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Candle Night Newsletter June Special 2009

Invitation to Candle Night

June 21, 2009

Candle Night Committee

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Candle Night Summer Solstice 2009

Turn off your lights for two hours from 8 to 10 p.m. on the evening on June 21, 2009.

Do something special . . .

Read a book with your child by candlelight.

Enjoy a quiet dinner with a special person.

This night can mean many things for many people.

A time to save energy, to think about peace,

to think about people in distant lands

who share our planet.

Pulling the plug opens the window to a new world.

Awakens us to human freedom and diversity.

It is a process of discovery about our potential.

However you spend them, for just two hours, join us.

Turning off the lights, and help us spread

a gentle wave of candlelight around the earth.

On the evening of June 21, from 8 to 10 p.m.

Turn off your lights. Take it slow.

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"Candle Night" started in Japan in 2003. The Voluntary Blackout movement in Canada was the inspiration. This movement, launched in 2001, was started to show opposition to the Bush administration's energy policy. We started Candle Night to show we believe the true sense of

"peaceful life" can be realized in everyday life. Instead of constantly crying out against nuclear power, we want everyone to feel the importance of quality time.

"Candle Night" can offer people time to think about what really matters to them during quiet and quality time in the candlelight, something all of us tend to forget in our busy everyday lives. We hope it will eventually lead us to long-term solutions to current problems and give us a chance to overcome our "economic supremacy." We believe the benefits of the Candle Night activities are valuable to our societies and our futures.

If you agree with this movement, please write your message on our globe-based message board, "Candlescape."

<http://feel.candle-night.org/scape/>

The following are messages of some of the Key Promoters of Candle Night.

Kazuyoshi Fujita

Now is the time for us to protect the primary industry before a global food crisis develops, and also time to think about life's diversity. On the past Candle Nights, the Tokyo Tower, a symbolic building in Tokyo turned out their lights. Why are lights-out events necessary? This is what each of us should think about.

Junko Edahiro

The crisis we are now facing will not be solved quickly. We need to think about what real happiness is. Global warming itself is not a problem but a symptom. The real problem is that humanity wants to grow limitless on limited Earth. The true value of Candle Night is that it can give us an opportunity to think about what really matters to us by spending slow time.

For more information on the Key Promoters of Candle Night, visit

<http://www.candle-night.org/english/about/index.html>

Enjoy Candle Night!

<http://www.candle-night.org/jp/view/index.html>

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*Candlescape

<http://feel.candle-night.org/scape/>

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Visit our website--it is being updated during Candle Night Week.

Have happy Candle Nights!

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We also invite your local stories, festivals and events related to candles and fires. Please send emails to: eninfo@candle-night.org

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