A Letter to the Earthquake Victims

Dear Victims of the Qinghai Earthquake,

How are you? I guess this is not the first time you have been asked this question. No matter how many times you’ve heard it, I still have to send you my regards, as I truly worry about you.

After the disaster, during these days, whenever I read or saw news or pictures about it, I couldn’t stop thinking about you. I saw collapsed buildings, damaged roads, rubbles and corpses. I heard people sobbing, weeping, and wailing. Not only did the earthquake ruin your homes, it shattered your and my hearts.

Nevertheless, don’t buckle under pressure. Stand tall because the people who love or who are loved by you definitely don’t want you to look like wrecks. They want you to live on. They want you to be tough. They want you to rebuild your life, a more beautiful life.

Believe me, there’s always hope. When the clouds are blown away, you’ll see sunshine. Just be patient and hold on. No matter how merciless the earthquake is, it cannot destroy our hope. Let’s make efforts together and we’ll see our future.

Remember, you’re not alone. There’re lots of people who care about you. We’re trying our best to help. Rescue teams have been dispatched. Donations have been collected. Relief supplies have been delivered.

Be tough. Qing Hai may look like a dying old man now, but it will change into a newborn baby. With everyone’s care and love, the child can grow strong and healthy. Have faith in us. Most importantly, have faith in yourselves.

Best wishes,
Toni Chan