

SGI PRESIDENT'S OCT. 17 ENCOURAGEMENT THE WORLD NEEDS NEW IDEAS

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SGI President Ikeda attended a joint executive conference with leaders from Yamanashi and Nagano prefectures at the Yamanashi Study and Training Center in Yamanashi Prefecture, Japan, on Oct. 17. Expressing his delight at the exemplary progress of Yamanashi and Nagano prefectures, President Ikeda made the following points:

- As long as we are alive, we must strive to leave behind something of value, some lasting legacy. Worldly prosperity is nothing more than relative happiness. There is no higher truth or greater happiness than that found in the realm of the Mystic Law.
- We are at the end of the 20th century, an age that has been void of philosophy. What we need now are new ideas and a new philosophy that will show humankind the path to follow into the future. These are what thinking people are earnestly seeking. That is why the SGI has realized such tremendous growth worldwide.
- Faith that is dedicated to the cause of kosen-rufu produces wonderful benefit. Those who strive to spread the Law will never fail to become happy — they will absolutely win. With this firm conviction, I hope you will continue to pray wholeheartedly and engage others in dialogue, thereby achieving a life of great fulfillment that will endure throughout the three existences.