Ôita Sub-district

Ôita Church  (4/16, by phone from District office)
Confirmed safety of Rev. Kusakabe and family, as well as congregation members and kindergarten families. No damage to church or kindergarten.

Ôita Higashi Church  (4/16, by phone from District office)
Rev. Ōtsugi, congregation members and kindergarten families confirmed safe. No damage to church or kindergarten.

Beppu Noguchi Church  (4/16, by phone from District office)
Rev. Yoshitake and family, as well as congregation members confirmed safe. A portion of the wall between church hall and minister's home has crumbled.

Beppu Church  (4/16, by phone from District office)
Rev. Shōji, congregation members and kindergarten families confirmed safe. A rift has appeared in a portion of the church building. Furnishings and equipment in the printing room in disarray. In the early hours of April 16 the kindergarten building was made available to 8 neighbours as shelter. (They have since returned to their homes.) The air conditioning unit in a bedroom of the minister’s residence fell down. (Minister reports that it could have caused injury, depending on the time.)

Beppu Furōchō Church  (4/16, by phone from District office)
Rev. Saitō and family, as well as congregation members confirmed safe. Crack appeared in the church building’s outer wall. Due to concerns about the sanctuary’s earthquake resistance, Sunday worship on April 17 will be held in the activities wing. Four congregation members have reported that their homes are in significant disarray from the tremor.

Nakatsu Church  (4/16, by phone from District office)
Rev. Hiroyasu, congregation members and kindergarten families confirmed safe. No damage to church or kindergarten.

Saiki Church  (4/16, by phone from District office)
Confirmed safety of Rev. Noguchi and husband (Rev. of Tsukumi Church below), as well as congregation members of both churches. No damage to either church.
Usuki Church  (4/16, by phone from District office)
Confirmed safety of Rev. Taguri and congregation members of both churches served by him. No Damage to Saganoseki Church. Rev. Taguri was planning to go to Usuki Church immediately after the phone call.

Tsukumi Church  (4/16, by phone from District office)
Confirmed safety of Rev. Noguchi and wife (Rev. of Saiko Church above), as well as congregation members of both churches. No damage to either church.

Takeda Church  (4/16, by phone from District office)
Confirmed safety of Rev. Ozaki and family, as well as congregation members and kindergarten families. No damage to church or kindergarten.

Kitsuki Church  (4/16, by phone from District office)
Confirmed safety of Rev. Kudō, Rev. Yoshiara and family, as well as congregation members and kindergarten families. No damage to church or kindergarten.

Bungo Takada Church  (4/16, by phone from District office)
Confirmed safety of Rev. Konishi and family, as well as congregation members of both churches served by him. No damage to church.

Hide Church  (4/16, by phone from District office)
Confirmed safety of Rev. Sekiya and congregation members. No damage to church.

Kunisaki Church  (4/16, by phone from District office)
Confirmed safety of Rev. Takatsuka, family and congregation members. No damage to church.

Mie Church  (4/16, by phone from District office)
Confirmed safety of Rev. Motomura, congregation members and kindergarten families. No damage to church or kindergarten.

Inukai Church  (4/16, by phone from District office)
Confirmed safety of Rev. Aosa, congregation members and kindergarten families. No damage to church or kindergarten.
Kusu Church  (4/16, by phone from District office)
Confirmed safety of Rev. Miyazaki, congregation members and kindergarten families.
No damage to church or kindergarten.

Saganoseki Church  (4/16, by phone from District office)
Confirmed safety of Rev. Taguri and congregation members of both churches served by him. No Damage to the church. Rev. Taguri was planning to go to Usuki Church immediately after the phone call.

Yufuin Church  (4/16, phone from District office failed to connect; Sub-district Committee Head Rev. Saitō verified status)
Confirmed safety of Rev. Kurota, congregation members and kindergarten families. Due to concerns about sanctuary’s earthquake resistance, Sunday worship on April 17 would be held in the kindergarten building. Daycare pupils were advised to remain at home on April 16.

Usa Church  (4/16, by phone from District office)
Confirmed safety of Rev. Konishi and family, as well as congregation members of both churches she serves. No damage to church.

<Retired Minister>  Rev. AMAMIYA Keiji, residing in Nakatsu city, Ōita  (4/16, by phone from District office)
Confirmed safe. No damage to home.

<Retired Minister>  Rev. ONO Ichirō, residing in Kusu township, Ōita  (4/16, by phone from District office)
Confirmed safe. No damage to home.

<Retired Minister>  Rev. SAITŌ Akio, residing in Nakatsu city, Ōita  (4/16, by phone from District office)
Confirmed safe. No damage to home.

<Retired Minister>  Rev. SATŌ Takayoshi, residing in Yufu city, Ōita  (4/16, by phone from District office)
Confirmed safe.
<Retired Minister>  Rev. SUZUKI Kimiko, residing in Yayami township, Ōita  (4/16, by phone from District office)
Confirmed safe.  No damage to home.

<Retired Minister>  Rev. HASHIMOTO Takayuki, residing in Nakatsu city, Ōita  (4/16, by phone from District office)
Confirmed safe.  No damage to home.

<Retired Minister>  Rev. MIYAHARA Tadao, residing in Ōita city, Ōita  (4/16, by phone from District office)
Confirmed safe.  No damage to home.

<Educational Minister>  Rev. TSUTSUMI Takeo, Kyushu Christian Social Welfare Institute  (4/16, by phone from District office)
Confirmed safe.  No damage to home.  Son now lives in Kumamoto, so was on his way to Kumamoto when reached by phone. (Son is fine.)

<Minister without charge>  Rev. KOKUBO Jirō, residing in Beppu city, Ōita  (4/16, by phone from District office)
Confirmed safe.  No damage to home.

<Retired Minister>  Rev. FUJIYOSHI Ayaka, residing in Nakatsu city, Ōita  (4/16, by phone from District office)
Confirmed safe.  No damage to home.

KCCJ Beppu Church (4/16, phone from District office was unsuccessful; enquired to Rev. Kim of Fukuoka Chūō Church)
Rev. Shin and family, as well as congregation members confirmed safe.  No Damage to church.  Furnishings inside the church are in disarray.

Rev. FUJIYOSHI Ayaka, residing in Nakatsu city, Ōita  (4/16, by phone from District office)
Confirmed safe.  No damage to home.
By April 16, 3PM we had also confirmed with the following sub-districts, by phone, that no significant damages had been reported thus far:
Kagoshima, Chikugo, Miyazaki, Fukuoka, Nagasaki, Saga, Kitakyushu, Amami