu-sama is always guiding us, Meishu-sama is alive in the spiritual world. He is very much alive. In this physical world, for Kyoshu-sama to be able to faithfully receive the teaching that are evolving daily from this Meishu-sama, Meishu-sama uses Kyoshu-sama. Is he not making Kyoshu-sama learn in the world of Christianity and the Bible?

Just because of that, is it all right for us to follow Kyoshu-sama during his private time and expose, without his permission, the fact that he is using that time to study? There is no reason to go against the humane like that.

Also, those that call themselves the Board of Executive Directors of SKK say in a document they wrote that in the teachings “work in concert with Christianity,” “become extremely close to Christianity” and the like, “Meishu-sama was not particularly emphasizing our relationship with Christianity.” Adding this very baffling interpretation, they are ignoring Meishu-sama’s will in all respects.

Furthermore, they say the following: “We understand that his will in ‘work in concert with Christianity’ means that World Church of Messiah carries out the salvation of humanity. And should we advance the salvation of humanity first in Japan and then the East with Meishu-sama’s teachings of truth and ways of salvation, then we are able to make a great contribution to world peace together with the salvation of Christianity. This is not a teaching that places particular emphasis on ‘work in concert with.’”

Even though Meishu-sama says “work in concert with,” they are saying that this is not a teaching emphasizing “work in concert with.” While baffling, they use a different word “together with” to replace the meaning of “work in concert with.”

Even though Meishu-sama teaches us about “work in concert with Christianity,” for some reason they talk as if we, who are trying to work in concert with Christianity, who are trying to go forward exactly as Meishu-sama stated, are wrong.

Do they have an objection to the followers of Meishu-sama and the followers of Christianity taking each other’s hands and accomplishing the salvation of humanity?

This could only come from people who interpret that the crystallization of Meishu-sama’s teachings is “MOA.”

For ones who do not even have World Church of Messiah in their identity and whose direction is to “go with MOA that is not a religion,” why is it that they can say these sorts of things? If they believe that their interpretation is right, they would put religion in their identity as Meishu-sama did and pose the question to society about the name of Messiah and go forward. We would not be the only ones to think this.

From the very start, we have placed importance, in every sense, on Meishu-sama’s spirit with which he founded World Church of Messiah and have sought to bring it into fruition. MOA has set the focus of their activities around the founding of *Dai Nihon Kenko Kyokai* (Great Japan Health Association), an example left by Meishu-sama that he founded only temporarily in order to contend with the strict control of the authorities.

Those at MOA say the following: “The extensive range of activities that *Toho no Hikari*/MOA are developing are based on the teaching, ‘Lecture from the founding ceremony of *Dai Nihon Kenko Kyokai*,’ May 15, 1936, of which the purpose of the founding is ‘For example, the people of Christianity, *Tenrikyo* and the like hesitate when they hear the word *Kannon*. . . . Up until now, there has only been one gate of salvation and it was narrow. This time, another one has been made that is wider and easier to enter.’” They insist that they are basing their foundation on what Meishu-sama is saying.

They say that “[they] hesitate when they hear the word *Kannon*.” From there, a wider, easier way to enter has been made. Then, if this founding of *Dai Nihon Kenko Kyokai* was Meishu-sama’s true wish, why did Meishu-sama found the religious organization *Nihon Kannon Kyodan* (Japan *Kannon* Church) afterwards, coming out with the word “*Kannon*” in their identity? Still further, after that, why did Meishu-sama place the name “Messiah” in the identity of the church, a name of which people would hesitate upon hearing more so than “*Kannon*”?

Also, Meishu-sama explicitly taught, “We had no choice but to finally go with a folk medicine called purifying therapy,” and “We dodged the issue by going with a folk medicine called purifying therapy.” MOA still has “Purifying Therapy” as their pillar of activity of which Meishu-sama said he had “no choice” but to use and it “dodged the issue.”

Those who are attacking Kyoshu-sama always say, “according to the teachings.”

However, the amount of Meishu-sama’s teachings is colossal and, at the same time, covers a wide range of subjects. Depending on the time and place, he has said something at one time and another time the opposite.

To ignore Meishu-sama's will, to extract from the teachings only what is convenient for them and to materialize it is not in any way "according to the teachings."

The founding of World Church of Messiah and the founding of *Dai Nihon Kenko Kyokai* – which one is important to Meishu-sama?

The answer goes without saying.

And Kyoshu-sama is seeking, with all his heart and soul, the spirit with which Meishu-sama founded World Church of Messiah. Those who assert that the true spirit of Meishu-sama is in the founding of *Dai Nihon Kenko Kyokai* are saying that this Kyoshu-sama is violating the teachings.

Put in different words, by judging that Kyoshu-sama is violating the teachings, it is no different than saying to Meishu-sama, and they dare to say, "You are violating the teachings." Is there anything more frightening and disrespectful as this?

Should one say to Meishu-sama, "We are materializing the teaching from the time of the founding of *Dai Nihon Kenko Kyokai* according to the teachings," or "We are appealing to the world with Purifying Therapy," he would likely just sharply rebuke back, "You are saying this now?!" If he only sharply rebukes them, that may be fine. Or perhaps Meishu-sama has already completely given up on them.

Before criticizing Kyoshu-sama's messages, they should take a straight look at how MOA's activities, which still conduct "Purifying Therapy," are far removed from Meishu-sama's teachings, will and life examples. All of MOA is clearly going backwards from what Meishu-sama left us. Why they have not yet realized this is nothing but a mystery to us.

If Meishu-sama said there was a church group that was violating the teachings, it would be the group that still talks about the "founding of *Dai Nihon Kenko Kyokai*" and still conducts "Purifying Therapy."

Also, currently, the illegitimate Board of Executive Directors of SKK are entirely refusing to face the most fundamental matter in relation to Christianity. That is, "who is the Messiah?"

The "Board of Executive Directors of SKK" are asserting the following: "Meishu-sama is the only Messiah."

The Messiah, for whom the Jewish people have long been waiting to this day; whom to many people all over the world can only be Jesus. Those executives are asserting that Meishu-sama is this one and only Messiah.

Although Meishu-sama says in his teachings to the effect that all of Christianity's followers will become Church of Messiah's followers, if you go by their logic, as Masaaki-sama has always been teaching us, all Christian followers around the world would have to say something like "we are wrong," "Jesus is not the Messiah," "the art pieces that have the subject of Jesus as Messiah are all wrong," "the 'Hallelujah' chorus was not a song praising Jesus," "All of Christianity is wrong." Do the illegitimate executives really believe that that sort of time will come? Do they really think that this is what Meishu-sama means by saying "save Christianity"?

For them to make Meishu-sama the one and only Messiah would mean nothing else other than that. And so they must believe that this kind of thing will happen.

However, until now, we have never heard of the illegitimate Board of Executive Directors of SKK doing that kind of missionary work in the world. We have also never heard them declare that "Jesus is not the Messiah."

What it all boils down to is that when you put forth the word "Messiah" out into the world, as such, there will be issues that simply cannot be resolved. Matters related to Christianity, society and the world will come about.

So the kind of missionary work that Meishu-sama did and how he openly put forth the name of Messiah, no one was able to do until now. And while hiding the name of Messiah that Meishu-sama left for us and placed great importance on, they must have kept "Meishu-sama is the Messiah" as an internal church matter through today.

The one who freed us from this dead-end was none other than Kyoshu-sama.

Kyoshu-sama is teaching us the big statement that "Meishu-sama is the prototype for humanity"; that we the followers of Meishu-sama can be born anew as the Messiah having Meishu-sama as our model; and that this is the path determined for all of humanity.

Not only does he recognize Jesus as Messiah, too, he also teaches us about the true mission of the followers of Christianity.

This must be what it means to work in concert with Christianity, the real meaning of "save Christianity."

Meishu-sama's will that no one could resolve and was sealed up for many years was finally resurrected by Kyoshu-sama.

If we are to talk about Christianity, we must think realistically and not let it be deskbound theory: first, who is the Messiah; then, how the salvation of Christians, who look up to Jesus as the only Redeemer, Savior, Forgiver and Messiah, is carried out.

However, the ones who are declaring that "Meishu-sama is the one and only Messiah" are the illegitimate Board of Executive Directors of SKK. After this, we would like to watch them closely with interest as to how they will work in concert with Christianity.

Whatever the case may be, all the documents that criticize Kyoshu-sama written by the illegitimate Board of Executive Directors of SKK are comical. As they pile up, it is becoming plain and clear that their sources of reference are becoming less sure and intentionally clipped out.

Although Kyoshu-sama is clearly aiming for God and has said that he must follow a being higher than himself, an "exceedingly greater being," the illegitimate executives have resorted to saying that that being "is just someone who is participating in a Christian gathering," and that is, in itself, proof that Kyoshu-sama is betraying Meishu-sama. They must really want it that way. Have they ever once confirmed anything with Kyoshu-sama himself? Are they to say that Meishu-sama's grandson is someone who only tells lies?

When we see that kind of heavy-handed, self-serving and unbelievable contortion from them even on Kyoshu-sama's short comments, we cannot help but think that they have realized this "exceedingly greater being" is God, but after saying what they have, they cannot admit it nor can they take back what they said or did.

If there are people who feel Meishu-sama and who feel the truth in those documents that those executives write, we cannot help but say that they are peculiar people. The character of carrying out and approving of secretly following, wiretapping and filming/photographing people oozes from between the lines of their documents.

Even within the staff ministers of *Izunome Kyodan* and *Toho no Hikari*, although they have the outward appearance of going along with the organization, there may be many who think within their hearts, “if they can put out foolish documents like these ones, then they should devote more time in carrying forward the divine work of Meishu-sama that they believe is right.” But in an absolute executives-centered organization, it must be impossible to express this in the open.

Kyoshu-sama is teaching us what he has learned with all his heart and soul and is trying to further strengthen our faith with the necessary matters at the necessary time. We are grateful for this.

In learning from Christianity and the Bible, Kyoshu-sama has deeply realized the oneness of the teachings and the Bible and that Meishu-sama and Jesus are working in concert with each other – it is clear by anyone’s standard that this is the will of Meishu-sama himself who said “work in concert with Christianity and advance the salvation of all humanity” and “Church of Messiah will become extremely close to Christianity.”

Here, we would like to say it again.

It is an unmistakable fact that those of the illegitimate SKK carried out the acts of secretly following, wiretapping and filming/photographing Kyoshu-sama and his family.

Calling themselves followers of Meishu-sama, in actuality, they came to a resolution by vote to carry out these actions and then put it into realization. They actually requested a sort of detective agency to secretly follow, wiretap and film/photograph Kyoshu-sama and his family. Worse still, the expense must have been paid by the donation of members.

The ones who secretly followed, wiretapped and filmed/photographed Kyoshu-sama, Meishu-sama’s grandson, are no other than those of the illegitimate SKK.

Needless to say, this is greatly deviating from Meishu-sama’s teachings on the construction of heaven on earth. That is because a world that allows secretly following, wiretapping and filming/photographing people is certainly not a “heaven on earth.”

Needless to say, this is greatly deviating from Meishu-sama’s teachings on love for others. That is because to secretly follow, wiretap and film/photograph someone, in itself, is a lack of love for that someone.

Needless to say, this is greatly deviating from Meishu-sama’s teachings on order and courtesy. That is because to secretly follow, wiretap and film/photograph Kyoshu-sama during his private time is grossly neglecting divine order, that is of Meishu-sama, Kyoshu-sama and members, as well as courtesy for others.

Needless to say, this is exceedingly making light of the existence of Meishu-sama himself. Kyoshu-sama is Meishu-sama’s grandson. Do they really think it is possible that Meishu-sama would be in the least bit happy about and approve of his own

grandson having this kind of trying time? For those who have grandchildren, if you could think about it, as each and every one is thought of as your own, you would know that it is simply not possible to be happy about this.

Moreover, for Meishu-sama, his own grandson Kyoshu-sama, who with all his heart and soul receives Meishu-sama's own will of "work in concert with Christianity," "Church of Messiah will become extremely close to Christianity," is being harassed; secretly followed, wiretapped, filmed and photographed.

The fact is that, regardless of the reason, those actions and their ways are not justifiable. But no, in order to justify those acts, the illegitimate executives of SKK who carried out the secretly following, wiretapping and filming/photographing of Kyoshu-sama and his family have fabricated a story saying that "Kyoshu-sama is violating Meishu-sama's teachings." If they would consider Meishu-sama's teachings, the exchange between Christians would naturally have not been a problem. But instead, they only complain about it as if it were a monumental sin. That is all that they are doing.

If it comes down to them trying to justify the acts of secretly following, wiretapping and filming/photographing someone, that already shows the end days of being a person of faith.

When it comes to Kyoshu-sama's guidance, through various high-handed documents by those of the illegitimate Board of Executive Directors of SKK, they are desperately writing up such things like "this part is different from the teachings. That part is different from the teachings."

Although it seems like Meishu-sama's teachings are written in plain words, actually, they are exceedingly deep and difficult to understand. Even if read a hundred times, to grasp the mysteries of them must be next to an impossible task.

Regarding those Meishu-sama's teachings, we cannot help but say that for them to criticize Kyoshu-sama's guidance based on their own interpretation they reached by only their own knowledge, in and of itself, is futile.

Once again, we would like to ask all of you.

If Kyoshu-sama's guidance were deviating from the teachings so much so that these executives would assert such, would the people, whose numbers easily exceeded those of *Izunome Kyodan* and *Toho no Hikari* at this year's Beginning of Spring Service, have attended World Church of Messiah's Beginning of Spring Service?

Certainly not.

We cannot but think that by them criticizing Kyoshu-sama, they are, in essence, insulting your faith itself.

Should they want to talk about the teachings, the very first thing they need to do is to see how the acts of secretly following, wiretapping and filming/photographing someone conform to the teachings and take a hard look at it.

Regardless of how many documents they try to transmit, regardless of how much they proclaim matters regarding the teachings, if they cannot clear this problem, they will get nowhere.

And right now, it is needless to say that all their actions are not based on Meishu-sama's teachings.

For us, it is not within meaningless verbal dispute but precisely within our daily lives that we must practice the teachings. This is how we think.

Regardless of how well they arrange their exterior or how at a glance they seem to be sincerely talking about Meishu-sama's teachings, they cannot, for the rest of their existence, escape the fact that they carry out and approve of secretly following, wiretapping and filming/photographing Kyoshu-sama and his family.

Ahead, what awaits them is the covering of this in each passing day. Justifying their crime-like actions, they idly convince themselves with each passing day. And the only thing that waits for them up ahead is their own repentance.

Still further, there is one more point we would like to tell you.

Currently, the "Kyoshu-sama" of the illegitimate SKK is not someone from Meishu-sama's lineage but a scholar of Hinduism, Emeritus Professor of Research in Indian Philosophy at *Tokai University* and trustee of an organization related to *Toho no Hikari*, Mr. Nobuyuki Watase changed to Mr. "Nobuyuki Okada."

We say again:

The current "Kyoshu-sama" of the illegitimate SKK is a scholar of Hinduism, Emeritus Professor of Research in Indian Philosophy at *Tokai University* and trustee of an organization related to *Toho no Hikari*, Mr. Nobuyuki Watase changed to Mr. "Nobuyuki Okada."

For the members of *Izunome Kyodan*, the members of *Toho no Hikari* and the members of the "Group Directly Connected to the Sacred Grounds," too, Kyoshu-sama is a scholar of Hinduism, Emeritus Professor of Research in Indian Philosophy at *Tokai University* and trustee of an organization related to *Toho no Hikari*, Mr. Nobuyuki Watase changed to Mr. "Nobuyuki Okada."

He is "SKK Kyoshu Nobuyuki Watase, changed to Nobuyuki Okada."

He is "SKK Fifth Spiritual Leader, Nobuyuki Okada Kyoshu-sama."

Although there is no need for more explanation on the absurdity of this matter, by the various circumstances to judge from, it seems that those of the illegitimate SKK are trying to hide this fact.

If they believed what they were doing was right, would it not be better if they were open and confident about it?

There, too, let us say that it is apparent they are aware of their own guilt in their own doings.

To replace "secretly follow, wiretap and film/photograph" with the word "investigation" is the same thing. If they truly believe from the bottom of their hearts that what they are doing is right, they would not be trying to conceal or hide it. It would be good if they were open and confident.

As ones who have faith in the same Meishu-sama, we feel sincere regret with their current posture.

Now then, currently, which church would be the “main body” that inherits the will of Meishu-sama from his point of view?

Is it the various churches that broke away when they did not accept Nidai-sama or Sandai-sama? Or is it “SKK” who got involved in the criminal-like acts of secretly following, wiretapping and filming/photographing and is under the scholar of Hinduism “Nobuyuki Watase” changed to “Nobuyuki Okada” Kyoshu-sama?

Or is it the church under the Kyoshu-sama of Meishu-sama’s lineage; with the name that Meishu-sama had chosen as its identity; where we serve in the divine work that Meishu-sama wished for, that is, to work in concert with Christianity to accomplish the salvation of humanity; where we single-heartedly aim to be born anew with Meishu-sama as our model? Is it we of World Church of Messiah?

I believe the answer is self-evident.

At the Beginning of Spring Service, the great number of people that overwhelmingly surpassed in attendance the other two churches, which approve of secretly following, wiretapping and filming/photographing, must be proof of that.

Through World Church of Messiah, Meishu-sama will most certainly convey his own true wish to us from here on too.

For Meishu-sama, it is us, we of World Church of Messiah, that is his “main body.” We must recognize the gravity of this honor and responsibility.

It is in no way possible that those of the current, illegitimate SKK – who are running counter to all the matters that the existence of Meishu-sama left and are carrying out the inhumane acts of secretly following, wiretapping and filming/photographing someone – are the “main body” of faith in Meishu-sama.

Even though they say they “possess the Sacred Grounds,” they boast only about a kind of material “object.”

By carrying out and approving of the acts of secretly following, wiretapping and filming/photographing, they have abandoned the most important thing for one who has faith, *heart*: their thoughts and feelings of awe and respect for God, their reverence for Meishu-sama, their devotion and modesty toward Kyoshu-sama who inherits the sacred work of Meishu-sama and their compassion and understanding toward others.

In Meishu-sama’s hymns, he shows us:

For some, their only hopes are set on things earthly. / Every time I come across these people, O God, / I am reminded of the preciousness of those who know You!

O God, the time has come! / The time when the people of the world / Will realize the foolishness of relying only on things visible!

O God, / Unfortunate are those who are trapped in visible, material matters / And have forgotten the soul that is invisible!

Happiness will escape! / No matter how hard you try to rely on / And get hold of things visible, / Happiness will escape!

With them falling back on material things, we cannot help but be concerned about how these executives will proceed hereafter, their future and the manner of their decline.

They would probably say, "Are you going to call the Sacred Grounds, what Meishu-sama poured his heart's blood into, an 'object'?" They would also say, "It is *us*, who maintains the Sacred Grounds, through whom Meishu-sama works."

We would like to say this clearly. There is simply no way that Meishu-sama is alive and working through those who carry out and approve of secretly following, wiretapping and filming/photographing people. It is not possible that the Sacred Grounds are working in the way Meishu-sama is wishing for when maintained by those who carry out and approve such crime-like acts. In other words, in no way is it possible that those who carry out and approve of such inhumane acts are the "main body" of faith in Meishu-sama. Of that, there is no mistake.

To recognize those who carry out and approve of these kinds of inhumane and criminal-like acts as the "main body" of faith in Meishu-sama, we feel, is a regrettable thing toward Meishu-sama who with all his heart and soul tried to lead humanity in the right direction, to God.

Naturally, we wish for those members of the current illegitimate Board of Executive Directors of SKK who carried out the secretly following, wiretapping and filming/photographing of people to truly and sincerely reflect and repent. We sincerely wish for them to return to the path of the true nature of faith in Meishu-sama.

This is one of the reasons why in the lawsuit, we are disputing over our assertion that "Religious Corporation *Sekai Kyusei Kyo Su no Hikari* Church is a member organization of SKK umbrella corporation."

Formerly like-minded and fellow brethren of Meishu-sama, we wish from the bottom of our hearts to lead them in the right direction in any way possible and save them.

From the bottom of our hearts, we wish to save SKK.

We are doing this trial to save SKK.

What we worry about the most are the many members under the groups that secretly follow, wiretap and film/photograph people and approve of such acts, *Izunome Kyodan* and *Toho no Hikari*, and who have not been notified of the truth.

We cannot but feel to save in any way possible the members under the groups that carry out and approve of criminal-like acts.

We cannot but feel to convey the truth in every way possible to the many members who still do not know the true character of their own groups they belong to, return them to the right path of faith in Meishu-sama and free them from the chains of destruction.

Whether we win or lose the lawsuit, our religious activities are not such that would at all be influenced by the outcome.

Were we to lose the lawsuit, with the warrant of a good conscious, we would hold up our chest high and walk a new path, the one that Meishu-sama is truly wishing for. Right from the start, Meishu-sama would not allow us to do religious activities together with those who carry out the acts of secretly following, wiretapping and filming/photographing people. He would simply not allow us to do religious activities with a peculiar group that carries out criminal-like acts and that has Mr. Nobuyuki Watase as “Kyoshu-sama.”

Regardless of how inhumane their actions are or that they place someone as Kyoshu who has no connection to Meishu-sama whatsoever, if the illegitimate Board of Executive Directors of SKK simply have the Sacred Grounds, if they simply have the Sacred Grounds, they believe it justifies all of their behavior and that the members will gather to their side.

However, Meishu-sama left for us his true followers who believe in the invisible, his true followers who uphold righteousness.

Many of those followers will surely not carry even a hint of lingering attachment to the empty shells that the Sacred Grounds has become where the legitimate Kyoshu-sama, who inherits the sacred work of Meishu-sama, is not present.

This matter may be difficult to understand for people who are dependent on only the visible. However, for us, it is so clear that there is hardly another choice.

Whether we win or lose the lawsuit, our future is bright and open wide. Why? With us is Kyoshu-sama who inherits the will of Meishu-sama and the successor of Kyoshu-sama, Masaaki-sama, and we are already going forward with a solid organization.

However, should those currently calling themselves “SKK” end up winning the lawsuit, they will separate from Kyoshu-sama who receives the will of Meishu-sama, and it is clear that they will go beyond a point of no return.

The final chance for *Sekai Kyusei Kyo* to be saved is this: They must lose the lawsuit. They should pray for that if they want to be saved.