

SGI PRESIDENT IKEDA'S MARCH 10 ENCOURAGEMENT PEOPLE OF ACTION WIN IN THE END

SGI President Ikeda gave the following encouragement at an area leaders conference in Shinjuku, Tokyo, March 10.

Most praiseworthy are those who exert themselves sincerely in this organization dedicated to kosen-rufu. Thinking that you are special because of your accomplishments — like having graduated from a top university or studied abroad — and thus losing sight of kosen-rufu is extremely misguided.

What matters is this: How are you challenging yourself right now for kosen-rufu? Action is the heart of Buddhism. People of action win in the end.

It is not a matter of your position in the organization. Truly admirable are those who fight on the front lines of kosen-rufu regardless of title or rank.

Nichiren Daishonin writes, “The 84,000 teachings [of the Buddha] are the diary of one’s own life” (*Gosho Zenshu*, p. 563). Only to the extent that we exert ourselves for kosen-rufu will all the Buddhist principles come to bloom in our lives, will we be able to do our human revolution, and will we attain the state of ultimate fulfillment.

Please take care of your health, and avoid traffic accidents. Please continue to consolidate the foundation for the 21st century.

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